

November 26, 2019

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Cranberry for November 26, 2019 was called to order by Harold Best, Chairman. Those in attendance were Harold Best, Fred Buckholtz, Jerry Brosius and Chad Findlay (Township Manager). Guests in attendance were (see-attached sheet). This meeting was recorded.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS - None.**

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

- Jerry Brosius made a motion to adopt the agenda, seconded by Fred Buckholtz, motion carried (Harold Best - yes, Fred Buckholtz - yes, Jerry Brosius - yes).

**1. MINUTES**

- Harold Best then asked for any additions or corrections to the minutes of the 11/14/2019 meeting. Fred Buckholtz made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Jerry Brosius seconded, motion carried. (Harold Best - yes, Fred Buckholtz - yes, Jerry Brosius - yes).

**2. EXPENDITURES**

- Harold Best made a motion to approve the expenditures, seconded by Fred Buckholtz, motion carried. (Harold Best - yes, Fred Buckholtz - yes, Jerry Brosius -yes).

**3. PERSONS ON THE AGENDA – NONE**

**4. STAFF REPORTS –**

- **Township Manager** –Chad Findlay announced Thank You letters from the YMCA for the use of the bike trail for the Turkey Trot and from Seneca Volunteer Fire Dept. for this years’ financial contributions. Chad then announced that the proposed 2020 budget was changed by more than 25% in a line item and he read the new proposed budget as follows:

General Fund	-	\$1,784,585.00
Fire Tax	-	\$ 41,500.00
Road Machinery-		\$ 228,000.00
Water	-	\$ 850,220.00
Sewer	-	\$2,027,504.62
Street Lights	-	\$ 21,130.00
<u>Liquid Fuels</u>	-	<u>\$ 419,407.00</u>
Total Budget		\$5,372,346.62

Chad said it was a balanced budget with no tax increase and it would be re-advertised in this Saturday’s paper and open for inspection at the Township Building. Jerry Brosius questioned whether the Township could take money from the capital reserve for the sewer fund. Fred Buckholtz made a motion to approve the proposed budget for 2020 and Harold Best seconded the motion. (Harold Best – yes, Fred Buckholtz – yes, Jerry Brosius – no) Chad also announced that Road master Ted Williams informed him that leaf collection with the vacuum is complete, however if residents have leaves in bags, the Township will come around and pick them up. Chad then said he attended another budget meeting. Chad also reported that a sign ordinance update hearing and a zoning change hearing were held prior to the Supervisors meeting.

**5. PUBLIC COMMENTS –**

- Bob Zacherl questioned why his sewer only bill was higher than the water and sewer minimum bills? He was referred to the General Authority.
- Andy Sentgeorge presented a list of written questions to the Supervisors regarding the budget. A brief discussion took place between Andy Sentgeorge, Jerry Brosius, Chad Findlay, Bob Zacherl, Ed Barrett, and Harold Best regarding the Township budget, capital reserves, investments, balance sheets, operating reserve funds, budget meetings, and financial reports.
- Matt McSparren commended the Supervisors for doing a good job managing the taxpayer’s money. A brief conversation then took place between Matt McSparren, Bob Zacherl, Andy Sentgeorge, and Chad Findlay regarding the proposed State Police fee.

**6. COMMENTS OF MEMBERS –**

- Fred Buckholtz reminded the public that the Township lost the use of CDBG funds for the parks and fire departments.
- Harold Best also stated that the Township is looking at the storm damage and there may be costs associated with that.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Cranberry will be December 12, 2019 at 10:30 AM. There being no further business, Harold Best adjourned the meeting at 7:30PM.

ATTEST:

Chad Findlay, Township Manager