

Sadsbury Township Board of Supervisors Budget Meeting, Wednesday, August 20, 2025

A budget meeting of the Board of Supervisors was conducted on Wednesday, August 20, 2025 commencing at 9:00 a.m. Chairman, Mr. Reynolds called the meeting to order. Present was Supervisor, Mr. Taylor by telephone. Also present was Police Chief, Michael Hawley, Sergeant Rich Imhoff, Treasurer, Tammy Russell, Township Manager, Mr. Przychodzien, and members of the community. Supervisor, Mr. Hanaway was absent.

A moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance was observed.

Mr. Reynolds handed the meeting over to Mr. Przychodzien who said he just received the budget this morning.

Tammy Russell stated the revenue was gone over a little bit from the discussions at the Staff meeting yesterday. After working the numbers last evening, she stated we are over budget by \$142,000. The process was to go over the Profit and Loss statement item by item. There was discussion of some increases and some decreases in the projected 2026 budget.

Chief Hawley stated they are looking to pay parking tickets on line, and Marc Meshurle is looking into that for a solution. Mr. Przychodzien asked the Chief about Marc Meshurle's service. The Chief stated he would give him an A-. He always responds and knows the technology. He has all the credentials for law enforcement and 95% of the time, there is a timely fix. Sergeant Imhoff stated that every device does not sync with each other. Mr. Przychodzien said the Public Works has a problem with him and there are some issues with the admin computers. Mr. Przychodzien is having a meeting with him tomorrow. Mr. Reynolds thinks it is a good idea if he is given a chance to correct some of the issues.

Some of the expenses Ms. Russell would like to look into are: A police vehicle, concreting the islands at a cost of \$80,000, Sidewalk to the Police Department and signs at \$12,000, line painting the parking lot, \$60,000 for generator for traffic signals, and a hot box.

There will be no new police vehicle in 2026, The islands will be mulched again, the sidewalk to the Police Department will be done in 2025. The \$60,000 generators for the traffic signals will be in the budget for 2026.

Mr. Reynolds stated there are three things that need to be placed in the budget. He would like to start the process of making the position of the Police Chief and the Township Manager full-time positions. He would like to appropriate \$50,000 a year to the Sadsburyville fire Company to replacement of their equipment. This would be in addition to the funds we already allocate to the Firehouse. Rich Imhoff feels that a newsletter should be sent to the residents to communicate to them so they know where their money is going.

Tammy Russell stated there is no money allocated for the Bridge Project, what is the plan. Liquid Fuels cannot be used for the bridge. Mr. Reynolds stated we will pull from the Sewer Fund money and borrow from ourselves, if we don't get any grants.

Tammy Russell stated the Public Works negotiations are to begin and she needs a ballpark amount to give for their raise. Mr. Reynolds stated 3% and certainly not more. Ms. Russell asked if anyone heard anything about the grievances. Mr. Reynold stated the grievances must

be finalized prior to the contract negotiations. Mr. Przychodzien will contact the Township Solicitor, Mr. O'Keefe.

Ms. Russell asked about the lack of raise for the Secretary and Treasurer. Mr. Reynolds stated he did not want to discuss this in a public meeting and there will be an Executive Session.

Sergeant Imhoff stated he has reduced the price of the Tasers for the Police Department by \$10,000 less for better ones. They will be getting 10's over the 7's.

Mr. Taylor asked about the Bert Reel Park. Mr. Reynolds stated the GaGa Pit is becoming a swamp and an eyesore at the Park. The snack shack and the bathrooms are not used anymore. The ball park was not utilized, so the ball park now is an open field. The bleachers went to the Piston Poppers. Lights have been put in the pavilion.

The next budget meeting will be September 24th at 9:00 a.m.

With there being no further business, Mr. Reynolds made a motion, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to adjourn the meeting. With there being no questions, the Board voting "aye", the motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Shank
Secretary