

NEWBERRY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
2021 Budget Workshop
October 20, 2020 6:00 p.m.

Call to Order by Chairman David Kirkpatrick

Chairman Kirkpatrick called the 2021 Budget Workshop to order at 6:00 p.m. Proof of publication was available for public inspection.

Attendance

Chairman, David Kirkpatrick
Vice-Chairman, Maxine Kauffman
Supervisor, Clair Wintermyer
Supervisor, Brandt Cook
Supervisor, Mario Eckert

Township Manager, Tony Miller
Police Chief, Steve Lutz
Public Works Director, Scott Getgen
Wastewater Coordinator, Brent Zeiders
Township Comptroller, Jane Deamer
Zoning Officer, Jeff Martz

Chairman Kirkpatrick stated that there had been several Executive sessions; one on 9/25, 9/29, 10/1, 10/9, and 10/12. The meetings were held to discuss personnel issues and the police contract.

Public Comments

Township Manager Miller stated that he had received two public comments. One from Resident Joseph Vance, 70 Reeser Drive, York Haven, PA. A suggestion for the Board of Supervisors that when you stream meetings, please raise your hand when voting on any motion. When a supervisor votes no it is hard to tell who made that vote. By raising your hand, you can tell who made the motion or who voted.

Second public comment – Township Manager Miller had received a lengthy comment from Resident Dave Parsons, 200 Winding Hill Drive Eppers PA; He stated he was able to answer a lot of the points and questions that Mr. Parsons asked but he had two that should be read at the meeting. With regard to the budget, tax collection; Mr. Parsons is asking to reinstitute the per capita tax which was collected up until a few years ago but eliminated by the Board. He also stated that he argued against repelling that tax because it was generating about \$45,0000 a year. Another point Mr. Parson wanted made was in regards to the senior citizens - line item 458.520. He is asking the board to reduce the senior rate now from \$21,000 in the budget to reduce to between \$15-18,000. He said the 2017 budget amount was \$18,000 and 2018 – 2019 were \$21,000.

Minute Approval

MOTION by Vice Chairman Kauffman to approve the meeting minutes from August 31, 2020. The motion, seconded by Supervisor Cook, carried unanimously.

Presentation of Proposed 2021 Tentative Budget

A presentation by Manager Miller, Public Works Director Getgen, Police Chief Lutz, Wastewater Coordinator Zeiders, and Comptroller Jane Deamer, on the Draft 2021 Tentative Budget was provided to the Board. No action was taken; however, an additional workshop was scheduled for November 10, 2020.

Audience Participation

Non-Resident, William Toothaker, 55 Water Street, Goldsboro, PA approached the podium and discussed the proposed Police Budget. After his conversation, the Board requested that Mr. Toothaker leave the meeting because other residents of the Township had requested to attend but were denied since the meeting was closed to the public.

Old Business

MOTION by Vice Chairman Kauffman to accept the resignation of Christie Fournier effective September 3, 2020. The motion, seconded by Supervisor Cook, carried unanimously.

New Business

MOTION by Vice Chairman Kauffman to distribute the fire relief monies \$41,304.88 to the Newberry Township Department, \$20,652.44 to the Goldsboro Fire department, and \$20,652,44 to the York Haven Fire Department. The motion, seconded by Supervisor Cook, carried unanimously.

MOTION by Supervisor Cook to authorize execution of the Police Service contracts with the Goldsboro Borough, York Haven Borough, and Lewisberry Borough with an approximate 20% increase for 2021. The motion, seconded by Vice Chairman Kauffman, carried unanimously.

Executive Session

Chairman Kirkpatrick stated they discussed some personnel issues and the police contract.

MOTION by Supervisor Cook to authorize the hiring of Gayle Russell, as the Sewer Administrative Assistant/HR Coordinator at a rate of \$21.63. The motion, seconded by Vice Chairman Kauffman, carried unanimously.

Adjournment

MOTION by Supervisor Cook to adjourn the meeting at approximately 9:25 p.m. The motion, seconded by Vice Chairman Kauffman, carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tony Miller, Secretary