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Brown Township Trustee

Hendricks County, Indiana
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August 20, 2026, 6:00 PM at 7455 E County Rd 1000N
Meeting of the Brown Township Board of Trustees

Agenda: PUBLIC HEARING ON THE YEAR 2027 BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING ON ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION 2026

1. Call to order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Old Business:
 - a. **Approval of prior meeting minutes:**
 - i. **February 19th, 2026**
 - ii. **May 19th, 2026**
 - iii. **May 26th, 2026**
4. Citizens Comments (excluding comments on Public Hearing Issues)
5. Open **Public Hearing of the 2027 Budget**
 - a. Citizens comments on the proposed 2027 Budget
6. Open **Public Hearing for the Additional Appropriation** for current year
 - a. Citizens comments on the Additional Appropriation
7. Close Public Hearings
8. New Business:
 - a. **Resolution 2026-7: Establishment of Township Roads and Infrastructure Fund**
 - b. **Resolution 2026-8: Resolution for Additional Appropriation**
9. Citizen Comments
10. Board and Trustee Comments
11. Budget Adoption Date: **September 3rd, 2026 at 6pm**; same location
12. Adjourn

Meeting Minutes of February 19, 2026

Brown Township Board

Hendricks County, Indiana

1) Meeting was called to order at 6 PM by Board Chair Shari O'Riley

All members of the Board were Present

2) Pledge of Allegiance Followed by a moment of silence took place

3) Citizens Comments pertaining to Agenda Items board Member Jim Murphy Asked if item 6 and 7 could be switch as he was going present information under Board and Trustee Comments and wanted to give the Citizens an opportunity to comment

4) Old Business Approve minutes from previous Meeting (January 15, 2026) board member Jim Murphy, the Board Secretary asked to Correct an error from the January meeting regarding the meeting Minutes that we approved for our September 11, 2025. To clarify that resolution (2025-9) for an Additional Appropriation for \$500K to The Fire Territory was not approved, request was accepted by the board.

5) New Business:

a. adoption of 2025 Annual Financial Report, Report was unanimously approved as presented

b. Resolution 2026- 1: Annual Assistance Guidelines, Resolution was unanimously Approved.

c. Resolution 2026-2: Anti-nepotism, Resolution was unanimously approved.

d. Resolution 2026-3: Adoption of State Board of Accounts Uniform Internal Control Activities, Resolution was unanimously approved.

e. Resolution 2026- 4: Credit/ Debit Card Policy, Resolution was unanimously approved.

6) Board and Trustee comments:

Board member Jim Murphy Presented House Bill 1461 to the other Board Members, and Citizens that were present. and reading from the Bill explain how it works as we have been told that if we did not spend down our cash reserves the county and or town could come in and take up to 30% of our reserves, which is not the case if you just read the Bill. Mr. Murphy received push back from one board member and the Township Trustee.

7) Citizen Comments:

Three people spoke and they all thought that we should not be giving up to

X

Chair

nd meeting was closed.

X

Chair

X

Secretary

X

Member

Joint Brown Township Meeting Minutes

Lincoln Township Board Meeting

Tuesday, May 19, 2026, at 6:30 pm

**BFT Station 131 / Lincoln Township Office – 55 E Main Street, Brownsburg, IN.
46112**

Lincoln: Board Members Emory Lencke, Dana Cochran and Sean Benham, Trustee Steve Patterson.

Brown: Board Members Ryan Secord and Jim Murphy, Trustee Angela Delp

Lincoln Township Attorney: Scott Krapf

Guests: Dave Weyant signed in. Approximately 25 additional attendees.

Call to Order: Lincoln Township Chairman Sean Benham called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. He recognized all three members in attendance. Brown Township recognized that two of the three members in attendance.

Chairman Benham led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Benham asked if there were any comments from citizens about the agenda items. No presentations were made.

Chairman Benham introduced Lincoln Township Resolution 2026-05 Authorizing an Interlocal Corporation agreement with the Brownsburg Community School Corporation.

Trustee Patterson shared that the Representative from the Town of Brownsburg, Lincoln Township Trustee and Brown Township Trustee have been in discussions with the Brownsburg Community School Corporation to discuss potential funding to assist with financial shortfalls that have been created by legislation that has been passed over the past few years impacting the school district. After much discussion potential funding of \$100,000 from Lincoln Township would assist BCSC with funding to support the McKinney Vento Act.

Shane Hacker presented information that has been shared with the community over the past three months regarding the funding status of the BCSC. BCSC will be reducing staffing and other expenditures to assist with the funding gap. BCSC Superintendent Dr. Kat Jessup shared additional information. Town of Brownsburg has authorized \$800,000 for the funding with the request of \$100,000 each from Brown and Lincoln Township. This funding authorization would be for one year with the potential to extend it for another couple of years. With the funding BCSC will not utilize a referendum for 2026 to raise funds. Discussion by the two boards with BCSC officials continued to answer questions.

Dana Cochran made a motion to approve Resolution 2026-05 – A resolution of the Township Board of Lincoln Township authorizing an interlocal cooperation agreement with the Brownsburg Community School Corporation. Emory Lencke seconded the motion.

Trustee Patterson shared that the resolution allows him to execute the agreement with Brown Township and BCSC. The township board will then have an additional appropriation hearing in August to approve the funds since we currently do not have the appropriation to cover the funds.

Board members shared that they appreciate the discussions that the groups have had regarding the funding situation. The funding would be for a limited amount of time and would not be continual funds available to the school corporation.

Motion was approved 3-0.

Brown Township made a motion by Mr. Murphy to approve Resolution Brown Township Resolution 2026-06 - A resolution of the Township Board of Brown Township authorizing an interlocal cooperation agreement with the Brownsburg Community School Corporation. Ryan Secord second. Motion approved.

Trustee Patterson shared that there will be a workshop with Brownsburg Town Council, Brown Township Board and Lincoln Township Board on May 26 at 6:30 pm to discuss facilities and staffing with Brownsburg Fire Territory.

No other items were brought before the board.

Emory Lencke made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:59 pm. Dana Cochran second. Motion approved.

Ryan Secord made a motion to adjourn the Brown Township meeting. Jim Murphy second. Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by Jim Murphy, Brown Township Board Secretary.

Jim Murphy – Brown Township Secretary

Ryan Secord – Brown Township Member

SPECIAL JOINT MEETING MINUTES
Brownsburg Town Council
Brown Township and Lincoln Township Boards
Thursday, June 16, 2026 at 6:30 p.m.

Brownsburg Town Hall
61 N. Green Street
Brownsburg, IN 46112

01. CALL TO ORDER –

01.01. Council President, Ben Lacey, opened the meeting for the Brownsburg Town Council at 6:30 p.m.

01.02. Trustee, Steve Patterson, opened the meeting for the Lincoln Township Board.

01.03. Trustee, Angela Delp, opened the meeting for the Brown Township Board.

02. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

03. ROLL CALL – Members of the Brownsburg Town Council in attendance were Ben Lacey, Matt Simpson, Glenn Adams and Cindy Hohman. Travis Tschaenn was not in attendance. Also present were Debbie Cook, Town Manager and Scott Krapf, Town Attorney.

The Lincoln Township Board was represented by two members and the Trustee. The Brown Township Board was represented by all three board members and the Trustee.

04. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

04.01. Discuss Planning Process for the New Fire Station – Fire Chief, Larry Alcorn, made his presentation. Deputy Chief Schlageter presented the operations portion of the presentation. Discussion ensued. Steve Patterson asked for another meeting for further discussion. Ben Lacey suggested another meeting in August.

06. ADJOURNMENT – Matt Simpson motioned to adjourn the meeting of the Town Council at 7:31 p.m. Steve Patterson adjourned the meeting for Lincoln Township and Angela Delp adjourned the meeting for Brown Township.

These minutes are a summary of actions taken at the Brownsburg Town Council meetings. The full video archive of the meeting is available for viewing at <https://brownsburgin.new.swagit.com/videos/391297> for as long as this media is supported.

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Chair

X

Secretary

X

Member

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS

The **Notice to Taxpayers** is available online at www.budgetnotices.in.gov or by calling (888) 739-9826.

Complete details of budget estimates by fund and/or department may be seen by visiting the office of this unit of government at **7455 E County Road 1000 N Brownsburg**.

Notice is hereby given to taxpayers of **BROWN TOWNSHIP, HENDRICKS COUNTY**, Indiana that the proper officers of **BROWN TOWNSHIP** will conduct a public hearing on the year **2027** budget. Following this meeting, any ten or more taxpayers may object to a budget, tax rate, or tax levy by filing an objection petition with the proper officers of **BROWN TOWNSHIP** not more than seven days after the hearing. The objection petition must identify the provisions of the budget, tax rate, or tax levy to which taxpayers object. If a petition is filed, **BROWN TOWNSHIP** shall adopt with the budget a finding concerning the objections in the petition and testimony presented. Following the aforementioned hearing, the proper officers of **BROWN TOWNSHIP** will meet to adopt the following budget:

Public Hearing Date	Thursday, August 20, 2026	Adoption Meeting Date	Thursday, September 03, 2026
Public Hearing Time	6:00 PM	Adoption Meeting Time	6:00 PM
Public Hearing Location	7455 E County Road 1000 N Brownsburg	Adoption Meeting Location	7455 E County Road 1000 N Brownsburg

Estimated Civil Max Levy	\$12,342
Property Tax Cap Credit Estimate	\$1,955

Special Notes	The township assistance phone number for BROWN TOWNSHIP, in HENDRICKS COUNTY is (317) 852-0899.
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1 Fund Name	2 Budget Estimate	3 Maximum Estimated Funds to be Raised (including appeals and levies exempt from maximum levy limitations)	4 Excessive Levy Appeals	5 Current Tax Levy	6 Levy Percentage Difference Column 3 /Column 5
0050 - TOWNSHIP ROAD AND INFRASTRUCTURE	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
0061 - RAINY DAY	\$30,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	

0101 - GENERAL	\$254,240	\$0	\$0	\$0	
0840 - TOWNSHIP ASSISTANCE	\$51,400	\$0	\$0	\$0	
9500 - Payroll Deduction Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Totals	\$335,640	\$0	\$0	\$0	

Budget Form 1 - Budget Estimate

Year: 2027 County: Hendricks Unit: 0001-BROWN TOWNSHIP

Fund	Department	Category	Sub-Category	Line Item Code	Line Item	Advertised	Adopted
0061-RAINY DAY	0000 - No Department	Other Services and Charges	Professional Services		Donations for Services	\$30,000	\$30,000
0061-RAINY DAY Total						\$30,000	\$30,000
0101-GENERAL	0000 - No Department	Personal Services	Salaries and Wages	01011111	Pay of Trustee	\$20,000	\$20,000
0101-GENERAL	0000 - No Department	Personal Services	Salaries and Wages	01011114	Pay of Township Board	\$2,500	\$2,500
0101-GENERAL	0000 - No Department	Personal Services	Employee Benefits	01011601	FICA - General Fund Match	\$1,840	\$1,840
0101-GENERAL	0000 - No Department	Supplies	Operating Supplies	01012201	Operating Supplies	\$600	\$600
0101-GENERAL	0000 - No Department	Other Services and Charges	Professional Services	01013101	Professional Services	\$20,000	\$20,000
0101-GENERAL	0000 - No Department	Other Services and Charges	Professional Services	01013901	Care of Cemeteries	\$5,000	\$5,000
0101-GENERAL	0000 - No Department	Other Services and Charges	Professional Services	01013999	other Services and Charges	\$500	\$500
0101-GENERAL	0000 - No Department	Other Services and Charges	Printing and Advertising	01013310	Printing and Advertising	\$500	\$500
0101-GENERAL	0000 - No Department	Other Services and Charges	Insurance	01013401	Surety Bonds	\$300	\$300
0101-GENERAL	0000 - No Department	Other Services and Charges	Insurance	01013499	Township Liability Insurance	\$1,000	\$1,000
0101-GENERAL	0000 - No Department	Other Services and Charges	Utility Services	01013501	Utility Services	\$2,000	\$2,000
0101-GENERAL	0000 - No Department	Other Services and Charges	Other Services and Charges		McKinney Vento Interlocal Agreement BCSC	\$100,000	\$100,000
0101-GENERAL	0000 - No Department	Capital Outlays	Other Capital Outlays	01013803	Fire Territory Expenses	\$100,000	\$100,000
0101-GENERAL Total						\$254,240	\$254,240
0840-TOWNSHIP ASSISTANCE	0000 - No Department	Personal Services	Salaries and Wages	81811131	Pay of Township Assistance Investigator	\$10,000	\$10,000
0840-TOWNSHIP ASSISTANCE	0000 - No Department	Personal Services	Salaries and Wages	81811601	FICA Twp Assistance Match	\$800	\$800
0840-TOWNSHIP ASSISTANCE	0000 - No Department	Other Services and Charges	Communication and Transportation	81813202	Cell Phone and Mileage	\$600	\$600

0840-TOWNSHIP ASSISTANCE	0000 - No Department	Township Assistance	Other Direct Relief	81828999	Other Direct Assistance and Relief	\$40,000	\$40,000
0840-TOWNSHIP ASSISTANCE Total						\$51,400	\$51,400
UNIT TOTAL						\$335,640	\$335,640

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE/RESOLUTION # 2026-8

WHEREAS the proper officers of the _____ Board _____ of _____ Brown Township _____,
(Adopting Body) (Taxing Unit)

____Hendricks____ County, Indiana have determined that it is now necessary to appropriate more
(Name of County)

money for calendar year 2026 than the amount that was fixed by the Board
(Year) (Adopting Body)

and finally determined in the annual budget under Indiana Code 6-1.1; and

WHEREAS notice was duly given to the public in accordance with Indiana Code 6-1.1-18-5(a) and Indiana Code 5-3-1-2(b) for a public hearing on a proposed additional appropriation and a public hearing was held on

_____ August 20th _____, 2026 _____, by the _____ Board _____ regarding the same:
(Date) (Year) (Adopting Body)

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED (RESOLVED) by the _____ Board _____ of
(Adopting Body)

____ Brown Township_, ____ Hendricks ____ County, Indiana that a need now exists for an additional
(Taxing Unit) (Name of County)

appropriation out of the following fund or funds named, and for the purposes specified, subject to laws governing the same:

[illegible]

Total			\$100,000	\$

[Repeat for any other funds]

Duly adopted by the following vote of the members of said _____ Board _____ this __20th
(Adopting Body)
day of __August_____, 2026__.

ADOPTION INFORMATION			
Official Vote		Name	Signature
<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>		
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Attestation by Secretary of Governing Body	
Date	

RESOLUTION, PURSUANT TO INDIANA CODE §36-6-10, ESTABLISHING THE TOWNSHIP ROADS AND INFRASTRUCTURE FUND.

WHEREAS, Indiana Code §36-6-10 directs a township to establish a fund for the improvement and maintenance of the roads and infrastructure within the township's boundaries and describes the revenues that must be deposited into the fund and the purposes for which they must be expended, and

WHEREAS, the township board of _____Brown____ Township of ____Hendricks__ County is the legislative body of the township,

NOW THEREFORE, the township board of _____Brown_____ Township, ____Hendricks County, hereby resolves, as follows:

The Township Roads and Infrastructure Fund is hereby established, subject to the restrictions and purposes described at Indiana Code §36-6-10.

Adopted this __20__ day of _____August_____, 2026.

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