

**LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP ADVISORY BOARD  
MEETING MINUTES  
4455 McCoy Street Indianapolis, IN 46226**

Meeting Date: Tuesday, November 27, 2012

Time Called to Order: 6:05 P.M.

Time Adjourned: 6:30 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Michael Healy, Emmajean Hines, Tony Widgery, Fred Freeman, Steven Rose, Christie Wilmoth, Dino Battalis

TRUSTEE: Russell Brown

Meeting Called to Order:

Mr. Healy called the Lawrence Township Board meeting to order on Tuesday, November 27, 2012, at 6:05 P.M. He stated that there was a quorum present and asked that Tony Widgery lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda:

**1. Approval of minutes from October 23, 2012 meetings of the Lawrence Township Advisory Board.**

Mr. Battalis made a motion to approve the minutes from the October 23, 2012 and Lawrence Township Advisory Board meeting. Mr. Freeman seconded. Motion agreed to 7-0.

**2. Resolution 2012-12 Holiday Schedule for 2013**

Trustee Brown explained that this resolution sets the schedule for when the Trustee's Office and the Small Claims Court are closed. The Trustee's Office follows the State of Indiana schedule and the Small Claims Court follows the Marion County Circuit Court schedule. Mr. Widgery made a motion to approve the resolution. Ms. Wilmoth seconded. Resolution was adopted 7-0.

**3. Resolution 2012-13 Matching Contributions To Township Employee's Deferred Compensation Plan**

Trustee Brown explained that currently Township employees have \$1 matched for every \$4 contributed with a paycheck maximum of \$25. The resolution increases the match to \$1 for every \$3 with a maximum township contribution of \$33.33. Mr. Battalis made motion to approve the resolution. Mr. Rose seconded. Resolution was adopted 7-0.

**4. Resolution 2012-14 New Districts for the Township Board**

The subcommittee appointed by the Board to create the resolution that create the new districts for the board. Trustee Brown believes that these maps meet the requirement of state law, they provide for equal distribution of population. These maps would go into effect for the 2016 election. Mr. Healy thanks the Trustee for his diligence in helping to get the maps together in a fair and equitable manner. He also thanked the committee members, Ms. Hine and Ms. Wilmoth. Ms. Hines made a motion to approve the resolution. Mr. Freeman seconded. Resolution was adopted 7-0.

**5. Resolution 2012-15 Changes to Lawrence Township Employee Handbook**

Trustee Brown discussed these technical corrections to the handbook in regards to how benefit time is calculated and sets that extra time will not be paid out at the end of the year. Ms. Hines made a motion to approve the resolution. Mr. Freeman seconded. Resolution was adopted 7-0.

**6. Resolution 2012-17 Honoring Jerry Harkness for His Work With the Lawrence Township Trustee's Office**

Trustee Brown discussed Mr. Harkness' work with the Township's school clothes program for the past two years and his help in outfitting 300 kids with school clothes. As a Lawrence Township resident he has been responsive and given a lot of time to the community. Ms. Hines commended Mr. Harkness for giving from his heart. Mr. Battalis made a motion to approve the resolution. Mr. Widgery seconded. Resolution was adopted 7-0.

**7. Resolution 2012-18 Honoring Dick Lung for Being a Friend of Lawrence Township**

Trustee Brown discussed Mock Cemetery which you must go across Mr. Lung's property to access the cemetery. Mr. Lung has always been helpful and during a recent project that included a lot of heavy machinery. Mr. Rose made a motion to approve the resolution. Mr. Freeman seconded. Resolution was adopted 7-0.

**8. Resolution 2012-16 Honoring Christie Ricketts-Wilmoth for Her Service to Lawrence Township**

Trustee Brown praised Ms. Wilmoth to her service to the Township and for asking tough questions which helped to keep him on his toes. Mr. Healy thanked Ms. Wilmoth for the great work she's done not only as a member of the board, but also serving as its secretary. Ms. Wilmoth thanked the board and the friendships she has forged over her 12 years as a board member. Mr. Freeman said it was a pleasure working with Ms. Wilmoth. Mr. Widgery made a motion to approve the resolution. Mr. Freeman seconded. Resolution was adopted 7-0.

**9. Other Business**

Mr. Healy recognized Jesse Dotson who will be the new board member starting in January.

Judge Clark Rehme discussed an additional part-time staff member and the beginning of the document digitizing process.

Constable Terry Burns wished everyone a Happy Holidays.

The next meeting of the Board will be Tuesday, January 8, 2013. And the annual report adoption meeting will be on January 22, 2013.

Meeting Adjourned: The meeting was adjourned by acclamation at 6:30 P.M.

I hereby certify that the forgoing minutes are accurate and true to the best of my knowledge and have been approved by a majority of the Lawrence Township Board.

  
Board Secretary

*These minutes are not intended to be verbatim. They are a summary of discussions held, with the exception of the motions. An audiotape is made which provides a detailed record.*