

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 11, 2018  
HELD AT: WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP GOVERNMENT CENTER  
311 PRODUCTION DRIVE, AVON, INDIANA

**Call To Order and Pledge:**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM and the pledge to the flag was given.

**Quorum Established:**

Suzanne Conger, Steve Blacketer and Fred Palmer were present. Also in attendance were Trustee Don Hodson, Township Department Heads and Public.

**Public Hearing for the 2019 Township Budget:**

As was advertised, Chairman Suzanne Conger opened the public hearing for the 2019 Township Budget at 7:02pm. Lora Dryer stated after making and receiving a copy of the proposed budget, she had sent Trustee Hodson some questions. She stated that she wanted to publicly thank him for giving her a prompt and satisfactory reply. The Hearing was closed at 7:03pm.

**Public Comment;**

None

**Consent Agenda:**

Fred Palmer made a motion and Steve Blacketer seconded to approve the Minutes of the August 14, 2018 Special Board Meeting, August 14, 2018 Budget Work Shop, August 28, 2018 Budget Work Shop and the August 28, 2018 Special Board Meeting. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Fred Palmer made a motion to accept the claims since August 14, 2018. Steve Blacketer seconded the motion and the **motion carried 3-0.**

**Department Reports: (All reports are on the Township Website)**

1. Township Assistance- Trustee Hodson highlighted the report that was in the packet. There weren't any questions.
2. Parks Department- Director Lora Lacey highlighted her report. No questions.

3. Fire Department- Chief Smith started his report by reminding everyone present that today was 17<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the September 11, 2001, terrorist attack. He asked everyone to join him a moment of remembrance of those who lost their lives and those who made sacrifices that day. Chief then advised the Board that Assistant Chief Gerald George and Battalion Chief Jason Porter were members of the Indiana Task force and had been deployed to the Carolinas due to the tropical storms. Chief also recognized Fire Fighter Brian Sturm for his being very, very helpful and his willingness to go out of his way to help while on light duty.

#### Trustee Report:

1. Trustee reported that the Town needed a "Right of Entry" signed by the Board Chairman and Trustee giving them the right to enter the park area to repair the Stream Embankment and Trail Development. The Board consented for them to sign the document and this was done.
2. Trustee also reminded the Board that the Plan Commission Meeting for the Fair wood PUD was September 24, 2018 at 7:00Pm at the Township Park Pavilion. He told them he and Chief Smith would be at the meeting to discuss the request from the Township for a donation of 1 ½ to 2 acres for a possible future fire station.
3. Trustee then told the Board that he was requesting a meeting date be given for November for the purpose of doing additional appropriations. November 13, 2018 at 7:00Pm was selected.

#### Old Business:

1. Pecar Park Update- Director Lora Lacey reviewed her update to the Board and Trustee reviewed the updated Financial Report.
2. Fire Training Ground- Chief Smith reviewed two meetings that had occurred concerning property that the Avon Schools owned. One of the meetings was held with School Board member Ann Engelhardt, Director of Business Scott Wyndham, Trustee and Chief. This was very beneficial for a possible site. The second meeting was held with Town of Avon Planning Director Jodi Dickey, Scott Wyndham, Trustee and Chief for the purpose of seeing what procedures and any zoning issues that might be needed to address for approval if the School and Township agreed on a property purchase or long term lease. Chief advised it was very promising.

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3. Reserve Engine Update- Chief advised the engine purchase had been advertised and was on schedule. The Board would be opening the bids submitted on September 27, 2018. He also advised that lease bids to pay for the reserve engine if we proceeded were being handled by our Township Financial Advisor Jeff Peters.

**New Business:**

1. Surplus Resolution 091218-01 (see attached)  
Trustee Hodson presented for approval the resolution to declare the items listed on the resolution as surplus. Fred Palmer made a motion to approve Resolution 091218-01 and Steve Blacketer seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

**Public Comment:**

None

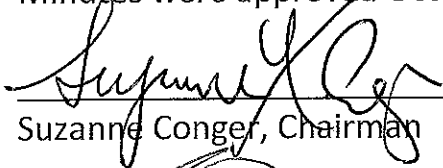
**Wishes To be Heard:**


Trustee Hodson wanted to advise those present and congratulate Parks Director Lora Lacey on her upcoming wedding Saturday September 15, 2018.

**Adjournment:**

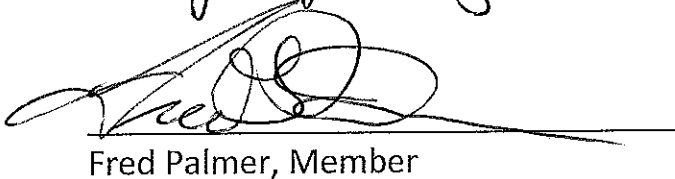
Steve Blacketer made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Steve Blacketer. **Motion carried 3-0.**

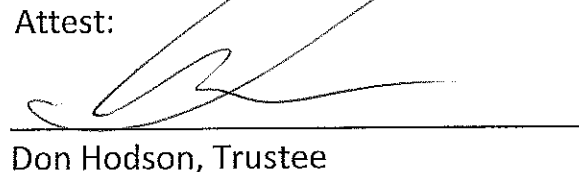
Minutes were approved October 9, 2018:

  
Suzanne Conger, Chairman

  
Steven Blacketer, Secretary

Attest:

  
Fred Palmer, Member

  
Don Hodson, Trustee

Next Meetings are: Board Work Shop-September 12, 2018 at 6:30pm and Board Meeting for the purpose of Reserve Engine Bid Opening on September 27, 2018 at 6:00pm. All meetings are held at the Washington Township Government Center, 311 Production Drive, Avon, Indiana