

Worth Township Advisory Board Meeting

Date: July 14, 2020

Location: Lions Club Park 107 North Main Street in Whitestown, Indiana

- **Meeting called to order:** 6:31pm
- **Present:** Anne Bohm, Mike Hancock, Andrew Heffner
- **Absent:** None
- **Trustee:** Jim Baldwin was present

Approval of agenda: Andrew requested changes to the agenda to include moving public comments to before the fire board update and add special announcements from the trustee at the beginning of the meeting. Motion to approve the amended agenda made by Andrew, 2nd by Anne **Vote 3-0**

Action on Previous Minutes of 6/18/2020: Motion to approve made by Anne, 2nd by Andrew **Vote 3-0**

Agenda Item 1: Trustee Announcements

Trustee Baldwin gave an explanation of township boundaries for those who may have been confused between the boundaries of the town versus the township.

Trustee Baldwin announced his appointment, and introduced the new non-voting member of the fire board. Kasey Copeland will now be a member of the fire board.

Agenda Item 2: Hussey-Mayfield library proposal presentation

A full proposal was given to the board in written format and verbally presented to the public

Agenda Item 3: Lebanon public library proposal presentation

A full proposal was given to the board in written format and verbally presented to the public. Lebanon announced they had purchased land for their proposed site.

Public Comment: Public comment was taken on the library issue and several members of the public offered comments. 10 people signed up to speak, 1 supported no library or the cheapest option, 1 supported a blended option, and 8 supported the Lebanon option.

Public Questions: President Heffner opened the floor specifically to take questions from the public regarding the library proposals. Questions were posed and answered regarding taxes, taxing districts, involved townships, services provided, plan flexibility, and library operations.

Closing Statements: President Heffner offered each library the opportunity to make a brief closing statement concerning their proposal. Both libraries gave a final statement.

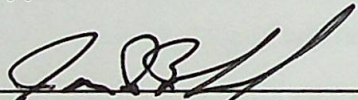
Board discussion: Board discussion, which included member statements and any additional questions regarding the proposals took place. Questions regarding the proposals and submissions were made of legal counsel and those questions were answered by Township attorney Jeff Jacob. Answers from legal counsel regarding Lebanon's submission of a resolution added some confusion to the issue. Board discussion turned to the consideration of taking a vote on the issue. Mike expressed a desire to move forward with a vote, with the opinion that the public had made their voices heard and feeling an obligation to vote the conscious of those we represent. Andrew expressed some trepidation and wished to move forward more cautiously to ensure a full grasp of the decision before the board.

A motion was made to continue discussion until the meeting of July 21, 2020 by Andrew, 2nd made by Anne.
Vote 2-1 with Mike voting Nay

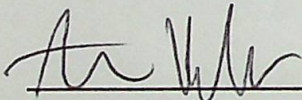
Meeting adjourned: Motion by Andrew, 2nd by Anne @9:02pm **Vote 3-0**

Respectfully submitted,
Mike Hancock, Secretary, Worth Township Advisory Board
Worth Township, Boone County, Indiana, USA

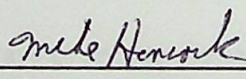
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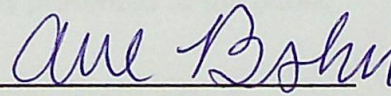
Jim Baldwin-Trustee



Andrew Heffner-President



Mike Hancock-Secretary



Anne Bohm-Member

