## WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF MARION COUNTY, INDIANA

## Tuesday, October 10, 2023

## **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 on Tuesday, October 10, 2023. The Board Members present included Eric Poole, Lacy Johnson, Emily Denton and Emily Gurwitz. Board Member Smith was excused because of personal reasons. Also in attendance were Frank T Short, the Washington Township Trustee, Bette Bowman, Township Emergency Assistance Supervisor, Beth Marsh, the Township Accountant, and Steven Poore, Small Claims Court Judge.

Board President Poole called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and led everyone present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The first item of business was the approval of the minutes from the September 7, 2023 Board Meeting. There being no questions, it was moved by Board Member Johnson and seconded by Board Member Denton to approve the minutes. The motion passed 4-0.

The next agenda item was the approval of the minutes from the September 26, 2023 Public Hearing. It was moved by Board Member Gurwitz and seconded by Board Member Denton to approve the minutes. The motion passed 4-0.

The next item of business was the approval of the August and September 2023 Financials. Trustee Short and Township Accountant Marsh presented the Financials. There was a motion made by Board Member Denton and seconded by Board Member Johnson to approve the August and September 2023 Financials as presented. The motion passed 4-0.

The next item on the agenda was the discussion and approval of the 2024 Township Annual Budget and the 2024 Tax Rates for the Township General and Emergency Assistance Funds. Trustee Short reviewed the Budget and Tax Rates as previously presented. Township Accountant Marsh answered a few questions from Board Members. After that, a motion was made by Board Member Gurwitz and seconded by Board Member Denton to approve the 2024 Township Annual Budget and the 2024 Tax Rates for the Township General and Emergency Assistance Funds. The motion passed 4-0.

The next item of business was the discussion and approval of the 2024 Salary Resolution. Trustee Short reviewed the 2024 Salary Resolution as previously presented. This year the Salary Resolution is based on a 3% increase for all employees. A motion was made by Board Member Johnson and seconded by Board Member Gurwitz to approve the 2024 Salary Resolution. The motion passed 4-0.

The next agenda item was the Trustee's Report. In his report, Trustee Short informed the Board Members that a metal detector was being installed at the entrance of our office space. There have been a few minor incidents and was decided to increase the safety of our facility.

The next item on the agenda was the Emergency Assistance Report. Bette Bowman, Emergency Assistance Supervisor, gave the report. In her report she covered an update on our Welcome Baby Project and also informed the Board Members how our office will be participating in the Winter Assistance Fund program this coming winter season.

There being no other business to come before the Board, President Poole called for a Motion for Adjournment. The motion was moved by Board Member Gurwitz and seconded by Board Member Denton. The motion passed 4-0.

The meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Eric Poole, President

Lacy Johnson, III

David Fe. Joseth
David Smith

Emily Depton, Secretary

Emily Gurwitz

Approved by:

Frank T. Short, Trustee