

GERRISH TOWNSHIP
SPECIAL MEETING
March 1, 2016

Special meeting called to order at 6:30 pm.

Present: Supervisor Homola, Clerk Patchin, Treasurer Tulgetske, Trustee Link and Trustee Lippert

Others present: 12 citizens

Motion by Link, second by Patchin: CARRIED
that the Board enter into a special hearing on the 2016-2017 general budget.

The budget is based on .9654 mills generating approximately \$279,096.41 to support the General Fund. Also included in the final budget are the 2.53 mill Fire/EMS special assessment and 2.21 Police special assessment mills as voted and approved at the Public Hearing held in August 2015. Board priorities included allocation of expenditures to ensure maintenance of current services, focus on improving parks and recreations. A one and one half (1.5%) raise for employees is included for full time and part time regular employees. No raises for elected officials was sought. General Fund, Cemetery, Parks and Recreation, Community Park Marina, Bond Payments and Sanitation were presented to the public for review and comment. General fund budget includes needed repairs to the main office roof and increased set aside for future recreation expansions and matching grants.

Questions/Explanations Asked:

Question: Why sanitation fund has an excess revenue to expense in previous years?

Explanation: The actual fund balance becomes excess revenue to expense once budget rolls.

Question: What is Swamp Tax? Explanation: Swamp Tax is tax paid on DNR owned property to the township.

Motion by Lippert, second by Tulgetske: CARRIED
that the Board exit the special hearing on the 2016-2017 budget.

Public Comment and Announcements: None

Meeting adjourned at 6:51pm.

Kathleen Patchin, Clerk

Frank Homola, Supervisor

Approval _____