MAD RIVER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Organizational Meeting 2024 – January 2, 2024

Fiscal Officer David Rudy called the 2024 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 Young, seconded by Trustee McClure, motion carried 3-0.

Election of Officers - Motion by Trustee McClure to name Trustee Pettit as President for 2024 and Trustee Young as Vice President for 2024. Seconded by Trustee Young, motion carried 3-0. Trustee McClure will be Member at Large for 2024.

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

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

carried 3-0.

Trustee Young moved to set a $4,000 limit on requiring a purchase order and prior notification of the purchase by the township departments. Seconded by Trustee McClure, motion carried 3-0.

Trustee Young 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 McClure, motion carried 3-0.

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Regular Session – January 2, 2024

The Mad River Township Trustees met in regular session Tuesday, January 2, 2024 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 7:35 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 18, 2023 regular session. Seconded by Trustee McClure, motion carried 3-0.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

**Enon Fire and EMS**

Chief John Heath presented the trustees with the 2023 department annual report. The department had 1,820 runs in 2023, with 60 calls since the last meeting for an average of 4.99 calls per day. Mutual aid received was 1 (67 YTD) and mutual aid given of 3 (117 YTD). Chief noted that 98.5% of the calls in 2023 were covered by the department. Sutphen is finishing up Rescue 50 and will be ready for inspection. John wants the pumps tested and all the fluids changed. Medic M-150 suffered a flat tire on the way to the emergency room with a patient. Chief thanked Fairborn Fire for assisting and taking the patient to the hospital. The tire was changed and is now scheduled for new tires and an alignment. The department support group has transitioned to the Fire Auxiliary and applications will be opening soon. The Community CPR program is up and running and promotion of the program will begin with hopes to hold quarterly trainings. Chief noted the permanent change by the State Legislature to allow part time hours up to 1,800 annually helped with staffing this year.

**Road and Cemetery Department**

Don O’Connor had no report.

**Sheriff Deputy**

Deputy Brandon Baldwin had no report.

**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 also presented the trustees with the bank reconciliations and monthly reports for October and November 2023. The Ohio Department of Transportation provided the township road mileage (53.086 miles) for certification for 2023. He presented a notice from Division of Liquor control asking if a hearing was needed for the Enon Beverage Depot. He is working on year end for the calendar year 2023.

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

**OLD BUSINESS**

Trustee McClure attended a virtual meeting with CemSites to obtain an update on the project of computerizing the cemetery records.

Trustee McClure noted the catch basin repair project should begin soon.

Trustee McClure noted increased complaints for residents raising chickens in the township. He noted the county regulations require a ½ acre lot to raise chickens however it is not widely enforced unless the resident is unable to keep the chickens contained on their own property

**NEW BUSINESS**

Chief Heath noted that fireworks are allowed by Ohio state law on New Years Eve.

**AUDIENCE COMMENTS**

No comments.

At 8:00 pm, Trustee McClure moved to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing the employment and compensation of public employees. Seconded by Trustee Young, motion carried 3-0.

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 Joshua Still, a EMT/FF2, to the department pending background and physical. Seconded by Trustee McClure, motion carried 3-0.

Trustee Young moved to give raises the following raises: Chief of Emergency Service John Heath a raise to $40,000 annually, Assistant Chiefs Ben Beair and Michael Gardone, raises to $16,500 annually, effective January 1, 2024. Seconded by Trustee McClure, motion carried 3-0. (Resolution 2024-001)

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