

Vassar Township Board of Trustees
Special Budget Meeting – June 13, 2012
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Meeting called to order at 7:06 pm by Supervisor Forbes.
The Pledge was led by Supervisor Forbes.

Roll Call:

Present: John Stack, Michael Clinesmith, Bob Forbes, Bill Gray

Late: Chuck Stadler (7:10pm)

Absent: none

Motion by Clinesmith, supported by Forbes to approve the minutes up to where the budget meeting was closed.

Vote 5-0 MOTION CARRIED

Supervisor Forbes read through the Budget.

Meeting was recessed and public hearing opened at 7:45pm.

Ben Partridge asked about the township board seminars and workshops, why the salary listed expenses did not match the budget, why the township property renovation and repair and maintenance was increased, and if the operational rate could be increased to help with the garbage assessment.

Bruce Foether asked about the difference between road work special and regular.

Onna Clinesmith discussed the difference in the budget numbers on the road work; asked about who would be responsible to take care of rotted trees on the right of way and brought up renovation on the township chairs.

Mike Slocum asked about the professional service audit and attorney, and fire protection.

John Engels asked about the Parks and Rec, didn't like the Supervisor abbreviations on the budget, thought the assessor should supply her own supplies, liked the low figures for the professional service attorney and asked how the reimbursement for mileage was being used.

Ben Partridge asked how the mileage was determined.

Bruce Foether asked what the difference between the ZA fuel allotment and mileage were.

John Engels asked if the township was getting input about the Fire protection contract, if there was anything more needed with the PC master plan, and who had deputies.

Matthew Bierlein had a question about the general budget expenses.

Ben Partridge commented that the garbage was overpaid for one or two years, then changed due to receiving bids.

Bruce Foether commented that when the township got the blue cans, the garbage came with a \$105,000 bid and discussed the township millage and rate.

John Stack discussed the Garbage Fund Budget numbers and asked how the garbage is going to be paid.

Bruce Foether read that to put the petition on the November ballot, it needs to be submitted by August.

Ben Partridge said that if funding for the garbage is already in the budget, then it should be paid that way.

The public hearing was closed at 8:45pm and the meeting resumed.

New Business:

Millage rate:

Resolution 14-2012 offered by Forbes, supported by Clinesmith to keep the lowest possible Millage rate of 1.00.

Roll Call: Clinesmith:Yes, Stack:Yes, Stadler:Yes, Forbes:Yes, Gray:Yes

Vote 5-0 MOTION CARRIED

Adopt Budget:

Resolution 15-2012 offered by Forbes, supported by Clinesmith to adopt the 2012-2013 fiscal budget.

Roll Call: Stadler:Yes, Clinesmith:Yes, Stack:Yes, Gray:Yes, Forbes:Yes

Vote 5-0 MOTION CARRIED

Public Comment:

John Stack mentioned that the aggregate account was currently \$342,188.44.

Don Clinesmith stated that as for deputies, Michael Clinesmith asked two others first before he picked Onna Clinesmith to be his deputy.

Budget meeting closed at 9:05pm.

Minutes Prepared by Clerk Clinesmith

Vassar Township Clerk

Vassar Township Supervisor