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Washington Township Board Meeting
Meeting June 11th, 2014 — 7:00 PM
Held at: Washington Township Pavilion Center
435 Whipple Ln, Avon, IN 46123

Call to Order and Pledge

Board meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM and Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Quorum

Quorum was established Doug Elmore and Michael J. Lynch present. Also in attendance: Trustee Don Hodson, Deputy Trustee Pat Laughlin, and staff.

Public Comment

1. None

Consent Agenda

The minutes for the May 14th, 2014 board meeting and the May claims were presented. Doug Elmore had a question in regards to bond payments on the May claims. Michael J. Lynch made a motion to approve the claims and the minutes with the amendments that were noted and Doug Elmore seconded the motion. **Motion carries 3-0.**

Department Reports

1. Chief Dan Smith presented the May fire department report. That report can be found on the township website. Doug Elmore had a question in regards to the hiring list for the department. A discussion was held between Chief Smith and the board members. A question was asked in regards to response times for the fire department and what the average response time should be. A discussion was held amongst the board members and Chief George in regards to the departments average response times.
2. Don Hodson presented the May public assistance report for Jennifer Thornell. That report can be found on the township website.
3. Nikki Montembeault presented the May parks report. The report can be found on the township website. A discussion was held between the board members in regards to the erosion that happens there and who is responsible of taking care of it.

Trustee's Report

1. Don Hodson presented the Trustees Report. That report can be found on the township website.

Old Business

1. Don Hodson presented the Township Retiree Medical Supplement. The governing board will consist of two firefighters, Chris Krahn and Mark Miller, a board appointee, Suzanne X. Conger,

and the trustee, Don Hodson. Steve Blacketer was voted into the board as well as the Township Resident representative. The next meeting is scheduled for June 17th to approve the marital status form and the volunteer/career waiver. The TPA and financial advisor will also be appointed during this time.

2. Nikki Montembeault presented the revised 2014 Park budget. No action was needed from the board during this time. Doug Elmore had a question in regards to the fees presented to people renting areas in the park. A discussion was held between the board and Nikki in regards to what the contract actually contains for rentals.

New Business

1. Don Hodson presented the 401a Amendment. The current loan provision allowed participants to do a loan within certain limits, but the only way they could do that is if there was a hardship situation. There have been applicants in the past that have and have not been approved. It is thought to be too ^{subjective} suggestive. It is being asked to amend the loan program so that there can only be one loan at a time that cannot go over 50% or \$5,000. There would be no refinancing of the loan. A discussion was held about if the committee or the township board is responsible for these amendments. A decision was made to discuss this with the committee and to find out if they could make these decisions so that the amendments do not need to keep coming back to the township board. A vote was taken at this time to approve the amendment. Michael Lynch moved to approve the changes to the Washington Township 401a Retirement Plan Participant Loan Program as presented. Doug Elmore seconded the motion. **Motion passes 2-0.**
2. Don Hodson discussed the 2015 Budget Workshop times and procedures. The first workshop will be on July 9th. Another one will be held in August to go over any changes that needed to be made after the July meeting. A public hearing will be held in September and the final approval will be made in October. July 30th will be when the Township has the budget workshop with DLGF and then we will publish the proposed budget. It was presented to start the budget workshops at 6PM, suspend the meeting at 7PM for the township board meeting, and then pick up where left off after the board meeting. Each department head is to present to Don and Pat their proposed budget for 2015 by June 30th. This gives the department heads time to make changes and have their budgets turned in by July 2nd. It was agreed to start the budget workshops at 6PM before the township board meetings. The public hearing in September will be held starting at 7PM at the start of the regular board meeting.
3. Don Hodson presented the Township Assistance Guideline policy change. The township assistance program is currently being utilized more, therefore giving out more money. A policy was already instituted that proof be presented if disabled. Don Hodson is asking to add to the policy that those who utilize the Workfare program, and are physically able, to work off within the Township what the Township has given them in assistance. There are set rules that will need to be complied with in order to participate in the workfare program. There is a group of people who would be exempt from this program. Michael J. Lynch suggested tabling the vote until Suzanne X. Conger could be present. A discussion was held about whether or not this type of program would work. It was asked that additional information we provided for the board members about this program and how it would work and brought back to be discussed at the next board meeting.

Public Comment

Fred Palmer asked if there could possibly be any unintended consequences regarding the chance of injury during the work program being brought forth for the public assistance program. A discussion was held between the board members and found that there is a line item in the budget for workman's comp

that would encompass the workers. He also thought it would be good if figures could be brought back on number of repeat clients.

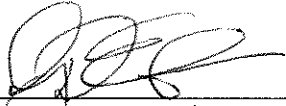
Wishes to be Heard

None

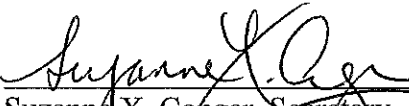
Adjournment

Michael J. Lynch motioned to adjourn the meeting and Doug Elmore seconded the motion. **2-0 motion carries.** Meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM. There will be a budget workshop on Wednesday, July 9th, 2014 starting at 6:00 PM. Next regularly scheduled meeting is Wednesday, July 9th, 2014 starting at 7:00 PM. Meetings to be held at Washington Township Pavilion, 435 Whipple Lane, in event of flooding meeting will be held at Washington Township Government Center, 311 Production Drive.

Minutes Approved July 9th, 2014:

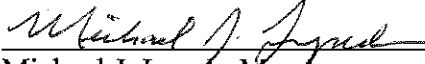


Doug Elmore, President



Suzanne X. Conger, Secretary

Attest:



Michael J. Lynch, Member



Don Hodson, Trustee