

MAD RIVER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Regular Session – February 7, 2022

The Mad River Township Trustees met in regular session Monday, February 7, 2022 at the Mad River Township Fire Station and via Facebook Live.

Present: Trustees Bobby McClure, Todd Pettit, Jay Young and Fiscal Officer David Rudy.

Trustee Pettit called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm, led the Pledge of Allegiance and welcomed the audience in attendance.

Trustee Young moved to suspend the reading of and approve the minutes of the January 18, 2022 regular session and the January 26, 2022 and January 29, 2022 special sessions. Seconded by Trustee McClure, motion carried 3-0.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Enon Fire and EMS

Interim Chief John Heath stated the department had 230 runs YTD 2022 with 126 calls for service since the last regular meeting. This was an average of 6.05 calls per day. There were 26 overlapping calls which helped increase the mutual aid received to 38 compared to 3 mutual aids given. The department handled 2 car fires, including 1 at DaySpring, where Deputy Baldwin assisted the crew with apparatus placement saving other cars. The department increased staffing during the snow event Wednesday to Friday, covering all calls in the township. Chief asked the public to uncover a fire hydrant if it is located near their home in case it is needed in an emergency. He is working with the county dispatch to update the run cards for the township. The M2-50 had an error code in the transmission, however it checked out fine. John 3 applications that have completed the background checks to the trustees for approval and he has 3 more candidates pending background approval.

Road Department

Don O'Connor stated all trucks are still in good shape after the snow. There is 75 tons of salt and 50 tons of grits on hand. The trucks were in the plats today and the number of vehicles parked on the street make it difficult to clear the snow off the roadway. Don thanked Brandon for putting a public service notice out about moving the cars during the snow event. Don had to repair 6 mailboxes. Don noted he had a quote on the opener for the large garage door from Oaks Doors in the amount of \$3,000 and a quote from RD Holder for a 500-gallon fuel tank at the road department for \$5,300 including the pump. The trustees noted that the pump would have to remain locked and a camera would need to be installed. Don also had a quote for the bobcat excavator with hammer hoe attachment. In the cemetery, Don reported a busy month of January with over \$20,000 in revenue. The cemetery was tough to plow.

Sheriff Deputy

Deputy Brandon Baldwin reported 27 calls, 0 arrests, 6 traffic stops and 5 assists of other departments from January 18, 2022 to February 7, 2022. Brandon said he still had not heard from P & R about the pit bumper. He offered his appreciation for the public staying off the roads during the winter storm and also to the fire department for placing the truck on the highway as a barricade during calls.

Hustead Fire

Chief Matt Hirtzinger had no report.

Hustead EMS

Chief Heather Kaufman had no report.

Fiscal Officer Rudy presented checks for the trustees to sign as well as the latest credit card statements for Trustee Pettit to review. He also noted a need to change an advance from a prior year from the General Fund to the Road Special Levy Fund needed to be returned or the trustees could make a motion to change the advance to a transfer. This was an audit note. David also asked for a transfer of \$35,000 from the General Fund to the Hustead EMS and Ambulance Fund to help with cash flow.

Trustee Young moved to change the advance from the General Fund to the Road Special Levy Fund in the amount of \$30,000.00 to a transfer. Seconded by Trustee McClure, motion carried 3-0. (Resolution 2022-004)

Trustee Young moved to transfer \$35,000.00 from the General Fund to the Hustead EMS and Ambulance Fund. Seconded by Trustee McClure, motion carried 3-0. (Resolution 2022-005)

OLD BUSINESS

Trustee Pettit wanted to remind the public that the Police Levy that will be on the May Primary ballot will be a renewal of the current levy and will not increase taxes on citizens of the township. The levy does exclude the residents of the Village of Enon.

Trustee Young moved to support the name of "Pup Creek", the tributary of Coyote Run and issue a letter of support to the Mud Run Conservancy. Seconded by Trustee McClure, motion carried 3-0. (Resolution 2022-007)

Trustee Young noted the entire township is now covered by the Clark County dispatch center as of February 1, 2022. As with any transition, there will be issues to work through. The run cards will be updated and when the new dispatch center opens the process will do a better job of defining the boundaries for mutual aid calls. The switch to the MARCS system enables better communication between departments.

NEW BUSINESS

Trustee Pettit mentioned the special meeting between the trustees and members of the Enon Village administration. There is the possibility of a joint purchase of property to be a multi-use park in the area. There will be multiple ideas to go through on the best plan going forward, but it was noted that with the new school there was a loss of community baseball and soccer fields.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS

No audience comments.

At 7:55 pm Trustee Young moved to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing the employment of employees and the negotiations of a collective bargaining agreement. Seconded by Trustee Pettit, motion carried 3-0.

At 10:41 pm, Trustee Young moved to come out of executive session and re-enter regular session. Seconded by Trustee McClure, motion carried 3-0.

Trustee Young moved to hire the following individuals: Liam Hayes, Andrew Noonan, and Kory McIntosh. Seconded by Trustee McClure, motion carried 3-0.

Trustee McClure moved to approve the tentative agreement arrived at between the AFSCME Ohio Council, Local No. 2241 and Mad River Township. Seconded by Trustee Young, motion carried 3-0. (Resolution 2022-006)

At 10:42 pm, Trustee Young moved to adjourn. Seconded by Trustee McClure, motion carried 3-0.