

**CHARTIERS TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS  
BUDGET WORKSHOP & OTHER BUSINESS  
Wednesday  
October 17, 2023  
4:15 P.M.**

The Budget Workshop was called to order at 4:15 P.M. Tuesday, October 17, 2023.

**ATTENDANCE:**

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

Department Heads went over their requests for next year with the board.

The Fire Department is asking for Part Time Fire Fighters. Discussion took place on possibly introducing a duty shift program instead, which would be beneficial for staffing and the volunteer firefighters. The board and Township Manager agreed to investigate the ambulance service mapping/response to determine if it's sufficient or should be updated.

The Public Works Director is asking for a mini excavator. The estimate is approx. \$87,000.

He would like to purchase three new chainsaws for the department for tree cutting. The estimate for three is approx. \$3,179.97.

He has also asked the board to increase the budget for equipment rentals and tree trimming for next year.

The Police Chief is requesting the hire of a few more officers. One officer is retiring this year and there are several officers that have or are eligible to enter there drop, meaning they could retire anytime. The police station currently is staffed with 13 officers. Chief feels it would be beneficial to hire 2-3 more for scheduling purposes.

He has asked the board to promote officers. He gave the explanation of promotions and reasonings for these promotions.

Each year the police department asks for one new patrol car. Chief is asking for two patrol cars for 2024. This would be beneficial to the department as we currently have two cars out of service for repair.

Body worn cameras, rifle vests/ballistic shields, and night vision are requested for safety measures. He has also asked the board to consider radios and a new records management system for the future to stay up to date with technology.

Chief thanked the board for their support and time.

The Director of Engineering and Planning has asked the board to consider raising fees as the current fees do not always cover the cost for applications, etc.. in this dept.

She has asked the board to start thinking about an intern for next summer. Our past intern was a huge help, and she recommends interviewing and hiring an intern for 2024.

Jen will continue to attend trainings for her dept. and help with trainings regarding the GIS System. The GIS has been helpful in every department at the Township including Police Services. She also needs training to maintain her PE license.

The only purchase she has asked the board to consider is an additional IPAD. Public Works has one IPAD currently and helps keep the GIS mapping up to date.

The Township Codified their Ordinances this past year. They will continue to keep this up to date yearly.

The budget meeting was adjourned at 7:15 pm.

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Gary Friend

Recording Secretary, Jamie Rozzo