

Budget Workshop January 10, 2005

Supervisor Matthews called the budget workshop to order at 5:30 P.M. All board members were present. The draft budget presented by Supervisor Matthews was discussed and changes were made ready for the public hearing to be held at a later date. The workshop was concluded at 6:35.

Sciota Township Board Meeting January 10, 2005

Supervisor Matthews called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. and the Pledge of Allegiance was given. All members were present. Guests were Hank Cross, Bill Thelen, Charlene Austin, Pam Schuman, Norma Parker, Edwin Parker, Carl George, Ben Siniarski, Ed Buskirk, Wayne Roszman, Deputy Flores, and Sheriff Wilson.

Treasurer Schuman moved to approve the minutes of the December meeting. It was seconded by Supervisor Matthews. The motion passed.

Clerk Koerner moved to approve the treasurer's report subject to audit. Trustee Lee seconded it. The motion passed.

Commissioner's report: Commissioner Roszman introduced himself and told of the committees that had been appointed to for the year. He gave out his phone number of 989-725-8227.

Deputy Flores announced that there had been 24 calls responded to in Sciota Township in the last month and gave the breakdown of the type they were. Sheriff Wilson discussed contracting for police service and gave information for the township to consider if it was being considered. Some thoughts were lawyer for court hearings, liability insurance, and ordinances. The money from fines, etc. would go to the contracting department so the Sheriff's Dept. would not have the money to assist with these and other areas as they do now.

Public Comment: Hank Cross spoke on a police contract.

Supervisor Matthews announced there is a SATA meeting January 20th at 7:00 P.M. SATA would like millage from all townships. We have been invited to a Looking Glass River management meeting. The zoning amendment on ponds went through.

Planning commission report: Bill Thelen reported that the Davis rezoning from A-1 to A-1 _ goes to the county commissioners next. The private road off Beardsley road does not go in Sciota Township. There is a conference on the purchase of development rights coming up. Supervisor Matthews made the motion to authorize a check to be written for 3 to attend the conference on the Jan. 19th. Trustee Stahlin seconded it. Roll call vote showed Supervisor Matthews yes, Clerk Koerner yes, Treasurer Schuman yes, Trustee Stahlin yes, and Trustee Lee yes. The motion passed.

Emergency services report: Hank Cross announced that the next meeting will be Jan. 19th and the new ambulance should be there. We were ruled against in the lawsuit to collect for a fire run in Victor Township. If it holds up it will be impossible for us to collect on runs in Victor Township. In the future Bennington Township may want to join us. A committee will be formed of two representatives of each of the four entities involved to discuss changes in the authority to bring Bennington Township in. Supervisor Matthews appointed Hank Cross and himself to the committee to represent Sciota Township.

Old business: Our website is up and running. It can be found at www.sciotatownship.net. For the next little while you might have to go through <http://forward/forward/sciotatownship.ntchosting.org>. The owner of the property with the uncollected fire run has been contacted. He will be reaching the previous resident who had the fire run. Trustee Lee brought up the wish to have the agenda earlier. Supervisor Matthews reported that most times it is not prepared until the weekend previous to the meeting.

New business: Carl George noted that we need a new sweeper for the town hall. Ours cannot be repaired. Treasurer Schuman moved and Supervisor Matthews seconded it that Carl and Clerk Koerner can spend up to \$200 to purchase a new vacuum cleaner.

Supervisor Matthews moved we have our Annual Meeting and Budget Hearing at our March regular meeting. Trustee Stahlin seconded it and the motion passed.

Clerk Koerner moved that the township pay to send the chairman or designee and one other member of the planning commission to attend county planning meetings that have business affecting Sciota Township, and that we also pay any members for training they attend. The pay rate would be the same as the Board of Review for whole day or half day. Trustee Stahlin seconded it and the motion passed.

After a discussion on pay resolutions, Clerk Koerner made the resolution to raise the supervisor salary by 3% to \$6754.12. Treasurer Schuman seconded it. Roll call vote was Treasurer Schuman yes, Trustee Stahlin yes, Trustee Lee no, Supervisor Matthews yes, and Clerk Koerner yes. The resolution passed.

Supervisor Matthews made the resolution to raise the clerk salary by 3% to \$6754.12. Trustee Stahlin seconded it. Roll call vote showed Supervisor Matthews yes, Clerk Koerner yes, Treasurer Schuman yes, Trustee Stahlin yes, and Trustee Lee no. The resolution passed.

Supervisor Matthews made the resolution to raise the treasurer salary by 3% to \$6754.12. Clerk Koerner seconded it. The roll call vote showed Trustee Lee no, Trustee Stahlin yes, Treasurer Schuman yes, Clerk Koerner yes, Supervisor Matthews yes. The motion passed.

Clerk Koerner made the motion that the following budget adjustments be made:
Administrative Expenses

Transfer \$54 from maps to misc. meetings

Supervisor's Office

Transfer \$140 from office supplies to training

Clerk's Office

Transfer \$300 from publishing to mileage

Transfer \$148.56 from office equipment to postage

Transfer \$30 from office equipment to publications

Treasurer's Office

Transfer \$120 from printing/processing to training

Transfer \$50 from printing /processing to mileage

Special Boards

Transfer \$75 from printing/publishing to training

Elections

Transfer \$147.20 from voting equipment/maintenance to election workers

Roads

Transfer \$718.95 from chloride to drains

Supervisor Matthews seconded the motion and the motion passed.

The bill from Manuelife has not arrived for this month. Treasurer Schuman moved and Trustee Stahlin seconded to have the clerk and treasurer send the check when the bill arrives. The motion passed.

Clerk Koerner moved we pay bills. Supervisor Matthews seconded it. The motion passed.

6695	David White	\$37.88
6696	Vaughn Vondrasek	\$37.88
6697	Clyde Casler	\$37.88
6698	Nancy Koerner	\$572.74
6699	Robert Lee	\$35.00
6700	Judith Johnstone(rewrite)	\$645.97
6701	Eric Schuman	\$545.15
6702	Phillip Matthews	\$617.65
6703	Norma Lee	\$98.48
6704	Henry Cross	\$98.48
6705	Pam Schuman	\$98.48
6706	Floyd Koerner, Jr.	\$98.48
6707	Matt Stahlin	\$136.36
6708	Douglas Walker	\$37.88
6709	William Thelen	\$37.88
6710	Independent Advisor	\$240.00
6711	Consumers Energy	\$20.24

Trustee Stahlin moved we adjourn. Treasurer Schuman seconded it. Motion passed.

Nancy Koerner

Sciota Township Clerk