

Hope Township Budget Workshop  
Hope Township Hall  
May 30th.2023  
5:30 pm

Rita Goul, Supervisor  
Carol Coyle, Clerk  
Starleen Eddy, Treasurer  
Mary Letts, Trustee  
Daniel Mieske, Trustee

**Visitors:**

*List with Clerk's copy*

**TOWNSHIP MEETING CALL TO ORDER:**

Township meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Supervisor, Rita Goul.

**ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:** Carol Coyle, Present, Starleen Eddy, Present, Dan Mieske Present, Mary Letts, Absent, Rita Goul, Present. Quorum

**BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:** No comments from the floor

**Approval of Agenda:** Motion to approve the agenda by Rita and supported by Starleen. All in Favor 4 Opposed 0 Motion Carried.

**SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS:** Supervisor Goul presented the proposed budget for 7/1/2023- 6/30/2024. The changes from the previous workshop were noted. The document was projected on the screen for all to see. Each change was noted. Each department was noted. When the park department was presented, David Yahr notified the Board of the need for over \$900.00 to repair the Bad Boy lawnmower. Discussion on the repairs and David said he would get three bids before getting repaired. David stated there is a need for two mowers. A question from the floor on possibility of looking into an outside company do the lawn care. This would decrease the cost of repairs/gas/mileage/insurance etc. Idea tabled at this time. At the completion of the budget review, Rita asked if anyone had additional questions/comments. Rita asked for the Clerk's office (Clerk & Deputy) receive a 6% raise and the Treasurer to receive a 5% raise. The changes were presented to those present. Rita cited all the work done in the Clerk's office getting the Bond recovery and the hours and hours spent getting the Township funds. In addition, Rita noted the work done by the Treasurer on the ARPA reporting. Deputy Treasurer stated she deserved a raise for all the extra work she has done. Rita reminded all of the status of the Deputy Treasurer being a level one and the Deputy Treasurer a level 2. After additional discussion, a motion by Rita and supported by Dan to give the Clerk's office (Clerk and Deputy) a 6% raise. Roll Call Vote: Dan, YES, Starleen YES, Carol ABSTAIN, and Rita YES. **Motion carried.** Motion by Rita and supported by Carol to give the Treasurer a 5% raise. Roll Call Vote: Dan YES, Carol YES, Starleen ABSTAIN and Rita, YES. **Motion carried.** At this time, Rita asked for any additional comments/questions. Seeing none, Rita stated no more changes will be addressed at the next Township Board Meeting.

**CLERK'S MINUTES:** There will be an election on August 8<sup>th</sup> which falls on a Board meeting. The change of date or venue will be discussed at the June Board meeting.

Motion by Carol and supported by Rita to adjourn the meeting at 5:54 pm. All in Favor 4 Opposed 0 Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Coyle