

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
AUGUST 21, 2013
TRUSTEE REPORT

1. Tonight we are proposing to increase the 2014 Fire Levy as allowed under HB1116. Our budget will also be adjusted to reflect it.
2. We are happy to report after many meetings between the AJAA officers (old and new ones) and Township Board member Suzanne Conger, Deputy Trustee Pat Laughlin and me, we will be presenting for your approval and signatures a resolution dissolving the December 24, 2010 agreement between the AJAA and the Township concerning the Pecar property. This was done without having to use legal means!! I would like to commend the AJAA leadership (especially AJAA President Scott Handlon) for moving this along. Tonight we will also be asking approval to place for bid a new lease for this property.
3. The Joint session of the Town of Avon Council and Township Board was held August 7th. After discussion both sides agreed that time was not there to allow the present process to be finished properly. Both sides agreed to begin the process required by law to terminate the present reorganization process. Both sides did agree that they wanted to keep meeting to see if the plan could be revised and restart the process after the start of 2014. Tonight you will do the first reading required by law.
4. As of the meeting on August 21, 2013 Deputy Trustee Laughlin and I will have interviewed 4 finalist from an application pool of 34 candidates for the Parks Director position. The plan is to have a new director hired by September 1 to begin the transition process with out-going Director Farnsworth.
5. Concerning the budget, Administrator Simison, Financial Advisor Peters and I met with the representative of the DLGF concerning our 2014 Budget. He approved the information he needed and also strongly urged we do the levy increase.
6. Finally on a personal note- as you all know, my wife of 29 years, un expectantly passed away on July 24th. I want to thank everyone for all that you have done to assist and comfort my family and me. I especially want to thank my good friend, Deputy Trustee Laughlin, for stepping in to take over my duties during that time to allow me to tend to what needed done and some time to grieve. Rita loved each and every one of you. I know all of you will miss her (especially that laugh) –as will I. Again thank you and God Bless!!