

Chair Adams asked for a motion to set a time limit of three (3) minutes for the public to address the Board.

Motion to implement a three (3) minute limit for all that wish to address the Board during the public portion was made by: Mr. Lee

Seconded by: Mr. White

ROLL CALL: all ayes

OPENING PUBLIC PORTION

Chair Adams asked if there was anyone from the public who wished to address the Board.

Mrs. Kathleen Faulhammer of 5623 River Road, Madison asked if exceptions to the time limit will be made or if everyone will just be cut off from speaking at the three (3) minute mark. Chair Adams responded that the time limit can be considered/extended depending on the circumstances. Mr. Lee stated that a time limit is necessary due to any controversial subject and the possibility of multiple people wanting to speak.

Mr. Mark Faulhammer also of 5623 River Road, Madison asked the following:

"I would like to know how long you are going to drag this out for my son, Captain Faulhammer. You're almost at 7 months, you're dragging this out. The lawyer was supposed to redact everything out and bring it here but she hasn't done that so they pass it over to him (Attorney Elko). When are you gonna get your stuff together and get this over with? I'm tired of you dragging my son, putting him down and everything else! You know, how would you like it if they were dragging you along, how about you Mr. Wayman? You guys don't understand what you're putting him through. You all are a bunch of jokes and can't settle it. You're over the statute of limitations for Ohio - do you realize that sir (addressing Attorney Elko)? I understand you can't answer me and you won't. You just sit up there and smile and do whatever you want. It's a joke!"

Chair Adams asked if anyone else would care to address the Board; there was no one.

LEGAL COUNSEL - Attorney Elko stated that the District policies are being worked on with Chief Meister, however suspended during his leave. He extended well wishes to Chief Meister and his family.

OLD BUSINESS - See Resolution 2026-01 as stated above.

Res. 2026-01 A Resolution of the Board of Trustees of the Madison Fire District Authorizing & Accepting the Proposal and Expenditure of Funds for Dental & Vision Insurance Coverage for 2026 as Offered by UNUM and Authorizing Payments for Said Plan

Motion to accept Resolution 2026-01 authorizing & accepting the proposal and expenditure of funds for dental & vision insurance coverage for 2026 as offered by UNUM and authorizing payments for said plan was made by: Mr. Wayman

Seconded by: Mr. White

ROLL CALL: All ayes

NEW BUSINESS

Res. 2026-02 A Resolution of the Board of Trustees of the Madison Fire District Accepting a Donation from Resident, Donna Dunning in the Amount of \$100.00.

Motion to accept Resolution 2026-02 accepting a donation from resident, Donna Dunning in the amount of \$100.00 was made by: Mr. White

Seconded by: Mr. Wayman

ROLL CALL: All ayes

Res. 2026-03 A Resolution of the Board of Trustees of the Madison Fire District Authorizing a Rate of Pay Adjustment for James Solymosi to \$26.07 Per Hour to Match the Rate of a Part time Firefighter per the CBA.

Motion to accept Resolution 2026-03 authorizing a rate of pay adjustment for James Solymosi to \$26.07 per hour was made by: Mr. Lee

Seconded by: Mr. Wayman

ROLL CALL: All ayes

Res. 2026-04 A Resolution of the Board of Trustees of the Madison Fire District Approving the Renewal of the District Accident & Sickness Insurance Coverage As Offered by VFIS for the Period 02/01/2026 - 01/31/2027.

Motion to accept Resolution 2026-04 approving the renewal of the district Accident & Sickness Insurance Coverage as offered by VFIS for the period 02/01/2026 - 01/31/2027 was made by: Mr. Lee

Seconded by: Mr. Wayman

ROLL CALL: All ayes

Attorney Elko asked if Chair Adams would please address the memorandum of understanding with the Lake County Sheriff's Department (Dispatch) and the participating fire departments.

Chair Adams requested a motion to pass the MOU with the LC Sheriff's Department. Captain Henry explained that the participating department Chiefs agreed that the IT maintenance fees should be rated based on call volume. This results in the MFD fee being higher than the previously discussed rate of \$4,000.00/year (most likely doubled). Mr. Lee asked that the Board be advised of the final amount.

Motion to accept the MOU was made by: Mr. Wayman

Seconded by: Mr. White

ROLL CALL: All ayes

COMMITTEE REPORTS - None to report.

CHIEF'S REPORT (Captain Henry)

Anniversaries: FF Alyssa Corsi - 2 years

Financial: EMS revenue is 117.00% of yearly projection while tax revenue is 104.9% of budgeted collection YTD. The District spent 90.8% of the annual budget through December.

Staffing: Staffing is fluid with some overtime due to multiple medical leaves. Two or Three additional part time hires will begin training in the near future. A posting has been made to hire for one (1) full-time position. Six (6) applications have been submitted to date and will be accepted through February 18, 2026.

Volume: The District responded to 346 calls for service in December; 205 EMS and 75 Fire.

Inspections: Remain on-going; see report in your folder.

Vehicles: Engine #2123 remains out for chassis and paint fixes at Franks Auto Body. Expected to be completed by mid to late January. The new #2127 Chase/plow truck is in service. Perry's borrowed engine (driven by a MFD member) clipped a Township police cruiser while leaving the scene of an accident in December; the District is working with insurance and Chief Hager to get it fixed.

Buildings: Nothing to report.

Other: The FEMA/AFG grant for SCBAs has been sent to legal for purchase recommendations. The committee has narrowed the selection down to either Scott or Draeger; a recommendation for approval will be presented at the February meeting. Both CBAs continue to be negotiated.

Training: Ice rescue training is slated to happen this month. There will be training in early 2026 utilizing the house which has been donated (for training purposes only).

CLOSING PUBLIC PORTION - None

CLOSING BOARD COMMENTS - None

Chair Adams stated that he would entertain a motion to adjourn into Executive Session to hold a conference with an attorney for the public body concerning disputes involving the public body that are the subject of pending or imminent court action, pursuant to ORC 121.22(G)(3).

A motion to adjourn into Executive Session to hold a conference with an attorney for the public body concerning disputes involving the public body that are the subject of pending or imminent court action, pursuant to ORC 121.22(G)(3) was made by: Mr. Wayman @19:23

Seconded by: Mr. White

ROLL CALL: All ayes

Members returned at 20:00. Chair Adams asked for a motion to close the executive session.

Motion to close the executive session at 20:00 was made by: Mr. Wayman

Seconded by: Mr. White

ROLL CALL: All ayes

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Adams stated there being no further business, he would entertain a motion to adjourn.

Motion to adjourn was made by: Mr. Lee at 20:02


Seconded by: Mr. Wayman

ROLL CALL: All ayes

Meeting was adjourned at 20:02

01-28-2026

Accepted and Approved: February 18, 2026



Attest: Joanne Clapp, Fiscal Officer



Jay Adams, Board Chair