

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

April 19, 2022

The meeting was conducted in person at the Pike Township Government Center.

In Attendance: Board Members Present: David Willis, Steve Anderson, Cynthia Oda, Burnice Head. Quorum was confirmed. **Present:** Trustee Annette Johnson

Absent: Claudette Peterson.

Present: Township Attorney Jeff Bellamy.

President David Willis opened Public Hearing. Beth Marsh asked if anyone wanted to comment on the Cumulative Fire Fund 2022. No comments were received from the public or others and the public hearing was closed and the regular board meeting was resumed.

President David Willis opened regular board meeting.

Approval of March 15, 2022 Meeting Minutes. Meeting minutes were circulated and reviewed by the Board. Meeting minutes approved.

Beth Marsh, Township Financial Advisor presented the Township Financial updates. Monthly financial reviewed. Beth reported that the fund balances were good, and spending was as expected and the Township had adequate cash on hand.

Beth Marsh shared information on Townships Assistance and where we stand in that area thus far.

Board approval for Cumulative Fire Fund under Indiana Code 36-8-14-2. The Board adhered to the provisions of the Indiana Code. The proposed fund will not exceed \$0.03333 on each \$100 of assessed valuation. Said tax rate will be levied beginning with taxes for 2022 payable 2023. Board approved.

Fire Chief Chris Tragesser and Fire Chief Meg Hogwood were in attendance and shared Monthly Fire Reports. Chief Tragesser gave updates on upcoming Fire Recruit class. Chief Tragesser thanked the Board Members for their support. Chief Tragesser shared there is constant collaboration with the Trustee.

Discussion of Hybrid Access for the community. Discussion centered on cost and need as board meetings are always open to the public. The cost to set up was a factor as it is very costly with

set-up and management. Other Township Boards are not doing Hybrid meetings. Board Vote of 3-1 with tabling zoom discussion at a later date.

Trustee Annette Johnson gave her Trustee's Office report. The Pike Township Fire Department continues to participate in community outreach, education and risk prevention in collaboration with the Trustee in the areas of festivals and school educational events. The Public education vehicle is making its rounds in Pike Township.

Board President David Willis adjourned meeting at 6:30 p.m.

