DARBY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

BUDGET MEETING

NOVEMBER 3,2021

THE PRELIMINARY BUDGET MEETING OF THE DARBY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS WAS HELD ON NOVEMBER 3, 2021, AT 7:00PM. THE MEETING WAS HELD AT 21 BARTRAM AVENUE, GLENOLDEN, PA 19036.

THIS MEETING IS FOR THE REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE PRELIMINARY BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 2022.

COMMISSIONER GOUGLER, PRESIDENT CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AND ASKED FOR A MOMENT OF SILENCE AND THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG.

ON ROLL CALL, THE FOLLOWING WERE PRESENT: COMMISSIONERS OFFICIALS

MR. GOUGLER, COMMISSIONER MS. WHITAKER, MANAGER MR. SMITH, COMMISSIONER MR. PIERCE, SOLICITOR

MS. TALIAFERRO, COMMISSIONER MS. POE, SECRETARY

MR. LACEY, COMMISSIONER

MR. FITZ, COMMISSIONER

COMMISSIONER LACEY-THE BOARD MET IN EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL MATTERS PRIOR TH THE BUDGET MEETING.

PUBLIC COMMENT- NONE

PRELIMINARY BUDGET PRESENTATION-PRESENTED BY MS. WHITAKER, MANAGER. AFTER PRESENTING THE 2022 BALANCED BUDGET, MS. WHITAKER THANKED THE FINANCE TEAM (BOB DIETER, HARRY DINGLER, DIANE PARROTTI, AND TERRI SKANE) FOR THEIR WORK AND CONTRIBUTION TO THE 2022 BUDGET.

COMMISSIONER SMITH MOVED TO APPROVE THE PRELIMINARY BUDGET FOR 2022 AND AUTHORIZE THE ADVERTISEMENT OF THE SAME FOR PASSAGE AT THE DECEMBER 8, 2021, COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING. IT WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FITZ. FIVE APPROVED. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMISSIONER LACEY-REQUESTED IT BE DULY NOTED THAT THE

SEWER AND TRASH RATES ARE NOT GOING TO INCREASE BY OUR RESIDENTS. BOTH SEWER AUTHORITIES ARE RAISING THEIR RATES BY TWELVE AND A HALF PERCENT. THE TEAM, BOB DIETER, TERRI, AND THE REST OF THE FINANCE TEAM WERE ABLE TO FIND SOME COST SAVINGS THAT WE'LL NOT HAVE TO PASS THAT EXPENSE ON TO OUR RESIDENTS. SO, AGAIN JUST THANK THEM FOR WHAT THEY DO.

TIBERIAS BOBO, 704 FELTON AVENUE.

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MS. WHITAKER, MANAGER-STATED THAT WOULD BE THE FIRE MILAGE HAS INCREASED, SHE STATED THEY ARE PROPOSING TO PUT AN INCREASE IN THAT AND BASED ON THE REVENUE THAT'S COLLECTED, THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS WILL MAKE A DETERMINATION WHETHER THEY ARE GOING TO ASSIST FIRE COMPANIES WITH OPERATIONAL EXPENSES. THAT'S WHY IT SAYS WITH BOARD APPROVAL.

MR. BOBO ASKED FOR THE OPERATIONAL ITEM, THERE ARE TWO DEPARTMENTS IN THE TOWNSHIP MENTIONED, THE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT. ALMOST EVERY FIRE APARATUS IN THE TOWNSHIP IS ALMOST TWENTY YEARS OLD. HE WANTED TO KNOW IF THERE IS A WAY THAT THE FIRE COMPANIES COULD ALSO OBTAIN FIRE APARATUS FOR THE TOWNSHIP AS A WHOLE.

MS. WHITAKER, MANAGER STATED THE BUDGET STATES TO REVIEW EXTERNAL FIRE COMPANIES STUDY AND CREATE A PLAN OF ACTION TO ADDRESS THE RESULTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS AND THAT IS A PART OF WHAT WILL HAPPEN.

MR. BOBO STATED THAT LAST YEAR THE FUNDING HAD TO BE IN A FORMAL SUBMISSION TO THE TOWNSHIP FOR LIKE A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION. HE WANTED TO KNOW IF REQUEST CAN BE MADE PRIOR TO DECEMBER?

MR. PIERCE, SOLICITOR STATED IT WOULD NOT BE IN THE BUDGET.

COMMISSIONER SMITH STATED IT HAD TO BE IN FOR NOVENBER'S MEETING.

ADJOURNMENT

COMMISSIONER FITZ MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN. FIVE APPROVED. MOTION CARRIED.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

BEATRICE POE,

SÉCRETARY

ROBERT GOUGLER,

PRESIDENT