MAD RIVER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Organizational Meeting 2023 – January 3, 2023

Fiscal Officer David Rudy called the 2023 Organizational Meeting to order at 7:30 pm. Trustees McClure, Pettit and Young were present.

Township meetings will be held the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month informally at 7:00 pm, with the formal meeting starting at 7:30 pm. Meetings falling on a federal holiday will be postponed to the following day. Work sessions will be the 4th Monday as needed, motion by Trustee Pettit, seconded by Trustee Young, motion carried 3-0.

Election of Officers - Motion by Trustee McClure to name Trustee Pettit as President for 2023 and Trustee Young as Vice President for 2023. Seconded by Trustee Young, motion carried 3-0. Trustee McClure will be Member at Large for 2023.

Assignments – Any department can go to any trustee. Motion by Trustee Pettit, seconded by Trustee McClure,

motion carried 3-0.

Roads – Motion by Trustee Young, seconded by Trustee McClure that residents can call any of the trustees regarding roads in any part of the township, motion carried 3-0.

Trustee Pettit moved to keep the salary and hourly rates for all employees the same, seconded by Trustee Young, motion

carried 3-0.

Trustee Young moved to set a $3,000 limit on requiring a purchase order and prior notification of the purchase by the township departments. Seconded by Trustee Pettit, motion carried 3-0.

Trustee Pettit moved to set a limit for blanket certificates at $25,000. Seconded by Trustee McClure, motion carried 3-0.

Trustee Young moved to end the Organizational meeting at 7:35 pm, seconded by Trustee Pettit, motion carried 3-0.

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Regular Session – January 3, 2023

The Mad River Township Trustees met in regular session Tuesday, January 3, 2023 at the Mad River Township Fire Station and via the Mad River You Tube platform.

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

Trustee Pettit called the meeting to order at 7:38 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 December 19, 2022 regular session. Seconded by Trustee McClure, motion carried 3-0.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

**Enon Fire and EMS**

Chief John Heath presented the trustees with the 2022 department annual report. The department had 1,920 runs in 2022, with 81.2% medical calls and 18.8% fire calls. There were 393 overlapping calls in 2022. The frigid temperatures recently made it very challenging when the department was called mutual aid on a few house fires. The department was called to a garage fire on December 24th and John thanked Hustead for the assistance. Engine 50 was hit on the highway on Christmas Eve. The engine is still in service and it may be at least 6 months for the repairs to Rescue 50. John asked the public to slow down on the highways when the weather is bad. The department handled 87 calls since the last meeting and 16 calls already in 2023. Of the 87 calls, 25 were overlapping calls with 9 mutual aid given and 10 mutual aid received. The department is still looking at quotes for the garage doors including new openers and possible panel replacement.

**Road and Cemetery Department**

Don O’Connor stated winter event over Christmas was one of the most challenging in his years of plowing roads, due to the constant blowing and drifting of snow and frigid temperatures. Don reminded the residents that salt does not work when the temperatures are below 17 degrees. The department used 20-40 tons of salt, with the most challenging roads being Old Mill, Hagan, Jackson and Fowler. The 550 is in the shop and the 94 International is still having issues. The new plow truck did well however airbags need to be installed to help the truck handle the wait of the salt in the V-box. Don apologized to the residents of the Bluffs stating the plat is not part of the routine. The cemetery has been busy with 2 funerals today and another one scheduled for later in the week. The trustees thanked the department for their work during the event in clearing the roadways and also thanked them for pushing the drifts at Rebert and Enon Xenia back further off the road. Chief Heath thanked Don for keeping the firehouse plowed.

**Sheriff Deputy**

Deputy Brandon Baldwin reported 64 calls, 4 arrests, 11 traffic stops, 1 assists of other departments, 54 business checks, 130 citizen contacts, 2,061.5 miles put on the cruiser from November 21, 2022 to January 3, 2023. Brandon noted he was off 2 weeks for a back injury. On November 22nd, Brandon assisted other deputies in locating and arresting a male subject who had injured another Deputy the night before. The updated parking rules and regulations have not been sent back from Andrew Pickering. The property at 4457 Rebert Pike has been forwarded to the Mr. Shaeffer at the county health department by Jennifer Tuttle at county zoning. Brandon handled numerous calls on the highway during the inclement weather and concurred with Don that the roads were very hazardous. He said Don and the road crew did a great job on the township roads and thanked the citizens of the township for moving their vehicles off the roadways to help with the snow removal. There is a pothole on Oak Hill due to a water main break that could damage vehicles if it is not filled in with gravel. Brandon noted that with the proposed road closure on Enon Xenia, there will be more traffic on Southern Vista. He will be monitoring the 4 way stop at Green Meadows and Southern Vista.

**Hustead Fire**

Chief Matt Hirtzinger had no report.

**Hustead EMS**

Chief Heather Kaufman had no report.

Fiscal Officer Rudy presented checks for payment for the trustees to sign and provided Trustee Pettit with the most recent credit card statement. He is working on year end for the calendar year 2022.

Trustee Pettit noted the need for an executive session after the business part of the meeting.

**OLD BUSINESS**

No old business.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Trustee McClure noted there is an emergency number for the Clark County Utilities department that the public can call if they see a water main break. The number is 937-521-2150.

At 8:05 pm, Trustee McClure moved to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing the employment and compensation of public employees. Seconded by Trustee Pettit motion carried 3-0.

**AUDIENCE COMMENTS**

No comments.

At 9:54 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 Austin Hoffman, a EMT/FF2 to the department. Seconded by Trustee Pettit, motion carried 3-0.

Trustee McClure moved to give raises to the road superintendent in the amount of $2.00 from $25.00 to $27.00 an hour, the mechanic $3.00 from $22.00 to $25.00 an hour and full-time operator $2.50 from $19.50 to $22.00 an hour, effective January 2, 2023. Seconded by Trustee Young, motion carried 3-0. (Resolution 2023-001)

At 9:56 pm, Trustee Young moved to adjourn. Seconded by Trustee McClure, motion carried 3-0.