

Jackson Township Hamilton County 506 W. Main Street P.O. Box 456 Arcadia, IN 46030

Robyn Cook | Township Trustee

Township Board | Jeff Roberts | Jerry Cook | Randy Hill

Meeting Minutes

Date: September 9, 2025

Time: 10:00 a.m.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Jeff Roberts.

2. Roll Call

- Present: Jeff Roberts, Jerry Cook
- **Absent:** Randy Hill
- Others Present:
 - o James Carter, Fire Chief
 - o Nicole Duncan, Director of Township Services
 - o Robyn Cook, Trustee

A quorum was declared by Mr. Roberts.

3. Purpose of Meeting

The purpose of the meeting was to conduct the public hearing for the 2026 budget.

Trustee Cook reported that, following discussions with Financial Advisor Jim Higgins, it may be necessary to re-advertise and hold another hearing. Mr. Higgins is currently reviewing township financials to determine the feasibility of hiring three additional full-time fire department staff to meet new ISO minimum staffing requirements.

- If funding allows, a new public hearing will be scheduled.
- If not, the budget will be adopted as advertised on September 23, 2025.

4. Public Hearing on 2026 Budget

- **Motion:** Mr. Roberts moved to open the public hearing. Mr. Cook seconded. *Motion carried unanimously*.
- Trustee Cook read the proposed 2026 budget into the public record.
- No members of the public were present to provide comment.
- **Motion:** Mr. Roberts moved to close the public hearing. Mr. Cook seconded. *Motion carried unanimously*.

5. Board Discussion

Board members and Chief Carter discussed the ISO requirements. No formal action was taken.

6. Adjournment

• **Motion:** Mr. Cook moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Roberts seconded. *Motion carried unanimously.*

The meeting was adjourned.

Signatures of Jackson Township-Hamilton County

Jeff Roberts, President

Jerry Cook

Randy Hill, Secretary

Robyn Cook, Trustee