

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
AUGUST 8, 2019
HELD AT: WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP GOVERNMENT CENTER,
311 PRODUCTION DRIVE, AVON, INDIANA

Call To Order:

The meeting was called to order at 2:01 PM and the Pledge To The Flag was given,

Establishment Of A Quorum:

Shane Sommers, Amanda Babinec and Steve Blacketer were present. Also present were Trustee Don Hodson, Helee Adkins and Marina Keers from Hendricks County Senior Services, and Township Staff.

Consent Agenda:

Steve Blacketer made a motion to approve as presented the minutes for both the June 13, 2019, Township Board Meeting and the June 24, 2019, Township Budget Work Shop and also a consent of the Claims as presented. Amanda Babinec seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Public Comment:

None

Department Reports: (see Attached)

1. Township Assistance- Director Sue Allen reviewed her report with the Board and those present. For the month of July there was \$2,200 granted and \$8,000 denied. She stated most of the denials were due over income and lack of information needed. She also advised she was working on updating the Township Assistance Guidelines.
2. Human Resource- Director Aaron Vining reviewed his report.
3. Park and Recreation- Director Lora Helmick reviewed her report. She told those present the Park Summer Camp was over and after expenses a profit of \$36,000 was brought in. She advised that the 30th Birthday Party for the Township Park was a huge success. Finally the Park maintenance staff was going to be attending a Maintenance Summit sponsored by the Indiana Park and Recreation Association.

4. Fire Department- Because Chief Dan Smith and Assistant Chief Gerald George were at a conference, EMS Chief Ted Allen presented the report. He recognized Kelli Brian, the Fire Administrative Assistant, for her years of service and wished her well in her new position with the Indiana State University Police.

Township Trustee: (see attached)

Trustee Hodson stated his report was in the board packet.

1. He did want to stress that the next two board meetings were very important. First the September 10, 2019, meeting would also have the 2020 Budget Public Hearing at 7:00 PM. That meeting and hearing would be at the Township Government Center. The October 8, 2019 meeting would have the approval of the 2020 Budget Adoption. The meeting would be at 2:00 PM and be held at the Washington Township Park Pavilion. He stated both of these meetings would be on the Indiana Gateway portal advertisement for the 2020 Budget.
2. He also wanted to remind the Board that the Avon Community Heritage Festival parade would be on September 28th at 10:00 am. Also there would be a booth at the Festival the same day 11am-4pm and it would be nice for the Board and Trustee to participate in both. He asked members to let him know of their availability.
3. He told all present that Deputy Trustee Britt Woodard was officially on maternity leave and would return on November 4, 2019.

Old Business:

1. Pecar Park Update (see attached):
Park Director Helmick told the board that this would be the final update for the project. She told them the challenge course was finished. Trustee Hodson told the Board that we ended the project \$53,000 under budget!
2. Station 141 Remodel Project:
Trustee Hodson stated for the record the Board had approved on August 5, 2019, a resolution authorizing him to place the project out for bid. He reminded everyone the Board would meet September 10, 2019, to open submitted bids in a public meeting.
3. Training Ground:
Trustee Hodson reported the Avon BZA had approved the Exemption Request for the parking lot to be stone/gravel, in lieu of the requirement of

asphalt. He told everyone the plan was for project go before the Avon Planning Commission by their September meeting. He advised that Land Purchase Agreement was being finalized with both legal counsels. He said the School Building Corporation who owned the property would be approving that agreement after it was finalized, but he would be waiting to bring it the Township board for approval until the Town of Avon approved the project permits.

4. Resolution 080819-01 Township Grant Policy:

After reviewing the Resolution, Exhibit A (the policy) and Exhibit B (the agreement each grantee would sign), the request was made for the adoption. Amanda Babinec made a motion approve the Resolution 080819-01 and the attached two exhibits. Steve Blacketer seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

5. Family Promise Grant Request:

Trustee Hodson reminded the Board that Family Promise had made a formal presentation and request for a grant for 2019 in the amount of \$10,000 at the Board meeting on June 13, 2019. He also reminded them that it was tabled until the Township Grant Policy could be approved. He and Director Sue Allen also told the board they were recommending approval. He also told the Board and those present if the decision was made to move forward on the request, board Member Steve Blacketer, would have to excuse himself and "abstain" due to his daughter being on their board. Amanda Babinec made a motion to approve giving "Family Promise" a grant in the amount of \$10,000 for 2019. Shane Sommers seconded the motion. **Motion carried 2-0-1.**

6. Mary Lee Maier Food Pantry Grant Request:

Trustee Hodson stated the food pantry at the Avon Community School made a formal presentation and grant request on June 13, 2019. He and Director Allen recommended the approval of a grant in the amount of \$3600 to be used for the purchase of milk and eggs. Steve Blacketer made a motion to approve the grant request in the amount of \$3600. Amanda Babinec seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

New Business:

1. Grant Request from Hendricks County Senior Services: (see attached)
Director Sue Allen introduced Helee Adkins and Marina Keers from the Hendricks County Senior Services who made a formal presentation and request for a grant in the amount of \$3,600. In their presentation they told those present that in 2018 that the center had served 512 Washington Township seniors. They also advised that township seniors were provided nutrition needs and transportation. Trustee Hodson and Director Allen advised they were recommending approval of a grant, but instead in the amount of \$5,000. Amanda Babinec made a motion to approve the Grant to Hendricks county senior Services in the amount of \$5,000 for 2019. Steve Blacketer seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**
2. Amended 2019 Township Salary Resolution 080819-02:
HR Director Vining requested that the 2019 Salary Resolution be amended to reflect:
 - a. Amending the maximum range for the Fire Administrative position to reflect now the amount the Chief had requested for 2020, so that it could be offered if needed in hiring a replacement for Kelli Brian.
 - b. Adding a part time fire administrative assistant position and pay range to allow Kelli to be paid while she comes back to train her replacement. This position will be temporary.
 - c. He told the Board the Fire Budget in 2019 could allow the funds for these changes if used.Steve Blacketer made a motion to approve Resolution 080819-02. Amanda Babinec seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Public Comment:

None

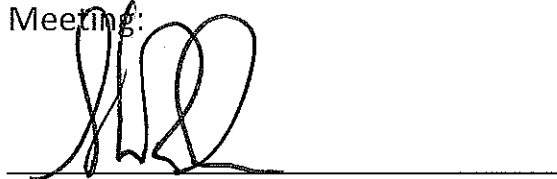
Wishes To Be Heard:

None

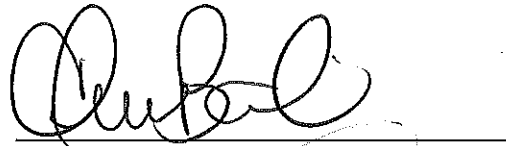
Adjournment:

Amanda Babinec made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Steve Blacketer seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.** The meeting adjourned at 3:05 PM.

These minutes were approved at the September 10, 2019 Township board Meeting:

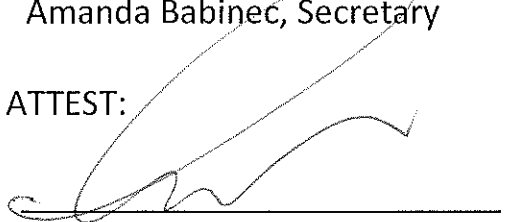


Shane Sommers, Chair



Amanda Babinec, Secretary

ATTEST:



Don Hodson, Trustee



Steve Blacketer, Member

Next Meetings:

September 10, 2019 at 6:00 PM- Public Opening of the St 141 Remodel Project Bids.

September 10, 2019 at 7:00 PM- Public Hearing for the 2020 Township Budget followed by the Township Board Meeting.

All meeting are held at the Washington Township Government Center, 311 Production Drive, Avon, Indiana unless noted differently.