

WHITE RIVER TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

September 22, 2020

ATTENDEES: Mark Messick, Margaret Young, Dave Pollard, Dick Huber, Mary Sue Kane and Mary Lou Habicht.

GUESTS: None

MEETING – Called to order at 7 p.m. by Chairperson Peggy Young followed by the Pledge to the Flag.

MINUTES – July 21, 2020 minutes distributed. Motion to approve minutes, carried 3 - 0.

NEW BUSINESS -

1. Public Hearing for Additional Appropriation for 2020. Public meeting opened. No comments. Public hearing closed.
2. **WRT 2020-07 Additional Appropriations Resolution/Ordinance.** Mark requested \$40,000 to be allocated to Other Services for repairs - cemetery headstone and fence repairs and cemetery tree services, etc.

Lyons Cemetery -	\$10,500	Miller Cemetery -	\$5,400
Messersmith Cemetery -	\$1,800	Bargersville Cemetery -	\$5,000
Lowe Cemetery -	\$10,500	Trustee Office AC gate -	\$200

Total of above - \$33,400. Budgeted for legal expenses for 2020 - \$2,500. Spent \$10,000. \$33,400 for repairs + \$6,600 to replenish expenses used for legal = \$40,000.
Discussion and explanations followed. Motion made to adopt **WRT 2020-07 Additional Appropriations Resolution** passed 3 – 0.
3. Public hearing for 2021 Budget, Tax Levy and Tax Rate. Public meeting opened. No comments. Public hearing closed.
4. Presentation of 2021 Budget (see attached Budget Form 1 – Budget Estimate for 2021).
General Fund – all line items remain the same as 2020 except proposed changes from 2020 budget include additional \$500 for Salary of Clerical Help (from \$15,000 to \$15,500); increase of \$200 for Social Security (from \$4,800 to \$5,000); decrease Custodial Supplies \$750 (from \$750 to \$0); Telephone increase of \$300 (from \$3,500 to \$3,800); Care of Township Property increase of \$60,000 (from \$5,000 to \$65,000, see Capital Improvement Plan item # 5 below); Property Tax Cap no longer listed in budget (from \$5,094 to \$0).
Proposed General Fund total for 2021 - \$183,230; (for 2020 - \$122,980).

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Township Assistance Fund – all line items remain the same as 2020 except proposed changes from 2020 budget include additional \$500 for Part Time Assistant (from \$15,000 to \$15,500) and Social Security increase of \$50 (from \$1,500 to \$1,550). Proposed Township Assistance Fund for 2021 - \$56,750 (for 2020 - \$56,200).

Total proposed general and township assistance budget for 2021 - \$239,980.
Total general and township assistance budget for 2020 - \$179,180.

5. **Capital Improvement Plan for 2021** – WRT 2020-08 Resolution

As of 12-31-2019, the General Fund balance was \$216,263 and the Rainy Day Fund balance was \$167,092 for a total of \$383,355. If townships have funds more than 150% of the total annual estimated budget and more than \$200,000, a Capital Improvement Plan must be submitted to DLGF by 9-30-2020.

Mark recommended \$60,000 for the 2021 Capital Improvement Plan to include: remodeling of the community room - \$20,000; remodeling restrooms - \$10,000; remodeling kitchen - \$7,500; remodeling entry and hallway - \$7,500; remodeling work room- \$5,000; new entrance on east wall - \$5,000; fire alarm system upgrade - \$2,500; security cameras in office - \$1,000; repairs to parking lot - \$9,500, and security cameras at cemeteries - \$2,000. Total of \$70,000 but Mark is recommending \$60,000 as not all projects may be completed in 2021. It is anticipated that the 2022 Capital Improvement Plan will total about \$100,000. Decision and motion to adopt **WRT 2020-08 Capital Improvement Plan** was approved 3 – 0.

6. **Other Business** – discussion and explanations for appointments, burial expenses and various items exceeding 90% of this year's budget.

Next meeting – Oct. 6, 5 P.M.

Motion to adjourn approved 3 – 0.

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Approved By: Margaret M. Young 10/10/2020
Margaret M. Young – Chairperson Date

Approved By: David S. Pollard 10/6/2020
David S. Pollard – Board Member Date

Approved By: Dick Huber 10-6-2020
Dick Huber – Secretary Date

*A tape and transcript of the above meeting is kept in the Trustee's Office.

** Resolutions WRT 2020-07, 2020-08 and Budget Form 2021 attached to official minutes.