

July 10, 2012

These are the minutes of the special joint meeting and public hearing of the Town Council for the Town of Brownsburg, Indiana and the Brown Township and Lincoln Township Boards held on July 10, 2012 at 5:00 p.m.

Members present: Dwayne Sawyer, Don Spencer, Gary Hood, Dave Richardson and Rob Kendall.

Lincoln Township: Don Brooks, Emory Lencke and Greg Hauswald.

Brown Township: John Gootee and Charles Tavel.

Also present: Jeanette M. Brickler, Clerk-Treasurer; Tricia Leminger, Town Attorney; Grant Kleinhenz, Town Manager; Donovan Peoples, Lincoln Township Trustee; Mike Dove, Police Chief; Ray Kotarski and Stan Comer, Police Commission; and Chuck Walker, BZA.

The meeting was called to order by each of the entities present, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The purpose of the meeting was to approve second reading and final adoption of a Resolution to Reject the Plan of Reorganization.

Town Manager Grant Kleinhenz presented a brief summary of events leading up to this meeting.

Attorney Tricia Leminger commented on the legal processes and procedures and added that there is no cure to the loss of the Capital Equipment Fund upon consolidation and the loss of the Fire Territory.

The public hearing portion of the meeting was opened followed by Lincoln Township and Brown Township to hear comments from those people who have signed in to speak.

Jim Murphy, 10726 N. SR 267, Brownsburg came forward and asked Grant Kleinhenz to clarify a statement he had made previously.

Jim Mangus, 15 Cattail Lane, Brownsburg read his comments aloud and presented a copy for the record.

There being no further comments, the hearing for Brown Township, Lincoln Township and the Town of Brownsburg were closed.

Donovan Peoples, Lincoln Township Trustee, 718 S. Green Street urged officials and residents to lobby their legislators for changes in the consolidation statutes to allow for the continuation of the Fire Capital Equipment Replacement Fund. There is too big of a loss of funds for any entity to choose to consolidate governmental units into one. The only option is for State Legislators to change the laws and make it more attractive, not less.

Resolution #2012-25 to Reject Consolidation of the Town of Brownsburg with Lincoln Township and Brown Township was read aloud by Attorney, Tricia Leminger. Gary Hood moved for second reading and final approval of Resolution #2012-25. The motion was seconded by Don Spencer and unanimously carried.

Don Peoples read aloud the Lincoln Township Resolution #2012-01 to Reject Consolidation into the Town of Brownsburg. Don Brooks moved for second reading and final adoption of Resolution #2012-01. The motion was seconded by Emory Lencke and unanimously carried.

Next, the Brown Township Resolution to Reject Consolidation on Brown Township with the Town of Brownsburg and Lincoln Township was read aloud by Charles Tavel. John Gootee moved to approve second reading and final approval of the Resolution. The motion was seconded by Charles Tavel and unanimously carried.

Tricia Leminger explained the next step was to send the matter back to the Consolidation Committee before the July 25 deadline. Another joint meeting will be held on July 26, 2012 to consider the plan and the matter will be closed on July 30, 2012.

There being no other matters for discussion and upon motion made by Gary Hood, seconded by Rob Kendall and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.

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Dwayne Sawyer, President

ATTEST:

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Jeanette M. Brickler, Clerk-Treasurer