

November 16, 2021- Special Meeting Minutes- held at the Mahoning Township Building, 849 Bloom Road, Danville, PA

Members of the Board present: Chairman Bill Lynn, Supervisors, Molly Shultz, Larry Robertson, John Whelan, TS Scott, Treasurer Ken Houck, Zoning Officers Dean VonBlohn, Secretary Carolyn Dragano,
Also present: Glen Cromley

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The meeting started with the group saying the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Lynn asked for any public comment related to the agenda items – No comment.

Treasurer Ken Houck gave 2022 projected budget numbers. He also briefly discussed ARP grant money. There was also discussion on the decrease in interest rates and Ken's plans for getting shorter term CD's, in case higher rates become available.

Supervisor Whelan asked the board to add to the agenda rescheduling the public hearing for Mahoning-Cooper that was originally scheduled for December 14th to December 20th at 5:30pm. This reschedule is due to our inability to advertise 30 days before the hearing. The board agreed to amend the agenda to add the rescheduling to the agenda and to vote on it today. **Supervisor Whelan motioned to authorize the Solicitor to place an advertisement for the Public Hearing for December 20th at 5:30pm and with a special meeting to follow at 7:30pm. Supervisor Robertson seconded. (4) of the (5) supervisors approved. Supervisor Scott was not available to vote. Motion passed.** The secretary will also post the amended agenda on the front door and the website tomorrow.

After a brief discussion concerning raises for 2022 for the admin dept., Ken made changes to the budget, adding a 2.5% increase to the part-time administration team.

Supervisor Whelan motioned to tentatively adopt the 2022 Budget, which includes revenues of \$3,648,914.85, with NO tax increase. Legislative Body Expenditures are \$1,035,521.33, Police Expenditures are \$1,392,929.12 and our DSI Street Dept, and \$1,220,464.40, making all our expenditures equal to our revenues totaling \$3,648,914.85. Supervisor Scott seconded. Motion passed.

Supervisor Scott motioned to tentatively adopt the tax rate schedule as presented by the treasurer for 2022. Supervisor Robertson seconded. Motion passed.

Ken said both the budget numbers and NO Tax Increase will be advertised this week, with plans for final adopt on December 13, 2021. This will include the NO Tax Increase Resolution.

Supervisor Whelan thanked Ken Houck, Carolyn Dragano and the department heads that contributed to this process, with an extra thanks to Ken for coming up with extra cost savings ideas for next year.

Supervisor Scott also thanked the group for their hard work and said it's been several years since we've had a tax increase.

Chairman Lynn asked for public comment. No Comment.

Supervisor Robertson motioned to adjourn. Supervisor Whelan seconded. Motion passed.

This meeting was recorded. These minutes reflect the events and dialog during the meeting but are not transcribed verbatim.

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Carolyn Dragano, Secretary