WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING APRIL 17, 2013 TRUSTEE REPORT

- 1. House Bill 1116 that allows a township who had an emergency fire loan in 2012 or 2013 to appeal to the DLGF to raise their fire levy in 2014 to the amount of that loan has passed both houses of the legislature. It now awaits the Governor signature. Tonight our financial advisor will review what that means for our township and what we will need to do to exercise that opportunity if it becomes law this year.
- 2. Tonight you will be asked to approve a request to allow me to borrow up to \$ 3 million dollars as an emergency fire loan to offset the shortage on our 2013 fire budget due to our being at the maximum fire levy. This amount is \$1.1 million less than last year's amount.
- 3. The next joint workshop with the Avon Town Council for the consolidation study will be Wednesday, May 1 at 7:00 pm at the Park Pavilion. The agenda will be a review of the Township Fire Dept and the Avon Police Dept. There will be presentations made both by Chief Smith and Chief Miller.
- 4. The next Educating the Entities program will be Wednesday May 16th at the Avon Public Library. It will be presented by the Library staff. Once I am notified of the time I will forward to you.
- 5. We received a bill from the County Treasurer in the amount of \$ 4,055.50 for drainage fees on the Station Hill Drain. This was the result of former Trustee Austin requesting in June 2009 the County Drainage Board assume the maintenance of that drain. We are in the process of trying to see why such a large amount; why no previous notification, etc since we DID NOT budget for this. As we receive more information we will advise you.
- 6. Tonight Chief Smith will be asking you to pass a couple resolutions to allow the completion of the financing for the monitors, an ambulance and a fire truck. One of these resolutions is required by the bank who was the successful bidder for the financing. The other resolution is for an inter-local agreement with the Brownsburg Fire Territory. They are wanting to be part of the purchase agreement of the monitors.
- 7. As you know the Town of Plainfield annexed 125 acres of the Township into their town. Tonight I will be asking you to legislate a policy for the Township that will require the Trustee to invoice any municipality who annexes into our Township. This would involve invoicing for the amount of fire debt that was incurred in which the property owner annexed would have paid in property taxes for that debt.