

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

MADISON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES' REGULAR

Meeting

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

Held November 12, 2025 at 7:00 P.M. _____ 20 _____

Chairman Sill called the Trustees' Regular Meeting of November 12, 2025, to order at 7:00 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. Wayman, Mr. Anderson, Mr. Sill, Chief Hager, Mr. Cook, Ms. Hamercheck, and Mr. Pasqualone were in attendance.

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 our Township residents who have passed away. Please remember Madison residents Paul Atkin, Marlene Kovach, and George Berry.

Mr. Sill requested a motion to approve the minutes from the October 30, 2025, Trustees' Regular Meeting.

Mr. Wayman presented a motion to approve the minutes from the October 30, 2025, Trustees' Regular Meeting, seconded by Mr. Anderson. Roll Call: Mr. Wayman: Yes Mr. Anderson: Yes Mr. Sill: Yes

Mr. Sill requested a motion to approve the bill list in the amount of one hundred fifty-six thousand, eighty-three dollars and eighty-seven cents (\$156,083.87) (actual) for November 12, 2025

Mr. Anderson presented a motion to approve the bill list in the amount of one hundred fifty-six thousand, eighty-three dollars and eighty-seven cents (\$156,083.87) (actual) for November 12, 2025, attached to and made part of these minutes, seconded by Mr. Wayman. Roll Call: Mr. Anderson: Yes Mr. Wayman: Yes Mr. Sill: Yes

Mr. Sill requested a motion to approve payroll in the amount of one hundred twenty-six thousand, eight hundred forty-five dollars (\$126,845.00) (actual) for November 14, 2025.

Mr. Wayman presented a motion to approve payroll in the amount of one hundred twenty-six thousand, eight hundred forty-five dollars (\$126,845.00) (actual) for November 14, 2025, seconded by Mr. Anderson. Roll Call: Mr. Wayman: Yes Mr. Anderson: Yes Mr. Sill: Yes

Mr. Sill requested a motion to approve payroll in the amount of thirteen thousand, eight hundred dollars (\$13,800.00) (actual) for November 14, 2025, (Longevity for contracted Police).

Mr. Anderson presented a motion to approve payroll in the amount of thirteen thousand, eight hundred dollars (\$13,800.00) (actual) for November 14, 2025, (\$13,800.00) (actual) for November 14, 2025, (Longevity for contracted Police), seconded by Mr. Wayman. Roll Call: Mr. Anderson: Yes Mr. Wayman: Yes Mr. Sill: Yes

TRUSTEES:

RESOLUTIONS:

Mr. Sill requested a motion to approve **Resolution #25-090**, A Resolution honoring Samuel Brent for attaining the distinguished rank of Eagle Scout.

Mr. Anderson presented a motion to approve **Resolution #25-090**, seconded by Mr. Wayman. Roll Call: Mr. Anderson: Yes Mr. Wayman: Yes Mr. Sill: Yes

Mr. Sill read the following **Resolution #25-090** and asked Sam to come up front:

WHEREAS; Samuel Brent commenced his commendable scouting career as the age of six as a Tiger Scout with Pack 99 in Newbury, Ohio; and

WHEREAS, he continued his journey in scouting as a Cub Scout with Pack 3055 in Madison, Ohio, diligently working his way through the ranks and earning the prestigious Arrow of Light Award before advancing to the Troop level with Troop 55; and

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WHEREAS, throughout his advancement to the highest rank in scouting, Samuel consistently demonstrated dedication, perseverance, and strong leadership, holding a number of key positions including Den Leader for the Pack, Librarian, Quartermaster, Instructor Senior Patrol Leader and currently serving as Troop Guide, and

WHEREAS, Samuel is an active and respected member of the Order of the Arrow, the national honor society of the Boy Scouts of America, embodying the principles of cheerful service and brotherhood, and

WHEREAS, FOR HIS Eagle Scout Project, Samuel planned and led the construction of four portable benches for the Lake County Fairgrounds, with the primary goal of providing much needed seating for parents while their children enjoy the rides, demonstrating his commitment to community service and practical leadership; and

WHEREAS, Samuel successfully completed his Eagle Board of Review on September 21, 2025, officially earning the revered rank of Eagle Scout, an achievement realized by only a small percentage of Scouts nationwide; and

WHEREAS, his exceptional accomplishment is a testament to his adherence to the Scout Oath and Law, reflecting the highest ideals of character, citizenship, and personal fitness.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF MADISON TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES THAT:

Section 1. The Board of Madison Township Trustees hereby publicly recognize, commend, and congratulate Samuel Brent for attaining the distinguished rank of Eagle Scout.

Section 2. The Board of Trustees extend our heartfelt appreciation for his dedication to scouting principles and his valuable contribution to the community through his leadership and Eagle project.

Section 3. That it found and determined that all formal action(s) of this Board concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Board and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in each formal action(s) were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Mr. Sill presented Samuel with a plaque and pictures were taken.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

Chief Hager stated in the month of October, 2025, the Madison Township Police Department had 1,080 calls for service.

Calls for Service	1,080	911	11
Abandoned Vehicle	2	Abuse	2
Administrative	6	Alarm	46
Bank Alarm	1	Animal Complaint	20
Arrest on Warrant	3	Assist Fire Department	225
Assist Other	9	Assist Police	6
Business Check	71	Civil	9
Court	4	Community Policing	9
Disabled Vehicle	2	Disturbance	16
Damage Accident	20	Dead on Arrival	3
Directed Patrol	10	Drone	1
Drugs	2	Domestic Violence	4
Family Dispute	3	Fraud	6
Fireworks Complaint	3	Harassment	5

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Phone Harassment	6	Hazard	18
House Watch	1	Hit & Run	6
Investigation/Follow Up	40	Information	19
Injury Accident	5	Juvenile Complaint	7
K9	2	Lockout	22
Mental Subject	5	Misassigned	4
Miscellaneous	1	Missing Person	1
Neighbor Complaint	2	Noise Complaint	1
Overdose	1	Open Door/Window	2
Private Property Accident	6	Property Damage	6
Property Found	7	Property Lost	4
Pumps	1	Repossession	10
Runaway	1	Security Check	70
Shots (Noise)	1	Sick Call Off	4
Special Detail	34	School Resource Office	60
Subpoena Served	2	Suicide Threat	7
Suspicious Circumstance	39	Suspicious Person	20
Suspicious Vehicle	6	Test Call	8
Theft	13	Identity Theft	1
Threat	4	TPO Violation	1
Traffic Stop	68	Training	3
Transport	5	Trespassing	2
Traffic Complaint	33	Traffic Detail	4
Unauthorized Use of Motor	1	Unwanted Subject	3
Vandalism	2	Vehicle Stolen	1
Welfare Check	11		

Police Chief Hager requested a motion to approve **Resolution #25-091**, A Resolution accepting the resignation of Christopher Patti, part-time Police Officer in the Madison Township Police Department effective November 5, 2025.

Mr. Wayman presented a motion to approve **Resolution #25-091**, seconded by Mr. Anderson. Roll Call: Mr. Wayman: Yes Mr. Anderson: Yes Mr. Sill: Yes

Chief Hager asked if there were any questions regarding the monthly police stats. Chief Hager stated the Township had an actual car theft last month, and we have not had one for a long time. It was with a Kia in front of a business on Route 20 and done very quickly. It was later recovered in Cleveland so we got it back. Mr. Wayman said the Police Department is very busy. Chief Hager said he wished we had more patrolmen, and sometimes patrol himself when he can as he has markings for his car.

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LEGAL:

Mr. Pasqualone, Solicitor, stated the Township has a pending court claims case, and what that amounts to is a public records request that the individual feels it did not matter who answers so they take us to a court of claims. The process for the court of claims is they do a mediation. A mediator is appointed and they do a mediation by phone. Mr. Pasqualone said he has had one mediation session, and he has a second mediation session scheduled for tomorrow. We are hoping we can get it resolved and not have to have a hearing on it. Mr. Pasqualone said this is a police issue, and the girls in the Police Department responded appropriately. The mediator suggested the questions centered around policies as opposed to records requests. Hopefully it will get resolved because there are further questions that will be requested. Mr. Pasqualone said he would keep the Board posted.

FISCAL OFFICER:

Ms. Hamercheck, Fiscal Officer, requested a motion to approve **Resolution #25-092**, A Resolution authorizing the Madison Township Fiscal Officer to issue a refund in the amount of three thousand, one hundred dollars (\$3,100.00) to Holbrook Sewer & Excavating for a road opening at 1290 Oxford Drive, Madison, Ohio.

Mr. Anderson presented a motion to approve **Resolution #25-092**, seconded by Mr. Wayman. Roll Call: Mr. Anderson: Yes Mr. Wayman: Yes Mr. Sill: Yes

Ms. Hamercheck requested a motion to approve **Resolution #25-093**, A Resolution authorizing the Madison Township Fiscal Officer to issue a refund in the amount of three thousand, one hundred dollars (\$3,100.00) to Holbrook Sewer & Excavating for a road opening at 6667 Swetland Avenue, Madison, Ohio.

Mr. Wayman presented a motion to approve **Resolution #25-093**, seconded by Mr. Anderson. Roll Call: Mr. Wayman: Yes Mr. Anderson: Yes Mr. Sill: Yes

ZONING:

Zoning Inspector, Mr. Ungers requested a motion to approve **Resolution #25-094**, A Resolution to certify costs incurred by Madison Township for the abatement of the listed properties in violation of the Ohio Revised Code, Section 505.87 – Abatement, Control, or Removal of vegetation, garbage, refuse and other debris and to request that the Lake County Auditor enter the amount on the tax duplicate to be collected as other taxes and returned to Madison Township.

Mr. Anderson presented a motion to approve **Resolution #25-094**, seconded by Mr. Wayman. Roll Call: Mr. Anderson: Yes Mr. Wayman: Yes Mr. Sill: Yes

The listed properties are Parcel #01-B-112-A-07-085-0, 6035 Chapel Road, for a total of \$252.57 and Parcel #01-B-115-G-00-069-0, 1560 Easton Avenue for a total cost of \$231.01.

Mr. Ungers reminded the Board to set a date for a Zoning Public Hearing for Map Amendment Request #25-005, Permanent Parcel #01-A-008-0-00-051-0 which was discussed in the Workshop Meeting.

Mr. Sill requested a motion to set up a Zoning Public Hearing for Map Amendment Request #25-005, Permanent Parcel #01-A-008-0-00-051-0, for November 25, 2025, at 11:45 A.M. before the Trustees' Regular Meeting at Noon.

Mr. Wayman presented a motion to set up a Zoning Public Hearing for Map Amendment Request #25-005, Permanent Parcel #01-A-008-0-00-051-0, for November 25, 2025, at 11:45 A.M., seconded by Mr. Anderson. Roll Call: Mr. Wayman: Yes Mr. Anderson: Yes Mr. Sill: Yes

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SERVICE DEPARTMENT/PUBLIC WORKS:

Road Supervisor, Matt Price, was absent attending calling hours. Mr. Cook said he may be able to answer questions if anyone had them. Mr. Sill inquired about a stop sign. Mr. Cook said it was done. Mr. Wayman asked if the handicapped swing was closed up. Mr. Cook did not know. Mr. Wayman said it should be closed, and the Trustees will have to decide what to do with it for next year. Mr. Cook said he will ask about the swing tomorrow morning.

ADMINISTRATOR:

Mr. Cook, Administrator, requested a motion to approve **Resolution #25-095**, A Resolution amending the Madison Township Resolution #25-066 to correct a Fund Line item.

Mr. Anderson presented a motion to approve **Resolution #25-095**, seconded by Mr. Wayman. Roll Call: Mr. Anderson: Yes Mr. Wayman: Yes Mr. Sill: Yes

Mr. Cook requested a motion to approve **Resolution #25-096**, A Resolution authorizing Paul J. Cook, Township Administrator, to act on behalf of the Board of Madison Township Trustees and execute all documents necessary to apply and accept funds available through the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) for a sidewalk in Madison Township

Mr. Wayman presented a motion to approve **Resolution #25-096**, seconded by Mr. Anderson. Roll Call: Mr. Wayman: Yes Mr. Anderson: Yes Mr. Sill: Yes

OTHER:

Nothing

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

Mr. William Sizemore, 7228 Lake Road, addressed the Board. Mr. Sizemore said he talked to Max Ungers on August 19, 2025, concerning bushes obstructing the view at the Southeast intersection of Park Avenue and Haywood Avenue. The bushes are growing in the road right-of-way and obstructing the view from the east turning onto Haywood Avenue. Mr. Sizemore recited Section 133.1 of the Ohio Revised Code which reads "Fences shall be permitted in any district subject to the following regulations. Such fencing shall be maintained in good condition without any advertising thereon, shall require a zoning permit except where noted, and shall be constructed outside the road right-of-way." Mr. Sizemore also recited Section 133.2 of the ORC which reads "No fence shall be permitted which restricts the visibility or causes an unsafe condition for motor vehicles or pedestrians. On September 22, 2025, Mr. Sizemore met with Mr. Ungers and Mr. Cook. Mr. Cook stated a notice was sent out to the property owner regarding the bushes. The were given two (2) weeks to correct the situation, but the time has elapsed so Mr. Cook said the Madison Township Road Crew would go out and trim the bushes. Mr. Sizemore stated on October 29, 2025, the Madison Township came out for approximately fifteen (15) minutes and trimmed the bushes and then left. Mr. Sizemore said there is still no clear view of traffic ¹without being in the intersection. It is a dangerous situation which could result in a fatality. Mr. Sizemore thanked the Board for their time and attention. Mr. Sill thanked Mr. Sizemore and stated the Trustees would look into the matter. Mr. Wayman thanked Mr. Sizemore for bringing this issue up today.

Mr. Kenneth Gauntner, 6039 Meadowood Drive, addressed the Board regarding two issues. Mr. Gauntner first wanted to congratulate the Township regarding getting the Lake County Commissioners to approve a Resolution for the Route 20 (North Ridge Road) Sewer Extension Project. This is a huge benefit for Madison Township, and one the Township has been working on since 2021 when Mr. Gauntner was still a Trustee. The sewer extension will run from the Verizon Store on Route 20 to about six hundred feet west of Haines Road and will enable much needed commercial development. Mr. Gauntner said residents do not want Madison to become another Mentor, but that will never happen because we do not have the infrastructure that Mentor has. We need commercial development to help with taxes. Mr. Gauntner stated "this is a step in the right direction, Job Well Done!" This is a big step for Madison Township.

Secondly, Mr. Gauntner wanted to publicly congratulate Mr. Brown on his retirement. Mr. Gauntner stated Mr. Brown was the best Administrator Madison Township has had for a long time with a professional and good-natured disposition. Mr. Gauntner only saw him

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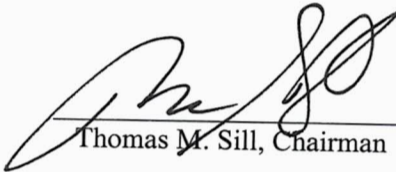
mad one time. Mr. Gauntner wished to publicly thank Mr. Brown for all he did for Madison Township as an Administrator and for twenty-six (26) years as a police officer. Mr. Gauntner wished him well in the future. He will be missed.

Mr. Gauntner congratulated Mr. Cook for his promotion to Township Administrator and wished him luck. Mr. Gauntner said Mr. Cook could reach out to him at any time for help. Mr. Sill stated the Board appreciated all the work Mr. Gauntner put into the Route 20 Sewer Extension Project.

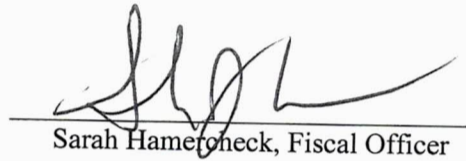
Mr. Sill stated the next Trustees' Regular Meeting will be held Tuesday, November 25, 2025 at 12:00 P. M. Noon.

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

Chairman Sill adjourned the Trustees' Regular Meeting at 7:31 P.M.



Thomas M. Sill, Chairman



Sarah Hameroneck, Fiscal Officer