## WHITE RIVER TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING TRUSTEE'S NOTES SEPTEMBER 8, 2014

ATTENDEES: Mark Messick, Greg Rainbolt, Peggy Young, David Pollard, Mary Lou Habicht, Mary Sue Kane

Meeting was called to order by Greg Rainbolt at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Greg: Next order of business is approval of White River Township Board meeting minutes for January 21, 2014. Do I hear a motion to discuss the meeting minutes? (Dave opened Peggy second.) Any discussion?

Peggy: Yes, on option two it says this report was received, accepted and approved except for parts. What parts?

Greg: That is in case we choose that option you would have to insert the part number.

Peggy: Ok.

Greg: Any further discussion on the meeting minutes for January 21, 2014?

Peggy: No.

Greg: Hearing none I will ask for a vote for approval of meeting minutes. All those in favor of accepting the minutes vote aye. (All board members voted Aye). Three ayes, the minutes are approved for January 21, 2014. It is not on the agenda but I would like to insert that I found an error on the January 7, 2014 just a slight error on dates. I would like to open that up and tell you about the vote on amendment on these particular minutes. In section 4 it is noted that January 21, 2013 at 5:30 pm the date was set and it should have been January 21, 2014. Also on adjournment it says that the meeting was adjourned on January 8, 2013 and it should read January 7, 2014. So could I get a motion to accept?

Peggy: Motion. Dave: Second.

Greg: Motion first and second to accept. All those in agreement to accept the amended minutes say aye. (All board members said Aye) Three ayes, we have the amended minutes accepted.

Greg: Next order of business is the White River Township 2015 Budget Estimates and Tax Levy. This is a public hearing there is no public present at the moment.

Mark: I think you still have to open it up to a public hearing then you will have to close the public hearing.

Greg: Do you want to go ahead with your ...?

Mark: I can do that during the public hearing but you need to open the public hearing.

Greg: We will open the public hearing at this time.

Mark: What I have given you if you will look at the form that says the DLGF Budget Reports. It has today's date on it. The first page, the second page is blank that is just how they give it to us. The third page says Estimate of Miscellaneous Revenue, the fourth page is Notice to Taxpayers. Fifth page is Budget Estimate-Financial Statement-Proposed Tax Rate that is the same thing on the sixth page. The last page is blank that is how it printed off from Gateway. I

think it would be easier for us to look at if you look at the second item I gave you, which is the one that shows you the difference between this year and last year. I would ask the Chairman and the Board if in discussing this that we discuss this form because it is easier to talk about what we did last year verses what we are doing this year. Is that agreeable to the Board? Chairman and the Board: Yes.

Mark: The first item that you will see is I did ask for a \$1000 increase in the salary of the Clerical Help for the Township. I also increased the Social Security by \$520. I would say this, what I really want to do is give a raise for Mary Sue and Mary Lou. It has been five years that I know and I think it has been longer than that. Mary Sue have you ever had a raise? Mary Sue: Jay gave us one.

Mark: Ok they had one raise and if we just gave them the 3% raise that would be \$16.50. I did the numbers based on the hours that they are currently working and have worked the last few years. I can say this I believe I can do it without raising \$1000. I believe when I come back to you in two weeks I will tell you that I would like that salary to remain at \$14,000 but I am going to ask you to sign the Form 17 increasing their wages to \$16.50. That is 3%, a little better than 3%. It is 3.1%. I think that is fair I would ask if you would like to ask them if they think, I feel like they are more than deserving and have been. That is what I would like to do and I can do inside the \$14,000.

Dave: Why are you asking for 15 then?

Mark: Dave because when we were thinking about it I hadn't run their numbers I just knew I was wanting a raise. I ran their hours. We are not going to get to the \$14,000 even next year at increasing their pay to \$16.50. So there is no reason to increase from \$14,000 to \$15,000 if I can do it inside the \$14,000.

Peggy: So we are going to not change the amount?

Mark: We are not going to change the amount but I am going to ask you to approve to raise their pay to \$16.50.

Peggy: So we are going to take it back down to \$14,000?

Mark: It is going to go back to \$14,000 when we come back. I am going to ask you not to approve the \$1,000 increase. I am going to ask you to only approve \$14,000.

Peggy: Ok.

Mark: The same thing with the \$520 I am going to ask that you just go ahead just approve the \$4,600. So we are going to leave that where it was. Did you want to discuss the pay raise? Greg: We can discuss the pay raise if you would like.

Mark: I would like that.

Greg: I have personally no problem with it. I think it is time. The last time we visited this, the county was in dire straits and they were laying off people. I had a hard time justifying it at that particular time. You have been under budget with the payroll and in my opinion they are due for an increase. That is my opinion.

Dave: I join you. I think they deserve it. Of course they want 15% don't you? Mark did you fail to or did I miss item number 1 on the increase you asked for the Part-Time Employee also? Peggy: We are going by this first.

Dave: Oh I am sorry.

Mark: No I did not ask for the increase in the Part-Time Employee.

Greg: That has been running under budget.

Mark: I have not asked for an increase in the Part-Time Employee. The only thing I have asked for was increase in the clerical help. I will not ask for increase in the Part-Time Employee.

Greg: I think you ladies do a wonderful job.

Mary Lou & Mary Sue: Thank you.

Dave: Then what you gave me is not identical to what you gave me tonight. Because what you gave me before you asked for \$100.

Greg: Yes, there was a plus \$100.

Mark: Well if it was that might be where the error is, but no I am not asking for an increase in the Part-Time Employee.

Dave: Ok, then that has to go back down.

Mark: I see that where it says \$1600 that is a clerical error that is supposed to be \$1500.

Dave: Got it.

Peggy: I think 3% is fair. I think it is great.

Mark: I am not asking for an increase in the Part-Time.

Dave: Ok got it.

Mark: I see that now and I was trying to figure out why there number came up to a \$100 more than our number on our machine.

Dave: Now you know.

Mark: Now I know. Instead of the \$1600, that is such small writing I didn't catch it.

Greg: That was kind of an odd amount.

Mark: I apologize I didn't see that.

Dave: No problem.

Mark: No I am not going to ask for an increase there. Then if you come down to Supplies everything is going to stay the same. If you come down to Professional Services I am asking for an increase of \$2500. The reason I am asking for an increase of \$2500 I may have to hire an engineer- architect to draw up some plans in order that we might be able to take advantage of a Federal Grant that would allow us to put solar panels and vertical windmills in, in order that we could go green in the building.

Dave: Can you repeat that word for word?

Mark: Solar panels.

Dave: Back up.

Greg: Hire an engineer.

Mark: Hire an engineer-architect.

Dave: So we might?

Mark: We might. That is only Dave if we feel comfortable after talking to the Kelley School of Business that this grant is something we are going to receive. So we would have to develop the plan if it is a viable situation that we feel like we are going to get the grant to do the work.

Peggy: Why wouldn't we just hold off and if that happens then we have an emergency meeting to...

Dave: Exactly.

Mark: Because we can't appropriate the money, we have to ask for an additional appropriation, we have to have a public hearing just like we have now to appropriate money, we have to advertise that.

Dave: Right.

Mark: Then we have to have the meeting. Then we have to have the DLGF approve our additional appropriation. That is what we would have to do. I don't think \$2500 is an amount of money, and I think I have proven out over the past four years that if we don't do it I won't spend it.

Dave: Well you already have \$10,000 in there or \$7500. Mark: Yes, but \$5000 of that is going to go to our TOMS.

Dave: To what? Greg: Net Results.

Mark: TOMS that is what our Net Results is going to cost us. Then it is pretty hard to operate without \$2500 for an attorney or an accountant if we needed one.

Greg: Actually this is one area I spoke of last year about I wanted to see some change in downward. We have spent a lot of attorney fees over the last several years.

Dave: Too much.

Greg: A couple of years we spent fees on the Challenger as a result in hopes to save money on that. That didn't work out. So that is one area that I would rather see more for planning on that before I would approve that amount of money.

Mark: That is something you guys can do next week or in two weeks. I am just telling you why I am wanting it there.

Peggy: What is the Federal grant than? What would come from the grant?

Mark: We would have the money.

Peggy: What does the grant say? Does it say you have to go out and get an engineer?

Mark: We have to provide them plans and drawings as to what we are going to do to go with the grant papers. The grant would allow us to take our aging and very much needing replaced furnaces and replacing the furnaces with electric furnaces from gas. Replace the air conditioners that need to be replaced. Replace your lighting in here and throughout the building from being florescent to LED. Do away with our utility bills with the exception of water and trash pickup. Because if we did this change over we would be self- sufficient as far as energy goes.

Dave: You aren't going for Geo-thermal?

Mark: I am not going for Geo-thermal because the electric furnace is, your still using the energy that is provided for you by natural resources. We are going to use the electric to do the electric energy, electric furnace.

Greg: I would like to see more concrete plans on this before I would accept raising that up.

Mark: That is fine in two weeks if you guys that is what you want to do that is fine. I am just telling you why I want to do it.

Greg: I understand that and you and I spoke.

Mark: It is not a big to do, as a matter of fact it makes my life a lot easier if we don't do it because then I don't have to worry with it.

Greg: I know you spoke of this at other meetings before.

Mark: If the Board doesn't want me to pursue that - no big deal.

Dave: I don't care if you pursue it but I don't want to risk \$2500 for nothing.

Greg: That is where I am looking at.

Dave: I would rather take that \$2500 to put it toward those furnaces you are talking about rather than risk it.

Mark: I have yet to ever spend money just because money was available.

Greg: To pay engineers and things is something else.

Mark: That is just me. Alright so the next thing is I had to raise the insurance. Right now I am going to have to move money because we got our insurance this year and the amount of money we have for insurance is not going to cover our insurance. So I am going to have to move a couple hundred dollars to cover the insurance.

Greg: Can you tell me when that is due?

Mark: That is due October.

Greg: I was going to say there is 90% in the budget.

Mark: It is due the first of October. I just got the bills in and we are going to be 200 and some dollars short. I am going to have to move \$200 from Professional Services down there to cover that or somewhere. I will be doing that. I had to raise the insurance up to \$5500 because that is what it is going to be next year.

Peggy: Who is that with?

Mark: That is with Erie Insurance. Peggy: Have we shopped around?

Mark: No, we have not shopped around we have had, they have been by far the least expensive over the years but if you would like me to.

Peggy: Wasn't it a couple years ago or something that their estimate came in lower. Is that correct? You thought it was going to go up then they came in lower.

Mark: Right and that was because of Work Mans Comp. We have had a couple of claims with them this last year. I think we got increased because of that but if you would like me to shop I have between now and October 1 to shop.

Greg: Speaking of those claims you know we can either talk about this now or talk about it later in other business about the insurance reimbursement for the water damage and to the cemeteries, did you receive anything?

Mark: I did not receive anything on the cemeteries but received it on the water damage and it is reflected in the money you see here.

Greg: Ok. Nothing on the...? Mark: Nothing on the...

Greg: Did they deny our claim on that?

Mark: They have not denied it; they have not done anything other than to say they are investigating it.

Greg: Do they have a time limit on it?

Mark: I believe the time limit is going to be over with and they are going to have to pay the claim whether they want to or not.

Greg: Ok. Sorry to interrupt you there just wondered where we were on that subject.

Mark: They have not come back on anything on the \$5000 claim for the cemetery.

Dave: They haven't approved it or disapproved it either?

Mark: No, they asked for more information and we gave it to them.

Dave: Ok.

Mark: But that has been...

Peggy: Where was the water damage?

Mark: The water damage was in here, we painted this whole room, we replaced the ceiling in there, the whole ceiling in the foyer fell out and we replaced it.

Greg: Yes, during the snow.

Mark: Utility Services, our electric bill and our gas bill both have increased more than 20% and I have asked for about a 20% increase in that area because we haven't even got into the gas for this year and we are already running right on budget and we have gone thru spring and now fall.

Greg: We are running right at.

Mark: We are going to go over by the time; if it gets cold we are going to go over on our utilities. It is not going down, the forecast for utility bills are going to continue to increase. I have asked for an increase in that area. The Repairs and Maintenance it shows that we are decreasing but actually I have increased it. Last year it was \$5000 but we had an insurance claim of \$3751.48 that was paid to us which increased that area. That was unappropriated money that got appropriated because insurance claims are appropriated. So I have actually increased that \$2500. I am just telling you we are going to have more repairs for furnaces and air conditioners and plumbing and such.

Dave: Not if you get the grant.

Mark: I don't hear that we are going to do the grant.

Greg: Where are we at here Mark because I am looking at two different sheets and I have lost

track.

Mark: We are down to Repair and Maintenance 3FF.

Greg: Ok.

Mark: This year what we have right now left is 26%. We have spent \$6493.92 year to date. So I have asked for an increase in there of \$2500 over last year.

Peggy: Can I go up? What is that Other Insurance where we still have 90% left?

Mark: We haven't paid our insurance yet.

Greg: That is due in October.

Peggy: Ok.

Mark: Nothing else has changed in that category. So the total budget which is going to be less than what I am putting on here right now is \$124,050. You could say it is really \$123,050 from what I have presented to you tonight.

Peggy: You still have to take off that \$520 right?

Mark: That's right, anyway we will have a new total there. The only increases I am asking for over last year are \$2500 for Professional Service, \$750 for Insurance, \$2500 for Utility Services and \$2500 for Repair and Maintenance. The next page.

Greg: Actually I want to stay on this page. Even though there was no increase I want to stay on this one. Regarding Care of Township Property and Care of Cemeteries, I am showing we still have 71% of our budget left on the Care of Cemeteries.

Mark: Actually Care of Cemeteries today is 58% do you have the new number?

Greg: No, this is from...

Mark: Ok look at your new number, it is there. We have 11% left in Care of Township.

Greg: Ok, I was going off from our monthly budget when I wrote these numbers down.

Peggy: So what was spent?

Greg: Everything I had was up-to-date.

Mark: So this is up-to-date today.

Greg: Ok. So I didn't have these numbers.

Mark: So those are up-to-date today.

Peggy: So we just wrote a check for over \$6000 to Hale's Lawn Care. Is that for cemeteries?

Greg: Care of Cemeteries year-to-date expenses.

Peggy: I am looking at Care... Greg: We have 58% left correct?

Dave: Yes.

Greg: And there shouldn't be much left in that category for them.

Mark: Where?

Greg: In Care of Cemeteries.

Mark: Care of Cemeteries we still have, I called a guy from Greenwood to repair a headstone in Messersmith; I have two headstones in Lowe that are being repaired. He is also going to look at our other cemeteries to see if we have headstones that need to be repaired. So that is out there, those are onetime expenses. We only do that once a year.

Dave: Is this the same guy you used before?

Mark: No, this guy is from Greenwood instead of Connersville. The guy from Connersville if he rolls his truck it is \$150. That was the guy that Jay had been using and I continued to use him but I'm not using him now.

Greg: The reason I question this is we still have 58% left and it is getting towards the end of the season so that helps explain that.

Mark: Also at the end of the year is when we clean the fence rows out. We clean the fence rows out so that the trees we don't have to deal with the trees the next year. Also at the end of the year is when if we have any trees that need, you know like last year we had a tree taken down.

(end of cassette)

Greg: That was just one of the areas, I was going by percentages and seeing that. You offered an explanation. Another one is Care of Township Property.

Mark: We are down to 11%.

Greg: Right. Why?

Mark: Why am I not increasing it?

Greg: No, why is that such a dramatic number?

Mark: Snow removal.

Greg: Ok.

Mark: That is all snow removal. That is unusual that we had that amount of snow removal.

Greg: I know we had a ton of snow removal. So you will have to move money around?

Mark: I will probably move money from Care of Township Cemeteries down to Care of

Township Property. Greg: If you have to?

Mark: If I have to, if we have snow.

Greg: Ok, I was questioning that large of amount, and I know we had a lot of snow.

Mark: Every time we turned around we were pushing snow and everybody else did too.

Greg: Yes and I understand but these are questions that I need to ask and should be asked.

Mark: I don't think it is going to be any worse this year than it was last year, I hope it is not.

Peggy: Have you seen the Farmer's Almanac? Mark: Yes I have seen the Farmer's Almanac.

Greg: Other than that I'm good. Does anybody else have any questions?

Dave: Yes I do. We have been thru this before too and I can't remember. What is Training? Mark: Training is the ITA. I will be going up there. The day that we have our next meeting I will be there at their educational conference. That is where, the ITA Training, what we do at the ITA. This year when we had our audit out of 100 audits according to the director of State Board of Accounts, we were the only audit that had no exceptions and no things that needed to be worked on – Nothing. We get that from the ITA. Because I go to those sessions and I learn what we are supposed to be doing, I listen to the DLGF, I listen to SBA, I listen to the best practices and we have just done it right the last few years. They looked at the books from 2011 all the way thru the middle of this year and we have no exceptions.

Dave: What is Community Services?

Mark: Community Services, that is monies that we have spent like to congratulate the people that graduate from the Alternative Academy and it is also there if we wanted to honor somebody in the community. It is monies that is just there for, don't have to be there but it is just there so if we wanted to. An example would be and this would be a bad example but if Greg was to die and we wanted to send flowers. We would take it out of Community Services. The same thing if one of our principals died or somebody in the community died, if we wanted to have some place to send flowers that is where we would go. That is also an area that if I wanted to honor somebody I could go there to get the money. Mike Davis retired from Little League a few years ago, I could have honored him but I didn't do it but I could have. Ok so that is it for the Township Budget. Now let's move on to Welfare Administration. There again you see that I increased the Part-Time by \$1000 and I am going to strike that. I am going to strike the \$100 increase in Social, I'm going to leave it where it is at but like I said I am asking for Mary Lou also to get an increase to \$16.50 an hour. I can tell you this Pleasant Township pays their caseworker north of \$16.50. I won't say how much because I don't want them asking for that much (laughter). But they don't get paid as much as Pleasant Township.

Dave: I really don't care what they get paid anyway.

Mark: I think that these two ladies do a fine job.

Dave: I do too.

Greg: I think we are all in agreement on that. It really pained me last time that he asked for a raise you know but at that time with the county just being at the county meeting.

Mark: Here is something that we might as well talk about. We did not order any record books last year, we are not going to have to spend, we will spend some of that money because we just got some PO books. We just got them and we are sharing them with Pleasant Township so we don't have to have a big order. Those are just things in case we have to order books, it is there. The printing and the postage, we only have 8% left but I don't see us buying any more postage this year but next year if we have to buy postage that is where it will go. We buy it all at once. When they get ready to raise the rates on postage, we will go in and buy the postage because they are Forever Stamps.

Dave: They just did.

Mark: We are already ahead of them. We have plenty of stamps for right now. So if they go to raise them again, we may go out and buy postage. The Legal Services. We have only had a

couple of times that we have had to talk about a case as far as a welfare administration case. Every year we will probably have a couple of times but if we ever have to get him involved we may have to increase that. We have \$750 in there if we have to talk to Buschmann if there is a question about that area. That's it, any questions on Welfare Administration? Dave: I don't have any.

Mark: The next area is Direct Assistance. I did not ask for any increases or decreases in that, it remains the same. We have only spent \$13,539 to date. So that means we have only spent 43% of our budget but that does not mean that we could not spend more. The only area that concerns me, there are two areas that concern me but I think we have enough areas that we could pull from if we had to, not to have to increase the budget but if we have more than one burial I would have to ask the Board to let me move money from Category 2 up to Category 1 in order to cover that and then the Utilities, we are just now getting to that again where people are wanting to get their gas and electric turned back on for the fall. So we might run tight on that but we have other monies that we could go to. But I don't see any reason to increase any of that either knowing that there are areas that concern me. That is the report. Greg: Alright, thank you. Any comment from the public out there? Hearing no comments or no public, we will close the public hearing. Okay that concludes that. So the next order of business is Any Other Business that May Come Before the Board. Any other business Mark? Mark: I have one other thing, Johnson-Melloh which are the people that do the solar panels and they also do the vertical windmills. They are supposed to call me tomorrow and I am going to have them come down because they sell that stuff and just give us a ballpark of what we are talking about. Also because they have done it before I am going to ask them what the likelihood is that we are going to get a grant and get their professional opinions. Greg: And will the grant cover everything that is going to be involved with that? Mark: Right.

Greg: Anybody else have anything? (Board members said no). Ok I have a couple of things. I have asked some of them. The State Board of Accounts review that you gave me Mark, I had one question. It might just be, because you stated we did not have anything on it. On that last line item, line 28 something about, asking the, ok here it is. Terms, comments discussed during the most recent SBA review of your township have steps been taken to correct the problems? (Most recent review had no items discussed please indicate no items discussed). Yes was the answer.

Mark: That was yes to the previous one, not to this one. That was my survey that I gave to them. See this is a survey they sent me and they asked from the previous audit had we taken steps to correct any problems?

Greg: Ok.

Peggy: So on the previous there was?

Mark: Yes the previous audit would have been about the Secretary of the Board and there was a question about did the Board's minutes reflect the actual goings on of the meetings? And also Jay took all of the transcribed notes and all the tapes so we had nothing from that left and now boy our minutes' books are, they would like to take ours and teach a class on this is how you do your minutes books. We put all of our Resolutions in there; we put all of our budget material in there. When we get done our advertisements will be in there. Basically it is a yearend review with no questions.

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Greg: It was no big...

Mark: That is what that was asking.

Greg: I just happened to see that today. I just kind of glanced thru everything.

Mark: That was the questionnaire I provided them right?

Greg: Yes. Basically the questionnaire if you guys want to look at it asks what hours you are open, if you have followed all of the SBA regulations and procedures. So that is answered. Ok, I had a question on the Challenger ad and legal expenses. That was taken care of during Professional Services. It was something that we hoped for.

Mark: The Challenger talked to Janet Renner down at Nineveh and threatened to challenge her budget if she did not advertise in the paper.

Dave: She does not have to.

Mark: She does not have to and neither do we but I called the attorney and I asked him, I said what should I do next year for the budget? Now for the yearend report we have to advertise, but for the budget next year we don't have to advertise with anybody. I asked him what should we do? He said it is going to cost you more money if he challenges your budget than it is going to cost to just go ahead and advertise the budget this year. I told him how much money we spend for the Challenger and he said it is going to cost you a lot more money than that if he challenges you.

Greg: I was in here with Mark right after that phone call and he explained to me and he asked what do we want to do and I don't like to be extorted like that but you know what do you do? You just pay for the ad. It is going to be less costly to pay for the ad, 200 and some dollars.

Mark: Versus paying one hour of the attorney, it is more than that.

Dave: Who says we don't have to do it?

Mark: Actually the same attorney that said it would be wiser to just go ahead and pay it this time because the court has not heard the case yet. He could win or lose either way.

Dave: Well there is no right.

Mark: The court has not decided if it is right or wrong.

Greg: Ok Care of Township Properties and Cemeteries I have already asked that question.

Attorney expenses, we basically went over that. Possible future expenses, do you see anything?

Mark: We have one furnace that needs to be replaced most likely. What I will probably do is try my best to get it done within our budget and then keep going from there.

Peggy: What kind of furnace?

Mark: The one that is upstairs, I don't know what the BTUs are, I could not tell you. There are five furnaces upstairs. One of them, you can hear it humming and everything else. It is the one that froze up, the air conditioner line froze up on and there might be rust.

Peggy: Can you find out how many BTUs?

Mark: Yes.

Greg: That is something that you are probably going to have to look at here.

Mark: It is only 45 years old.

Greg: That is going to be a major expense, I know that. That is on the clock and could be a major expense.

Mark: At some point and time. That is why I would like to do this other because they could all be replaced at the same time.

Dave: I think it would be great if we could get that grant.

Greg: I would like to see more information.

Mark: Whatever Johnson-Melloh gives me this week I will have for you. I don't want to tell you something I don't know.

Greg: Right.

Mark: I would love to tell you yes we are going to get it.

Greg: But I don't want to spend township money on all these engineers and everything and not get it or it is going to cost us a ton of money to further develop it. That is where I'm at on that.

Does anybody else have anything?

Dave: Am I reading this right, there is no new tax levy right?

Mark: No, we are asking for a tax levy.

Dave: We are asking for one?

Mark: Yes.

Greg: Good question Dave.

Dave: I did not see it.

Mark: I will show you. Get your DLGF report out. Turn to the page that says Budget Estimate -

Financial Statement - Proposed Tax Rate, Form 4-B.

Dave: Oh yes there it is.

Mark: Ok. If you look down at the bottom of the page 0.0066. The budget that we are asking to propose was \$123,000 of it to be funded, of the \$124,150 we are asking for \$123,000 of it to be funded. If you turn the page you will see what we are asking to propose, we are asking to raise taxes of \$36,000 for the assistance and that is 0.0020. That is what we advertised. That should have been shown. If you look at your advertisement you will see we are asking that the amount of money to be raised to be \$159,000.

Peggy: That is for what reason?

Greg: That is just to fund our budget for 2015, most of our budget.

Mark: If you look at this, do you have this in front of you? In the Township Fund we have a balance right now of \$57,000 in cash and a \$125,000 investment. If we go with the budget we are looking at, we will have zero at the end of next year and we will be waiting on their check to pay our bills. So the DLGF highly suggested what they know coming down the pipe that we maintain our operating balance. We may see a case that if we don't do it this year, we can't get it next year but they did not say that. If you look at our township assistance we are a little better than that, we have a cash balance of \$9,200 and \$70,000 in investments. So we probably have a little bit more money there that we could have played with but they still suggest that we try to maintain our operating balances and have a budget with a tax levy this year. If you want to do anything different during your next meeting, if you did not want to levy the township for the \$51,000 of assistance, we could probably get by next year. But next year you would have to levy the full amount of assistance.

Dave: I have no problem for assistance, none at all.

Mark: Well you are going to have to do it for your township budget this year. Ok, anything

else?

Greg: Anything else from anyone?

Dave: I vote we adjourn the meeting.

Greg: Hearing nothing else, do I hear a motion for adjournment?

Dave: I just did.

Greg: Ok, do I hear a second?

Peggy: I second.

Greg: All those in favor of adjournment say Aye. (All board members said Aye.) Three Ayes. Mark: The meeting is two weeks from tomorrow. The 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00.