

Mad River Township Trustees

Regular Meeting: Thursday, August 3, 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, Everett Keller, Dennis Bok, Cody Riley, Jim Queen, Luke elder, Scott Ford, Don Vallance

Meeting called to order followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes and Financials

Trustees reviewed the financials, bills, checks and 7/20/17 meeting minutes.

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

Community Discussion/Concerns

-Residents were present from the Walnut Grove development to discuss the drainage issues within their development. The problem is the runoff ditch doesn't seem to be draining like it should or used to drain. Part of the issue is that the ditch goes through different resident's property. Trustees informed the residents that that runoff ditch is not under the township governance so there isn't anything that they could do for them, however, Dale Goddard and Brent Laughman discussed the different options the residents have with their drainage issues. One suggestion was that the residents have a meeting and invite an independent third party to help with the discussions. Mr. Laughman said that the trustees would probably allow them to hold that meeting at the township building if they choose to hold a community meeting.

Roads and Bridges

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

-Trustees had follow up discussion on crack sealing the roads. Mr. Riley said he had looked at County Line Rd and didn't really see a need to crack seal it this year since it will get chip and seal next year. Mr. Laughman said that chip and seal isn't really designed to fill the larger cracks and we might want to crack seal those before the chip and seal. Dave Riley will get some quotes on crack sealing.

-Trustees said that the Methodist Church in Terre Haute needs to replace the existing drainage pipe that passes through our cemetery property and they asked permission to replace it. Trustees agreed to allow them to replace the pipe.

Cemeteries

-No update on Rector Gard Cemetery

Equipment

-Trustees discussed the township trucks. The F350 has a belt going out and the transmission needs serviced. Trustees agreed to get that done.

-updated that the F550 is scheduled for repair work next week.

-Dave Riley said he had contacted Snyder Heating and Cooling and they are supposed to get back with him on a quote.

Zoning

-no updates on zoning.

Other Administrative

-The zoning board has submitted some amendments to the zoning regulations.

Motion: Brent Laughman motioned to hold a zoning amendment hearing on August 17, 2017 at 7:00pm and the regular meeting will be directly following the hearing. Dale Goddard seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Other Administrative continued.

-Mr. Ford presented trustees with a 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: Dale Goddard moved to adopt 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. Mr. Laughman seconded the motion. Resolution passed unanimously.

-Mr. Ford presented trustees with the BWC settlement letter. Settlement was requested by Glenn Oglesbee for \$15,000.

Motion: Brent Laughman motioned to not approve any BWC settlement for Mr. Oglesbee. Dale Goddard seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Mr. Riley signed the agreement marking box D which states employer does not accept any settlement on this case. Mr. Ford will fax it to BWC.

-Mr. Ford presented trustees with a letter from Bowman and Brown Auctions which was informing the trustees of a public auction being held in St. Paris on September 9. Trustees discussed possibly participating but no action taken at this time.

Motion: Brent Laughman motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:39pm. Dale Goddard seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Minutes Approval Date: _____ by Trustee: _____

Attested _____

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