

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of **MADISON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES' WORKSHOP**

Meeting

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

Held November 12, 2025, at 6:30 P.M. 20

Chairman Sill called the November 12, 2025, Trustees' Workshop Meeting to order at 6:30 P.M. and welcomed everyone to the meeting being held in the Trustees' Meeting Room at the Madison Township Administration Building.

Mr. Sill called for a roll call: Mr. Wayman, Mr. Anderson, Mr. Sill, Ms. Hamercheck, Chief Hager, Mr. Cook, and Mr. Pasqualone were in attendance.

TRUSTEES:

Mr. Anderson first of all wanted to congratulate Mr. Sill and Mr. White for winning the election for Madison Township Trustee last week. They both worked hard getting the word out to residents. Mr. Anderson wished them good luck in the future. Mr. Wayman agreed and said they were rewarded for their hard work.

ADMINISTRATOR:

Mr. Cook, Administrator, stated he had a few updates to report. The Lake County Commissioners passed a Resolution to approve the Route 20 Sanitary Sewer Extension Project on November 6th. The tentative dates for the project, according to Randy Rothlisberger, Sanitary Engineer, are to bid the project in December, award the project in January/February, and to begin construction in April or May of 2026. Mr. Cook said all the designs are done, and all the property owners are on board. Mr. Wayman asked if anyone was against the project. Mr. Cook said one gentleman was not happy because the sewer will be on his property. The Township explained there could be adjustments in the future, if need be. No home owner was against the project.

Mr. Cook said the Township is still waiting to hear from the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR) regarding the Stanton Park Armor Stone Project. Civil & Environmental Consultants, Inc. answered the questions ODNR had on the project and sent the paperwork back to them. This project may move forward in the Spring, but possibly not until the Fall of next year.

The 2025 Road Program was completed on November 5th. There will be one change order presented at the next meeting for twenty-four hundred dollars (\$2,400.00), and then the program will be closed out for the year.

Mr. Cook stated he spoke to the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) today. The Route 84 Culvert Project completion date is this Friday, November 14th, and the road will be open on Friday.

There will be a Resolution presented later tonight during the Regular Meeting to allow Mr. Cook to apply for a Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) Grant for a sidewalk on Chapel Road from Cardinal Woods to Hubbard Road. The TAP provides funding for projects defined as transportation alternatives, including on- and off-road pedestrian and bicycle facilities, infrastructure projects for improving non-driver access to public transportation and enhanced mobility, community improvement activities, and environmental mitigation; recreational trail program projects; and safe routes to school projects. The Township may be able to apply for this grant every year to use for trailer space or other projects at our parks.

Mr. Cook stated the other Resolution on the agenda for tonight is just amending an error made in an incorrect fund number (2231 should have been 2031). The Resolution will correct the error.

Mr. Sill asked about the dead tree situation in the Township. Mr. Cook said Brobst Tree Service has the Township on their list for rain days when they are not working in someone's back yard. The Township has an allowance in the budget for dead tree removals every year.

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

Chief Hager said he talked to the Lake County Board of Elections (after the elections were over) regarding the police levy due next year. The Township can ask for a levy in May or November of next year. Chief Hager said the legal advertisement in the newspaper will cost between six hundred dollars (\$600.00) to eight hundred dollars (\$800.00) each time, and will run twice. Chief Hager said he is not sure when to ask for the levy. He is thinking in the Spring would be better because if it does not pass, there is another chance in November. If the levy passes. The funds would begin in 2027 and is needed to operate. Chief Hager said a Resolution would be needed first of all, and the State is very particular about the wording. Next, the Township would need an Auditor's certificate. Then we would need a Resolution to proceed with the levy. Everything should be filed before February 4th to get the levy on the May ballot. Mr. Sill stated a Resolution should be done by the end of January. Mr. Wayman asked if there is anything else on the ballot

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In May. No one had heard anything about the May ballot. Mr. Pasqualone stated there will be less voters and less issues in May. Mr. Sill stated November is going to be a very interesting time. Chief Hager said we will find out then what our lives are going to be like in the future.

Mr. Sill asked about Police staffing. Chief Hager said he has two (2) gentlemen coming out of training to help the department. One has a lot of experience as a fire investigator and paramedic which is a good asset to the department.

LEGAL:

Solicitor, Mr. Pasqualone, stated he has nothing for the Workshop Meeting.

SERVICE DEPARTMENT:

Service Department Supervisor, Mr. Price was absent.

FISCAL OFFICER:

Ms. Hamercheck, Fiscal Officer, stated she had nothing for the Workshop Meeting unless the Board had any questions about how the budget is going. Mr. Sill asked how the budget is going. Ms. Hamercheck said "a little samplly". Lake County is cutting money from us and the Police Department budget hurts right now. Ms. Hamercheck said she did not see any place where the Township could actually reduce what is being spent without cutting necessary things. She said there is stuff we need to do, and we cannot cut that. Mr. Sill asked if there are any grants we could look into to try to help with the situation. Chief Hager said there are some little grants that can help with security and things but nothing that is going to make an instrumental difference in our budget. Chief Hager said with healthcare going up another twenty percent (20%) across the board, it is getting harder and harder. Ms. Hamercheck said the budget is going to be tight.

ZONING:

Zoning Inspector, Mr. Ungers, stated the parcel on Dayton Road and South Ridge Road #25-005 was recommended for rezoning by the Madison Zoning Commission and the Lake County Planning Commission from B-1, Neighborhood Business, to R-2, Suburban Residential. If the Board wants to set up a Public Hearing date for the next meeting or in December, this can be addressed at our Regular Meeting later tonight. The Board decided to make a motion at the Regular Meeting for November 25th.

Mr. Ungers said Dunkin Donuts has started chatting again about the property on Route 20. They sent Mr. Ungers an e-mail stating they received an approval from ODOT for their one-way in and one-way out drives on Route 20. They will now begin to work on finalizing their sale.

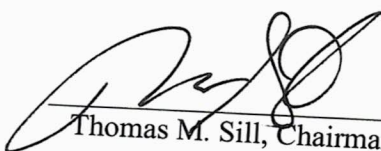
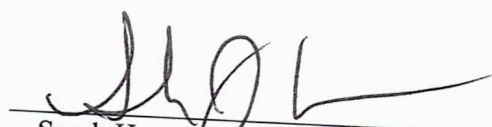
OTHER:

Mr. Sill mentioned the playground equipment the Board was trying to work into the budget this year for Madison Township Park. Ms. Hamercheck stated the Fiscal Office is closing out purchase orders and trying to move funds at the end of the year to see if any purchase would be possible. Mr. Sill said if the Township is not able to make a purchase, it is okay. The reason this came up now is because there is a considerable discount on the equipment this time of year.

Mr. Sill said since there is so further business to discuss, he would entertain a motion to adjourn the meeting.

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' Workshop Meeting at 6:52 P.M.


Thomas M. Sill, Chairman
Sarah Hamercheck, Fiscal officer