

MAD RIVER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
Regular Session – January 18, 2022

The Mad River Township Trustees met in regular session Tuesday, January 18, 2022 at the Mad River Township Fire Station and via Facebook Live.

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

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

Trustee McClure moved to suspend the reading of and approve the minutes of the January 3, 2022 organizational meeting and the January 3, 2022 regular session. Seconded by Trustee Young, motion carried 2-0.

## **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

### **Enon Fire and EMS**

Interim Chief John Heath stated the department had 104 runs YTD 2022 compared to 75 runs YTD 2021, an average of 5.8 runs per day with 14 overlapping runs. The department had 34 mutual aid received and 5 mutual aid given. Covid cases have been on the rise so the department members are masking in the station and in public and Chief has instituted an incident action plan with for the department until February 1<sup>st</sup>. Multiple members have tested positive for Covid. John presented 7 applications that have completed the background checks to the trustees for approval.

### **Road Department**

Don O'Connor stated 75 tons of salt have been ordered. The #2 truck had a power steering pump issue, the #3 truck overheated due to the fan clutch and the F550 had a hydraulic hose leak. For the winter incident, 2 township trucks were on the road. Don thanked Fred Messaros and Joel Hillard for cleaning Green Meadows and Holiday Valley. The pedestrian signs for Fowler Road are in and will be installed. In the cemetery, there were 5 funerals last week and 1 scheduled for the current week. Don inquired about the hammer hoe to help dig in the rocky areas.

### **Sheriff Deputy**

Deputy Brandon Baldwin reported 25 calls, 6 arrests, 31 traffic stops and 7 assists of other departments from January 3, 2022 to January 18, 2022. Brandon said that for the last month a number of late night/early morning break-ins along Dayton Road. He asked the public to be alert and noted that ring door bell cameras are useful tools in the investigation process. He also warned residents about starting their vehicles in the morning and leaving them unlocked. The gates at the railroad track on Enon Road at I-70 have malfunctioned a couple of times. Norfolk – Southern is supposed to fix the problem.

### **Hustead Fire**

Trustee Young reported the department had 124 runs in calendar 2021.

### **Hustead EMS**

Trustee Young reported the department had 413 runs in calendar 2021.

Fiscal Officer Rudy presented checks for the trustees to sign as well as the November bank reconciliation and reports. He noted the Sheriff Levy was up for renewal and asked the trustees if they would like to proceed with placing the levy on the May 3<sup>rd</sup> ballot.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

No Old Business.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Trustee McClure made a resolution of necessity to proceed for the purpose of placing a renewal of an existing tax levy of .80 mills outside of 10 mills on the residents of Mad River Township (excluding the Village of Enon) for the purpose of providing and maintaining motor vehicles, communications, and other equipment used directly in the operation of a police department or the payment of salaries of police personnel, or the payments of costs incurred by townships as a result of contracts made with other political subdivisions in order to obtain police protection (5705.19(J)) to be placed on the May 3, 2022 primary ballot for the tax years 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025, 2026. Seconded by Trustee Young, motion carried 2-0. (Resolution 2022-001)

## **AUDIENCE COMMENTS**

Mrs. Kathleen Matthews discussed the "Name that Creek" contest winning name for the only tributary of Coyote Run, which was also a name chosen by the students of Greenon Schools. The winner was "Pup Creek". The tributary is about 1 mile long and starts near Husted Road and Springfield Xenia Road and runs under Husted Road into a field. Over 700 students voted on the top 5 names and the contest was used as a teaching tool by the teachers for government and geography. The contest was held by the Mud Run Conservancy group and the group is seeking a resolution or approval in writing from the trustees on the new name of the tributary. The name, if approved, will be listed with the US Board on Geographical Names and placed on maps going forward.

At 7:55 pm Trustee McClure moved to enter into executive session for the purpose of appointment/employment/promotion/dismissal/discipline of public employees. Seconded by Trustee Young motion carried 2-0.

At 9:36 pm, Trustee Young moved to come out of executive session and re-enter regular session. Seconded by Trustee McClure Motion carried 2-0.

Trustee McClure moved to hire the following individuals: Holly Childers, Nathan Riehl, Heather McLemore, Joseph Hawbecker, Robert Cook, Cole Schlereth, and Emma Cox. Seconded by Trustee Young, motion carried 2-0.

Trustee McClure moved to accept the joint board agreement with Green Township for dispatching services. Seconded by Trustee Young, motion carried 2-0. (Resolution 2022-002)

At 9:37 pm, Trustee Young moved to adjourn. Seconded by Trustee McClure, motion carried 2-0.