

WHITE RIVER TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
TRUSTEE'S NOTES
FEBRUARY 28, 2017

ATTENDEES: Mark Messick, Gregory Rainbolt, Margaret Young and David Pollard.

Meeting was called to order at 7 PM by Greg Rainbolt. First order of business was the Pledge of Allegiance.

Greg Rainbolt: Second order of business is the Approval of WRT Board Meeting Minutes from Dec 21, 2016 and January 3, 2017. Do I hear a motion to approve these minutes? Dave opens and Peggy Young seconds. With that being open do I have any discussion on the minutes?

Peggy: No

Dave: No.

Greg: Hearing no discussion I have asked for a vote. All those in favor of approving the WRT Board Meeting Minutes of Dec 21, 2016 and January 3, 2017 indicate by saying Aye (all board members said Aye). Three Ayes, the minutes are approved. Next order of business is WRT Trustee 2016 Annual Report. I will open up this, do I have a second?

Peggy: Second, first.

Greg: Having a first and a second I would like to open up this and I will hand the floor over to trustee Mark Messick and we will continue from there.

Mark Messick: Do I need to read the cover page? It is just like in years past when we are done discussing the Annual Report you have an Option 1 to accept the report as it was presented and you have an Option 2 to note anything that you don't accept. (Mark then went over the Annual Report – Please see the attached copy)

Dave: County Adjusted Gross Income Tax, what did you say that was?

Mark: That is your property replacement credit.

Dave: How much did you read it?

Mark: \$6,678.40.

Dave: Thank you. I thought you said \$5,600 that is why I asked.

(Mark then continued reading the Annual Report)

Mark: Page 5 this just shows how the monies were spent by category (Mark then went over the report – see attached copy). I'm not going to read out the disbursements but if you look at the next few pages, those are the actual disbursements that go back in those other categories and it is by the vendor's name and how much we paid them for the next 3 pages. The number \$174,909.82 equals the number that we read previously on the previous page when we were talking about that. At the bottom of page 5 is the same number that is at the bottom of page 8, so that reconciled. (Mark then continued reading the Annual Report from page 9)

Peggy: This building is worth 1.3 million?

Mark: Yes. It goes back a long time ago and it went up 4% last year or something like that. (Mark continued reading the Annual Report starting at Page 15). That is your report for the year.

Greg: Hearing the report do I hear any discussion on this report?

Mark: I will say one thing before we get to that. If you look at this that I gave you, it says Annual Financial Report and that is from the first of this year to today. If you can find that one, if you will look on the far right hand side, the bottom number, the \$473,400...

Greg: \$462,087.79.

Mark: Right, those figures line up with what you see on the first page on the report because that is where we ended the year, \$473,464.96. So that is just telling you that we are starting this year with what we ended last year. So our system is reconciled also. Other than that, I would ask that the Board accept it and I will answer any questions you have on the report.

Dave: I don't have any questions.

Greg: Any questions Peggy or discussion?

Peggy: I'm trying to look at the receipts and see under Rainy Day I see the other receipts of \$22,272.27 and that is what is listed on this page too.

Mark: Right the sale of investments does not show that, if you subtract the investments out of that and the 22 should be what it shows on the front page for actual receipts.

Peggy: Ok and then Township Receipts that I'm looking at on Page 3, should it be the total taxes and intergovernmental of 176?

Mark: Right above that where it says \$207,444.93 if you subtract out the \$30,000 sale of investments that should equal the \$177,444.93 which shows on the front page.

Peggy: Ok on the total township, alright.

Mark: That is how they have us report it as a receipt but then it shows it as a flat disbursement behind it.

Peggy: Ok.

Mark: Any other questions?

Peggy: I don't have any.

Greg: Any questions?

Mark: Normally your questions come from those pages starting on page 6 thru 8 where sometimes you have questions about individual disbursements and you ask who the companies are or why we paid that or something like that.

Dave: On you salary you have \$37,080.00, don't you collect more money than that, don't you do investigations that you get paid for?

Mark: No, I don't get paid for anything but my salary. I can't draw anything. There is a disbursement to me if you look on page 7, the second item of \$67.91. When Dannemiller was no longer in business we had to rent before we bought the carpet cleaner, we rented the carpet cleaner and bought chemicals and I had to pay for that with my credit card and then I got reimbursed and we have that receipt. Are there any others that you want to ask a question about?

Dave: I'm ok.

Mark: The other thing you will see is some years...

Peggy: Was the roofing under budget, I forget?

Mark: The roofing was actually right on what they quoted us but then they had to replace like 15 sub-boards and do repairs and I think they charged us \$25 each for those boards plus sheeting and stuff that they had. It is over what they quoted us but it is only because of hidden repairs that they had to do. And the other quotes they had listed that they were going to charge so much if they found anything.

Greg: Braden is the copier?

Mark: Braden is the copier. That is what was quoted and actually we got the better model because the model that we wanted to buy they did not have in their inventory and they had the better model and they wanted to clear it out so we got the better model.

Greg: I look at this every month, I get a report. This is just reconciled from the report I get.

Mark: It is actually the same report that I give you every time we meet.

Greg: It is reconciled with the Annual Report. So I am going to make a motion to accept Option 1.

Mark: Can we talk about one other thing prior to getting there?

Greg: Sure.

Mark: I'm sorry, every year Greg I send you a letter and it is there today, right there in your hand, of where I move monies. It is usually pretty simple but this year because we had the furnace go out, and

we did an additional appropriation for it, we needed to put the furnace in and so I went in and saw the areas where we had not spent money in that had monies left, and so the last item down there I moved \$5,800 into Repairs and Maintenance which is a pretty substantial amount of money from other areas in the same category which I'm allowed to do in order to pay for the furnace and that worked out. You guys kind of thought that we should have enough money left over if we had to do that to do it and we did and we did. The second item down where we moved the money from utility services because of the roof and the copier and everything else, we did not have enough money in Repairs and Maintenance when we had to repair it at that time or actually repair it a couple of times so I moved money from Utilities to Repair and Maintenance. That wasn't the whole bill but that is how much money I had to move in order to make the category line out. Once again this year we spent, we had an early growing season and we had a lot of lawn mowing and stuff and the school tore up our yard and then they did not put down enough grass seed down so we had Robards come in and put in grass seed in the area so we will have a yard this spring and got a head start on it last fall from where they put their water line through and the fire hydrant and stuff. That is our report. I just wanted to bring that up because I gave that to you separate in case you had any questions on that. That's it, I'm sorry Greg.

Greg: That is fine. I will make a motion to accept Option 1 The report was received, accepted and approved by the Township Board as its annual meeting on the 28th day of February, 2017. Do I have a second?

Dave: Yes.

Greg: Dave Pollard seconds. All those in favor of approving the Annual Report, Option 1, indicate by saying Aye (all board members said Aye). Three Ayes, the annual report is accepted.

Mark: Now we have a signing party. I get all of the copies except one. This will be published in Saturday's party, the Daily Journal.

Mark: Greg are you ok if I keep talking?

Greg: Sure, go ahead.

Mark: For other business you will see that you received a report on what we did in January and February. You received the Annual Financial Report as to where we are today. You received the Budget Report that shows you where we are budget wise to the money we have spent. That is it folks. I got a phone call from Marian Martin which is a lady and she wanted to pick up at Messersmith on the outside of the fence which is not on our property, she wanted to pick up some stuff in there and there is some type of deal where someone puts in there if she picks it up and she notifies them that she picked it up and she gets I don't know what she gets it is some type of points like a scavenger type deal hunt but while she was doing that she wanted to pick up the stuff around the fence before it grew up again and I told her that was fine. I did not have a problem with her going on the cemetery and doing that.

Dave: She is a nice gal.

Mark: She is a very nice gal, her and her husband both are.

Dave: Yes.

Mark: I do have one other point of business but that can wait until you get all of your signatures. I have been around and looked at all of the cemeteries and in each cemetery we have headstones that either the weather or just deterioration has caused the headstones to need to be repaired so we will be doing headstone repairs when the weather gets good. This year we may spend all of our Care of Cemeteries money. Hopefully we won't have to come back but if we do I imagine we will have money we can move around. This year in our insurance we are going to have to probably spend more money than we did last year in insurance because the SBA has required that anybody who touches the mail, that they also have a Surety bond not for \$30 thousand but a Surety bond so this year that will start. I think we have enough money in there to cover that but I'm just telling you because I don't know what the expense is going to be.

Peggy: But is has to be above and beyond the Surety bond that you already have?

Mark: That I have.

Peggy: For the girls too?

Mark: This year I have to get it for the ladies. Anybody that touches the mail has to have a Surety bond because they could steal a check.

Peggy: I thought they already had to have it.

Mark: No we have thief and deception insurance on them already. But this is a Surety bond which names the State of Indiana as the recipient of the bond. I think it is only \$10,000. It is not going to cost much on both of them and if something happened that they did, not only would we get the money from our insurance but then the State of Indiana would get the \$10,000 and give that to us, its overkill.

Dave: On Whiteland Rd on the northside of Whiteland Rd West, are you familiar with Richardson's place?

Mark: Yes.

Dave: There is a small cemetery there. Is that a family cemetery or is that one you have to look at?

Mark: That is not one that we look at, it is a family farm's cemetery. You're talking about there at Mallow Run?

Dave: Yes.

Mark: Yes, that is maintained by Richardson. They do a good job of maintaining it.

Greg: Thinking about the headstones, I'm glad you brought that up, because I go by some of them quite a bit and have not seen anything done with the headstones and I was kind of curious. Does anybody else have any other business? Nothing? I want to thank Peggy, Dave and Mark for taking care during the organizational meeting.

Mark: I will make one more comment about the assistance budget. As you can see we have already had a cremation. We have had 3 other people call in reference, we had a call in reference to this baby that got ran over and they have a Go Fund Me account and they have more than enough money so we are not going to be able to do anything. They already took the baby to the funeral home and made arrangements so if you are talking to anybody about that, once they make arrangements we are out of the loop by code. So if someone thinks they may need township assistance, they have to come see us first before they make arrangements. The second thing is that out of those 4 that we have had contact on the one we buried was heroin and the other two were heroin. The one we were very fortunate in that the gentleman died he had a life insurance policy, he had divorced his wife and through his business he listed his spouse as the recipient. We because they were divorced and had the deal he had no spouse so the insurance went to his estate and paid for his funeral. This heroin thing is real. Thank you for increasing that budget because I'm afraid I'm going to have to use part of it.

Greg: Unfortunately.

Mark: That is all I have.

Greg: Anything else?

Peggy: You do know your chair right?

Greg: Yes I saw that, I saw that in the minutes. I guess that is what I get for missing a meeting. Thank you it really helped ease my mind at a critical time. With that said I would like to make motion to adjourn. Do I have a second?

Peggy: Second.

Greg: First and second, the meeting is adjourned.

Mark: Just for the record the attendants today were Mark Messick, trustee; Greg Rainbolt, chairman; Peggy Young, secretary; Dave Pollard, member.