

HUNTINGTON TOWNSHIP BOARD
Wednesday, July 16, 2025
Huntington Township Office

MEETING MINUTES

Members present: Tim Guy, Tammy Kline, Mike Perkins
Others present: Township Trustee EJ Carroll; Township Fire Chief Jeff White; Ron Kline, member of the public; Jessi Brown, member of the public

Regular Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Board President Tammy Kline

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the board's June 11, 2025 regular meeting were reviewed. Motion to approve by Guy; seconded by Perkins. Vote: 3-0, to approve.

Fire Department Report

Chief White told the board the department will enhance its response readiness by having a weekday driver on duty at all times.

He said he expects that a recent spate of automobile accident aid calls will boost the department's run numbers for July.

Chief White gave a brief county-wide volunteer fire service overview and concluded that "we are farther along, as a county, than we've ever been" in terms of interdepartmental cooperation. He said the Huntington Township department has mutual aid agreements with all other county volunteer departments except Warren, which has mutual response agreements with the Mount Etna and Markle departments.

Financial Reports

- Financial activity reports through June 30, 2025, as well as the First Federal Savings Bank reconciliation report, were reviewed. No substantive questions were raised about the reports. Motion to approve by Guy; seconded by Perkins. Vote: 3-0.

- Trustee Carroll said the fund transfer request within the Parks and Recreation budget to cover construction of additional restroom facilities and a limited-mobility access pier at the north end of Lake Clare as well, additional maintenance costs and possibly an insurance premium increase, which had been scheduled to appear on the July meeting agenda, has been postponed for consideration to the August board meeting. He said the delay was the result of a misalignment of required public notice requirements and the deadlines for county publications.

- The board was asked to approve coverage of budget line-item shortfalls via intra-fund transfers in the Township Fund and Township Assistance Fund. Guy moved for approval of the request; seconded by Perkins. Vote to approve: 3-0.

Trustee Report

Trustee Carroll opened the meeting by explaining that it would be the first meeting live-streamed and archived on Zoom for public viewing on the township's website, huntingtontownship.com. He reported that 12 of 22 relief assistance applications were approved in June and application activity has been "really slow" so far in July.

He said Lake Clare maintenance has begun and the Indiana Department of Natural Resources has stocked the lake with 400 white bass. Another welcome addition, via stocking, has been sauger, a walleye-like fish. On the other hand, he advised that Canada geese have been especially numerous in and around the lake this year, creating sanitation problems.

Tim Guy asked for clarification of the location of the proposed canoe/kayak launch device along the lake's north shore. Trustee Carroll said it would likely be situated beyond the recreation area access gate. Trustee Carroll said unsupervised youngster have created havoc in the Fitness Park, even overturning picnic tables.

New Business

There was no new business brought to the floor.

Old Business

There was no old business conducted.

Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned by acclamation at 7:07 p.m.
- *Next meeting:* Wednesday, August 13, 2025; 6:30 p.m., at the Township Office.