

# Mad River Township Trustees

Regular Meeting: Thursday, September 7, 2017

Meeting time: 7:30pm

Trustees Present: Dave Riley (president), Brent Laughman (vice president), Dale Goddard

Fiscal Officer Present: Richard Ford

Others Present: James Riley, Dennis Bok, Karen Bailey

Meeting called to order followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

## Minutes and Financials

Trustees reviewed the financials, bills, checks and 8/17/17 meeting minutes.

**Motion:** Dale Goddard motioned to approve the minutes, financials, and bills/checks. Brent Laughman seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

## Community Discussion/Concerns

-Karen Bailey, County Auditor, was present to see if the trustees or any community members had questions about the reappraisal process currently going on in the County. She said that representatives from her office are currently going throughout the county taking pictures of all of the properties for the appraisal process. They would have badges as well as decals on their vehicles identifying them with the Auditor's office.

## Roads and Bridges

-Dave Riley updated that the township is still waiting on road signs from the grant to come in.

-Dave Riley said he is still waiting on another quote for the crack seal projects.

## Cemeteries

-No update on Rector Gard Cemetery.

-Richard Ford said that Mr. Laughman had been contacted by the Rooks family regarding the Terre Haute Cemetery, Hoffman Addition, lot 236. They said that there were supposed to be 2 graves on reserve for them to purchase next to the Carpenters. When Mr. Laughman reviewed the lot he found that there was a deed for graves 1 and 2 for Marie and Frank Carpenter, however, on inspection of the lot, Marie and Frank are buried in graves 3 and 4. Mr. Ford asked trustees if we could just make a motion to correct the original deed for Marie and Frank to match where they were actually buried and to go ahead and allow John Rooks to purchase graves 1 and 2.

**Motion:** Dale Goddard motioned to allow the correction on the deed for Marie and Frank Carpenter (so that Mr. Rooks can purchase the two empty graves on lot 236). Brent Laughman seconded the motion. Motion unanimously approved.

## Equipment

-Trustees discussed the Bowman and Brown auction contract. Mr. Laughman wanted to make sure the trustees knew the fees that were involved since it wasn't discussed at the last meeting when it was approved. Trustees agreed that they were still in agreement to sign the contract.

-Dave Riley said he was still waiting on a second quote regarding the possible upgrade to our A/C unit at the township building.

## Zoning

-Mr. Ford provided a printed copy of an email Mr. Purk sent with updates on the zoning issues.

-Trustees and Mr. Ford discussed the recent zoning amendments that were approved at the last meeting. Mr. Ford said they had a 30-day wait time before they became effective. They discussed how many copies would be needed for the township. Mr. Laughman suggested 20 so that each trustee and zoning board and zoning appeals board would each get a copy and allow for some extras for new members. Mr. Ford said he would contact the LUC about getting those printed.

**Other Administrative**

-Mr. Ford gave trustees the letter from the election board with the wording of the road renewal levy. Trustees agreed it looked correct.

-Mr. Goddard asked the other trustees about options for the pile of ground asphalt still at the Nettlecreek building. Trustees discussed options of using it to improve the drive going through the Nettlecreek cemetery. Trustees agreed to go and look at the cemetery drive to see if that was a feasible option. No action taken at this time.

**Motion:** Brent Laughman motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:05pm. Dale Goddard seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Minutes Approval Date: \_\_\_\_\_ by Trustee: \_\_\_\_\_

Attested \_\_\_\_\_

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