

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF PIKE TOWNSHIP,
MARION COUNT, INDIANA**

August 20, 2019

Attendance: Peggy Simmons, Marcia Lomax, Steve Anderson, Claudette Peterson, and David Willis (by phone). **Present:** Trustee Annette Johnson.

- 1) **Approval of April 16, 2019 minutes.** No proposed changes were submitted by Ms. Claudette. It was moved by Peggy Simmons to approve the minutes. Steve Anderson seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.
- 2) **Approval of June 18, 2019 minutes.** It was moved by Claudette Peterson to approve the minutes. Steve Anderson seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.
- 3) **Additional Appropriation.** An additional appropriation was presented to the Board following the required public notice. The additional appropriation was requested to fund the new fire station and to make good on a commitment made by the previous Trustee to the PTFD Union to make a cash infusion to the RHIF account. The Trustee requested the following amounts which were approved by the Board:
 - \$1,042,039 → 1190 Cumulative Fire Find
 - \$200,000 → 1111 Fire ~~Find~~ Fund
- 4) **Report from PTFD.** Chief circulated a written report to the Board and offered the following highlights:
 - August 29, 2019 will be PTFD's recruit graduation. PTFD will be graduating 15 new recruits. This class has three African American males, two females, and one Pacific Islander.
 - In an effort to recruit more minorities, Chief Borel has been in touch with the Black Firefighters Association. This organization can assist mentoring young recruits.
 - Chief Borel reports that he has also been in touch with the Superintendent of Pike Township School. Pike High School has an EMT program, which could be a pipeline for new EMT hires by PTFD.
 - Chief Borel announced PTFD's plans to participate in this year's Fall Festival for the Cancer Support Community. The event is being held on Friday, Sept. 13, 2019 from 4:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. at 5150 West 71st Street.
 - Lastly, Chief Borel reports that PTFD is fully operational following the ransomware attack.

5) Trustee Updates

- a. Coalition Update – Trustee Johnson reports that her coalition meetings have been going well. These meetings are held every other month and anyone can attend. The next Coalition meeting is Thursday, Sept. 26 at 10:00 a.m. at North Liberty Christian Church.
- b. National Night Out – Trustee and Chief Borel went out to 6 residential communities. Trustee was excited to introduce Chief Borel to the Pike community.
- c. HOA Meetings – Trustee reminded the Board that the Pike Township Government Building is open to public for HOA meetings. Trustee has waived the fees to use the building.
- d. Community Involvement Events – Trustee advised the Board that she regularly uses her social medial page to showcase and advertise various community events going on in the Township.
 - i. Oasis at 56th Street recently hosted a first responder appreciation day to showcase their new building.
 - ii. Upcoming Job Fair w. MCSO will be held on Monday, Sept. 9

Meeting Adjourned.

Board Secretary Merei Romak

Attested by: Britte M. Johnson