# **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Budget Workshop 1- October 29, 2022**

The Pequea Township Board of Supervisors met at 9:00 AM at the Pequea Township Municipal Building.

## Present at the meeting were:

Harry Lehman, Chairman

Tom Haas, Vice-Chairman

Eric Lucas, Supervisor

E. John Hlavacek, Supervisor

\*Supervisor Novak could not attend

Rob Reidenbach, Asst. Twp.Recording Sec.

Dawn Rineer, Twp. Treasurer

Jackie Johns

Scott Edwards

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman. Lehman called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM

Pledge of Allegiance

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- Public meetings may be both audio and video recorded.
- These workshops have been properly advertised in Lancaster Newspapers.

#### **WORKSHOP 1 AGENDA**

#### COMPLETION OF RECREATION FUND BUDGET

**Board discussion** centered on Supervisor Lehman's noting that the Rec Fund will not see any income from developments due to no housing projects planned in 2023. Fund will operate from reserves. New influx of revenue expected in 2024.

#### COMPLETION OF STATE HIGHWAY FUND BUDGET

**Board discussion:** centered mainly on the use of funds for road projects: Run Valley Road (Marticville Road to Township line), Clearview Road (Millwood Road to Indian Hill Road), Linestown Road where pipe restoration occurred, Shultz Road (bridge to Millwood Road), and Mohawk Drive. Future road repair needs were discussed and how the Township prioritizes with the help of Long's Paving. Chairman Lehman said the Township is contacting legislators to request help with the amount of liquid fuel funds received from the State by having a tax levied on electric vehicle use of state roads.

#### **COMPLETION OF GENERAL FUND BUDGET**

Board discussion: Transfer tax income was reduced by 25% due to the downturn in the real estate market.

Treasurer Dawn Rineer walked the BOS through all transfers to the General Fund from Capital Reserves necessary to fund projects through 2023. Changes were made to increase the amount of money allocated for staff trainings

Donation was set for the fire companies at \$68,000, a \$7000 increase from this year. EMS donation was set at \$10,800, the same amount as this year.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Scott Edwards and Jackie Johns opined on the use of Township funds for contributions to the Lancaster Public Library and the Lancaster County EMS/Ambulance Service. There was also discussion on the amusement tax revenue and expenditures.

## **CONCLUSION:**

Chairman Lehman moved to forward the 2023 State Highway Fund budget to the budget hearing to be held at 6:30 pm on December 21, 2022 at the Pequea Township Municipal Building. Supervisor Lucas seconded the motion. \*All four voted in favor; none opposed.

Chairman Lehman moved to forward the 2023 Pequea Township Recreation Fund budget to the budget hearing to be held at 6:30 pm on December 21, 2022 at the Pequea Township Municipal Building. Supervisor Lucas seconded the motion. \*All four voted in favor; none opposed.

Chairman Lehman moved to forward the 2023 Pequea Township General Fund budget to the budget hearing to be held at 6:30 pm on December 21, 2022 at the Pequea Township Municipal Building. Supervisor Lucas seconded the motion. \*All four voted in favor; none opposed.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Consider purchase of Laptop(s) for office use out of ARP Funds via Resolution #621-2022, a resolution of the Board of Supervisors of Pequea Township, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, to designate American Rescue Plan Funds to purchase current technology laptop computer(s) for the Pequea Township Municipal Office to assist in yearly budget workshops and a provision to work from home, if necessary.

Supervisor Hlavacek moved to purchase laptops for the office staff from the ARP Funds via Resolution #621-2022 at the cost of approximately \$3,100. Chairman Lehman seconded the motion. \*All four voted in favor; none opposed.

# 2. Review and Deliberate Pequea Township Police Contract Addendum

Supervisor Lucas moved that the BOS approve the collective bargaining agreement in regards to the vacation policy for the Pequea Township Police Officers' Association. Vice-Chairman Haas seconded the motion. \*All four voted in favor; none opposed.

Supervisor Lucas moved to approve the amendment to the Chief's contract for vacation buy-back policy. Vice-Chairman Haas seconded the motion. \*All four voted in favor; none opposed.

# 3. Authorize the Township to proceed with clean-up of property at 315 Nolt Avenue

Supervisor Lucas moved that the BOS authorize the Township to enter the property at 315 Nolt Avenue, clean it as needed, and document all costs. Chairman Lehman seconded the motion. \*All four voted in favor; none opposed.

# **CLOSING COMMENTS:**

Vice-Chairman Haas thanked Chairman Lehman and Treasurer Dawn Rineer for their extensive work in preparation for this budget workshop.

Supervisor Lucas announced that SLSA will hold its November meeting here at the Pequea Township Municipal Building on Thursday, November 17, 2022.

\*\*note-the second budget workshop, conditionally scheduled for November 2, 2022, is now canceled as all necessary budget work has been completed.

Workshop adjourned at 10:40 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Reidenbach

Asst. Twp. Recording Sec.

Lequea Township Board of Supervisors

Budget Workshop I - 9am - 12 noon

Saturday, October 39, 3022

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