

Mad River Township Trustees

Regular Meeting: Thursday, September 15, 2016, Meeting time: 7:30pm

Trustees Present: Brent Laughman (President), Mike Ward (Vice President), Dave Riley

Fiscal Officer Present: Richard Ford

Others Present: James Riley, Rick and Karen Bailey, John Bruce, Kent Smith, Jane Napier, Bruce Johnson, Nick Walton (Urbana Paper)

Meeting called to order followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes and Financials

Trustees reviewed the financials, bills/checks, and 9/1/16 meeting minutes.

Motion: Dave Riley motioned to approve the minutes, financials, and bills/checks. Mike Ward seconded the motion. Motion unanimously approved.

Community Discussion/Concerns

-None

Roads and Bridge

-Dave Riley updated that the fog coat on the contracted roads have been completed by the County.

-No update on the burn pile at the Nettle Creek building.

-Mr. Laughman said he met with the County regarding the guard rail project and the County is donating used guard rail so the township will just need to pay labor and other materials.

-Dave Riley said he had been contacted by Steve Runkle with Jackson Township about the possibility of a snow plowing agreement. The suggested trade would be for Mad River Township to take on Jackson Township's section of Hampton-Donnelsville and Jackson Township would take on Mad River's section of Conrad Road. Mike Ward said that this has been discussed in the past but that Jackson's section of Hampton-Donnelsville is extremely difficult to manage from a plowing perspective and would be more expensive for the township. Trustees agreed not to do the trade. Mr. Riley will contact Mr. Runkle and let him know of their decision.

Cemeteries

-Jane Napier said she has been in contact with the attorneys for the Rector-Gard Cemetery. She asked the trustees under what conditions they would accept the cemetery. Trustees explained that they can't afford to take the cemetery as is since the cemetery fund does not have the funds to put an access road to it or maintain it. They said that in prior discussions it was agreed by the township trustees that the organization that is currently owners of Rector-Gard Cemetery would need to pay for a viable access to the cemetery and provide some type of bequest fund for up keep on the cemetery. Ms. Napier will discuss these options with the Rector-Gard attorneys.

-Mr. Laughman said that Nichols should be starting on the storm damage repairs on Wednesday Sept 24.

-Mr. Ward said he had met with a Mr. Gilliam this past Saturday about being buried in Nettle Creek Cemetery.

Equipment

-Mr. Laughman said that the County Engineer had expressed interest in purchasing the Bomford arm mower that the trustees were planning on putting up for auction on govdeals.com. He said the Bomford company had valued the arm mower at \$1,000 for trade in.

Motion: Dave Riley motioned to rescind the original motion of putting both of the Bomford mowers on govdeals.com and to allow the County Engineer to purchase the Bomford arm mower for \$1,000. Mike Ward seconded the motion. Motion unanimously approved.

-Mr. Laughman also said the public auction was held in St Paris but that we have not been given the settlement information yet.

Zoning

-Mr. Purk said he and Breanne, Municipal Court prosecutor, are planning on meeting to discuss the best process to resolve the zoning violations like Mr. Humphrey's.

-Trustees and Mr. Purk also discussed the process of getting people to remove junk vehicles. Mr. Purk said Brad with the LUC said it is about a 10-12 month process. They also discussed trying to use the Sheriff's department to deliver zoning violation notices.

-Mr. Purk said that there is a zoning appeals board scheduled for a request to waive the 150 foot road frontage requirement to build a house.

Other Administrative

-Mr. Laughman said he has priced out the bushes that were part of the plan designed by the Jack North 4H group. He said the price for bushes would be around \$713. They discussed possibly reducing the amount of bushes in the design plan.

Motion:Dave Riley motioned to approve the landscape project with the possibility of reducing the number of bushes in the design if possible but not mandatory. Mike Ward seconded the motion. Motion unanimously approved.

-Mr. Laughman said he had been asked by a resident who is putting in a new drive about if the township is supposed to provide a load of gravel for new driveways. Mr. Laughman asked Ms. Napier, the County assistant prosecutor, if this was legal. Ms. Napier said that it would be against the law for the township to provide this. Mr. Laughman will notify the resident.

-Dave Riley said he had reviewed the NCO solid waste district plan and that there is not much change.

Motion:Dave Riley motioned to approve the NCO solid waste district plan. Mike Ward seconded the motion. Motion unanimously approved.

-The garage floor resurfacing is still pending a quote.

-Mr. Ford presented the trustees with the "RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR".

Motion: Dave Riley motioned to approve the "RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR". Mike Ward seconded the motion. Motion unanimously approved.

Motion:Dave Riley motioned to adjourn meeting at 8:50pm. Mike Ward seconded motion. Motion unanimously passed.

Minutes Approval Date: _____ by Trustee: _____

Attested _____

