

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

GOVERNMENT FORMS & SUPPLIES 844-224-3338 FORM NO. 101-48

Held

December 30, 2025, at Noon

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Chairman Sill called the Trustees' Regular Meeting of December 30, 2025, to order at 12:00 P.M. Noon, 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. Cook and Mr. Pasqualone, Esq. and were in attendance. Ms. Hamercheck was not in attendance due to illness. Mr. Wayman was not in attendance due to attending a funeral.

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 family, friends, and neighbors, who are no longer with us. Please remember Madison residents' Roberta White, Robert Davidson, Carole Orsic, Stella Cotrill, Dale Piros and Elizabeth Wayman. Mr. Anderson asked that we remember his sister-in-law, Bonnie Newnes, that recently passed.

Mr. Sill took his Oath of Office as the newest member of the Madison Township Trustees. The Oath of Office was administered by Mr. Gary Pasqualone, Esq.

Mr. Sill was congratulated by all. Mr. Sill thanked Mr. Gauntner for putting him into the position to take on the role of Trustee. He stated that he is excited and honored and is looking forward to continuing to serve Madison Township.

Mr. Sill requested a motion to approve the bill list (attached to and made part of these minutes) in the amount of \$1,462,538.41 (actual) for December 30, 2025
A motion to approve was made by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Sill.
Roll call on the motion: All in favor. Motion carried.

Mr. Sill requested a motion to approve payroll for zoning in the amount of \$3,160.00 (actual) for December 26, 2025.
A motion to approve was made by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Sill.
Roll call on the motion: All in favor. Motion carried.

Mr. Sill requested a motion to approve payroll for Contract Special Police Assignment pay in the amount of \$3,250.00 (actual).
A motion to approve was made by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Sill.
Roll call on the motion: All in favor. Motion carried.

Mr. Sill requested a motion to approve the payroll in the amount of \$137,718.40 (actual) for December 26, 2025.
A motion for approval was made by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Sill.
All in favor. Motion carried.

TRUSTEES:

Mr. Sill thanked Mr. Anderson for his years of service with Madison Township and with the Community as a whole. Mr. Sill expressed his gratitude to Mr. Anderson and wished him the best with his retirement.

Mr. Anderson thanked Mr. Sill and complimented him and his family for being lifelong friends.

Mr. Anderson thanked the community for the opportunity to serve Madison for 50 years, including 16 years as a Trustee. He announced his retirement so he can spend more time with family and friends. He also expressed his appreciation to the Madison Township Administration and staff, Ms. Dame, Mr. Pasqualone, the Madison Fire District and the Madison Township Trustees for the outstanding work they continue to do.
In closing, he congratulated Mr. White and wished him luck in the future.

In Mr. Wayman's absence, he asked Mr. Cook to read a short thank you letter to Mr. Anderson for the years of service and the hard work he put into making Madison a great community.

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Chief Hager expressed his gratitude to Mr. Anderson. He stated that when he started with Madison Township, Mr. Anderson welcomed him and gave him his full support.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

RESOLUTION:

Chief Hager presented Resolution #25-102, A Resolution accepting the resignation of Garrett Leonbruno, Part-Time Police Officer in the Madison Township Police Department, effective December 31, 2025.

Chief Hager explained that when he came to Madison Township, Officer Leonbruno had already left the department. However, Officer Leonbruno had been trained in Marine Patrol through a grant. He asked to stay on for the duties of Marine Patrol. Unfortunately, the grant ran out this year, therefore Officer Leonbruno resigned to take care of his full-time job.

A motion for approval was made by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Sill.

All in favor. Motion carried.

LEGAL:

Mr. Pasqualone, Solicitor, notified the Trustees of one pending legal matter. He explained this is an action in court. An individual made a request for public records and was not provided with the records efficiently enough, so the individual filed a court case with the Court of Claims. He explained that the court appointed a court mediator. Mr. Pasqualone stated that there have been two, maybe three mediation sessions. Mr. Pasqualone stated that he felt the mediations went well. The individual filing the claim still feels that the public records request was not presented sufficiently and has asked that the matter continue and proceed. That being said, the court appoints a Special Master. The Special Master sets guidelines for both the requester and Madison Township in which both parties had until December 29, 2025, to file a brief. Mr. Pasqualone filed a brief, both electronically and via the USPS. The brief was almost 300 pages of documents which were the items that were provided to the requester. He explained that he has until January 9, 2026, to file a motion. He plans on filing a motion to dismiss. Per the docket, the requester has not filed a motion at this time. The Special Master has until January 29, 2026, to make her decision. He will update as more information becomes available. Mr. Pasqualone stated that Madison Township was timely in providing the records the individual requested, however; this individual felt that there were more records to be provided.

In closing, Mr. Pasqualone reiterated what both Mr. Sill and Chief Hager had to say regarding Mr. Anderson. Mr. Pasqualone stated that Mr. Anderson was always there to ask how things were going and to congratulate Mr. Pasqualone when necessary.

FISCAL OFFICER:

Mr. Cook spoke in Ms. Hamercheck's absence.

He presented Resolution #25-103 A Resolution amending the 2026 Temporary Appropriations Budget.

A motion for approval was made by Mr. Sill, seconded by Mr. Anderson.

Mr. Cook explained that they received corrected numbers and wanted to make sure what was presented to the Lake County Auditor was correct.

All in favor. Motion carried.

ZONING:

No report

SERVICE DEPARTMENT/PUBLIC WORKS:

Mr. Price stated that it has been a privilege to have worked with Mr. Anderson for the past sixteen years and to have known him even longer, he will be missed.

Mr. Price stated that he did not have any pressing issues for the Board at this time.

Mr. Anderson asked Mr. Price to express his gratitude to the Service Department for all that they do.

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ADMINISTRATOR:

Mr. Cook, Administrator, thanked Mr. Anderson for the opportunities over the last sixteen years.

Mr. Cook confirmed that the purchase order for the new playground equipment has been sent in and the order has been placed. He will provide more information as it becomes available.

Mr. Sill reminded all that it was purchased now to get the 2025 pricing rather than the 2026 pricing saving approximately 40%.

OTHER:

Mr. Anderson explained that in regard to the Fire Board, they are still negotiating with the contracts for the full-time, part-time employees.

Citizen Comments:

Ken Gauntner (6039 Meadowood Drive) – Mr. Gauntner reminisced some wonderful memories with Mr. Anderson stating that they didn't always agree with each other, however; they always made things work. He thanked Mr. Anderson for his long history with Madison, stating he should be proud.

He thanked Mr. Sill for stepping into the role of Trustee.

Joseph White (1518 Yale Avenue) – Mr. White thanked Mr. Anderson for his years of service to the community and to for what he has done for him personally.

He thanked Mr. Anderson and Mr. Gauntner for setting the bar so high. He is looking forward to serving his community.

Mr. Sill stated the next Regular Trustees' Meeting will be on Monday January 5, 2026, at 12:00 pm.

Mr. Sill requested a motion to adjourn the Meeting.

A motion was made by Mr. Sill, seconded by Mr. Anderson.

Roll Call: All in favor. Motion carried.

Chairman Sill adjourned the Trustees' Regular Meeting at 12:29 P.M.


Thomas M. Sill, Chairman


Sarah Hamercheck, Fiscal Officer

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Minutes of **MADISON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES' REGULAR** Meeting

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