

# Mad River Township Trustees

Regular Meeting: Thursday, January 3, 2019

Meeting time: 7:30pm

Trustees Present: Brent Laughman, Dave Riley, Dale Goddard  
Fiscal Officer Present: Richard Ford  
Others Present: Gerald Blair

Meeting called to order followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

## Election of Officers

Brent Laughman turned the meeting over to the fiscal officer for the election of the township officers.

Mr. Ford opened the floor for nominations for township president.

**Motion:** Mr. Laughman nominated Dave Riley for president. Mr. Goddard seconded the motion. Roll was called. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Ford opened the floor for nominations for vice president.

**Motion:** Mr. Laughman nominated Dale Goddard for vice president. Mr. Riley seconded the motion. Roll was called, motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Ford turned the meeting over to Dave Riley.

## Minutes and Financials

Trustees reviewed the financials, bills/checks and meeting minutes for 12/20/18 and 12/27/18.

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

## Community Discussion/Concerns

-Mr. Blair updated the trustees about the website conversion. He said he would like to set up a training to show the trustees and fiscal officer how to update the website.

## Roads and Bridge

-No updates.

## Cemeteries

-Mr. Ford presented trustees with a Resolution to request a new Cemetery Fund specific for Terre Haute Cemetery since the township is going to receive a \$100,000 donation from Gary Conrad estate trust.

**Resolution:** Mr. Laughman motioned to adopt the Resolution to request the Terre Haute Cemetery Fund. Mr. Goddard seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

## Equipment

-Mr. Riley said he is still working on getting updated quotes on a new truck to replace the F550. No action taken at this time.

-Mr. Laughman said the other equipment has been cleaned and he contacted some suppliers to quote trade ins.

## Zoning

-Mr. Blair asked about the attendance sheet that was turned in. He said he thought it should have some corrections. Mr. Ford said he used Mr. Blair's sheet that showed his recommended correction and Mr. Ford said he would like to pay the board after each meeting instead of waiting until the end of the year. He requested a list of attendees after each meeting. Mr. Blair will update the zoning board rules to reflect the change.

-Trustees discussed the zoning board and zoning appeals board members term expirations. Neil Stevens' term on the zoning board expired Dec 31, 2018. Mark Navarre's term on the zoning appeal's board expired on Dec 31, 2018. Mr. Laughman said both would like to stay on the board.

**Motion:** Mr. Laughman motioned to re-appoint Neil Stevens to a new 5 year term on the zoning board and Mark Navarre to a new 5 year term on the zoning appeal's board. Mr. Goddard seconded the motion. Motion unanimously approved.

**Other Administrative**

-Mr. Ford reminded trustees they needed to set a limit on the Purchase Orders that the Fiscal Officer can approve.

**Motion:** Mr. Laughman motioned to allow the Fiscal Officer to approve purchase orders including blanket and super blanket certificates up to \$100,000. Mr. Goddard seconded the motion. Motion unanimously approved.

-Trustees discussed the rehiring of seasonal employees and hiring of Diana Wallen as a seasonal employee for 2019. Mr. Laughman said Mr. Keller hasn't decided yet if he is going to come back so no decision can be made at this meeting on his rehire for 2019. James Riley is still off on workers' comp so no decision can be made on him.

**Motion:** Mr. Goddard motioned to hire Diana Wallen as a seasonal employee for roads and cemeteries at \$13.00 per hour. Mr. Laughman seconded the motion. Motion unanimously approved.

-Mr. Ford said he was going to the Ohio Township Association Conference again this year and asked if any of the trustees wanted to go. Trustees declined.

**Motion:** Mr. Goddard motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:29 pm. Mr. Laughman seconded motion. Motion passed unanimously.

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

Attested \_\_\_\_\_

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