

CENTER TOWNSHIP
of MARION COUNTY

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NOTICE OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

Thursday, April 9, 2026, at 3:00pm
6th Floor Conference Room
300 E. Fall Creek Parkway N. Drive, Indianapolis, IN. 46205

The Center Township Board will conduct an Executive Session pursuant to Indiana's Open Meetings Law (IC 5-14-1.5-5/6, 5-14-1.5-6.1) for the following reasons:

1. Discuss strategy with respect to:
 - Collective bargaining;
 - Initiation of litigation, status of pending litigation, or receipt of written notice of threatened litigation;
 - Implementation of security systems; or
 - The purchase, lease, transfer, exchange, or sale of real property by Center Township prior to the execution of the contract by both parties.

to the extent that such strategy discussions are necessary for competitive, bargaining, or litigation purposes and may not include competitive, bargaining, or legal adversaries.

2. Conduct or discuss interviews and negotiations with Industrial or Commercial prospects.
3. Receive information about and/or interview prospective employees.
4. Receive information concerning an individual's alleged misconduct and discuss, prior to any determination, that individual's status as an employee.
5. Discuss records classified as confidential by Federal or State statute.
6. Discuss job performance evaluation or individual employees, excluding salary, compensation, or benefits of employees during the budget process.
7. Train Commissioners with an outside consultant about the performance of their roles as public officials.
8. Discuss information intended to prevent, mitigate, or respond to the threat of terrorism.
9. Take action as allowed under another federal or state statute.

NO FINAL ACTIONS WILL BE TAKEN DURING THIS EXECUTIVE SESSION

LaDonna M. Freeman
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Center Township of Marion County

Linda D. Journey
President
Center Township Board

Notice posted on April 7, 2026

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

Thursday, April 9, 2026, at 3:30pm
6th Floor Conference Room
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1. Call to order
2. Approval of Minutes from February 12, 2026
3. Resolution 26-3A | Authorizing the Township Trustee to Compromise and Settle Certain Pending Legal Matters on Behalf of the Township Pursuant To IC: 34-13-3-16
4. Resolution 26-3B | 2026 Salaries Resolution Revisions
5. Resolution 26-3C | Approving the Disposal of Surplus Inventory
6. Trustee's Report
7. Adjournment

LaDonna Freeman
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[Join the meeting now](#)
Meeting ID: 210 519 304 262 44
Passcode: ac9v3bH6

Notice posted on April 7, 2026

CENTER TOWNSHIP BOARD MINUTES

Tuesday February 12, 2026, at 4:00 pm
6th floor Conference Room
300 E. Fall Creek Parkway N. Dr. Indianapolis, IN 46205

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by President Linda Journey, at which time a quorum was declared.

Attendance

- Linda Journey – President
- Karen Mitchell – Vice President
- Phyllis Carr – Secretary
- Nabeela Virjee – Financial Member Attended Virtually
- Michelle Strahl Salinas – Member
- LaDonna Freeman – Trustee
- Eric Bailey – Director of Finance
- Marcus Harden – Chief of Staff
- Tracy Boyd – Executive Assistant
- Member of the Public: Elise Johnson

2. Approval of minutes:

- December 5, 2026

Motion made by Michelle Strahl Salinas Seconded by Karen Mitchell
Motion Carried Unanimously

- January 6, 2026

Motion made by Phyllis Carr Seconded by Karen Mitchell Motion Carried
Unanimously

3. Annual Report

- Board Approval Required | No Resolution

Motion made by Michelle Strahl Salinas Seconded by Karen Mitchell
Motion Carried Unanimously

- Eric Bailey ensured all Board Members had adequate time to review the Annual Financial Report and addressed all questions. He also provided a summary of key components of the report.
- Eric Bailey presented the investment officers' report which includes all funds for the township.

4. 2025 Encumbrances Resolution 25-A

- Eric Bailey introduced a resolution authorizing the carry forward of 2025 funds to support identified projects including small claims court and township computer replacement.

**Motion made by Phyllis Carr Seconded by Michelle Strahl Salinas.
Motion Carried Unanimously**

5. Outstanding Checks | No Resolution

- Outstanding checks over 2 years must be voided
- Township for Operating Funds and Rep Payee will be returned to their respective funds
- Small claims checks – will be forwarded to the Attorney General's Office

Eric Bailey explains the statutory requirement for checks and lists outstanding checks for various funds, including the general township fund **and representative payee fund**. The Board reviewed outstanding checks totaling \$42,589, with detailed allocations noted by funds.

6. Carpet Quotes: Presented by Eric Bailey, Finance Director

Obtain and verify references for the recommended flooring vendor (Consolidated Flooring) and confirm product and specification alignment for the fourth and fifth floor carpet replacement prior to final vendor selection.

Proceed with carpet replacement on the fourth and fifth floors by finalizing vendor selection, confirming quotes, and scheduling installation pending satisfactory reference verification.

**Motion made by Linda Journey Seconded by Michelle Strahl Salinas.
Motion Carried Unanimously**

7. Trustee's Report

Upcoming events were noted, including a Black History Celebration on February 27, 2026, a résumé workshop on February 14, and a Community Clinic scheduled for February 17, 2026

8. Adjournment | Meeting adjourned at 4:35 PM

Motion made by Michelle Strahl Salinas Seconded by Karen Mitchell Motion Carried Unanimously

Board Meeting Minutes Signatures for February 12, 2026

Signatures

Initials

LaDonna Freeman

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LaDonna Freeman, Trustee (Attest)

Linda Journey

Linda Journey, President

Approve Object

Karen Mitchell

Karen Mitchell, Vice President

Approve Object

Phyllis Carr

Phyllis Carr, Secretary

Approve Object

Nabeela Virjee

Nabeela Virjee, Financial Member

Approve Object

Michelle Strahl Salinas

Michelle Strahl Salinas, Board Member

Approve Object

**CENTER TOWNSHIP, MARION COUNTY, INDIANA
RESOLUTION 26-3A**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CENTER TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE TO COMPROMISE AND
SETTLE CERTAIN PENDING LEGAL CLAIMS ON BEHALF OF THE TOWNSHIP BOARD
PURSUANT TO INDIANA CODE § 34-13-3-16**

WHEREAS, Center Township, Marion County, Indiana ("Township") is a political subdivision of the State of Indiana and is occasionally subject to legal claims and actions arising in the ordinary course of governmental operations; and

WHEREAS, the legislative and fiscal bodies of Center Township consists of a five (5) member board established by the laws found in Indiana Code § 36-6-6, et seq. ("Township Board");

WHEREAS, Indiana Code § 5-10.1-1-6 defines "governing body" to include, among other entities, a township board;

WHEREAS, Indiana Code § 34-13-3-16 provides that the governing body of a political subdivision may compromise, settle, or defend a claim or suit brought against the political subdivision or its employees;

WHEREAS, Indiana Code § 34-13-3-18 provides that a claim or suit settled by a governmental entity shall be paid by the governmental entity not later than one hundred eighty (180) days after the date of settlement;

WHEREAS, the Township Board recognizes that the timely and efficient resolution of legal claims or actions can reduce litigation expenses, mitigate risk exposure, and serve the best interests of the Township and its taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board desires to authorize the Township Trustee, in consultation with legal counsel, to negotiate and execute settlements of pending legal matters that are determined to be reasonable, prudent, and in the best interests of the Township.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Board as follows:

1. Authority Granted.

Pursuant to Indiana Code § 34-13-3-16, the Township Board hereby authorizes the Township Trustee to compromise and settle any pending claims or actions brought against the Township or its employees.

2. Use of Appropriated Funds.

The Township Trustee is authorized to use currently appropriated funds to pay any settlement amount approved pursuant to this Resolution.

3. Consultation With Counsel.

Before finalizing any settlement, the Township Trustee shall consult with the Township's legal counsel regarding the terms and advisability of such settlement.

4. Best Interest Determination.

Any settlement entered into under this Resolution must be determined by the Township Trustee, with advice of counsel, to be in the best financial and operational interests of the Township.

5. Execution and Implementation.

The Township Trustee is authorized to execute all settlement agreements, releases, and related documents, and to take any and all actions necessary to implement the intent of this Resolution.

6. Scope.

This Resolution applies only to currently pending legal matters, unless otherwise authorized by subsequent action of the Township Board.

7. Effective Date.

This Resolution shall be in full force and effect after its passage.

RESOLVED by the Board of Center Township, on this 9th day of April, 2026

Signatures

Initials

LaDonna Freeman
LaDonna Freeman, Trustee (Attest)

L.F.

Linda Journey
Linda Journey, President

Approve X Object

Karen Mitchell
Karen Mitchell, Vice President

Approve ✓ Object

Phyllis Carr
Phyllis Carr, Secretary

Approve X Object

Nabeela Virjee
Nabeela Virjee, Financial Member

Approve X Object

Michelle Strahl Salinas
Michelle Strahl Salinas, Board Member

Approve ✓ Object

**RESOLUTION 26-3B
RECOMMENDING SALARIES OF TOWNSHIP OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Board of

Center Township

Marion County, Indiana

That pursuant to IC 36-6-6-10 (c), the salaries stated below are fixed for the officers and employees of the Township effective April 1, 2026

POSITION OR OFFICE Elected Officers	# of Positions	Compensation Per Year
Small Claims Court Judge	1	\$ 138,972.00
Small Claims Court		
Manager - Court Office	1	\$ 60,461.00
Manager - Court Room - PT - Hourly	1	\$ 22.15
Team Leader - Small Claims Court	1	\$ 53,560.00
Clerk - Small Claims Court	6	\$ 43,920.00
Clerk - Small Claims Court - PT - Hourly	1	\$ 22.15
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Township Board that full-time employees may receive additional pay for specializations at a salary rate fixed in the table below.		
Specialization - Bilingual	Variable	\$ 3,000.00

ADOPTED this 9th day of April, 2026

Attest: *DeDonna Greema*
TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE

DeDe Lane
Linda Johnson
Michelle Stahl
Karen Mitchell
[Signature]
MEMBERS OF TOWNSHIP BOARD

*Show: per year, per month, per day, etc.

Include in this resolution ALL officers and employees of the township

**CENTER TOWNSHIP OF MARION COUNTY, INDIANA
RESOLUTION 26-3C**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CENTER TOWNSHIP BOARD DECLARING CERTAIN INVENTORY ITEMS AS SURPLUS AND AUTHORIZING THEIR DISPOSAL

WHEREAS, the Center Township Trustee's Office has identified certain equipment, furniture, and materials that are obsolete, no longer functional, or no longer needed for township operations; and

WHEREAS Indiana Code 5-22-22 authorizes the disposal of personal property declared to be surplus; and

WHEREAS, the Center Township Board has reviewed the attached list of items (Exhibit A) provided by the Trustee and finds that these items are of no further use or value to the Township; and

WHEREAS, the Township has determined that the 2011 Silverado Truck, with an estimated value of \$2,100, is surplus property and appropriate for donation to Indianapolis Public Schools – Arsenal Technical High School in support of their educational and vocational programs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CENTER TOWNSHIP BOARD, MARION COUNTY, INDIANA, THAT:

1. **Declaration of Surplus Property:** The inventory items listed in Exhibit A are hereby declared surplus property, including the 2011 Silverado Truck (estimated value \$2,100).
2. **Authorization for Disposal:** The Center Township Trustee, or the Trustee's designee, is authorized to dispose of the surplus items in accordance with Indiana Code 5-22-22, including junking, recycling, donation, or sale. This authorization specifically includes the donation of the 2011 Silverado Truck to Indianapolis Public Schools – Arsenal Technical High School.
3. **No Fiscal Impact:** The Board acknowledges that disposal of the listed items poses no adverse fiscal impact to Center Township.
4. **Effective Date:** This resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage.

ADOPTED this 9th day of April, 2026, by the Center Township Board, Marion County, Indiana.

EXHIBIT A

CENTER TOWNSHIP SURPLUS INVENTORY – APRIL 2026

The following item has been reviewed by the Center Township Trustee's Office and determined to be obsolete, no longer functional, or no longer needed for township operations. This item is hereby declared surplus property pursuant to Resolution 26-3C.

Surplus Item

1. 2011 Silverado Truck

Vehicle Identification Number VIN: #1GCOKXCGXBF106998

Estimated Value: \$2,100

Condition: Operational but no longer needed for Township use

Authorized Disposition: **Donation to Indianapolis Public Schools – Arsenal Technical High School**

Trustee LaDonna Freeman

LaDonna Freeman

- Initials
L.F.

Linda Journey

Linda Journey, Board Chair

Approve Object _____

Karen Mitchell

Karen Mitchell, Board Vice Chair

Approve Object _____

Phyllis Carr

Phyllis Carr Board Secretary

Approve Object _____

Virjee Nabeeta

Virjee Nabeeta Board Financial Member

Approve Object _____

Michelle Strahl

Michelle Strahl Salinias, Board Member

Approve Object _____