Baroda Township Budget Workshop 2/23/2021

The Baroda Township Board met VIA Zoom at 6:32pm on Tuesday, February 23rd, 2021 for the purpose of reviewing and working on the Proposed Budget for 2021-2022, for the General Fund. Present were Board Members, Larry Klug, Dennis Krotzer, James Zobl, David Wolf and Christina Price. There was 5 Audience Members. On the Agenda was adding an Alternate to Board of Review, Clerk Price explained that the BOR of needed an Alternate as a current member will not be able to attend the meeting dates in March. After further discussion Dennis Krotzer made a motion to appoint Greta Hurst as the BOR Alternate moving forward. Vote-All Yes. Motion Carried.

During the meeting Clerk Christina Price presented the proposed budget and shared her screen to be able to go over each individual line item for the General Fund. There was agreement of Community Promotion increase for Baroda Fire Works to \$2000.00. Discussion about Salary Increases for all Board Members, It was agreed to increase the Trustees and Supervisors salary's. The Clerks salary was a 3 to 2 agreement. There was also an agreement to increase the pay rate of one of the maintenance employees by fifty cents. The next Budget Work Shop will be scheduled March 2nd at 6:30pm by VIA Zoom. The meeting was adjourned at 7:44p.m.

Christina Price Baroda Township Clerk

Baroda Township Budget Workshop 3/2/2021

The Baroda Township Board met VIA Zoom at 6:31pm on Tuesday, March 2nd, 2021 for the purpose of reviewing and working on the Proposed Budget for 2021-2022, for Fire Maintenance and Fire Equipment Funds and covering multiple Agenda Items. Present were Board Members, Larry Klug, Dennis Krotzer, James Zobl, David Wolf and Christina Price. There was 3 audience members.

Fire Hydrant Rental- Clerk Price presented a letter of explanation from Village Clerk Tina Martin on the cost of rental. After further discussion Christina Price made a motion to approve paying the balance owed of \$2700, seconded by David Wolf. Vote-All Yes. Motion Carried.

Hollywood Small Engine repair for the Maintenance X- Mark Mower – It was explained that the engine needs to be rebuilt and an additional \$3000 will need to be added to the additional estimate. After further discussion Dennis Krotzer made a motion to approve Hollywood small engine to rebuild the engine for the additional cost, seconded by David Wolf. Vote-All Yes. Motion Carried.

Maintenance Employee Pay Increase – After further discussion Dennis Krotzer made a motion to give a .50cents pay increase to Jason Keith starting on March 1^{st} , 2021, seconded Larry Klug. Vote-All Yes. Motion Carried.

Hungerford Nichols Audit Agreement – Clerk Price presented the Audit agreement from Hungerford Nichols. After further discussion Larry Klug made a motion to approve the agreement as presented, seconded by David Wolf. Vote-All Yes. Motion Carried.

ADD&D Insurance – Clerk Price Presented the Insurance quotes. After further discussion Christina Price made a motion to accept the Insurance proposal from VFIS for \$3848.00, that will be split 80/20 between the Township and Fire Department, along with canceling our 2 A&H Policies with BHS, seconded by Dennis Krotzer. Vote-All Yes. Motion Carried.

Township Bank Interest/Charges – James Zobl presented the bank situation stating that 5 out of the 8 accounts are being charged a \$10 fee. After further discussion it was decided for James Zobl to talk to the bank to gather more information for the March 15th Board Meeting.

Fire Maintenance & Fire Equipment Budget Workshop - Clerk Price shared her screen for the Board to work on the spreadsheet for the Fire Maintenance & Fire Equipment. Fire Chief Doug deBest explained that he is asking to borrow \$20,000 from the Water Fund to pay towards Medic One Ambulance Service and that in 2022-2023 when Ambulance splits from Fire Maintenance that Ambulance will pay back the \$20,000 over a couple years. There was concern that with them borrowing money that it cannot be counted as revenue and would put Fire Maintenance at a deficit. It was mentioned by David Wolf that there is a process that can take place with writing a letter to the State. After further discussion and going through the Fire Maintenance e Budget, the Budget is at a deficit of almost \$10,000. The Board has decided to have the Clerk and Supervisor contact the Attorney and Auditor to find out if this is legal and the process it will take to be able to borrow money from the Water Fund if needed. It was also decided to keep Turn out gear in the Fire Equipment Fund. The Board has decided to schedule another Budget Workshop meeting for March 11th,

Supervisors Comments – Dennis Krotzer mentioned that he would like to request a police officer at the Townships Budget Hearing as someone has been stirring the pot by sending emails.

Audience Comments- Cindy Shepard mentioned her concerns about salary increases, along with Rich Herrman. Present were Board Members, Dennis Krotzer, Larry Klug, James Zobl, Christina Price and David Wolf. Fire Chief Doug deBest was present to schedule the Fire Maintenance and Fire Equipment Fund Budget Work shop for February 23rd at 6:30pm VIA Zoom. There was 1 audience member. The Water Fund was settled after further discussion and the General Fund will still need a few things settled including Salary increases that will take place at the next Budget Workshop. There was a change in Community Promotions giving Baroda Fireworks an extra \$1000.00 toward PPE. The meeting was adjourned at 8:25pm.

Christina Price

Baroda Township Clerk