

Mad River Township Trustees

Regular Meeting: Thursday, Sept 6, 2018

Meeting time: 7:30pm

Trustees Present: Brent Laughman (president), Dale Goddard (vice president), Dave Riley
Fiscal Officer Present: Richard Ford
Others Present: Bob Purk, Everett Keller,

Meeting called to order followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes and Financials

Trustees reviewed the financials, bills, checks and 8/16/18 meeting minutes.

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

Community Discussion/Concerns

-None

Roads and Bridges

-Dale Goddard handed out a map of the watershed by the Stickley farm. (Zach Stickley had come to the last meeting to ask about the drain issue). Mr. Goddard said that based on the watershed map the ditch does need dipped out to allow better flow. Trustees discussed the options related to the ditch filling back up and the capacity of the culvert pipe that runs under their drive. Mr. Goddard is still getting additional info on the elevations of the ditch and will give feedback at a future meeting.

Cemeteries

-No update on Rector Gard Cemetery.

-No update on the Terre Haute Cemetery drain pipe repair.

-Mr. Goddard received a voice mail from someone about a complaint at the cemetery. He hasn't talked to him yet, but wanted to let the trustees know he had received a call.

-Mr. Ford notified the trustees that Gary Conrad has been talking to him about donating money through his Will. Mr. Conrad called Mr. Ford about a week ago and said he was planning on donating \$100,000 to Terre Haute Cemetery through his Will and asked Mr. Ford to notify the trustees.

Equipment

-no discussion.

Zoning

-Bob Purk said he has had several meetings with the Municipal Court and with Jane Napier and wasn't getting anywhere with it as each was saying it was the other court's responsibility. Jane Napier said she had contracts that specified that Municipal Court would handle. Municipal Court is now saying they will handle it and is sending Bob a packet to complete for each violation in order to process them. Bob Purk is meeting with the LUC to put together an exact process for all the townships to follow to get the zoning violations processed through municipal court.

-Bob Purk is also going to send the trustees a monthly email with an excel spreadsheet that shows all activities year to date.

Other Administrative

-Trustees discussed the door expansion on the Nettle Creek building as no contractor has given revised quotes on just putting in the door if the trustees did the demo work. They discussed the different challenges with the project. No action taken at this time.

-Mr. Laughman said the Citizens of Graham have asked to rent the township building for Wednesday September 26, 2018.

Motion: Mr. Goddard motioned to waive the fee for the hall rental. Mr. Riley seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

-Mr. Laughman read a letter from Mr. Koennecke asking for trustees to issue a public support letter of the Graham School levy. Trustees agreed that the trustees represent the township residents and that not all residents are for or against the tax and that therefore they should not side with one side or the other. Mr. Laughman will draft a letter to Mr. Koennecke stating their stance.

Motion: Dave Riley motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:29 pm. Dale Goddard seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Minutes Approval Date: _____ by Trustee: _____

Attested _____

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