

Special Meeting of the Burt Township Board

Friday, June 20, 2014

10:00 AM - Township Hall

APPROVED

Attendance: Joseph Venturato, Lori McShane, Tara Beckwith, Scott Wieting, Lois Leavenworth

Public Comment: Comment by Wieting that we need to proceed with the water bond ordinance revision, possibly start with a small group and submit to the committee for discussion and approval.

Approval of Agenda: Motion offered by Wieting, second by Leavenworth, to approve agenda 5 ayes

Unfinished Business:

General Fund negative balance: Due to an error made last fall between the county equalization department and the board, the township did not levy the full amount of taxes that are authorized by election. The 2013 winter taxes were short 1 mil (extra voted) which accounts for \$45,000 less revenue for the general fund. Motion by Wieting, second by Beckwith to remedy the tax revenue shortage in the general fund by paying back the \$32,000 that was transferred to the Harbor fund in the 2012/2013 fiscal year, and to take additional funds from the park surplus for this 2014-2015 fiscal year only. 5 ayes

New Computers for township office/park: Discussed the latest quote from Teck Solutions for the new computers and decided it was necessary to go forward with the purchase.

Community Center Roof/Vent repair/replace: Reviewed the two quotes from Dressler for the repair of the stove hood/vent in the community center kitchen. The type and frequency of use of this kitchen does not justify spending even the lesser of the bids from Dressler (\$15,000). Going back to the drawing board and will ask local contractors to look at vent to see if they can repair the leak for less money.

Public Comment: Fire Chief Joe Venturato announced that the Fire Department had been awarded a \$12,500 Currie grant to be used for new turn out gear. This is a great start but there is much more money needed to bring all the equipment up to regulatory standards. They are also applying for a grant from the DNR and looking to possibly tap in to CD funds to complete the upgrade needed, along with continuing to look for grants to replace tanker truck.

Adjournment 11:52 AM.

Respectfully submitted June 23, 2014

Lori McShane, Clerk