## WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING JUNE 13, 2017 TRUSTEE REPORT

- 1. At tonight's Meeting, the Fire Dept. will be giving a special recognition to Trine University.
- 2. Under Old Business you will receive updates on the Township/Fire Headquarters Building and the Pecar Project.
- 3. Under new Business:
  - a. Ryan Cannon will present to you the Town's proposed Storm Water Utility and the fees that we will be assessed if approved by the Council.
  - b. Jeff Metzger with Pekin Insurance will discuss our employee insurance, the options we have and answer questions.
  - c. The proposed 208 Budget calendar will be presented for your approval.
  - d. We have been studying the concept and feasibility of offering our employees a continuing education program. We will be presenting a proposal for discussion.
  - e. Chief Smith will be presenting for your guidance the feasibility of possible purchase of land for the training grounds for the fire dept. Our legal counsel will be present to answer questions on the procedure if you concur with proceeding with Chief's proposal.
  - f. At the May meeting when our Financial Advisor presented the Township 5 year Financial Sustainability Plan, I mentioned that the Dept. Heads would be presenting their Rainy Day/ Capital Project Plans for your consideration and guidance. The desire is to see if you have interest and those that you do, we would include in our first 2018 Budget workshop in July.
- 4. The Township's 2018 Employee Appreciation Week will be June 19-23. We have three lunches planned that are being provided by the restaurants listed: Tuesday June 20<sup>th</sup>-Firehouse Subs, Wednesday- June 21-Apple Bees and Thursday- June 22 –Chick-fa-Lay. These will be at 12:30 each day and we will advise on the location as soon as able to. We would like to thank each of the restaurants for sponsoring these lunches!!
- 5. The annual Collaboration Cook Out will be Tuesday August 15<sup>th</sup> at 6pm at the Pavilion. The Chamber will be providing the food and Lora Lacey and Stephani Massa will be doing special games that will involve more interaction between all of the participants.

6. Finally as you know the Fire Department merit members who wished to buy back time with the 77 Police and Fire Fund were allowed to do so by the Fund. Chief Smith, who has been a merit member of the department, has notified me of his intent to process his retirement papers with the Fund. This would mean he would be submitting a letter of intent to resign his status as a merit member of the department. I will be receiving this from him once he has received approval of his retirement forms with the Fund. He will however continue his status as the appointed Fire Chief of the department as a civilian employee. He understands that in doing this he is giving up his protection as a merit employee with the department under the township's document covering that.