Chairman Anderson called the Trustees Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Mr. Anderson called for a roll call: Mr. Wayman, Mr. Gauntner, Mr. Anderson, Chief Byers, Mr. Brown, Mrs. Gerred-Ditchcreek, and Mr. Pasqualone were in attendance.

Mr. Anderson led the audience in reciting the "Pledge of Allegiance."

Mr. Anderson stated at this time we will have a "Moment of Silence" to remember family, friends, and neighbors, as well as members of the military and safety forces who are no longer with us. Please remember Madison resident Bonnie Virginia Sellitto.

Mr. Anderson requested a motion to approve the minutes from the January 28, 2020 Trustees Regular Meeting.

Mr. Wayman presented a motion to approve the minutes from the January 28, 2020 Trustees Regular Meeting, seconded by Mr. Gauntner. Roll Call: Mr. Wayman: Yes Mr. Gauntner: Yes Mr. Anderson: Yes

Mr. Anderson requested a motion to approve the bill list in the amount of seventy-six thousand, nine hundred twenty dollars and twenty cents ($76,920.20) (actual) for February 11, 2020.

Mr. Gauntner presented a motion to approve the bill list in the amount of seventy-six thousand, nine hundred twenty dollars and twenty cents ($76,920.20) (actual) for February 11, 2020, attached to and made part of these minutes, seconded by Mr. Wayman.
Roll Call: Mr. Gauntner: Yes Mr. Wayman: Yes Mr. Anderson: Yes

Mrs. Gerred-Ditchcreek stated forty-six thousand dollars ($46,000.00) was paid to Medical Mutual Insurance and nine thousand dollars, four hundred seventy-seven dollars ($9,477.00) was paid to CT Consultants, Inc.

Mr. Anderson requested a motion to approve payroll in the amount of ninety-nine thousand, four hundred eighty-eight dollars and ninety-one cents ($99,488.91) (actual) for February 14, 2020.

Mr. Wayman presented a motion to approve payroll in the amount of ninety-nine thousand, four hundred eighty-eight dollars and ninety-one cents ($99,488.91) (actual) for February 14, 2020, seconded by Mr. Gauntner: Mr. Wayman: Yes Mr. Gauntner: Yes Mr. Anderson: Yes

Mr. Anderson turned the Meeting over to Mr. Brown.

Mr. Brown stated Mr. Michael Gehring from Gehring's Insurance Agency, and Mr. Peter Richmond, Jr. from Richmond & Richmond Insurance Agency are here tonight to go over the Ohio Township Association Risk Management Authority (OTARMA) insurance renewal coverage for this year.

Mr. Richmond, 1044 St. Michaels, stated he has been in business for thirty-seven years with his father who could not be present tonight. Mr. Richmond said he and Mr. Gehring, 531 N. Lake Street, who has also been in business a long time, worked together to make sure the Township's property, casualty, automobile and liability insurance coverage is properly covered. Mr. Richmond said there are some changes and deletions from last year and some substantial value changes because of the addition of the new salt dome, restroom renovations at Stanton Park, the new Mack truck for the Service Department, and some new police cars. Mr. Richmond stated OTARMA completed appraisals on all Township properties and contents of those properties this year. The appraisal values increased by 1.3 million dollars and the contents increased by fifty-two thousand dollars ($52,000.00). Last year the premium was seventy-six thousand, three hundred ninety-five dollars ($76,395.00) with a voucher or rebate coming back of five thousand, three hundred forty-two dollars and thirty-eight cents ($5,342.38) for a total of sixty-four thousand, eight hundred seven dollars ($64,807.00) The

annual premium for 2020 will be eighty-two thousand, nine hundred eight dollars ($82,908.00) with a voucher or rebate of five thousand two hundred eighty-seven dollars and eleven cents ($5,287.11) for a total of seventy-seven thousand, six hundred thirty-three dollars and eighty-nine cents ($77,633.89). Mr. Richmond said the Township had six million dollars of liability insurance last year. He is obligated to offer the Township optional liability insurance for seven, eight, or nine million dollars. Mr. Gauntner asked Mr. Pasqualone what amount he would recommend. Mr. Pasqualone said since the appraisal values total almost seven million dollars ($7,000.000.00), he would recommend raising the liability insurance to eight million dollars ($8,000,000.00). Mr. Gauntner said that was his thinking as well. Mr. Gauntner said he is not comfortable with where the liability insurance is now. The Trustees should do what is in the best interest of the Township. Both Mr. Anderson and Mr. Wayman agreed. Mr. Gauntner asked Mrs. Gerred-Ditchcreek if she is comfortable with an eight thousand dollar ($8,000.00) increase in premium. Mrs. Gerred-Ditchcreek stated since the budget is not finalized yet, there is still time to make an adjustment, and it is the right thing to do. Mrs. Gerred-Ditchcreek will need a new invoice.

Mr. Gauntner made a motion to increase the liability insurance up to eight million dollars ($8,000,000.00), seconded by Mr. Wayman. Roll Call: Mr. Gauntner: Yes Mr. Wayman: Yes Mr. Anderson: Yes

Mr. Richmond stated the Township's loss record is phenomenal with the last claim happening back in 2017. Everyone should be commended for that. Mr. Richmond asked if anyone had any further questions. There were none. Mr. Richmond said he appreciates the opportunity once again to take care of the community. Mr. Brown stated he is very happy with the service from Mr. Richmond and Mr. Gehring. Mr. Anderson agreed and thank them for preparing the presentation and bringing up the option of increasing the liability insurance so the Trustees can do the right thing for the community. The Trustees and Mrs. Gerred-Ditchcreek thanked Mr. Richmond and Mr. Gehring for working together for the benefit of the community.

CITIZEN COMMENTS:
None

DEPARTMENT REPORTS
POLICE DEPARTMENT:
Chief Byers stated in the month of January, 2020, the Madison Township Police Department had 990 calls for service. Chief Byers said out of those 990 calls for service, 111 became incident reports.

Calls for Service	990	Incident Reports	111
Crashes	19	Citations	36
Arrests	35	Counterfeiting	1
Discharge of firearms near prohibited premises	1	Disorderly Conduct	1
Dissemination of matter harmful to juveniles	1	Failure to comply with order of police officer	1
Forgery	1	Gross sexual imposition	1
Improperly discharging firearm into occupied structure	1	Improperly handling firearm in motor vehicle	1
Menacing	1	Menacing by stalking	1
Patient abuse	1	Rape	1
Resisting arrest	1	Sexual imposition	1
Violating court order	1	Assault	6

Breaking & Entering	2	Burglary	3
Civil	4	Criminal Damaging	2
Criminal Trespass	2	DOA	2
Disturbance	3	Domestic Violence	3
Protection order violation	1	DUS/No OL	8
Mental Subjects	2	Family dispute	2
Missing Juveniles	2	OVI	4
Receiving stolen property	2	Drug cases	8
Theft cases	14	Property reports	4
Suicide Threats	2	Suspicious	9
Welfare checks	2	Possession of criminal tools	2
Computer Aided Dispatch (C.A.D.) partial list			
911 Calls	24	Alarms	38
Animal complaints	18	Assist fire	14
Business checks	119	Community policing	21
Disabled vehicles	15	Disturbances	11
Follow-Ups Investigations	52	Juvenile complaints	12
Suspicious complaints	78	Traffic complaints	25
Traffic Stops	99	Lockouts	38
Welfare Checks	22		

Chief Byers stated the month of January was a little slower than normal but average for the month of January. The department averages about eleven hundred (1,100) calls for service per month but slows down a bit in the winter months.

LEGAL:
Mr. Pasqualone, Solicitor, stated there was an entry made in court the day of the S. Linda Lane hearing that the case was dismissed subject to an agreement between the parties involved. Mr. Pasqualone said the only question regarding the agreement was when the grading of S. Linda Lane would occur. Mr. Pasqualone replied that the work would be performed in the spring and fall. Once the agreement is finalized, Mr. Pasqualone will inform the Trustees. Mr. Gauntner asked if the case would be closed with prejudice meaning the case cannot be brought up again. Mr. Pasqualone said yes.

FISCAL OFFICER:
Mrs. Gerred-Ditchcreek, Fiscal Officer, stated she had nothing to report other than she will try to have the 2020 Appropriations Budget ready for the next meeting.

SERVICE DEPARTMENT/PUBLIC WORKS:
Road Supervisor, Mr. Cook, had a prior commitment and was absent tonight.

ZONING:
Zoning Inspector, Mr. Walland, also had a prior commitment and was absent tonight.

ADMINISTRATOR:

Mr. Brown, Administrator, requested a motion to approve **Resolution #20-032,** A Resolution Declaring Improvements to Certain Parcels of Real Property to be a Public Purpose, describing the Public infrastructure Improvements to be made to directly benefit those parcels, requiring the Owners thereof to make service payments in lieu of taxes and establishing a tax increment equivalent fund.

Mr. Gauntner presented a motion to approve **Resolution #20-032,** seconded by Mr. Wayman. Roll Call: Mr. Gauntner: Yes Mr. Wayman: Yes Mr. Anderson: Yes

Mr. Brown stated this Resolution is for Mary's Diner, 2600 Green Road. Since the property is located in the Madison Local School District and the Auburn Career Center Joint Vocational School District, both schools have been notified. Mr. Brown said Auburn Career Center was notified on January 21, 2020, and Madison Schools on January 23, 2020.

Mr. Brown requested a motion to approve **Resolution #20-033,** A Resolution to Renew the annual property, casualty, automobile & liability insurance coverage with the Ohio Township Association Risk Management Authority (OTARMA) effective February 1, 2020 through January 31, 2021.

Mr. Wayman presented a motion to approve **Resolution #20-033,** seconded by Mr. Gauntner. Roll Call: Mr. Wayman: Yes Mr. Gauntner: Yes Mr. Anderson: Yes

Mr. Pasqualone stated the Resolution will have to be modified due to the increase in liability insurance the Trustees decided to add to the renewal amount. The figures are in the text of the Resolution and will have to be modified. Mr. Wayman said he will withdraw his motion to approve **Resolution #20-033.** Mr. Gauntner said he will withdraw his motion to second.

Mr. Anderson requested a new motion to approve amended **Resolution #20-033,** A Resolution to Renew the annual property, casualty, automobile & liability insurance coverage with an increase in the liability coverage with the Ohio Township Association Risk Management Authority (OTARMA) effective February 1, 2020 through January 31, 2021.

Mr. Wayman presented a motion to approve amended **Resolution #20-033,** seconded by Mr. Gauntner. Roll Call: Mr. Wayman: Yes Mr. Gauntner: Yes Mr. Anderson: Yes

Mrs. Gerred-Ditchcreek stated the amended cost in Resolution #20-033 will be eighty-four thousand, nine hundred four dollars ($84,904.00).

Mr. Brown requested a motion to approve **Resolution #20-034.** A Resolution Entering into an Agreement Permitting the Rabbit Run Community Arts Association to improve the seating within Rabbit Run Theater, 5648 Chapel Road. Madison, Ohio.

Mr. Gauntner presented a motion to approve **Resolution #20-034,** seconded by Mr. Wayman. Roll Call: Mr. Gauntner: Yes Mr. Wayman: Yes Mr. Anderson: Yes

Mr. Brown requested a motion to approve **Resolution #20-035,** A Resolution Accepting the informal Quote from C.I.R. Incorporated for the excavation and replenishment of sand into Lake Erie's littoral drift system for 2020 and 2021 at Madison Township Park Beach, located at 6749 Lake Road, Madison, Ohio, 44057.

Mr. Wayman presented a motion to approve **Resolution #20-035,** seconded by Mr. Gauntner. Roll Call: Mr. Wayman: Yes Mr. Gauntner: Yes Mr. Anderson: Yes

Mr. Gauntner asked if the requirement for sand removal is still seven thousand, two hundred (7,200) cubic yard of sand each year. Mr. Brown said yes, thirty-six hundred (3,600) cubic yards in the spring and thirty six hundred (3,600) cubic yards in the fall. Mr. Gauntner said April and October would be good months for the project.

Mr. Brown requested a motion to approve **Resolution #20-036,** A Resolution to enter into an Agreement with Mentor MFG of Mentor, Ohio, not to exceed the amount of $98,194.00, for the purchase of a Kubota Excavator, KX080-4SR3A, three-bucket attachments, coupler, and the thumb kit for use by the Madison Township Service Department.

Mr. Gauntner presented a motion to approve **Resolution #20-036,** seconded by Mr. Wayman. Roll Call: Mr. Gauntner: Yes Mr. Wayman: Yes Mr. Anderson: Yes

Mr. Brown stated the Kubota Excavator will be paid over the next three (3) years with back charges to the Lake County Storm Water Department from the ditch cleaning program. The Service Department does ditch cleaning throughout Madison Township for the Lake County Storm Water Department. It is an investment now that will pay off in the long run. Mr. Anderson said it is well needed in the Service Department.

Mr. Gauntner asked Mr. Brown if he heard anything back from First Energy concerning the street light bills that the Township has asked them to explain. Mr. Brown said no he has not. He e-mailed First Energy, and they were to get back to him by today, but they have not yet replied back. Mr. Gauntner said the ball is in First Energy's court. It is up to First Energy to straighten out the bills. No payments will be made until they do. Mr. Anderson asked Mr. Brown to document what is happening with the situation with First Energy. Mr. Brown said he will stay on top of it.

TRUSTEES:

Mr. Anderson requested a motion to approve **Resolution #20-037,** A Resolution Appointing Mike Macioce as a Madison Township Representative on the Madison Joint Recreational District from February 11, 2020 until December 31, 2022.

Mr. Wayman presented a motion to approve **Resolution #20-037,** seconded by Mr. Gauntner. Roll Call: Mr. Wayman: Yes Mr. Gauntner: Yes Mr. Anderson: Yes

Mr. Gauntner mentioned on February 22nd the Madison Fire Board will be celebrating their 50th Anniversary from 4:00 to 6:00 P.M. at Fire Station #3, and the public is welcome. Mr. Gauntner said Mike Gehring just informed him tonight that he is going to try to bring his father who was a firefighter back in the 1950's to the celebration. Mr. Joseph Gehring is 96 years old and would probably be the oldest former firefighter there. Mr. Gauntner said he hopes Joseph Gehring can attend. Mr. Gauntner stated on February 10, 1970, fifty years ago yesterday, the Board of Madison Township Trustees adopted a Resolution to join with Madison Village and abolish the Madison Township Fire Department and create the Madison Fire District. The Village passed a similar Resolution days later.

Mr. Gauntner thanked Mr. Bill DeBus seated in the audience for his recent newspaper article featured in Sundays News-Herald about Madison Township resurfacing some roads. The article stated Madison Township will be resurfacing Bates Road. Mr. Gauntner said he saw a comment on social media saying it is about time the Township is resurfacing Bates Road. The only problem is the bad part of Bates Road is not maintained by the Township but by Lake County. Madison Township only has the south end of Bates Road from Route 307 to River Road. Lake County maintains north Bates Road from Middle Ridge to Route 307 where the road is in bad shape. Mrs. Gerred-Ditchcreek stated Bill DeBus will need a map to determine who maintains what road. Mr. Anderson said that is a problem here in the community because residents do not know which roads are Township roads, which are County roads, and which are State roads. Mr. Anderson stated he has some information regarding this subject and will talk about it at the next Trustees Meeting. The Trustees thanked Mr. DeBus for the article and also Teresa Milanese who did an article in the Tribune on the same story.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS:

Mr. Dan Mullins, 2200 N. Countyline Road, addressed the Trustees. Mr. Mullins said he lives on North Countyline Road between Cunningham Road and Route 20. Mr. Mullins stated he attended the Meeting tonight to get some information on when Countyline Road might be resurfaced as it is in bad shape. Mr. Anderson suggested contacting Mr. James Gills, Lake County Engineer, as Countyline Road is maintained by Lake County. Mr. Gauntner stated the problem is Mr. Gills has roads in the five (5) Lake County townships,

and one hundred fifty-two (152) miles of roads to maintain in those townships. In Madison Township there are fifty and a half (50.5) miles of road which are County maintained roads. To repave just one (1) mile of road costs around six hundred thousand dollars ($600,000.00). If sub-base work is needed under the road the cost is about 1.2 to 1.5 million dollars. Mr. Gills has a limited budget from just gasoline and license plate taxes which are his source of revenue. Lake County is planning to repave Countyline Road from Cashen Road north to Driftwood Drive this coming summer. Mr. Mullins wanted to know how Lake County determines what roads to do before others. Mr. Gauntner said that is a good question, and one the Township will ask in the future. Mr. Brown stated, road conditions and the amount of daily traffic are two (2) of the things considered. Mr. Gauntner said the County Engineers Department is planning to repave Bennett Road this summer for an estimated cost of `1.2 to 1.5 million dollars. Mr. Gauntner stated the Lake County Engineers Department is trying to stretch the funds as best they can and often, they have to do a long road piecemeal by doing one section at a time. The Lake County Engineers Department has Bennett, Green, Ledge, Doty, Emerson, and Chapel Roads (from Hubbard Road to Dock Road) on the list for resurfacing this year. Mr. Gauntner said he has not yet seen any road repaving plans for 2021. Mr. Brown stated he will probably see Mr. Gills tomorrow. He will see if he can learn any plans for repaving the remainder of Countyline Road and will inform Mr. Mullin.

Mr. Anderson stated to those in attendance that the next Regular Madison Township Board of Trustees Meeting will be Tuesday, February 25, 2020 at 7:00 P.M.

Mr. Anderson inquired if anyone had any further business to discuss. With no further business to discuss, Mr. Anderson requested a motion to adjourn the meeting.

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

Chairman Anderson adjourned the Trustees Regular Meeting at 7:44 P.M.

Max Anderson, Jr., Chairman

Terry Gerred-Ditchcreek, Fiscal Officer