

Washington Township Board Meeting
Meeting October 24th, 2017 — 7:00 PM
Held at: Washington Township Government Center
311 Production Drive, Avon, Indiana 46123

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 and Suzanne X Conger present. Also in attendance: Trustee Don Hodson, Legal Counsel Tony Jost, staff and public.

Public Comment

None.

Consent Agenda

The minutes from the September 12, 2017 regular board meeting and the claims were presented. Fred Palmer moved to approve the minutes and accept the claims. Seconded by Suzanne X Conger.

Motion carries 2-0.

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

1. **Fire.** Fire Chief Dan Smith presented the fire report as attached. Chief Smith informed the board that he recognized firefighter Tom Greene in his report. A community member needed a battery replaced in her wheel chair and the request was forwarded to the fire department by Trustee Hodson. Tom Greene went and helped the community member without the departments knowledge and we later found out and recognized him for assisting her. Tom Greene was also presented with a certificate of appreciation at an earlier date for going above and beyond his duties.
2. **Parks.** Park Director Lora Lacey presented the parks report as attached. Lora Lacey advised the board that Saturday, October 28, 2017 is their event Ghost and Goblins and it was fully sponsored and is completely free to the public. There will be 66 vendors passing out candy along the trail.
3. **Public Assistance.** Trustee Hodson presented the public assistance report as attached. Trustee Hodson stated that at the November board meeting the new public assistance director will be present.

Trustee's Report

Please see the attached report.

Old Business

1. **Pecar Park Update.** Trustee Hodson advised the board that the Hendricks County Drainage Board approved the project on September 12, 2017. The Town of Avon BZA approved the variance allowing some of the nonmain roads in the park to be gravel in lieu of asphalt for up to ~~four~~ ^{four (4)} years on September 21, 2017. On September 25, 2017 the Town of Avon Planning Commission approved the project. LINK Management has advertised the project to be placed for bid with the due date of November 14, 2017 at 6:30 PM. They also advertised that the awarding of the bid may take up to 90 days from the November 14, 2017 date.
2. **Set the Bid Opening Date and Time for November 14, 2017 at 6:30pm at Township Government Center.** Trustee Hodson requested that he be able to publicize a Special Township

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board meeting at 6:30 PM on November 14, 2017 for the purpose of opening the Pecar Park Township bids.

New Business

1. **Approval of the 2018 Township Budget.** Trustee Hodson presented the Township Budget for 2018 and requested approval from the board. Fred Palmer made a motion to approve the 2018 Township Budget Resolution 102417-01. Seconded by Suzanne X Conger. **Motion carries 2-0.** Trustee Hodson stated he would be submitting the 2018 now approved budget via Gateway to the Indiana DLGF for their approval. Typically, the 1782 Order is not sent to us until late December or early January and once it is received the board members will be notified.
2. **Bank Account.** Trustee Hodson advised the board that he had been contacted by First Merchants bank on their offer to give us 0.7% interest if we opened a Business Interest Checking account with atleast 1 Million dollars. Trustee Hodson stated he was told there would be no penalty withdrawals and we would still continue to have our checking account with TCU. Trustee Hodson stated only the board operating as the Township Finance Board could give the approval to transfer some of our money to that account. He told the board we are presently getting 0.49% with our TCU checking account. Fred Palmer made a motion to approve the transfer of 1M dollars of the Township Funds to the First Merchant Business Interest Checking Account. Seconded by Suzanne X Conger. **Motion carries 2-0.**

Public Comment

None.

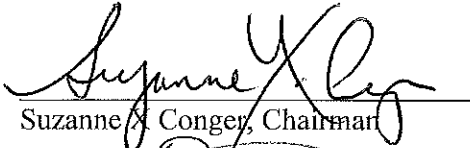
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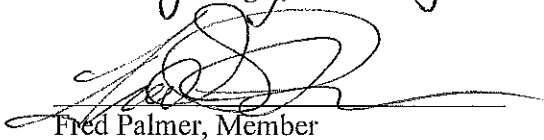
Trustee Hodson told the board at the November 14, 2017 meeting there would be numerous things submitted for their approval.

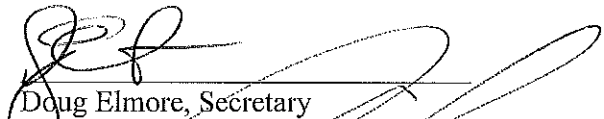
Adjournment

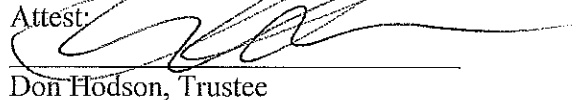
Fred Palmer moved to adjourn the meeting and Suzanne X Conger seconded the motion. **Motion carries 2-0.** Meeting adjourned at 7:16 PM. The Special Meeting for the Opening of the Pecar Park Project Bids will be November 14th, 2017 at 6:30 PM. The next regularly scheduled board meeting will be November 14th, 2017 at 7 PM. All meetings to be held at Washington Township Government Center, 311 Production Drive.

Minutes Approved November 14, 2017:


Suzanne X Conger, Chairman


Fred Palmer, Member


Doug Elmore, Secretary

Attest:

Don Hodson, Trustee