

Washington Township Board Meeting  
Meeting May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2017 — 7:00 PM  
Held at: Washington Township Government Center  
311 Production Drive, Avon, Indiana 46221

**Call to Order and Pledge**

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

**Quorum**

Quorum was established. Fred Palmer, Doug Elmore and Suzanne X Conger present. Also in attendance: Trustee Don Hodson, Financial Advisor Jeff Peters, staff and public.

**Public Comment**

Jeremy Eglen, a resident of the township and Town of Avon, presents why he believes both the township and Town of Avon would benefit from the consolidation taking place.

**Consent Agenda**

The minutes from the February 14, 2017 and April, 11, 2017 regular board meeting and the May 2, 2017 workshop were presented. The updated claims were presented. Doug Elmore moved to approve the minutes and accept the claims. Seconded by Fred Palmer. **Motion carries 3-0.**

**Department Reports.** All department reports can be found on the township website.

1. **Fire.** Chief Smith recognized Lt. Bessler and Lt. East on their hard work to get the WPE equipment moved and set up in time for a few personnel to be able to complete WPE in time to return to their shifts. There will be an updated report next month.
2. **Parks.** Lora Lacey recognized Trilby for her hard work that made it possible for 18 more events to be available for the community for the summer and fall compared to 2016. Also, due to a waiting list that occurred for the sensory Easter egg hunt she reached out to all of the vendors and a sponsor to ensure she could include the children that were on the waiting list. Due to Trilby's efforts 60 special needs children were able to participate in the Easter egg hunt this year compared to only 23 children last year.
3. **Public Assistance.** Trustee Hodson presents that \$3,362 were approved and \$5,904 denied which is an increase from April of 2016.

**Trustee's Report**

Trustee Hodson presents that at the June board meeting he will bring forth the 2018 Budget Calendar for approval. Trustee Hodson recognized the headquarters staff, especially Chief Smith for executing the move into the new building so well.

**Old Business**

1. **Building Update.** Trustee Hodson provided a financial report regarding payouts for the building as attached. Tom Walter, the President of Link Management, discussed what the causes were for the change orders.
2. **Pecar Update.** Lora Lacey provided an update on Pecar Park Nature Center as attached. A discussion took place regarding the benefits and downfalls of the potential of adding a zip line and rock wall to Pecar Park. Lora Lacey will bring forward more information next board meeting concerning any questions or concerns brought forth.
3. **Consolidation of Town of Avon and Township.** Doug Elmore stated that he was disappointed at the lack of information that the Town of Avon brought forth at the workshop regarding the

consolidation. Doug Elmore explained that the township does not handle economic development. Fred Palmer prepared and read aloud a letter prepared for the Town of Avon regarding the consolidation. Fred Palmer moved to accept and communicate resolution 50917-01 to the Town of Avon. Seconded by Doug Elmore. **Motion Carries 3-0.**

**Financial Advisor.**

None.

**Legal.**

None.

**New Business**

1. **5 Year Sustainability Plan.** The 5 Year Sustainability Plan was presented by Financial Advisor Jeff Peters.

**Public Comment**

None.

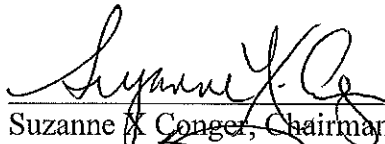
**Wishes to be Heard**


Josie Conrad is asking if the board would be open to hearing pricing regarding getting the North Lawn cemetery plotted using sonar equipment and if the plots are empty to potentially use the plots for indignant funerals when needed. Suzanne Conger requested more information be brought forward at the next board meeting.

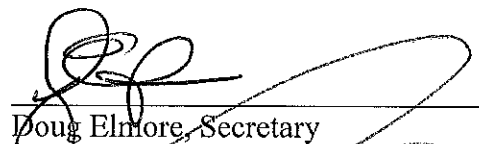
**Adjournment**

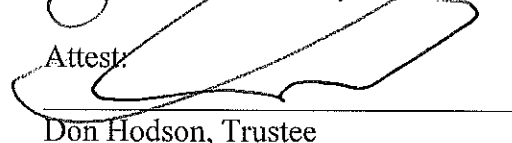
Fred Palmer moved to adjourn the meeting and Doug Elmore seconded the motion. **Motion carries 3-0.** Meeting adjourned at 8:38 PM. The next regularly scheduled board meeting will be June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 7 PM. All meetings to be held at Washington Township Government Center, 311 Production Drive.

Minutes Approved June 13, 2017:

  
Suzanne X Conger, Chairman

  
Fred Palmer, Member

  
Doug Elmore, Secretary

Attest:  
  
Don Hodson, Trustee