

CUMMING TOWNSHIP
Budget Workshop

March 13, 2025

The Budget Workshop was called to order at 6:30pm. Roll Call: All board members present.

Others present were: Jim & Jane Redmond; Ray & Debby Grant; Michelle Berk.

Ron stated the purpose for holding the Budget Workshop was to discuss and create the proposed 2025-2026 budget. Jan stated the operating millage is 0.7505, estimated revenue is \$35,774.

Jan T gave information regarding the Tire Grant; the Tire Clean-up will be June 14, 2025. The alternative date will be June 21, 2025.

Jen Hurley, Rose City Clerk, reported that the Rose City Middle School is being purchased from the WBRC Area School District, to make the building into a Community Center. She stated there are businesses, a rehab center, MyMichigan Clinic, daycare, and the library interested in renting space in the Community Center. She also stated that there is interest in the kitchen, music room, open gym, cooking classes, quilting classes, computer classes, meeting rooms. Fred stated it would be a good place for Senior Sneakers. Jen Hurley reported that the WBRC Area Schools will still use the gym for concerts and other events. She stated that a couple of walk throughs were done; there is some mold, not black mold, on the walls and ceiling tiles. A boiler is needed downstairs, along with new toilets; a leak in the roof has been repaired. The upstairs has been cleaned every year, before and after All-Ages Summer Recreation is held. She also stated that the attorney has been contacted to create a written agreement for an Authority. The Authority will be formed, and the City of Rose City is asking for a two (2) year commitment, from all municipalities that are interested in supporting the Community Center, at the cost of \$10,000 each year; for this to work, all municipalities must be on board. Jen Hurley reported that Hale opened a Community Center, and it is going very well; they used many volunteers to open the building. She stated that grants will be written for the repairs; Kirstin Clemens will be writing the grants and is really excited about the project. The purchase agreement has been written; the City of Rose City or the Authority has until April 30 to sign. Discussion was held. Jen Hurley left at 7:03pm.

Discussion was held regarding the Community Center; it was decided to wait to commit until all municipalities have been contacted.

Jan explained the budget amendments and transfers. Discussion was held. Jan made a motion, seconded by Teena, to accept the 2024-2025 Budget Amendments and Transfers, as attached. Roll Call Vote: Ron, Fred, Teena, Jan T, Jan F– All Yes. Motion carried.

Discussion was held regarding the following support:

All Ages Recreation: \$750

Rose City Fireworks: \$1,000

STING: \$500

EDC: \$400

Rose City Christmas Tree Lighting/Party: \$100

Jan F made a motion, seconded by Fred, to approve support for all items listed above.

Roll Call Vote: Jan T, Ron, Fred, Teena, Jan F – All Yes. Motion carried.

Ron read information from Allison Thompson, Assessor, regarding purchasing postcards, postcard stamps, and address labels. Allison Thompson is also asking for a pay increase. Ron stated three (3) years raises were given. Discussion was held. Ron made a motion, seconded by Jan T, to give Allison Thompson a \$1,000 wage increase,

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and to approve the purchase of postcards, postcard stamps, and address labels. Roll Call Vote: Fred, Jan T, Ron, Teena, Jan F – All Yes. Motion carried.

Jan F reported that Election Salaries cannot be used, but that MTA has recommended clerks receive an increase in salary for all the additional work that is required. Teena stated the Treasurer should receive the same. Ron stated that tax collections have not changed. Debby Grant stated that pay is being taken away from the Clerk, so the clerk's position should receive an increase; she also stated salary is not being taken away from the Treasurer. Ron made a motion, seconded by Jan T, to increase the Treasurer's salary \$1,000 and increase the Clerk's salary \$5,000. Roll Call Vote: Ron, Fred, Jan T, Teena, Jan F – All Yes. Motion carried. Teena stated the tax roll is completed.

Discussion was held regarding BS&A Software for the Clerk's office. Jan T made a motion, seconded by Teena, to purchase BS&A Software for the Clerk's office. Roll Call Vote: Fred, Teena, Ron, Jan T, Jan F - All Yes. Motion carried.

Brine was discussed. Ron made a motion, seconded by Fred, to brine the roads three (3) times this year. Roll Call Vote: Teena, Ron, Jan T, Fred, Jan F – All Yes. Motion carried.

Ray Grant stated he would like to advertise for the Transfer Station; Ron is not opposed to putting it on Facebook Marketplace.

Fred reported the control panel for the sewer system may need to be repaired.

Jan F made a motion, seconded by Jan T, to adjourn at 8:48pm.

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