

Melrose Township Board of Trustees Special Meeting Minutes

2022-2023 Budget Workshop

March 22, 2022: 6:00pm

I. Call to order: V. Goodwin called to order 6:01pm

Present: V. Goodwin, S. Burr, M.P. Goldich, D. Nowland, R. Hissong Berry

II. Budget workshop Session

T. Mackie presented each of the Fund's current budgets with potential adjustments and the proposed budget for 2022-2023.

- The millage rates were reviewed and the new taxable value of the Township is \$186,885,865.
- Millages are based on keeping the Building Debt millage at .30 mills, asking renewal of the Fire Op (.50 mills), Fire Sinking (.50 mills), and Roads 2018 funds (1 mill). Other funds are subject to Headlee millage reduction factors of 0.9856.
- The budget proposes an overall 3% wage increase for all employees.
- DDA fund is a component fund- operates more like a business with Capital investments.
- Building Debt Fund Balance is healthy. Will keep millage at .30 for this year. May consider an extra principal payment in next couple of years.
- Sewer Fund is an enterprise Fund- customer fees fund the operation.
- Ambulance fund – can probably expect an increase next year but should be able to support with existing millage.
- General Fund in good shape financially.

Capital expenditures proposed include:

- BSA accounting software
- New Lawn Mower
- Lee St. House demo
- Overhead doors for the Fire Truck Bays
- Park Pickleball Court upgrade
- Plow Truck replacement

Fire Department is working on details for a new Brush Truck with \$60,000 budgeted for purchasing the chassis.

III. Public comment called for- none

IV. Adjournment 8:43pm