WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF MARION COUNTY, INDIANA

TUESDAY, JUNE 25, 2024 MEETING MINUTES

The Township Board of Washington Township, Marion County, Indiana met at the Washington Township Government Center located at 5302 N. Keystone Avenue, Suite E, Indianapolis, Indiana, 46220 on Tuesday, June 25, 2024.

The Board Members present included Emily Gurwitz, David Smith, Lacy Johnson and Eric Poole. Board Member Emily Denton participated by phone. Also in attendance were Frank T. Short, Washington Township Trustee; Beth Marsh, Township Accountant; Bette Bowman, Township Emergency Assistance Supervisor, and Steve Poore, Township Small Claims Court Judge. One member of the public was in attendance, Rosie Houff.

Board President Poole called the meeting to order at 6:04 pm and then led everyone present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The first item of business was the approval of the minutes from the February 28, 2024, Township Board Meeting. Upon reviewing the minutes, a motion was made by Board Member Johnson and seconded by Board Member Gurwitz to approve said minutes. The motion passed 5-0.

The next item of business on the agenda was the approval of the January, February, March, April, and May 2024 Financials. After a brief discussion, there was a motion made by Board Member Smith and seconded by Board Member Johnson to approve the January, February, March, April and May 2024 Financials as presented. The motion passed 5-0.

The next item on the agenda was the meeting of the Township Board of Finance. The first item of business was the election of officers for the Board. A motion was made by Board Member Poole and seconded by Board Member Johnson to elect Board Member Gurwitz as President and Board Member Denton as Secretary. The motion passed 5-0.

The second item covered during the Board of Finance Meeting was a motion to move the investment accounts from Old National Bank to Merchants National Bank of Indiana. Trustee Short reported to the Board of Finance that the Township often gets requests to handle the Township's investments. It has been the policy of the Township to periodically review those requests. Therefore, after receiving multiple requests, a decision was made to move the investment accounts. The only criteria the Township has maintained are 1.) that the bank be local, and 2.) meets the standards for government investments. A motion was made by Board Member Gurwitz and seconded by Board Member Smith to approve moving the investment accounts to Merchants National Bank of Indiana. The motion passed 5-0.

The next item on the agenda was the Trustee's Report. The first item of business Trustee Short discussed was a recent Indiana State Board of Accounts audit. The audit covered the period from 01-01-2018 to 12-31-2023. The audit of the Township was completed successfully, and no negative items were brought to the Trustee's attention.

The Trustee then gave an update on the Township Welcome Baby Program and discussed the success so far of the Program and proactive measures that the Township is taking to expand the Program to serve more constituents.

The next item of business was the Emergency Assistance Report. Bette Bowman, Township Emergency Assistance Supervisor, gave the report. She also presented the TA-7 report which is attached to these minutes. Lastly, she previewed the upcoming Township School Uniform Program.

Next on the agenda was Township Small Claims Court Report. Judge Poore reported that he is working on the 2025 Small Claims Court Budget.

The last agenda item was the Trustee's review of the future Board Meeting Dates:

- a) 08/27/2024 at 6:00 PM Presentation of 2025 Proposed Budget
- b) 09/24/2024 at 6:00 PM Public Hearing on 2025 Proposed Budget
- c) 10/08/2024 t 6:00 PM Township Board Meeting with 2025 Budget Vote

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Poole called for a motion for adjournment. The motion was made by Board Member Gurwitz and seconded by Board Member Smith. The motion passed 5-0 and the meeting was adjourned at 6:35 pm.

Eric Poole, President

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Emily Denton, Secretary

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David Smith

Emily Gurwitz

Approved by:

Frank T. Short, Trustee