

BUDGET MEETING August 17, 2021

The budget meeting of the North Sewickley Township Board of Supervisors was held on Tuesday, August 17, 2021, at 7:00 P. M. in the Meeting Room of the Municipal Building, 893 Mercer Road, Beaver Falls. In attendance were Supervisors Emmett Santillo, John Axtell, Thom Portman, Lisa Crespo, Jamie Wolf, Police Chief, Jeffrey Becze, Road Foreman Wayne Young, and Tax Collector Karen Trozzo with Lauren Trozzo.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Emmett Santillo, followed by the salute to the flag.

ROLL CALL:

Emmett Santillo	Here
John Axtell	Here
Thom Portman	Here

PUBLIC SPEAK: None

SUPERVISOR STATEMENT:

Emmett Santillo would like to address the Facebook crowd. He wanted to inform that the Road Crew, Police Department and Tax Collector are in attendance and wanted to thank the candidate running for Tax Collector for attending. He does have some concerns about a candidate that is running for Township Supervisor that doesn't feel it is important to visit to find out what is going on, it is troubling to Emmett and hopefully it is troubling to the rest of the people watching. Another piece Emmett would like to address is that we have concerns about the Water and Sewer bill and one individual put out there that the bill dropped by \$100 and there is no way the bill was accurate. Emmett informed the public that the bill was accurate, and they didn't pay the prior month, they did then pay the bill up and now it is just a normal bill. When you have a bill and pay it every month, it should be about the same unless you have a water leak or filling a swimming pool. If you have any issues, please call any of the Supervisors or call 724-843-5826 and contact the Water and Sewer Authority if you have a specific issue on your bill. If you want a sufficient answer, please call.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None

MINUTES:

Emmett Santillo made the motion to accept the minutes as written of the Regular Meeting of August 10, 2021. John Axtell seconded, all in favor.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Motion by Emmett Santillo to approve the Casino Lot Line Revision. Thom Portman Axtell seconded, all in favor.
- B. Motion by Emmett Santillo to approve the O'Hare Plan of Lots #2. John Axtell seconded, all in favor.
- C. Discussion on the 2022 Budget

2022 BUDGET DISCUSSION:

A. Police

1. Discussion on additional police coverage. Jeff Becze states he is covering shifts easily and that we are good with the staff we have.
2. Jeff presented a list of items he will be needing but due to the low cost for the purchases, we are able to get them in the 2021 budget.
3. Emmett Santillo discussed that the Police Department needs “refreshed”. The counters and floors are original and need replaced, we will work on getting quotes.
4. Jeff informed the Supervisors that he has a few guys with expired vests. We would like to work on a plan with Ryan Long to get new vest with a payback plan if the police officers leave within a certain time frame. **Motion by Emmett Santillo to order 5 vests for the police department to replaced expired vests. Thom Portman seconded, all in favor.**

B. Road Department

1. Wayne discussed the replacement of the 2009 Peterbilt dump truck. Trucks are difficult to get right now and there is one available they could get quickly. **Motion by Emmett Santillo to purchase the 2019 (New) International Dump Truck. Second by Thom Portman, all in favor.** Lisa will work on getting financing information together and get the old dump truck on Municibid when it is ready.

C. Tax Collector

1. Karen Trozzo stated that her tax collection rate is at 94%. Lisa and Jamie to find out what 1 mill brings in.
2. Lisa is going to email Karen the Fire Hydrant, Fire Protection and Street Light account budget information for her review.

D. Motion by Emmett Santillo to appoint Roger Zallon to the Planning Committee, replacing Austin Sheridan. John Axtell seconded, all in favor.

E. Motion by Emmett Santillo to set the next Budget Meeting as September 21 at 6:00 pm. Thom Portman seconded, all in favor.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 7:41 pm Emmett Santillo made a motion to adjourn. John Axtell seconded, all in favor.

Jamie Wolf