

**CHARTIERS TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS
BUDGET WORKSHOP & OTHER BUSINESS
Wednesday
October 4, 2022
4:30 P.M.**

The Budget Workshop was called to order at 4:30 P.M. Tuesday, October 4, 2022.

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

Mrs. Noble explained that we are going to start with some of the smaller funds and work our way up to the larger ones that will take more time.

Friends of the Park hasn't seen a lot of activity this year. With new members to the Friends of the Park Board and proposed ideas, Jodi hopes their efforts will realize more profit in 2023. The budget will stay the same as last year.

Jodi went over the Community Center Operating Fund. The Community Center is not self-sustaining currently but is not losing a substantial amount of money. She has kept a modest budget and anticipates more revenue in the upcoming year with a new Director being in place.

The Arden Force Main Fund: The Arden Pump Station is in the process of being upgraded. Tap in Fees from this area have been reserved here to help fund the upgrade. The interest accrued on these funds have gone down drastically as interest rates have dropped. Chartiers is partnering with South Strabane on this project as it will be a benefit to them as well.

Rt 18 Debt Service was refinanced last year to save interest. Approx. \$8,000 per year will be saved, helping with the cost and duration of the loan. No taps have been purchased this year. This Debt Service is self-sustaining.

McClane Farm Road Debt Service has had one tap purchased this year. This debt service was not refinanced last year as it would not have saved money. This Debt Service is self-sustaining.

Midland Debt Service has had several tap ins purchased with redevelopment in the area this year. This Debt Service has been refinanced to help save money but is not self-sustaining. However, this fund is looking better than it has in prior years.

Liquid Fuels Fund is funded by Pennsylvania's gas tax. This year the township has been given \$317,000. Our fund balance is \$175,000 currently. We are limited to what this money can be spent on. We typically purchase salt, storm water management items, traffic signals, traffic signs, guidrails and largely the road paving program with this fund as they are all permitted.

Revenue Gaming is funded by casino revenue. Funds have gone up since last year. Jodi has upped the budget modestly for next year. This fund is limited as to what the township can spend it on and currently has a fund balance of \$346,000.

Kym Seccret, who the township contracts with for animal control, has asked for a modest increase of \$25 per month for her services this year.

The township is planning to codify their ordinances in 2023. \$5,000 has been budgeted for this project. The cost for the codification will be \$7,800, half of which we are budgeting to pay in 2022 and half in 2023.

The equipment budget for 2023 is \$100,000. The township needs a ten-ton roller for paving and another large piece of equipment and needs to work diligently on tree trimming.

The budget meeting was adjourned at 5:30 pm.

Frank Wise Jr.

Recording Secretary, Jamie Rozzo