

Howe Township
October 29, 2019

The Howe Township Board of Supervisors budget workshop meeting was reconvened at the UPMC Pinnacle Health Community Room at 2:00 p.m. on October 29, 2019. Present: Chairman Dale Beaver, Vice Chairman Charles Burd, Supervisor Kathy Donahey, Secretary/Treasurer Nancy Cangioli.

Chairman Beaver called the meeting to order.

Secretary Cangioli called the roll. All Supervisors were present.

Chairman Beaver stated this meeting is a continuous of the budget workshop meeting on October 17, 2019.

Chairman Beaver on behalf of the Board had inquired of the Howe Township Municipal Authority Chairman Frank Campbell a time line for reimbursement for the advanced monies to them. He was told possibly 3 years. Supervisor Burd stated the Authority did pass a resolution to repay the township. A motion was made if it's legal with our counselor that moving forward and starting with our next meeting that we start charging the Howe Township Municipal Authority a fixed rate of 5% interest on outstanding monies owed to the Howe Township Board of Supervisors; Burd/Donahey. For the record Chairman Beaver read an email from Solicitor Jones stating charging interest is allowable. Burd amended the motion to authorize Chairman Beaver to communicate this to Frank, the Municipal Authority and Solicitor Jones regarding the interest charge with no expressed time line. Motion carried.

Chairman Beaver inquired upon the request of Road Master Chris Simpson, to purchase a tar buggy for \$1,369, plus a torch for \$79.50 and pallet forks from Messick's Equipment for \$690 for a total of \$2,138.50. This does not include the cost of gas bottles. The idea of splitting the cost with Buffalo Township for the tar buggy was mentioned some time ago. Chairman Beaver will ask Chris if Buffalo is still interested in this arrangement. A motion was made to authorize Chairman Beaver to order the pallet forks as outlined by the quote from Messick's for \$690; Burd/Donahey. Motion carried.

A motion was made to adopt the preliminary proposed 2020 budget for the General Fund with a Real Estate tax millage of .5959 on the assessed value of \$53,500,000 for revenues of \$152,704 and expenditures of \$141,739 and the Liquid Fuels Fund revenues of \$24,953 and expenditures of \$35,000 and to advertise for review; Burd/ Donahey. Motion carried.

A motion was made authorizing advertisement for a CPA to conduct the annual audit for 2019; Beaver/Burd. Motion carried.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 3:51 p.m.; Donahey/Beaver. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Cangioli
Secretary