

Eagle Township Board
Tuesday, August 7, 2007 6:30 p.m.
Old National Bank
385 South Main Street
Zionsville, Indiana 46077

Members in Attendance: Rob Schein, President ____x__
Ralph Stacy, Secretary ____x__
Jeff Papa, Bd. Member ____x__
Judith Essex, Trustee ____x__

Minutes

Call to Order

President Rob Schein called the meeting to order

Minutes

The July minutes were read. Motion was made and seconded with changes as noted.

Financial Report

The July financial report was distributed. The total distribution for the month was \$4,465.84 and the receivables were \$15,933.24.

2008 Budget

This being a public hearing for the advertised 2008 Budget, the budget was presented for discussion by the Trustee. There was some discussion as to how the Fire Territory was to be advertised, whether it was separate from or a part of the advertised budget for the Town of Zionsville. Counsel Steve Buschmann raised the issue as to whether there should have been a line item in the Township budget for the Fire Territory since people in the township will have a tax levy for the Fire Territory. Mr. Buschmann offered to contact DLGF for their opinion and the Board can decide whether or not to re-publish the 2008 Budget to include the Fire Territory. It was noted by Board Member Ralph Stacy that the notice in the paper stated this was the 2007 Budget rather than the 2008 Budget. According to Mr. Buschmann it would not be necessary to re-publish for a mis-print. There being no petitions or taxpayer objection of the 2008 Budget; it was approved as presented.

Fire Territory

The Trustee distributed the Monthly Report from Chief VanGorder. The 2008 Budget for the Fire Territory was approved by the Executive Board at the July meeting. The question was asked if the township had a false alarm fee. The Trustee will find out the status of this issue.

Cemetery Report

Eagle Village Cemetery: There will soon be a new off-street paved parking area on the west side of the cemetery to accommodate two vehicles. This parking area is a gift to the township, courtesy of Paul Shoopman, developer of the land surrounding the cemetery. It was suggested by Ralph Stacy that the brush surrounding the cemetery should be cleared and that maybe the Rotary Club would be interested in the project.

Clarkston Cemetery: Mr. Stacy has been contacted by a representative from INDOT regarding the new construction on State Road 421 and the proximity of that new construction to the Clarkston Cemetery. It presently appears that the new road is too close to the cemetery. INDOT will inform the Township of how they intend to proceed.

Old Harmon Pitzer Two Cemetery: Eagle Scout DJ Clark has finished the Pitzer Two Cemetery project. This cemetery is at the back of the Clark property, but is tax exempt. A bill of \$1200 has been received from Stonesaver for the restoration work on the headstones.

Jones Cemetery: Mr. Stacy is still getting quotes for a fence at the Jones Cemetery.

Marsh Pitzer Cemetery: Mark Davis of Stanesavers has completed restoration of about 45 stones. Mr. LaVern Wing has been keeping this cemetery mowed for the past two years, and had to replace his lawn mower because of small tree stumps. There are about 150 of these stumps to be removed. Mr. Stacy will make inquiry on removal.

The Trustee has received a letter from Boone County Assessor Lisa Garaffalo requesting a list of all the cemeteries in Eagle Township. Mr. Stacy will compare the Assessor's list with his files and forward back to the Trustee.

Other Business

In discussions with guest Charles Keraga, Eagle Township Parks Board member, the Boone County Rail Trail committee is seeking donations to meet the matching funds required for the Transportation Enhancement grant that was received last year from the State. They need to raise \$60,000. It was decided that Eagle Township could contribute \$5,000. One benefit of this donation would be the privilege of naming a section of the trail.

There being no other business, the meeting adjourned. The next scheduled meeting is September 12, 2007.