

WHITE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING MARCH 6, 2014

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Sam Race called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and stated 'Adequate Notice of this meeting of March 6, 2014 has been given in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act by forwarding a notice of the date, time, and location of the meeting to the The Express-Times; and by posting a copy thereof on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building and the township website. Formal action may be taken at this meeting. Public participation is encouraged. This agenda is subject to last minute additions and deletions by the White Township Committee'.

FLAG SALUTE

The Mayor asked everyone to stand for the flag salute.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Race, Committeepersons Herb and Mackey, and Clerk Kathleen Reinalda.

2014 BUDGET WORK SESSION

Mayor and Committee reviewed department budget requests.

A proposed 1.5% increase was discussed for salaries. This will be built into the proposed budget, but will be further reviewed.

Mayor Race discussed an option to increase the township's EPL/POL deductible, as suggested by the township's risk manager. The current POL/EPL policy has a \$20,000 deductible along with 20% co-insurance for the first \$250,000 of the claim. Meaning, if a claim were to occur, White Township would have a max out of pocket exposure of \$70,000. For an additional premium of \$2,736.43 the JIF would reduce the deductible to \$2,500 and eliminate the co-insurance clause. Based on the township's history, the governing body felt this was unnecessary. Motion to stay with the current EPL/POL policy made by Mr. Herb, seconded by Mrs. Mackey and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote. Herb – yes, Mackey – yes, Race – yes. Motion carried.

The Animal Control Office was discussed. The last few months have seen little to no activity in the form of invoices to the local vet's offices and no reimbursements for mileage to the ACO. It was determined that a monthly report from the Animal Control Officer would be requested to keep the committee informed. This was agreed on motion by Mr. Herb, seconded by Mrs. Mackey and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote. Herb – yes, Mackey – yes, Race – yes. Motion carried.

Additional hours for the acting court administrator were discussed. Mrs. Decker was

present to inform the committee that many of the records being stored for court were no longer required to be kept. If provided additional hours on weekends, she could go through them and get the proper approval from the state for destruction. This was granted on motion by Mr. Herb, seconded by Mrs. Mackey and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote. Herb – yes, Mackey – yes, Race – yes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 8:35pm on motion by Mrs. Mackey, seconded by Mr. Herb and carried by unanimous favorable vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathleen R. Reinalda, RMC
Township Clerk