

## MINUTES OF THE LISLE TOWNSHIP PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING June 27, 2023

1. CALL TO ORDER: The Meeting of the LISLE TOWNSHIP PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING was called to order by Supervisor Hewitt at 7:30pm. The board utilized the Zoom platform to remotely include attendees in the meeting. Lisle Township residents were able to provide public comment via Google form on the internet prior to the meeting.

### Roll Call:

Physically Present: Supervisor Diane Hewitt

Trustee Autumn Geist Trustee Jean Page Trustee Barry Robinson Assessor John Trowbridge

Highway Commissioner Ed Young

Clerk Debbie Pawlowicz

Present: Township Attorney Yordana Wysocki, Ruby Smith, Harry Wildfleur, Jenny Pease, Holly Hootman, Mark Speiglan, Sue Quigley, John Brubaker, Mary Ann Vasquez, Lene Young, Yosh Nakumato, Marty Srail, Claire Goldenberg, Jerald Wolff, Bernadette Adler

<u>Present Electronically:</u> Joanna Vasquez, Christine Patterson, Terri Caraballo, Lisa Rose, Peter Pontius, Jamie Marrioti, Paula Garcia, Liz Chaplin, Jax West

#### 2. Pledge of Allegiance

#### 3. Public Comments

Public Comment can be viewed at <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9sgP2Vjjkws">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9sgP2Vjjkws</a> at 1:12

A five-minute recess was taken at 7:45pm. Meeting resumed at 7:50pm

#### 4. Supervisor's Report

Supervisor Hewitt reported that every year spending has gone down and accumulating funds has increased. It was noted that the township is saving money. Improving infrastructure, greater space, and improving functions with new services were the goals identified in 2021. An alternate budget was proposed in contrast to the one proposed by the finance committee, raising the salaries from \$475,000 to \$639,000 that would also raise the IMRF and FICA.

### 5. Public hearing for the proposed 2023-2024 Budget from the Lisle Township.

The finance committee's proposed budget was presented and explained. The allocated levy funds salaries, the benefits, the township building and the assessor's office. Everything in addition to those funds would need to come from grants or comes from a drawdown of reserves. The proposed budget from the finance committee will dip into reserves to about \$500,000. If reserves are drawn from at this rate the township won't have any reserves within eight years or less. The trustees tried to dispel some misinformation they have heard from the public. It was also mentioned that it is counterproductive for

staff to have been pulled into a special meeting by the Supervisor and Operation's Manager to scare them that their jobs are on the line.

Motion by Trustee Geist to move to add two additional minutes to all trustees to speak after public comment.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Page

4-0 Motion Passed

Public Comments for Hearing can be viewed at <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9sgP2Vjjkws">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9sgP2Vjjkws</a> at 1:25:57

Motion by Trustee Geist to close the public hearing for the proposed budget for 2023-2024.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Page

4-0 Motion Passed

# 6. Adjournment:

Motion by Trustee Geist to move to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Trustee Page

**Motion Passed** 

Respectfully Submitted,

**Debbie Pawlowicz**Lisle Township Clerk

The meeting recording can be viewed at: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9sgP2Vjjkws