

CENTER TOWNSHIP

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**TOWNSHIP BOARD OF CENTER TOWNSHIP
BOONE COUNTY, INDIANA
BOARD MINUTES
MARCH 15th, 2023**

Casey Samson, Trustee, opened the meeting at 6:30pm

Attending the Meeting:

Casey Samson, Trustee

Penny Bogan, Board Member

Matt Wilson, Board Member

Audrea Racine, Legal Counsel

Cody Seymour, Fire Chief

Ryan Sparks, Assistant Fire Chief

Meeting called to order at 6:30pm by Casey Samson.

Resolution 2023-15 presented. This resolution allows for the issuance and sale of general obligation bonds for the Township to purchase a fire truck and building, together with necessary appurtenances, related improvements and equipment. Penny Bogan motions to accept the resolution as written. Matt Wilson seconds the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Resolution 2023-16 presented. This Additional Resolution allows for the bond to not exceed \$1,100,000 and be used to pay for the purchase of a fire truck and township building. Penny Bogan motions to approve. Matt Wilson seconds the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Next Steps include establishing the final terms with the bank and determine final expenses of both projects.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT:

Cody Seymour, Fire Chief, and Ryan Sparks, Assistant Fire Chief, report the following:

They are working on outfitting the new engine and hope to have the engine in service by the end of the month.

Regarding staffing, there are two open shifts this month. One full-time offer was accepted (which is the fourth new hire this year).

New training software is being implemented.

Ryan Sparks spoke about the ISO ratings and how different components affect the ratings. He suggested it is not a good year to do an ISO inspection/assessment, but expects the rating for Center Township would be a 5-6. This would be a target area.

Center Township will assist Thorntown and Jamestown departments if needed.

Cody Seymour is meeting with the Dispatch and Communications Center to discuss dispatch strengths and how runs will be addressed.

Year to date runs for Center Township Fire Department is at 50.

TOWNSHIP ASSISTANCE REPORT:

Penny Bogan notes that assistance inquiries has been "pretty active". Area 4 Assistance has run out of funding already. A couple prominent apartment complexes are under new ownership and navigating the process with new owners is sometimes a challenge.

Meeting adjourned at 7:12pm with a motion from Matt Wilson. Penny Bogan seconds the motion.