

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF MARION COUNTY, INDIANA
January 19, 2010
MEETING MINUTES

The Township Board of Washington Township, Marion County, Indiana met at the Washington Township Government Center located at 5302 N. Keystone Ave., Indianapolis, Indiana on Tuesday, January 19, 2010. The Board Members present included Joe Simpson, Jack Werner, Don Barr, Maureen Faul, Mary Orea and Bart Herriman. Also in attendance was Frank T. Short the Washington Township Trustee, Brian Crist the Township Attorney, Beth Reynolds the Township Accountant, Lori McQueary the Township Chief of Staff and Bette Bowman Township Emergency Assistance Supervisor for the Township. There were also various members of the Public in attendance as evidenced by the sign in sheet.

Board President Joe Simpson called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m. He then recognized three members of Boy Scout troop #174, Paul Nicholas, Harrison Becrerich and Philip Nicholas who introduced themselves and then led everyone present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The next order of business was the approval of the December 1, 2009 Board Meeting minutes. Board Member Barr asked that the Resolution for the Special Appropriation for 2009 include the total amount of the Appropriation in the minutes. The total amount for the Special Appropriation for 2009 was \$475,000. With that amendment being made, Board Member Werner moved for approval and it was seconded by Board Member O'Rea. Motion passed 6-0.

The next item of business was the approval of the January 5, 2010 minutes. It was moved by Board member Faul , seconded by Board Member Barr to approve the minutes and the motion passed 6-0.

The next item of business was the Trustee's presentation of the 2009 Annual Report. The Trustee started the presentation and then turned it over to Beth Reynolds, the Township Accountant. She answered specific questions asked by various Board Members. Various Board Members also had comments. After some discussion, it was agreed, as asked by Board Member Werner, that if anyone had further questions regarding the Report, they could submit them to the Trustee at a later date and they would be answered. The motion to approve the Annual Report was moved by Board Member Herriman, seconded by Board Member O'Rea and passed 6-0.

The next item of business was the December Financials which was presented by Beth Reynolds, Township Accountant. Board Member Barr questioned some transfers of expenses which were explained by Beth Reynolds. After some discussion by the Board, it was decided that next year on the Financials, we will have a column for an Adjusted Budget so it will always balance and show if any Special Appropriations have been added to the original Budget. That concluded the presentation of the December Financials.

The next item on the agenda was a discussion of Legislative matters before the Indiana General Assembly concerning the Township. Trustee Short mentioned specific Bills such as one authored by Senator Connie Lawson from Hendricks County, which would eliminate Township

Boards. He also referred to House Bill 1181 by Chairman Bill Crawford which would seek a Statewide Referendum Township by Township as to whether Township Government should stay in place or be eliminated. Board Member Barr asked about House Bill 1086 which would correct the levy situation that prevents townships from giving up levy and not being able to recover it. After some discussion and questions, it was decided we would continue to monitor this situation.

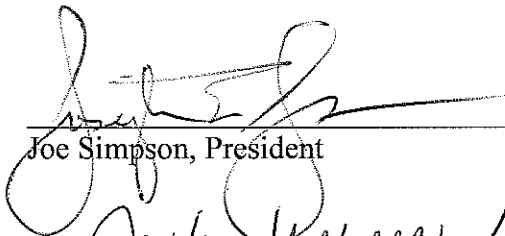
Trustee Short also provided an update on the two buildings the Township owns. The building at 51st Street and Michigan Road may be used as an inspection office for a City Public Works project along 51st Street and Grandview Drive. There has also been an inquiry from Second Presbyterian Church about the possibility of using the building at 1595 East 86th Street to provide outreach services for the community.

The next item on the agenda was the Emergency Assistance Report. Trustee Short started the report by highlighting a report entitled "Washington Township Community Partners". In those Community Partners, the Trustee mentioned there were 20 churches, 14 Community Centers, 5 Wishard Community Health Centers, 2 major school districts and 50 apartment communities. The Trustee went on to discuss the reason of this importance as he then discussed the Annual TA7 Report. While individual categories were discussed, it should be noted that the total value of Township dollars dispersed was \$361,112. More importantly, the total value of benefits provided from other sources was \$687,433 for a total of 1,048,545. The Trustee then provided a breakdown by categories such as utilities, housing, food and healthcare. Bette Bowman then went through the TA7 and answered specific questions. Board Member Jack Werner made a point to commend the staff and asked that his comments be included as a part of the Public Record. Board President Simpson also suggested we put together an Annual Report talking about the assistance we provide to the community and Washington Township. Trustee agreed to prepare something for Board Review.

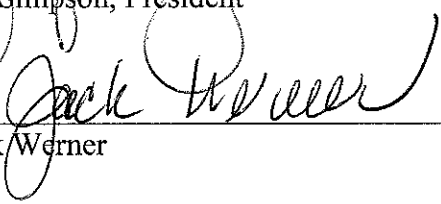
Under the next item of business, Board President Simpson informed Judge Poore of a letter that had been received from a constituent who had a case and we were referring it to him as he will handle the matter.

There was a brief discussion regarding 2010 Board Meeting dates and Trustee said he would get them out to the Board Members.

There was no new or old business, therefore Board President Simpson asked for a motion for adjournment and Board Member Werner made the motion and meeting was adjourned at 7:14 p.m.



Joe Simpson, President

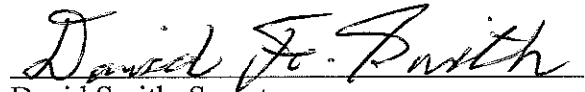


Jack Werner

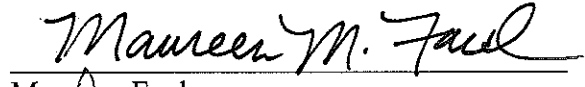
Bart Herriman



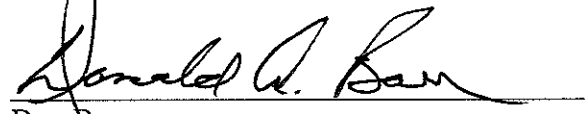
Mary Orea



David Smith, Secretary

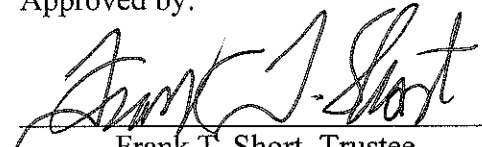


Maureen Faul



Don Barr

Approved by:



Frank T. Short, Trustee