

Torch Lake Township
Public Budget Hearing 6:00 p.m.
Hubbell Community Building
March 16, 2022

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THE BUDGET HEARING was called to order by Supervisor Cadwell at 6:00 p.m.

The hearing opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The purpose of the Public Hearing is to receive public comments on the proposed budget for the fiscal year of 2022-2023. A copy of the General Fund Budget and special funds budgets and millage rates were presented to the Public. General Operations 1.2764, Hubbell Fire 2.0000, Bootjack Fire 0.9819, Point Mills 0.5100 and Roads 0.9819. The budget was explained to those present.

The floor was opened to the public for questions and comments with no response. There being no further business the Public Hearing was adjourned at 6:03 p.m.

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Torch Lake Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Cadwell at 6:04 p.m.

Roll call: Ambuehl, yes; Cadwell, yes; Sapino, yes; Moore, yes and Isola yes. All present

A motion by Isola and a second by Moore was made to approve the agenda with the addition of Consider a wage increase for DPW Supervisor, Roger Isola of \$100.00 a month and DPW hourly, Ron Dove to \$14.50 an hour. All in favor, motion carried.

A motion was made by Moore and a second by Sapino to approve the minutes from the February 16, 2022, meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

Correspondence: Received three letters from Charter. March 1, 2022, explained that unreturned digital receivers will decrease from \$103.00 to \$97.00, and Ethernet Equipment will go from \$260.00 to \$95.00. A second letter dated March 1, 2022, stated that Story Television HD channel 489 and Fox life channel 332 will be discontinued around March 31, 2022.

A third letter from Charter dated March 7, 2022, was a LFA Notice-Cessation of Programming: A program no longer available is CR1 Russia, effective March 3, 2022. Other programming no longer available is NTV America, RTR Planeta, Rossiya-24.

A motion by Ambuehl and a second by Moore was made to place the correspondence on file. All in favor, motion carried.

A motion was made by Moore and seconded by Ambuehl to approve the prepaid bills from the General Fund in the amount of \$61022.78, from the Garbage Fund of \$14847.64 and current bills from the General Fund of \$12438.97.

Roll call: Ambuehl, yes; Sapino, yes; Isola, yes; Cadwell, yes and Moore, yes. All in favor, motion carried.

Treasurer Moore reported that the account for Hubbell Fire Protection will be changed back to Public Funds now like all our other accounts at Superior National Bank. Also, she will be contacting Brian Donnelly, Retail Banking Director at Superior National Bank regarding FDIC requirements. A motion was made by Isola and a second by Cadwell to place the Treasurer's report on file. All in favor, motion carried.

Committees:

Sewage: Update on Lagoon project. Groundbreaking expected next spring.

Refuse: Raises for Full time Refuse workers were set at \$3.00 per hour and part time worker will be increased \$1.00 (he was given a \$1.00 raise earlier in the year) The committee agreed to put \$125000.00 from our checking account at Range Bank in an ICS (Insured cash sweep). Range Bank will handle all the paperwork. This is an interest-bearing account and funds are always available with one day's notice to the bank.

Fire: None

Parks: None

Old Business: A motion was made by Ambuehl and a second by Sapino to approve amendments to current budget: Township Board for \$500.00, Bootjack Fire Department, \$3000.00 and Par Plan Insurance \$2200.00. Roll call: Sapino, yes; Moore, yes; Cadwell, yes; Isola, yes and Ambuehl, yes. All in favor, motion carried.

New Business: A motion by Isola and a second by Moore was made to approve 2022-2023 General Fund Budget, Special Fund Budgets of Water Fund, HVFD Special Assessment, BJFD Special Assessment, Garbage Fund, Pt Mills Fire, Little Traverse Assessment, Hubbell Fire Protection, Milfoil Assessment, Park Fund, Road Assessment, Hubbell Fire Checking and millage rates of General Operations 1.2764, Hubbell Fire 2.0000, Bootjack Fire 0.9819, Pt Mills Fire 0.5100, and Roads 0.9819. Roll Call: Sapino, yes; Moore, yes; Cadwell, yes; Isola, yes and Ambuehl, yes. All in favor, motion carried.

A motion by Moore and a second by Isola was made to approve the Resolution to establish Township Officer salaries. Supervisor, \$13125.00, Treasurer, \$15225.00, Clerk, \$14450.00, Trustees, \$2600.00, Deputy Clerk, \$15.50 and Deputy Treasurer, \$16.50. Roll Call: Sapino, yes; Moore, yes; Cadwell, yes; Isola, yes and Ambuehl, yes. All in favor, motion carried.

A motion by Isola and a second by Ambuehl was made to approve the meeting schedule for 2022-2023. All in favor, motion carried.

A motion by Isola and a second by Moore was made to approve the 2022-2023 depositories for the Township are Range Bank, Superior National Bank and Incredible Bank. All in favor, Motion carried.

A motion by Isola and a second by Moore was made a to approve Roger Zappa as the Township Attorney for 2022-2023. All in favor, motion carried.

A motion by Ambuehl and a second by Sapino was made to approve pay increases for DPW Supervisor, Roger Isola \$100.00 a month and DPW hourly, Ron Dove to \$14.50 an hour. Roll call: Sapino, yes; Cadwell, yes; Ambuehl, yes; Moore, yes and Isola, yes. All in favor, motion carried.

Public Comment: None

There being no further business, a motion by Sapino and a second by Ambuehl was made to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 6:21 p.m.

Respectfully,

Mary Isola, Clerk