

# Mad River Township Trustees

Regular Meeting: Thursday, Sept 17, 2015

Meeting time: 7:30 pm

Trustees Present: Mike Ward (president), Brent Laughman

Fiscal Officer Present: Richard Ford

Others Present: James Riley, Bob Purk, Shane Smith

Meeting called to order followed by Pledge of Allegiance

## Minutes and Financials

Trustees reviewed the minutes from meeting date 9/3/15.

Trustees reviewed the financials/bills/checks to be paid and signed.

**Motion:** Brent Laughman motioned to approve minutes and financials/bills/checks. Mike Ward seconded motion. Motion passed.

## Community Discussion/Concerns

-Mr. Laughman presented a letter that was dropped off by Mrs. Uhlery requesting permission to have her son buried (cremation) on top of her father's grave. Letter was signed giving permission from the family.

Trustees were ok with this and will put a copy in their cemetery book. Richard Ford will put a copy with the deed.

## Roads and Bridge

-Trustees discussed both quotes from GT Contracting Inc. The original one for \$18,750 (all of Vance Road) and the revised quote for \$10,000 to crack seal Vance Rd from SR 55 to CR 193 (Old Troy Pike). Mr. Laughman said he would prefer to do the partial road since this vendor and their product has not been used on our roads before so there is no way to know the results and how long it would last.

**Motion:** Brent Laughman motioned to accept the revised bid of \$10,000. Mike Ward seconded the motion. Motion passed.

## Cemeteries

-Mr. Laughman updated that he had to call the Sheriff's office this morning as there is 3 pieces of equipment missing from the storage building at Terre Haute Cemetery. (2 leaf blowers and 1 tiller). Richard Ford received the Sheriff's report in the afternoon. Mr. Ford said he would contact the liability insurance company to see what the township's options are regarding the stolen equipment.

## Equipment

-Mr. Ward updated that as of today he dropped off the lights for the truck bed that is being repaired by Knowles Fabricating.

## Zoning

-Mr. Purk updated the trustees that he is still working on the properties that he sent out the certified letters too.

-Mr. Purk also updated that he went to a county wide zoning inspector's meeting held by the LUC. He said they plan on holding this meeting every 6 months. He said he asked the LUC to provide a uniform process for the zoning inspectors regarding zoning violations of junk automobiles and buildings. The LUC agreed to put this together.

## Other Administrative

-Mr. Laughman presented information regarding the purchase of propane tanks and different options for purchasing propane:

Purchasing a 1000 gallon above ground propane tank

Thrifty- new tank- \$2499 plus \$199 delivery plus \$199 installation plus \$108 for a regulator

Heritage- new tank- \$2595 plus \$60 for a regulator no delivery charge or installation charge

- used tank- \$1900 plus \$60 for a regulator no delivery charge or installation charge

Duncan oil- new tank- \$2100 no delivery charge or installation charge and no charge for regulator  
- used tank- \$1500 no delivery charge or installation charge and no charge for regulator

Daily Propane price for 09-17-2015:

Thrifty - \$.799 per gallon and an additional \$.07 off for first time customer on first fill up  
Heritage - \$.849 per gallon  
Duncan - \$.729 per gallon

Pre-buy price for winter:

Thrifty - \$ 1.37 per gallon  
Heritage- \$1.13 per gallon  
Duncan -\$1.13 per gallon

Price Cap Option:

Thrifty - \$ 149 fee for doing this program- and price cap of \$1.46 per gallon if daily price is cheaper on day of fill up then we get the daily price  
Heritage -\$1.23 per gallon sign contract for April- October and if daily price is cheaper on day of fill up then we get the daily price  
Duncan - \$1.13 per gallon sign contract for 12 calendar months and if daily price is cheaper on day of fill then we get daily price

**Motion:** Mr. Laughman motioned to accept the Duncan Oil quote on the purchase of a used 1000 gallon tank and fill at .729 per gallon and to accept the Price Cap with Duncan at \$1.13 per gallon. Mr. Ward seconded the motion. Motion passed.

-Trustees discussed the equipment fees that were tabled last meeting. Mr. Ford said he talked with the County Engineer about how to charge for equipment use when needed. He said there are 3 different ways to charge. 1. Finding the exact cost by amortization, fuel and maintenance cost, 2. FEMA rates, 3. ODOT rates.  
**Motion:** Mr. Laughman motioned to use the ODOT rates when the need arises for specific requests outside of FEMA emergencies (in which case FEMA rates would apply). Mr. Ward seconded the motion. Motion passed.

-Mr. Ford brought to the attention of the trustees that the unencumbered appropriations for line item 2031-330-400 was now at 0 and if we needed to purchase more road supplies, he needed to be contacted first as we would need to re-allocate appropriations for that purchase.

**Motion:** Brent Laughman motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:04pm. Mr. Ward seconded the motion. Motion passed.

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

Attested \_\_\_\_\_