

Benton Township Board Meeting

June 17th, 2020
7616 E State Road 45, Bloomington, IN, 47468

Attendance

- Joe Husk, Chair
- Hans Kelson, Secretary (Via Conference Call)
- Lynn Stevens, Board Member (Via Conference Call)
- Michelle Bright, Township Trustee
- Ernie Frazo

Meeting called to order at 6:36

Updates

Executive Order 20-09

- This executive order modifies some provisions of the Open Door Law, and instructs local government bodies to limit meetings to only those things essential for operation. Therefore, we are postponing all reports, approval of minutes, and other non-essential items until we return to having meetings in person.

Approval of Minutes

- Motion to Table approval of minutes for March, April, and May meetings: Kelson
Second: Stevens
Roll Call Vote:
 - Husk: Aye
 - Stevens: Aye
 - Kelson: Aye

Financial Reports, Trustee's Reports, and Township Assistance Reports

- Motion to Table approval of Financial Reports, Trustee's Reports, and Township Assistance Reports for April, May, and June: Stevens
Second: Kelson
Roll Call Vote:

- Husk: Aye
- Stevens: Aye
- Kelson: Aye

Fire Reports

- Motion to table all Fire Department reports for March, April, and May: Kelson
Second: Stevens
Roll Call Vote:
 - Husk: Aye
 - Stevens: Aye
 - Kelson: Aye

New Board Business

Transfer to from Firefighting Fund to Rainy Day Fund

- Transfers \$90,000 from the Firefighting Fund to the Rainy Day Fund
- This will be used to fund phase one of the Fire Station remodel.

Approval

- Motion to Approve: Stevens
Second: Kelson
- Roll Call Vote:
 - Husk: Aye
 - Stevens: Aye
 - Kelson: Aye

Additional Appropriation to the Rainy Day Fund

- Adds an additional appropriation of \$215,000 to the Rainy Day Fund, detailed by budget line below:
 - Capital Outlays: \$215,000

Approval

- Motion to approve the Additional Appropriation to the Rainy Day Fund: Stevens
Second: Kelson
Approved Unanimously
- Roll Call Vote:
 - Husk: Aye
 - Stevens: Aye
 - Kelson: Aye

Additional Appropriation and Reduction to the Rainy Day Fund

- A roof leak has developed over the Township Trustee's office. Upon further investigation, it was discovered that this may be the original (1970s) roof, and it is worn out. The trustee will be hiring Gary Fleener to replace the roof. Therefore, we have to move money within the Recreation fund to pay for that work.
- This is, in effect, a transfer, but we write it out as an additional appropriation and then a reduction.
- Adds an Additional Appropriation of \$3,700 to the Recreation fund, detailed by budget line below:
 - Capital Outlays: \$3,700
- Reduces the appropriated budget of the Recreation Fund by \$3,700, detailed by budget line below:
 - Other Services and Charges: \$3,700

Fire District Public Meetings

- We will be officially scheduling our public meetings at the next meeting of the township board.

Approval

- Motion to Approve: Kelson
Second: Stevens
Approved Unanimously
- Roll Call Vote:
 - Husk: Aye
 - Stevens: Aye
 - Kelson: Aye

Public Comment

- Ernie Frazo agrees that we need to fix the roof leak, and expresses support for Gary Fleener as a contractor to perform that work.

Adjournment

- Motion to Adjourn: Stevens
Second: Kelson
Meeting adjourned at 6:52