

# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

**MADISON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES' REGULAR**

Meeting

GOVERNMENT FORMS & SUPPLIES 844-224-3338 FORM NO. 10148

Held February 27, 2025, at 12:00 P.M. 20

Chairman Sill called the Trustees' Regular Meeting of February 27, 2025, to order at 12:00 P.M. and welcomed everyone to the meeting being held in the Trustees' Meeting Room at the Administration Building.

Mr. Sill called for a roll call: Mr. Anderson, Mr. Sill, Chief Hager, Mr. Brown, Ms. Hamercheck, and Mr. Pasqualone were in attendance. Mr. Sill stated Mr. Wayman is not here this afternoon. He is on vacation.

Mr. Sill led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Sill stated at this time we will have a "Moment of Silence" to remember some of the residents from Madison who have passed away. Please remember Madison residents' James Gandee, Shirley Shepard, and James Asbury.

Mr. Sill requested a motion to approve or table the minutes from the February 11, 2025, Trustees' Workshop Meeting, and the February 11, 2025, Trustees' Regular Meeting.

Mr. Anderson presented a motion to table the minutes from the February 11, 2025, Trustees' Workshop Meeting, and the February 11, 2025, Trustees' Regular Meeting, seconded by Mr. Sill. Roll Call: Mr. Anderson: Yes Mr. Sill: Yes

Mr. Sill requested a motion to approve the bill list in the amount of two hundred fifty-two thousand, eight hundred eighty-seven dollars and eighty-one cents (\$252,887.81) (actual) for February 27, 2025.

Mr. Anderson presented a motion to approve the bill list in the amount of two hundred fifty-two thousand, eight hundred eighty-seven dollars and eighty-one cents (\$252,887.81) (actual) for February 27, 2025, attached to and made part of these minutes, seconded by Mr. Sill. Roll Call: Mr. Anderson: Yes Mr. Sill: Yes

Mr. Sill requested a motion to approve payroll in the amount of one hundred twenty-one thousand, five hundred seventy-five dollars and fifty-one cents (\$121,575.51) (actual) for February 21, 2025, and payroll in the amount of one hundred twenty-one thousand, two hundred thirty-three dollars and six cents (\$121,233.06) (estimate) for March 7, 2025.

Mr. Anderson presented a motion to approve payroll in the amount of one hundred twenty-one thousand, five hundred seventy-five dollars and fifty-one cents (\$121,575.51) (actual) for February 21, 2025, and payroll in the amount of one hundred twenty-one thousand, two hundred thirty-three dollars and six cents (\$121,233.06) (estimate) for March 7, 2025, seconded by Mr. Sill. Roll Call: Mr. Anderson: Yes Mr. Sill: Yes

## **TRUSTEES:**

Nothing

## **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

### **POLICE DEPARTMENT:**

Chief Hager requested a motion to approve **Resolution #25-029**, A Resolution to enter into an agreement with Greve Chrysler Jeep Dodge of Van Wert, Ohio, not to exceed the amount of eighty-five thousand, three hundred forty-eight dollars (\$85,348.00), for the purchase of two 2025 Dodge Durangos, for use by the Madison Township Police Department.

Mr. Anderson presented a motion to approve **Resolution #25-029**, seconded by Mr. Sill. Roll Call: Mr. Anderson: Yes Mr. Sill: Yes

Chief Hager stated these 2025 Dodge Durangos are replacement police cruisers. The price does not include outfitting the cars which usually costs around fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000.00) per car. Nothing can be transferred except the radios. Chief Hager said the cost does include having the cars shipped to us, so we do not have to pick them up.



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## LEGAL

Mr. Pasqualone, Solicitor, stated he had nothing to report unless the Board had any questions for him. Mr. Pasqualone said he is just getting ready to go to court on the C4 case in April. Mr. Sill asked Mr. Pasqualone how the case is going and what is his feeling on the case. Mr. Pasqualone stated the case is going very well. As he discussed with the Board recently, their proposal to settle was turned down, and defense council told Mr. Pasqualone he should expect this to go all the way to the Supreme Court.

## FISCAL OFFICER:

Ms. Hamercheck stated she had nothing for this meeting.

## ZONING:

Zoning Inspector, Mr. Ungers was working on information related to the C4 trial for Mr. Pasqualone during the meeting. Mr. Pasqualone stated Mr. Ungers told him he had nothing for this meeting.

## SERVICE DEPARTMENT/PUBLIC WORKS:

Mr. Cook said he had two (2) updates for the Board. The Township currently has three hundred (300) tons of salt in the dome, and the Township still has four hundred (400) tons to order per the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) contract. Mr. Cook said the Township is okay on the salt issue.

The Township took delivery on Monday of the Mack Truck that was ordered. The truck will be taken for measurements and outfitting next week. American Road Machinery out of Canton will be doing the outfitting.

Mr. Cook, requested a motion to approve **Resolution #25-030**, A Resolution to hire Nolan Fardink, pending drug screening and background investigation, as a full-time maintenance worker in the Service Department at a rate of \$24.53 per hour with benefits, effective March 1, 2025.

Mr. Anderson presented a motion to approve **Resolution #25-030**, seconded by Mr. Sill.  
Roll Call: Mr. Anderson: Yes Mr. Sill: Yes

Mr. Cook said this Resolution will bring the Service Department up to full-staff again. Mr. Sill asked how the interviewing process seemed to go. Mr. Cook said the Township pretty much has it down to a science now by Mr. Brown, Mr. Price and himself individually reviewing all resumes, picking out their individual top seven or so candidates and interviewing their mutual top choices for the position. Mr. Sill stated it was great to get so many applicants to choose from and then pick the best suited for the position. Mr. Cook stated Mr. Fardink comes to us from ODOT with a lot of experience.

## ADMINISTRATOR:

Mr. Brown, Administrator, stated he had a few updates for the Board of Trustees.

Mr. Brown said regarding the sewer extension on Route 20, the Lake County Bond Council is working on the Current Agricultural Use Valuation (CAUV) notices and bond rates. These have to be in place before the hearing can be scheduled. Under the CAUV Program farmland is taxed at a rate that reflects its value for agricultural purposes instead of its value as development property.

Mr. Brown stated regarding the Emerson Road culvert, survey stakes were put out last week. Letters will be sent to area residents to let them know the road will be closed from March through June.

Mr. Brown said there are no new updates on the Armor Stone Project at Stanton Park.

Regarding the Beach Drive Outfall Project, the bids were opened last week. There will be a Resolution presented in this meeting. The Engineer's estimate was eight-five thousand, two hundred dollars (\$85,200.00). Mr. Brown stated the Township received seven (7) bids. The low bid was sixty thousand, fifty-eight dollars and fifty cents (\$60,058.50) from TK Excavating & Grading, LLC, out of Burton, Ohio. Mr. Brown said he does not know if we



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received a low bid because they want to break into the area and get established in the area. They have been in business in Burton for a while and seem to be a stable business. Mr. Brown said the average bid was seventy-nine thousand (\$79,000.00). Mr. Sill asked if Mr. Brown was concerned with the low bid. Mr. Brown said the engineer's office did their due diligence. There is always a concern, but this project is not a very big project, pretty much a straight line, and it is out-of-the-way, not in a high traffic area. The Township has a letter of recommendation to give to them.

Mr. Brown stated the Lake County Phone System which Madison Township has been a part of since 2013, will no longer be supported in 2029. Lake County is starting the process of specking and bidding out a new phone system. The Township would have to either take part in what they install or go with a new administration line. This will not happen for another year or two.

The Road Program advertisement for bids went out on February 26<sup>th</sup> and will go out again on March 5<sup>th</sup>. The bid opening will be on March 19<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 A.M. This is a joint project with Perry Township which allows for a lower fee for the project.

Mr. Brown stated the next Lake County Township Association (LCTA) Meeting is March 20, 2025, at 6:00 P.M. at Painesville Township Hall.

Mr. Brown said he received notice yesterday that ODOT will be closing Countyline Road in 2028, for a complete bridge deck replacement over I-90.

Mr. Brown, Administrator, requested a motion to approve Resolution #25-031, A Resolution to enter into an agreement with TK Excavating & Grading, LLC of Girard, Ohio, in the amount of sixty thousand fifty-eight dollars and fifty cents (\$60,058.50) to install stormwater sewer in the area of Beach and Avalon Drives.

Mr. Anderson presented a motion to approve Resolution #25-031, seconded by Mr. Sill. Roll Call: Mr. Anderson: Yes Mr. Sill: Yes

Mr. Brown requested a motion to approve Resolution #25-032, A Resolution of agreement between the Board of Madison Township Trustees and the Grand River Kennel Club for use of Bill Stanton Park to conduct an American Kennel Club All-Breed Dog Show.

Mr. Anderson presented a motion to approve Resolution #25-032, seconded by Mr. Sill. Roll Call: Mr. Anderson: Yes Mr. Sill: Yes

Mr. Brown stated the Grand River Kennel Club has held their dog show annually in Stanton Park for as long as he can remember. Mr. Sill said the dog show is a big event in Madison Township. Mr. Anderson asked when the dog show will take place. Mr. Brown said they will set up the week of July 7<sup>th</sup>, and the show will be July 11<sup>th</sup> through July 13<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Brown requested a motion to approve Resolution #25-033, A Resolution approving an agreement between ESI Employee Assistance Group and the Board of Madison Township Trustees to provide an Employee Assistance Program for all qualifying bargaining and non-bargaining unit Madison Township employees.

Mr. Anderson presented a motion to approve Resolution #25-033, seconded by Mr. Sill. Roll Call: Mr. Anderson: Yes Mr. Sill: Yes

Mr. Sill asked if the program is pretty normal. Mr. Brown said yes. The employee assistance program helps employees with problems at home and promotes and supports a healthy and therefore productive workforce. Chief Hager stated many of his officers have told him the program has helped with deaths in the family and other problems. The program is nice to have for critical incidents so employees have access to services that can help. Mr. Brown said the program helps with alcohol counseling and is used when needed. The cost of the service has not increased since last year.

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**OTHER:**  
Mr. Sill asked if there were any Fire Board updates from the last meeting. Mr. Anderson said there are a few issues, but nothing he can talk about for now.

Mr. Anderson stated he will not be present for the next meetings on March 11, 2025. He will be out-of-town.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS:**  
Nothing

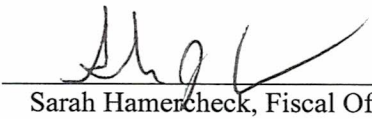
Mr. Sill stated the next Trustees' Regular Meeting will be held Tuesday, March 11, 2025, at 7:00 P.M. with the Trustees' Workshop Meeting preceding at 6:30 P.M.

Mr. Sill asked if there was any other business, and with no further business to discuss, Mr. Sill requested a motion to adjourn.

Mr. Anderson presented a motion to adjourn the Meeting, seconded by Mr. Sill. Roll Call:  
Mr. Anderson: Yes Mr. Sill: Yes

Chairman Sill adjourned the Trustees' Regular Meeting at 12:20 P.M.

  
Thomas M. Sill, Chairman

  
Sarah Hamercheck, Fiscal Officer