

October 18, 2006

The Madison Township Board of Trustees met this day in regular session at 7:00 PM. The meeting was called to order by the President, Dwight Walter, with the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

ROLL CALL: Robert J. Ward-Present, Dwight Walter-Present, Alan Daniel-Present, Amy Schenck-Present.

ITEM 2006 - 135 - MINUTES

Mr. Daniel moved, Mr. Ward seconded to approve the minutes as presented. Vote: Ayes: Mr. Ward, Mr. Daniel, Mr. Walter. Nays: None. The motion was declared approved.

Public Comments

Patrick Hines of Innovative Fiber Optic Solutions presented information about high speed internet accessibility in Madison Township.

Bill Hickman introduced safety concerns about South 122, a tree obstructing the view west on Trenton Franklin, motorcycles traveling at high rates of speed on Howe Road. Mr. Hickman questioned whether Madison was growing and made comment that at the last meeting the flags were incorrectly displayed.

Rob Childers urged everyone to proceed with caution in tackling problems in the fire department. He illustrated his point with a personal story.

Connie Back stated that she was disappointed with the contents of the newsletter. She encouraged the trustees to deal with the fire department directly.

Deborah Hamilton Dyer spoke about the difficulty filling the schedule with volunteers to ensure life squad coverage around the clock. She stated that the bonus checks were a necessary incentive for volunteers, and that the Life Squad board had assured the volunteers that the money would be available for the bonuses. Fiscal Officer, Amy Schenck explained that there were legal, financial and policy issues that were in the process of being worked out concerning the bonus checks.

Brian Sebald stated that all road crew employees had deserved the raise and that they did not need a time clock. He said let the road crew run itself and address problems if they come up. He asked if the money was available to pay the life squad bonuses. He asked who wrote the letter that was presented to the firemen. He stressed the importance of accountability. He declared that mutual aid was not an option and said that the fire department was like family and the trustees should let the chief run the fire department. Mr. Daniel commented that rules are necessary. Mr. Ward disagreed with the procedure of administrator.

ITEM 2006 - 136 - TREASURER'S REPORTS

Mr. Daniel moved, Mr. Ward seconded to approve the clerk/treasurer reports for September as presented. Vote: Ayes: Mr. Ward, Mr. Daniel, Mr. Walter. Nays: None. The motion was declared approved.

OLD BUSINESS

Fiscal Officer, Amy Schenck shared information concerning the Motor Vehicle Policy that was approved at the last meeting.

ITEM 2006 - 137 - BILLS

Mr. Ward asked that the Fiscal Officer read and give explanation for each of the expenditures. The bills were read. Mr. Ward stated that he would not approve the bills because of check no 17944 to Alliance Printing for the newsletter because he did not agree with Mr. McGuire writing the newsletter. Mr. Daniel moved, Mr. Walter seconded to approve the bills for this period of \$65,376.87. Vote: Ayes: Mr. Daniel, Mr. Walter. Nays: Mr. Ward. The motion was declared approved.

ITEM 2006 - 138 - APPROVE ROAD SIGNING

Mr. Daniel moved, Mr. Ward seconded to approve the road signing and forward to the Butler County Engineers Office. Vote: Ayes: Mr. Ward, Mr. Daniel, Mr. Walter. Nays: None. The motion was declared approved.

ITEM 2006 - 139 - AMEND CERTIFICATE OF ESTIMATED RESOURCES

Mr. Daniel moved, Mr. Ward seconded to amend the amended certificate of estimated resources to reflect in increase of \$9,580.83 to the Life Squad Fund. The total of the new certificate is \$1,981,838.74. Vote: Ayes: Mr. Ward, Mr. Daniel, Mr. Walter. Nays: None. The motion was declared approved.

ITEM 2006 - 140 - EXTEND CONTRACT WITH BARB OGDEN FOR COLLECTION OF FUNDS PAYABLE TO THE LIFE SQUAD

Mr. Daniel moved, Mr. Ward seconded to extend the contract with Barb Ogden for two additional months to continue with collection of funds payable to the life squad, also to keep the P.O. Boxes open for an additional six months to allow the payments to be remitted. Vote: Ayes: Mr. Ward, Mr. Daniel, Mr. Walter. Nays: None. The motion was declared approved.

ITEM 2006 - 141 - APPROVE TRAINING FOR LIFE SQUAD

Mr. Daniel moved, Mr. Ward seconded to approve necessary expenditures for the following Life Squad personnel to attend the EMS Symposium 2006: Deborah Hamilton-Dyer, Peggy Edwards, Steven Mayhugh, Vicki Vandeventer, Kenneth Gasaway
The cost of the one day seminar is \$45.00 each and that includes parking, breakfast and lunch and all training materials. Note: This training will satisfy a portion of the required continuing education credits. Vote: Ayes: Mr. Ward, Mr. Daniel, Mr. Walter. Nays: None. The motion was declared approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dwight presented information about an appliance recycling event for Butler County residents.

COMMUNICATIONS

Mr. Ward questioned the contents of the letter and the cost to send the letter from the Administrator, concerning the fire department.

Bill McGuire, Administrator gave an account of the discussion with Kent

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Hall Fire Chief. Kent replied no comment - let the article speak for itself.

Rob Childers questioned Mr. McGuire's involvement.

Matt Burns made comment about Mr. McGuire's behavior toward Kent Hall.

Trustee Alan Daniel made the comment about needing consistency in following the rules in the Red Book.

Rob Beckett suggested that the Fire department and the Trustees review the Red Book.

Chris Whiteman commented that there needs to be more respect for Chief Hall and the officers.

ITEM 2006 - 142 - ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Daniel moved, Mr. Ward seconded to adjourn. Vote: Ayes: Mr. Ward, Mr. Daniel, Mr. Walter. Nays: None. The motion was declared approved and the meeting closed at 8:37pm.

Attest - Clerk

Signed - President