

Madison Township Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

Morgan County, Indiana

February 12, 2025

- I. Call to Order
The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairman, Nelson Hoggatt
- II. Roll Call
 - Nelson Hoggatt, Chairman
 - Dawn Horock, Secretary
 - Matthew Pranger, Member
 - Larry Ellis, Trustee
 - Tina Turner, Clerk
- III. Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Moment of Silence
- V. Adoption of Minutes from January 22, 2025
Motion by Nelson Hoggatt, Seconded by Matthew Pranger. Vote 3-0
- VI. Old Business
 1. Status of Estimates for Station 31 Remodel – NONE were received
 2. Status of Driveway – Currently in use. Swales will be taken care of when the weather gets better. Trustee Ellis will be getting a Platt drawing from the County, so that the standing water issue with Station 31 property and the adjoining property owner that also has standing water can then be addressed.
- VII. New Business
 1. Review of the 2024 Annual Financial Report - Discussion on Turnout Gear – During the 2024 Budget approval in 2023, it was proposed that 10 sets of turnout gear would be purchased in 2024, 2025, 2026, and 2027 to replace 40 sets that were acquired in 2019 through a lease-to -own contract. 10 more sets of turnout gear were ordered by the Fire Chief in 2023, without the Trustee's knowledge or approval. The invoice for that order was found in the desk of the Fire Chief and paid in 2024. 10 more sets of turnout gear were purchased in 2024 bringing the total sets purchased to 20 for that year. The Trustee stated he intends to order 10 more sets of turnout gear in 2025. It is unclear at this time if 10 more sets will be ordered for both 2026 and 2027. The problem we are having now is that we have employees that are of smaller stature, and we do not have small enough turnout gear to accommodate smaller individuals.
 2. Review of Station 31 remodel estimates. Since none have been submitted, The Trustee will contact the State to make certain that we can go to companies and ask for quotes as 3 separate projects for the remodel of Station 31
- VIII. Reports
 1. Trustee – Basically it was stated above in the Old Business section on the driveway swales and New Business section about acquiring bids.
 2. Acting Fire Chief Report – A slideshow presentation was given listing the 2024 Accomplishments. Among those were 2 years of a Balanced Budget, New concrete driveway for Station 31, New roof for Station 32, New Phone System, FT

Hiring Process, Raises for Fire Fighters and Paramedics in 2025 Salary Resolution, Health, Dental and Life Insurance for FT employees, Eliminated Social Security from pay checks for FT Fire Fighters, Finalized DEA process for carrying certain medications, ESO Established, Successful Freedom Fest, Updated training and software, Temporary housing at Station 31, Successful FDIC (Fire Dept Instructor Conference. We were invited to attend and bring equipment for HOT classes and thank Captain Joe Sinclair for his hard work, purchased SCBA Packs that were 5 years new than what we had, Successful Eclipse preparation, Hose testing and ladders complete by Fire CAT, Partnership with ESEC (Emergency Services Education Center for Department Training, Received our second LUCAS device and a new McGrath Video laryngoscopy tool, updated our Project Lifesaver Program and Maintenance on the apparatus throughout the year.

- IX. Next Meeting - For Additional Appropriation will be Thursday, March 6, 2025.
- X. Good to Order
- XI. Board Comments
- XII. Meeting adjourned at 8:11 pm. Motion by Nelson Hoggatt, seconded by Matthew Pranger Vote 3-0

Minutes prepared by Dawn Horock, Board Secretary

Dated this 6 Day of MARCH, 2025

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Trustee Larry Ellis, Madison Township Trustee