MAD RIVER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Regular Session – September 16, 2024

The Mad River Township Trustees met in regular session Monday, September 16, 2024 at the Mad River Township Fire Station and via the township You Tube platform.

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

Trustee Pettit called the meeting to order at 7:32 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 regular session on September 3, 2024. Seconded by Trustee McClure motion carried 3-0.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

**Enon Fire and EMS**

Chief John Heath stated the department has 1,326 calls for service YTD an increase of over 50 calls from YTD 2023 for an average of 5.1 calls per day. Five mutual aid received and three mutual aid given since last meeting and 41 mutual aid received YTD 2024 and 50 mutual aid given YTD 2024. The crews responded to a combine on fire in a field and were able to make a quick stop to save the field. The department is working on the preparation for the Apple Butter Festival. John said the department oversaw the fireworks display that occurred during the Heroes vs Breast Cancer softball tournament and there were no issues. Clark County is not in a drought burn ban, but Chief Heath believes it will be soon. If there is a burn ban in place, that could mean changes for the upcoming Greenon Homecoming bon fire and the Apple Butter Festival. The department is working to update the station with new paint and flooring.

**Road and Cemetery Department**

Nathan Brentlinger noted the New Horizon ditch project was about three quarters complete. The home owners on Old Mill Road were contacted and signed the right of entry waiver so the department could enter their property to clean up the back side of a number of ditches. Street sign replacement is ongoing. The department worked with the contractor in Echo Hills to haul away some of the excess stone from the chip and seal project. Nathan said there have been a number of funerals in the cemetery and the foundations have been laid out for the fall pour.

**Sheriff Deputy**

Deputy Brandon Baldwin had no report.

**Hustead Fire**

Trustee Young reported that Chief Matt Hirtzinger said the department had 84 runs for the year and the trucks have been serviced.

**Hustead EMS**

Trustee Young reported that Loretta Lewis said the department had 279 runs for the year and had received a $4,000 grant to help purchase new equipment.

Fiscal Officer Rudy presented checks for the trustees to sign and the latest credit card statements for Trustee Pettit to review.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Trustee McClure stated the work in Echo Hills was ongoing with the sweeping of the excess stone. The sweeping machine was having a few issues, so the work was delayed a little. He also noted that the New Horizon ditch work looked good and they would be working on painting the needed grade marks for the rest of the project.

Trustee Young said there was no update on aggregation, however the trustees will need to pass a resolution in the near future to allow Trebel to enter into a contract for the electric rate.

Trustee Pettit noted the surplus items had been sold on Govdeals and most items have been picked up and paid for.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Trustee Young made a motion to approve the five-year Solid Waste Management Plan for the Clark County Solid Waste Management District. Seconded by Trustee McClure, motion passed 3-0. (Resolution 2024-018)

Trustee McClure noted quotes were received to complete Phase 2 of the New Horizon drainage project, that included some culvert replacement. The affected property owners were contacted and have given approval for the project. The cost of the project is around $15,000.

Trustee Young moved to award the work on New Horizon to New Image Outdoor Solutions. Seconded by Trustee McClure, motion carried 3-0. (Resolution 2024-019)

Trustee McClure moved to hire Katlyn Erbaugh, an EMT/FF1, to the department pending the background, drug and physical results. Seconded by Trustee Young, motion carried 3-0.

**AUDIENCE COMMENTS**

Denise Hobson spoke on behalf of the former dispatchers of Mad River Township. They are asking the Trustees to look into their requests regarding issues with payments prior to their addition to the township payroll February 1, 2006.

At 7:54 pm, Trustee Young moved to adjourn. Seconded by Trustee McClure, motion carried 3-0.