CHARTIERS TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS BUDGET WORKSHOP TUESDAY October 12, 2021 Following Regular Board of Supervisors Meeting

The Budget Workshop Meeting was called to order, at 5:42 P.M.

ATTENDANCE:

Attending the workshop were Supervisors Gary Friend, Bronwyn Kolovich and A. William Kiehl. Also attending were Jodi L. Noble-Township Manager; Judy Taylor, Treasurer and Jamie Rozzo, Recording Secretary

Mrs. Noble highlighted the Sewer Funds and briefly went over Healthcare Renewal options.

Rt. 18 was refinanced in 2021 with lower interest rates. With this refinance, residents will save money on their sewer debts along with shortening the length of the loan.

Midland Debt Service was refinanced in 2021 with lower interest rates. A few significant delinquent accounts have been paid up to date in 2021, as well as several taps being purchased, resulting in better financials for this fund. In previous years this account has struggled but we are making progress throughout 2021 on this Debt Service.

McClane Debt Service was not refinanced as it did not make financial sense. The loan was kept with PennVest as it had a lower interest rate than the refinance.

Chartiers Sewer fund is doing well. Building has slowed down, as a result tap in fees have slowed down as well. Dye tests are consistent as we have had an increase in house sales this year.

All accounts are on track. Jodi has been conservative with the 2022 budget. She has allotted spending for Engineering Fees as well as Legal Fees.

Chartiers Capital Reserve Fund is Exceeding expenditures. Mrs. Noble has suggested we use these funds to invest in our sewer infrastructure and continue working on Inflow and Infiltration to maintain and prevent further issues within our sewer lines.

Jodi Noble and Judy Taylor suggested a new Software Company, Accufund, for Sewer, and the Finance Dept to the Board of Supervisors. With the system they are looking into, it would streamline both departments. They have spoken with a representative from Mt. Lebanon Township about the program and they highly recommend it, as this is the program they currently use. The program can be hosted or webbased. The first year of service would be cheaper to have webbased, after the first-year purchasing would be a better investment for long term use. With this program the treasurer could reconcile easily and efficiently, which is recommended from our current Audit.

We had a zoom meeting with HUB International to go over Healthcare renewal for employees. With this program Chartiers is estimated to save approx. \$40,000 based on

current usage within the Township. They are an Insurance Broker Company that would work with our current provider. There would be no change to employees out of pocket costs. The biggest change is Chartiers would be self-funding the employees HSA accounts after the initial \$1,500/\$3,000.

<u>Upcoming Budget Meeting Focus for October 19, 2021 Meeting:</u>

Departmental Heads will present Budget requests in person as scheduled in 15-minute intervals for the Board's information and consideration

The meeting adjourned at 7:28 PM.

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A. William Kiehl Secretary

Jamie Rozzo, Recording Secretary