Stanton Township Board

January 6, 2025

Budget Workshop Meeting Minutes

Supervisor Marty Rajala called the Budget Workshop Meeting to order at 6:02PM at the Stanton Township Hall with the Pledge of Allegiance. Board Members present: Trustee/Mark Haataja, Trustee/Jim Heinonen, Supervisor Marty Rajala, Treasurer/Lori Anderson and Clerk/Tina Hatman.

First up was the Toivola Fire Fund Pct#2 Budget. The 2024-2025 budget was reviewed and amended, see attached for amendments. Then the 2025-2026 budget was worked on, Lori presented an email from John Mattila showing his budget wants/needs. After discussion and consideration the budget was completed and ready for the Budget Hearing.

The second budget the board worked on was the Liminga Fire Dept. Pct#1 Budget. The 2024-2025 budget was reviewed and amended, see attached for amendments. Then the 2025-2026 budget was worked on. Anthony Lampinen gave recommendations, and also let the board know the Fire Dept is looking for a new fire truck. After discussion and consideration the budget was completed and ready for the Budget Hearing.

The third budget was the Sewer Fund Budget. The 2024-2025 budget was reviewed and amended, see attached for amendments. Then the 2025-2026 budget was worked on, and after discussion and consideration the budget was completed and ready for the Budget Hearing.

The fourth budget was the Road Fund Budget. The 2024-2025 budget was reviewed and amended, see attached for amendments. Then the 2025-2026 budget was worked on, and after discussion and consideration the budget was completed and ready for the Budget Hearing.

The fifth budget was the General Fund Budget. The 2024-2025 budget was reviewed and amended, see attached form for list of amendments. Then the 2025-2026 budget was worked on, after much discussion some decisions were made. Some notable changes are as follows:

*Marty <u>motioned</u> for a 3% across the board increase for all township employees. <u>2nd</u> by Jim. All in favor. <u>Approved Unan</u>

*Marty <u>motioned</u> for a \$6,000 increase for the Supervisor salary. **2nd** by Lori. All in favor. **Approved Unan**.

*Mark made a motion for the Clerk salary to increase to \$25,000. **2nd** by Marty. All in favor. **Approved Unan**.

*Lori <u>motioned</u> for a \$4,000 increase for the Treasurer salary. <u>2nd</u> by Mark. All in favor. <u>Approved Unan</u>.

*Tina <u>motioned</u> for Kirra Niska to have a 1 hour minimum charge per posting on the township website plus the 3% hourly increase. **2nd** by Marty. All in favor. **Approved Unan**.

The board will continue the General Fund Budget during the next budget workshop meeting.

The next Budget Workshop will be on Wednesday, January 8th at 6PM.

Marty motioned to adjourn at 10:50PM. 2nd by Jim. All in favor. Approved Unan.

Submitted by: Tina Hatman, Clerk

Approved by: Marty Rajala, Supervisor