

BENGAL TOWNSHIP BOARD

BUDGET MEETING

MEETING 7:00 PM

March 30, 2022

The Bengal Township Budget Meeting was brought to order by Supervisor McDonald at 7:00 pm.

Members present: Nick McDonald, Sharon Bassette, Eric Boak, Stan Sillman

Members absent: Denice Schultheiss

Community present: Lori Pung

The **Pledge of Allegiance** was said and the meeting commenced.

Trustee Boak made a motion to accept the **agenda** w/changes to add “Filling the Treasurer position”, Clerk Bassette supported, motion carried.

Supervisor McDonald reviewed the **Treasurers report** submitted by Treasurer Schultheiss.

Clerk Bassette presented the **Clerks Report**, with no updates. Trustee Sillman made a motion to accept the Treasurer’s Report and the Clerk’s Report as presented, supported by Trustee Boak, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT: n/a

The **proposed budget** was review by Supervisor McDonald. Changes were made to correct the amount under Income for Refunding Workman’s Comp from \$3,000 to \$100; Hall Rental from \$12,500 to \$3000; change Planning Commission Expense from \$4,000 to \$6,000; the Planning & Zoning Administration from \$4,500 to \$5,000; adding CAASA expense of \$15,000; Asphalt, Gravel, Tubes, Misc. from \$300,000 to \$220,000; Board of Review pay was increased from \$13.00 to \$15.00; added Deputy Clerk pay of \$500; added Treasurer pay of \$2100, and Deputy Treasurer pay to \$11,400; Inspector was changed to Inspector/Enforcement officer, leaving the dollar amount at \$4500; Election Salaries was increased from \$13.00 to \$15.00 and increasing the amount from \$3,400 to \$3,500; election supplies was reduced from \$5,300 to \$4,000; building repairs were reduced from \$5000 to \$2000. Clerk Bassette made a motion to approve the budget with the changes discussed, supported by Trustee Sillman, motion carried.

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The **Board Meeting Schedule for 2022-2023** was discussed. Clerk Bassette made a motion to continue having the Board meeting monthly on the second Wednesday of the Month, and March 29, 2023 will be the date for the Budget meeting, Trustee Sillman supported, motion carried.

The **Bank Account for the Township** was discussed. Clerk Bassette made a motion to continue using Mercantile Bank, with Huntington Bank as backup. Trustee Sillman supported, motion carried.

BOARD COMMENTS: none

Clerk Bassette discussed options for replacing the Township Clerk since Treasurer Schultheiss will move from the township and cannot continue serving in that capacity.

ADJOURN MEETING:

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Clerk Sharon Bassette.