

# Hamilton County Indiana Delaware Township Board Meeting Tuesday, May 21st at 5:30 pm

## **Board Meeting**

Those in attendance were as follows:

Debbie Driskell Township Trustee
Marilyn Schenkel Board Chairman
David Giffel Board Secretary
Ed Pierce Board member
Erica Angela Miele Strahm - Citizen

# Item 1: Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

Marilyn Schenkel at 5:36 pm called the meeting to order, and we recited The Pledge of Allegiance.

# Item 2: Adoption of Minutes of March 26, 2019 meeting.

David Giffel distributed the minutes for March 26, 2019. Marilyn Schenkel moved to accept the minutes, and Ed Pierce seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

#### Item 3: Cumulative Fire Fund Transfer Discussion

On April 29, 2019, Governor Holcomb signed into law House Enrolled Act 1177-2019 ("HEA 1177"). Effective July 1, 2019, HEA 1177 mandates townships to create capital improvement plans and instructs how townships can make transfers between certain funds. Debbie Driskell explained more information would be forthcoming.

Delaware Township discontinued collecting unincorporated property taxes for this Cumulative Fire fund in 2013. The fund purpose is state mandated strictly for Fire and Emergency service capital improvements. Delaware Township holds no Fire or Emergency assets and contracts these services to the City of Fishers. The new law will allow the Township to repurpose the Cumulative Fire Fund. The ending balance is \$324,651.90.

#### Options discussed were as follows:

- Pay off Community Service Bond Early
- Improve the Community Center Parking
- Purchase a Fire asset and transfer the asset to the City of Fishers
- Transfer the funds into the unincorporated Fire Fund for fire services.
- \* Note: Incorporated Properties pay a municipality tax covering Fire and Emergency services.
- Domestic Violence Safehouse



## **Item 4: TIF District Impact Discussion**

David Giffel presented a brief analysis of the impact of two Tax Increment Finance (TIF) Districts created by Noblesville's Economic Development Commission.

- 1) Corporate Campus West Noblesville SE (Ends in the Year 2032)
- 2) ST Rd 37 -146th Noblesville SE (Ends in the Year 2040)

The two TIF districts capture \$89 million in increment assessed values. If removed, this would result in a rate tax cut for Delaware Township. David Giffel asked the board only to contemplate a future action to request the Noblesville Economic Development Commission remove these parcels. Delaware Township properties outside The City of Noblesville are forced to give up a part of their tax revenues to the City of Noblesville without being given any authority over how the money is spent.

## **Item 5: Township Assistance Administrative Guidelines**

Debbie Driskell presented the assistance guidelines. Marilyn Schenkel motioned to accept the guidelines. Ed Pierce seconded it. The motion passed 3-0.

#### **Item 6: Old Business**

No old business

#### **Item 7: New Business**

No new business.

#### Item 8: Adjourn

5:57 PM Motion to Adjourn by Marilyn Schenkel and seconded by David Giffel. The motion passed 3-0.

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Submitted by David Giffel, Board Secretary	-
Marilyn Schenkel, Board President Marilyn Schenkel	2
Ed Pierce, Board Member	-
Attest: Debbie Driskell, Township Trustee Delling Cuskell	