Maidencreek Township Board of Supervisor Meeting
November 16, 2015

Present: David Franke, Claude Beaver, Joseph Rudderow III, Diane Hollenbach – Township Manager

Guests: None

Joseph Rudderow III called the November 16, 2015 special meeting of the Maidencreek Township Board of Supervisors to order at 9:00 a.m. in the Maidencreek Township Municipal Building.

Public Comment - None

BUDGET
The 2016 Budget was presented and the following cuts made to balance the budget with no tax increase:

- Eliminate speed trailer
- Eliminate purchase of track loader
- Eliminate additional road crew worker
- Reduce road work budget and move $12650 of street light electric cost from the General Fund to the State Liquid Fuel Fund
- Reduce amount dedicated to GIS System

The need for additional security in the building was discussed and the Board reiterated that the Township and Authority should work the same hours and have the same days off so no one person is ever alone in the building. The Township will work on limiting access to the offices.

A tax dedicated to the ambulance was discussed and tabled. The Board did include $25,500 in funding from the Local Services Tax for the Blandon Community Ambulance in 2016.

Joseph Rudderow asked why the electric for the streetlights is not publically bid. Diane Hollenbach responded that the electric is quoted but the transmission costs are set since the Township does not have a choice in how the electricity is received. This will be looked into.

The Board discussed unknown litigation and arbitration costs. Those expenses will become more apparent in 2016 and a possible tax increase may be needed in 2017. David Franke suggested looking at the safe routes to school grant for the purchase of the speed trailer. Joseph Rudderow suggested discussing the GIS with the Authority and instead of entering into our own contract with Systems Design Engineering, ask the Authority to request the work and the Township reimburse them.

A motion was made by David Franke to authorize the Manager to advertise the 2016 budget as revised with no tax increase. Claude Beaver seconded the motion and hearing no questions on the motion, it passed unanimously.

Mr. Rudderow asked if Mr. Beaver would like to attend the new supervisor training. It would serve as a refresher course. Mr. Beaver said that he would.

Having no further business, a motion was made by David Franke to adjourn the November 16, 2015 Board of Supervisors meeting. Claude Beaver seconded the motion and hearing no questions on the motion, it passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 10:12 a.m.

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Township Secretary November 17, 2015

Cc: Board of Supervisors
Eugene Orlando, Orlando Law Office, Solicitor
Charles Jones, Great Valley Consulting, Engineer
Thomas Unger, Systems Design Engineering, Inc., SEO
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