Budget Workshop Meeting November 30, 2023

The Franklin Township Supervisors met on the above date at the Franklin Township Administration Office. Present were Supervisors Fred Kemmerer Jr., Robin Cressley, Jason Frey; and Secretary Brenda Cressley. The purpose of the meeting was to hold a Budget Workshop Meeting to finalize the 2024 Township budgets, and other business brought to the board. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Kemmerer and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

Chairman Kemmerer announced the meeting will be Livestreamed and read the disclosure statement.

Public Comments - None

Chairman Kemmerer began the meeting by discussing the 2024 Sewer Budget. There were a few changes made because we received the 2024 CCMA Budget showing an increase in the O & M costs and Pump Station Monthly Statements. The Sewer Budget will have an estimated balance forward from 2023 of \$453,361.23.

The Supervisors continued to review and discussed the General Fund and State Fund, along with all of the minor fund budgets. It was noted that the garbage collection department will be financially self-sufficient for the year 2024 without having to increase garbage collection rates. All funds were reviewed and tentatively approved. No tax increases will be necessary if the budget is adopted as proposed

Supervisor Frey stated he wanted to shop around on the marketplace for a new healthcare plan. He would like to find something comparable to the existing contract but less costly. Fred and Robby said they would like to look into finding a comparable contract to our current contract as well but feel there is not enough time this year, because we will need to take extra time to make sure the new contract has everything we already have because of the union contracts held by the police and road crew. The Police and Road Crew would need the time to review a new contract as well. Both the Police and Road Crew contracts expire the end of 2024. We will start shopping around early next year and have something ready and in place for the new Union contracts.

Chairman Kemmerer made a motion to tentatively approve all budgets. Jason Frey seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Jason Frey made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 p.m. Robin Cressley seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brenda Cressley, Secretary