

Budget Workshop Meeting  
November 10, 2020

The Franklin Township Supervisors met on the above date at the Franklin Township Administration Office. Present were Supervisors Jason Frey, Barbara Beltz, and Robin Cressley; and Secretary-Treasurer Brenda Cressley. A list of others in attendance is attached to the Minute Book. The purpose of the meeting was to hold a Budget Workshop Meeting to prepare the year 2021 Township budgets, and other business brought to the board. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Chairman Jason Frey and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

New Business - None

The Supervisors reviewed and discussed the General Fund, State Fund, and Sewer Fund budget worksheets, as well as budgets for all minor funds including Recreation Fund; Fire Hydrant Fund; Capital Reserve Building Fund; Capital Reserve Employee Benefits Fund; and the following Capital Project Funds: Garbage Collection Equipment Fund, Road Machinery Fund, and Police Vehicle & Equipment Fund.

The majority of time was spent reviewing the General Fund budget worksheets. The Secretary reported that, in the General Fund, the 2021 budget is expected to end on a positive note, with an estimated balance of \$321,448.95 carried over to 2022. This is mostly due to a 2020 beginning balance which was \$69,827.64 more than anticipated; receiving more than anticipated in revenues, and under budget in spending in various departments. It was noted that the garbage collection department will be financially self-sufficient for the year 2021 without having to increase garbage collection rates. The estimated total revenue for 2021 is \$1,880,441.00, and the estimated total expenditures for 2021 are \$2,176,984.00. It was noted that even though the expenditures will increase for fiscal year 2021, the General Fund as previously mentioned is anticipating a balance forward on December 31, 2021 of \$321,448.95. No tax increase will be necessary if the budget is adopted as proposed.

The Supervisors held a discussion regarding a letter they received on November 10, 2020 from Fire Chief, Lynn Diehl. The letter was regarding a request for more funding needed for the Fire Company. They did not make any decision on giving the Fire Company additional funding until they meet with the Chief of Police to see what he is requesting for the police budget for the year of 2021. The next budget workshop meeting is scheduled to be held on Thursday, November 12, 2020 at 5:30 p.m.

No citizens or press were present.

Barbara Beltz made a motion to adjourn at 8:15 p.m. Robin Cressley seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully,  
Brenda Cressley, Secretary