

Washington Township Board Special Meeting
July 9, 2018- 6:30 PM
Held at: Washington Township Government Center
311 Production Drive, Avon, Indiana 46123

Call to Order and Pledge

The Township Board Special Meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM and the pledge to the American flag was given.

Quorum

Before the quorum was established, Trustee Don Hodson asked that the following information be entered into the Township records. He stated that Board Member Doug Elmore had submitted his resignation from the Board due to increased work obligations effective June 30, 2018. He also stated that the resignation had been delivered to the Hendricks County Clerk's Office and Hendricks County Republican Party Chair Anne Engelhart as required by state statute. That County GOP Chair Engelhart had called a meeting of the Township Republican Caucus for the purpose of electing a replacement for Doug Elmore's seat. The meeting was held July 3, 2018, at 7:00 PM and Steve Blacketer was elected and sworn in that evening. He also stated that a copy of the resignation, the notice of the caucus meeting and a copy of Steve Blacketer's oath will be attached to the minutes of this Board meeting.

After that quorum was established with Suzanne Conger, Fred Palmer and Steve Blacketer present. Also in attendance: Trustee Don Hodson, Pat Laughlin, Ted Nolting with Kroger, Gardis and Regas Law Firm, and public.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

New Business

1. Vacancy of Township Board Secretary:

Board Chair Suzanne Conger stated that at the January, 2018 Reorganization Meeting Doug Elmore had been elected Secretary of the Township Board and the Township Finance Board and therefore there was now a vacancy. Fred Palmer made a motion and Suzanne Conger seconded to elect Steve Blacketer to serve as Secretary of both boards for the remainder of 2018.

Motion carried 3-0.

2. Township Retiree Medical Plans

Trustee Hodson summarized the two plans, the need for the amendments, that Pat Laughlin and him had been working to place both plans under one "umbrella" to have one TPA, one Financial Advisor and reduction in fees. He introduced Ted Nolting of Kroger Gardis Regas who

had been working with Pat Laughlin and him on the changes. Ted Nolting reviewed the changes made to the plans:

1. Both plans would be 115 trust and that by doing the plans would not be required to file annual disclosures with the IRS
2. Both plans changes would insure that the funds would be able to have less fees due by able to have the same TPA and Financial Advisor and American Funds recognizing the investment plans under "one umbrella".
3. Both plans would have "Governing Boards". The revised "VEBA 1 Plan" would have a Board composed of the Trustee, a Township Board member, one plan participant rep from the merit firefighters in the plan, one plan participant rep who is a non-merit employee, and a Township Resident elected by the other four members. The "Revised VEBA 2 Plan" would have the same Governing Board structure except the plan participant reps would both be Merit Fire Department members.

He then told the Township Board that to have the "VEBA 1 Plan Document" amended, the Township Board would have to sign both the resolution provided and sign the actual plan document since the "original plan" had been adopted by the Township Board in 2006.

Fred Palmer made a motion to approve Resolution 070918-01 that adopted the amended plan formerly known as "VEBA 1". Steve Blacketer seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.** All three Board members signed the resolution and also the actual "Amended Plan Document"

Mr. Nolting then advised the Board for the "VEBA 2 Plan Document" to be amended the requirement was different than the other. Since that original plan had a Governing Board in place, an amendment would need to be first approved by them. He told the Board that the Governing Board had met on June 19, 2018 and had approved the amended plan document. He referred the Township Board to signature page of that approval. He then told the Board that all they were required to do was approve a resolution acknowledging the "Amended Plan Document".

Fred Palmer made a motion to approve Resolution 070918-02 acknowledging the "Amended Plan Document". Steve Blacketer seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Public Comment

There was no public comment

Wishes To Be Heard

Trustee Hodson wanted to publicly thank Pat Laughlin for all of his hard work the past two years on the project changing the plans. The Board agreed and also thanked Pat.

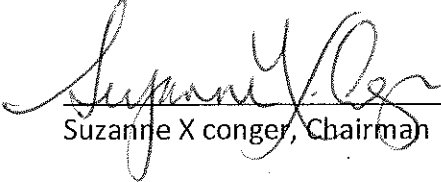
Trustee Hodson reminded the Board the 2019 Budget Workshop would be August 14th and that he would forward to each of them the proposed budget by August 1st for their review.

Adjournment

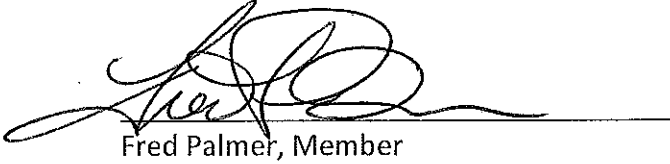
Fred Palmer made a motion to adjourn and Steve Blacketer seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.** The meeting adjourned at 6:48 PM.

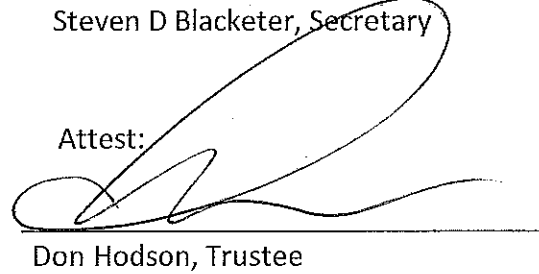
The next Township Board meetings are: 1) 2019 Budget Workshop on August 14, 2018, at 6:00 PM 2) followed by Regular Township Board meeting at 7:00 PM. Both meetings will be at the Washington Township Government Center, 311 Production Drive, Avon, Indiana.

Minutes Approved August 14, 2018:


Suzanne X conger, Chairman


Steven D Blacketer, Secretary


Fred Palmer, Member

Attest:

Don Hodson, Trustee

Don Hodson

From: Doug Elmore <elmore.doug@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 19, 2018 12:07 PM
To: Don Hodson
Subject: Resignation of Township Board seat

Don,

Unfortunately due to an increased role at my employer and more travel required I am not going to be able to serve the citizens of Washington Township as elected to. I am resigning my seat effective June 30th. I apologize for the short notice and inconvenience this causes but hated to keep missing meetings and not be able to give the proper time to budgets and other important township business.

Sincerely,

Doug Elmore

Don Hodson

From: Don Hodson
Sent: Tuesday, June 19, 2018 12:43 PM
To: 'aengelhardt@indy.rr.com'
Cc: 'Doug Elmore (elmore.doug@gmail.com)'; lherzog@co.hendricks.in.us
Subject: FW: Resignation of Township Board seat

Sorry Anne

I messed up your email address.

Don

From: Don Hodson
Sent: Tuesday, June 19, 2018 12:25 PM
To: Doug Elmore
Cc: 'aengelhardt@indy.rr.com'; lherzog@co.hendricks.in.us
Subject: RE: Resignation of Township Board seat

Doug

First, I am very, very sorry to receive this notice. I personally have enjoyed working with you over the past 7 ½ years. Through your leadership and service a lot has been accomplished for the citizens we serve. Also the foundation you and your fellow board members have laid will serve the Township future well. I do understand and respect your decision however. You can be very proud of your service.

This email reply will serve to confirm that I did receive this resignation email. I will forward your email below on your behalf to Anne Engelhardt, Hendricks County GOP Chairman so she may start the process call a caucus of the Washington Twp. precinct persons to elect a replacement to serve the remainder of your term thru December 31, 2018. I am also including Laura Herzog, Hendricks County Voter Registration Supervisor so she may notify the County Clerk.

Again Doug, thank you for all that you have done.

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Don Hodson

From: Donald Hodson <dhodson1@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 21, 2018 7:11 PM
To: Don Hodson
Subject: Fwd: Washington Township Caucus

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Anne Engelhardt <aengelhardt@indy.rr.com>
Date: June 21, 2018 at 5:19:35 PM EDT
To: <dhodson1@sbcglobal.net>
Subject: Washington Township Caucus
Reply-To: Anne Engelhardt <aengelhardt@indy.rr.com>

**Dear Washington Township Precinct
Committeeman,**

Doug Elmore, Washington Township Board member, has notified me of his intention to resign effective June 30th 2018. His term is scheduled to end December 30th, 2018. His leadership has been stellar and the state of the township, including its financial health, is excellent. Doug will be truly missed. If you see him, please thank him for his service to our community.

As a result of Doug's resignation, the Precinct Committeemen in Washington Township are to caucus in order to fill this vacancy by electing an individual to serve on the Washington Township Board through the remainder of Doug's term. Please consider this formal notice that a caucus to fill this vacancy will be held on Tuesday, July 3, 2018, at 7:00 PM at the Washington Township Government Center, 311 Production Dr, Avon, IN 46123. The caucus rules are enclosed/attached. In the event you will be unable to attend the caucus, please contact me as soon as possible to discuss the possibility of appointing your Vice Precinct Committeeman to attend the caucus as your proxy.

Finally, if you know of anyone that may be interested in running for this position, please let them know that they must file official paperwork with the election office at the

government center at least 72 hours prior to the caucus.

Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions.

**Anne Engelhardt, Chairman
317.529.1622**



This email was sent to dhodson1@sbcglobal.net

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CERTIFICATE OF APPOINTMENT PRO TEMPORE TO FILL A LOCAL ELECTED OFFICE BY A PRECINCT COMMITTEEMAN CAUCUS

(CEB-4)

State Form 47437 (R7 / 7-17)
Indiana Election Division (IC 3-13-11-11(a)(1))

INSTRUCTIONS: This certificate must be filed with the circuit court clerk not later than NOON, five (5) days after the caucus of precinct committeemen is held.

TO THE HENDRICKS COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT CLERK:

GENERAL INFORMATION

This is to certify the following:

- (1) A vacancy occurred in the local office of WASHINGTON TWP BOARD
Name of office
- (2) The vacancy occurred due to the (check one) death resignation OR removal of the Incumbent
DOUG ELMORE
Name of incumbent
- (3) The incumbent was elected or appointed as a candidate of the (check one) Democratic OR Republican Party.
- (4) The election district for this office is entirely within HENDRICKS County (or _____ County has the greatest percentage of the population of the election district for this office).
- (5) I am the duly elected and acting county chairman of the (check one) Democratic OR Republican Party of HENDRICKS County, or the designee of the Chairman.
- (6) A caucus of eligible precinct committeemen was held on July 3, 20 18, to fill the vacancy in this office. The caucus was held following the giving of notice required under Indiana Code 3-13-11-3.
- (7) The members of the caucus selected, by majority vote of those casting a vote for a candidate, the person named below to hold an appointment pro tempore to this office for the remaining unexpired term.
- (8) The person holding the appointment pro tempore to this office is a registered voter of a precinct within the election district for the office, complies with the other requirements imposed under Indiana Code 3-8-1 of a candidate for this office, and consents to this appointment by the declaration of candidacy (CEB-5 form), which was timely filed in accordance with Indiana Code 3-13-11-7, and is incorporated by reference in this certificate.
- (9) This appointment pro tempore is effective July 3, 20 18.

APPOINTEE'S NAME AND RESIDENCY INFORMATION

- (10) Name of Person Appointed to Office:
Steven D. Blacketer
- (11) Person's residence address is:
1103 Locust Lane, Avon, Indiana 46123
Complete residence address must be inserted City ZIP Code

CERTIFICATION OF COUNTY CHAIRMAN/DESIGNEE

I, the County Chairman of the above-named county (or the designee of the Chairman), certify that the information in this Certificate is true and complete.

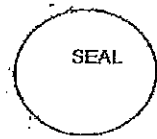
Anne Engelhardt Anne Engelhardt 7/10/18
Signature of Chairman / Designee Printed Name of Chairman / Designee Date signed (MM/DD/YY)

STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF Hendricks

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10 day of July, 2018.

Dabbie Hoskins
Notary Public or Other Official Administering Oath in accordance with IC 33-42-4-1 or IC 33-42-9

My Commission expires (applies only to Notary Public): _____ County of Residence: _____





**CERTIFICATE OF SELECTION FOR
APPOINTMENT PRO TEMPORE TO A LOCAL OFFICE**

State Form 48231 (R7 / 7-17)
Indiana Election Division (IC 3-13-11-11(c))

(CEB-22)

INSTRUCTIONS: The circuit court clerk shall deliver this certificate to the individual declared selected to fill a vacancy in a local office within twenty-four (24) hours after a certificate of selection is filed by a county chairman or the chair of a caucus.

**CERTIFICATE OF SELECTION
FOR APPOINTMENT PRO TEMPORE
TO A LOCAL OFFICE**

STATE OF INDIANA

COUNTY OF HENDRICKS

WHEREAS, Indiana Code 3-13-11 required that the local office of Township Board Member be filled by a political party caucus or appointment by a county chairman; and Washington

WHEREAS, the county chairman or chair of the caucus filed the (check one) CEB-3 OR CEB-4 form in my office as required under IC 3-13-11-11 to certify the appointment to fill the vacancy in that office;

NOW, THEREFORE, AS THE SECRETARY OF THE COUNTY ELECTION BOARD AND THE DULY ACTING CIRCUIT COURT CLERK OF THIS COUNTY, I CERTIFY THAT THE RECORDS OF MY OFFICE SHOW THAT

Steven Blacketer

(Name of Officeholder)

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was selected for an appointment pro tempore to fill the vacant office of Washington Township Board Member for the remainder of the term expiring 12-31-2018, 2018, and continuing until a successor is elected and qualified.

WITNESS, MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL, THIS THE 10 DAY OF July, 2018.

Debbie Hookina

Circuit Court Clerk

INSTRUCTIONS: An individual selected to fill an office commissioner by the Governor under IC 4-3-1-5 (judge, prosecuting attorney, circuit court clerk, county auditor, county recorder, county treasurer, county sheriff, county coroner or county surveyor) should provide a copy of the certificate to the Governor's office and request that a commission be issued. Other local officials are not commissioned by the Governor. They should take and file the following oath. This oath of office may be given by any individual authorized to administer an oath under Indiana Code 33-42-4-1 or IC 33-42-9. These individuals include a notary public, a judge of a court (*within the court's jurisdiction*), a mayor, clerk or clerk-treasurer of a city or town (*within the city or town*), a circuit court clerk or county auditor (*within the county*), and a State Senator or State Representative (*anywhere within Indiana*). A signed copy of this oath must be filed with the circuit court clerk of the county that contains the greatest percentage of population of the office no later than thirty (30) days after the beginning of their term of office. (IC 5-4-1-1.2) The individual selected to fill the office must file a CAN-12 Statement of Economic Interests form with the circuit court clerk no later than noon sixty (60) days after assuming office.

OATH OF OFFICE

STATE OF INDIANA

COUNTY OF HENDRICKS

I, the undersigned, do solemnly swear (*or affirm*) that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Indiana, and that I will faithfully, impartially, and diligently discharge the duties of the office of WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP BOARD according to law and to the best of my ability.

Steven O Blacketer
Signature

Steven D Blacketer
Printed Name

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME, THIS THE 3 DAY OF JULY, 2018.

Sharon K. Howell
Signature

SHARON K HOWELL
Printed Name

CLERK-TREASURER, TOWN OF AVON
Title

If the person administering the oath is a notary public, add the county of residence and date of expiration of commission:

COUNTY OF RESIDENCE: _____

DATE COMMISSION EXPIRES: / /