

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
DECEMBER 11, 2014
TRUSTEE REPORT

1. Tonight at 6:30 will be our public hearing and the approval of the 2007 Park Bond Refunding that will save the taxpayers over \$100,000 over the life of the remaining bond term due to lower rates.
2. At our regular meeting tonight, we will be asking for the approval by the Board in encouraging the State Legislature to find (or allow the County) to approve a funding solution for the County Wide Communications Center. Wes Bennett, the Fiscal Officer for the Center, is present to explain the need and what the Governing Board of the Center is requesting.
3. Tonight, with the assistance of our legal counsel, we will be signing the 2015 TAW that you approved last month.
4. We will be asking tonight for approval of transferring money between groups of some of the Funds of the 2014 Budget, so that we end 2014 within budget on expenses.
5. Tonight we are asking that you approve a plan that would have any non-merit employee who is eligible for Medicare to be placed on Medicare and not the Township's medical plan. Instead the Township would provide a reimbursement up to \$1000 for Medicare insurance premiums (supplement ins. or advantage plan) purchased by the employee. This would result in the employee receiving better benefits through Medicare, which both the employee and the township has been paying over the life of the employment of the employee here and saving the Township and the employee in cost. We are asking for this now because we will have one non-merit employee who will be eligible next year.

6. Tonight our consultant will be presenting and answering questions on the Township's 5 Year Strategic Plan. This will be the core part of the plan that we are asking your approval. Once that is secured, we will be able to then have each of the areas of the Township's fire, parks, public assistance, township general and cemetery develop their individual 5 year plans to bring for a final approval by May of 2015.

7. The Avon School Corporation has asked that each of the taxing entities in its school district approve a resolution supporting the request by the School Board for the State Legislature to approve a more equitable funding formula for schools. This will not mean additional taxes, but just a change in how it's distributed by the state to the schools.

8. Tonight you will be asked to approve the 2015 Township Board Meeting Schedule.

9. You will also be requested to approve an encumbrance of some of the 2014 Budgeted Expenses that have not been completed to allow the funds to be used into the first part of 2015 without using 2015 Budgeted money. These expenses were originally budgeted in 2014.

10. Finally I want to wish you, the staff and all of your families a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Years!!