

Franklin Township Board of Supervisors
Budget Workshop Meeting
November 8, 2023

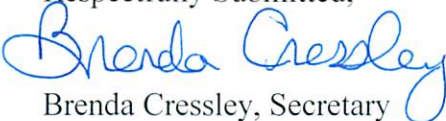
The Franklin Township Supervisors met on the above date at the Franklin Township Administration Building located at 889 Fairyland Road. Township Officials present were Supervisors Fred Kemmerer Jr, Robin Cressley, Jason Frey, and Secretary Brenda Cressley. Chief Doll was also present. The purpose of the meeting was to prepare the budget for the year of 2024. Chairman Kemmerer called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

Fire Chief, Lynn Diehl and Assistant Chief Kevin Lilly were present to speak to the Supervisors about Act 172. The way the current Ordinance is written it only allows for firefighters that work *and pay the earned income tax* are eligible to receive the \$200.00. They would like every firefighter that is eligible through the point system to receive the money. Supervisor Cressley said after the budget is completed they will know where the Township stands financially and then will ask Atty. Nanovic to look into updating the current Ordinance or devise a different Ordinance.

Fred opened the workshop meeting at 7:20 p.m. Franklin Township's Chief of Police Jason Doll was present to discuss his department's budget for 2024. They began the review of the Police budget from the general fund. They reviewed each account number one by one. They plugged all of the figures in that were needed. Chief Doll said he understands the financial restraints, but would like to request two additional full-time police officers and/or a part-time officer. Chief Doll gave the board a copy of the quote for the 2024 Chevy Tahoe that has been ordered for their new police vehicle. The cost from Bonner Chevrolet was \$53,779.00 (Costar Member). He said there would be an additional cost of \$15,000.00 - \$20,000.00 needed to outfit the vehicle. The Police Equipment Fund has enough money in the account to purchase the vehicle in full. The last item that was discussed regarding the police budget was the Flock System and the cost. Chief Doll was not sure if it would all come out of the ARPA funds or portion of the general fund budget. They will review the police portion of the budget again when the entire budget is completed to see if they have to cut or can add to the police budget.

Robin Cressley made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 p.m. Jason Frey seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,


Brenda Cressley, Secretary