Communities of Zionsville Area for Better Government

Minutes of June 9, 2007 Meeting

On June 9, 2007, the initial meeting of appointees from Eagle Township, Union Township and the Town of Zionsville to a committee to study potential reorganization of such local entities convened at 8:30 a.m. at the meeting house located in Stonegate subdivision west of Zionsville in unincorporated Eagle Township. All 9 of the appointees (3 from each political subdivision) were present; in particular present on behalf of Eagle Township was Gene Thompson, Kevin Schiferl and Michael J. Andreoli, present on behalf of Union Township was Joe Turk, Alan Townsend and Jay Parks, and present on behalf of the Town of Zionsville were Steve Freeland, Jim Longest and Allan Rachles.

The meeting was called to order by group consensus with introduction of all members to the public. Shortly thereafter, Gene Thompson, served as a coordinator to the June 9 meeting, was nominated as chair and unanimously elected to such position. Chairman Thompson led the remainder of the meeting.

Chairman Thompson introduced the concept of a mission statement. There was much discussion which followed among committee members. After discussion, Mike Andreoli crafted a mission statement which was read by him. The mission statement was nominated for approval by Kevin Schiferl and seconded by Joe Turk. After discussion, the mission statement crafted by Michael Andreoli was unanimously approved. It reads as follows: (Insert mission statement here)

After the discussion on mission statement, the members returned to a discussion of the name and purpose of the organization committee. Prior to the meeting a "talking point" memorandum had been prepared by member Kevin Schiferl and circulated to the others by e-mail for the foundation of such a discussion. After separating the concept of "mission statement" from the documents which had been drafted by member Schiferl, the committee had further discussion and tweaked the draft "talking point" paper which had been previously prepared. After some refinement and further discussion, the "talking point" paper was crafted as a "resolution" affording the body a name and defined purpose. The resolution was nominated for approval by member Jay Parks with a second by member Alan Townsend. After the question was called, the committee unanimously approved the resolution as follows: (insert resolution).

As a result of the passage resolution the official name of the appointed committee was adopted as "Committee to Study Potential Reorganization of Local Governments of Southeast Boone County, Indiana", unofficially referred to as "Communities of Zionsville Area for Better Government".

Following the passage of the resolution, the remainder of the meeting was devoted to a discussion of subcommittee formation. No official decisions were made other than the six committees to which appointments would need to be made.