

Hope Township Budget Workshop
Hope Township Hall
April 29, 2024 3:30 pm

Rita Goul, Supervisor
Carol Coyle, Clerk
Chuck Hudler, Treasurer
Mary Letts, Trustee
Daniel Mieske, Trustee

Visitors:

List with Clerk's copy

TOWNSHIP MEETING CALL TO ORDER:

Township meeting was called to order at 3:30 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Supervisor, Rita Goul.

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS: Dan Mieske Present, Mary Letts, Present, Chuck Hudler, Present, Rita Goul, Present, Carol Coyle, Present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion to approve the agenda was made by Chuck and supported by Rita. No additional discussion. All in favor 5. Opposed 0. Motion carried.

SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS:

1. Civil Infraction Ordinance – Rita presented an ordinance for Civil Infractions. After a brief discussion, the ordinance will be covered at the May 14th meeting.
2. Budget Workshop – Turned over to Chuck.

TREASURER COMMENTS: Chuck presented the proposed budget for 7/1/2024-6/30/2025. All Board members had received a copy prior to the meeting. Chuck explained the budget for next year was based on the current budget with minor changes. Each department had been given a working copy and the input from the departments were taken into consideration. The budget was displayed on the TV screen and line by line was discussed. Chuck had proposed a 3% raise for the Supervisor, Clerk, Treasurer, Trustees, and Deputy Clerk. Brian Solomon asked for a raise for the Fire Department but declined any raise for himself. Some of the bigger expenses for the next year will be in the Assessor Office. A member of the Planning Committee asked to have education line increased to cover the Board of Review training. It was proposed to give the Park Commission the same amount as last year. Proposed to reduce the amount to the Cemetery/Chapel Fund as the needs have decreased. Chuck noted there will be a need to look at the Waste Management Fund next year. The proposed budget as prepared by Chuck, with input from Rita, Carol and department heads. Questions were answered as they came up and some adjustments were made during the presentation. The proposed budget will be presented to the Board and Township at a Budget Hearing to be held June 11th. Time to be determined at the May 14th meeting.

Motion by Rita and supported by Carol to adjourn the meeting at 5:55pm. No further discussion. All in favor 5; opposed 0. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Coyle, Clerk

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