

## BALDWIN TOWNSHIP BUDGET MEETING

January 28, 2016

**Present** – Supervisors Tom Rush, Randy Atwood and Brad Schumacher. Supervisors Jay Swanson and Jeff Holm absent.

**Call to Order** – The January 28, 2016 budget meeting of Baldwin Township was called to order by Vice-Chairman Tom Rush at 7:01 p.m.

**Pledge of Allegiance** – All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Approve/Disapprove 2017 Levy/Budget Proposal** – The board began discussion regarding the FunFest. Rush stated that the BVC members agreed that the 2017 budget should be at \$0 as it is becoming self-sufficient.

The Debt Service Fund needs to be increased to \$119,321. Discussion regarding purchasing a tandem truck which would increase debt service about \$45,000/year. Rush asked Terry Carlile if he was proposing a truck replacement of about \$192,000 with Carlile responding 'yes'. Rush stated that the Fire Chief wanted \$25,000 to pay for air packs. The board discussed increasing several funds by 3%. Carlile provided a list of the maintenance department request for capital increase. On the list was repairing the sand/salt shed. Carlile does not know the cost for repairs. Atwood suggested that everything on the list have a dollar amount listed and available for the Annual Meeting. Discussion on the Legacy Committee. Schumacher reported that the dollars only covers about 20% of any project. Schumacher stated that the request for storage for office files may require using a part of the fire station upstairs with a locked room. Rush will talk to the department. Carlile stated that Chairman Swanson discussed wanting to build a separate building and Carlile priced it out at \$18,000. Rush stated that he would like to keep the Park Fund at \$35,000 and continue applying for grant dollars. The new total is \$1,030,000. Schumacher so moved.

Atwood stated that another option would be to keep the levy the same except for Debt Service and reduce Road & Bridge to \$418,212. Discussion regarding meeting with Jon Bogart on a road workshop. The item will be added to the February 1<sup>st</sup> regular meeting. Schumacher rescinded his motion.

Schumacher/Atwood unanimous to approve \$1,030,000 for the 2017 proposed levy.

General Fund: \$207,679  
Road and Bridge Fund: \$481,000  
Capital Fund: \$42,000  
Fire Fund: \$120,000  
Capital Fund Fire: \$25,000  
Park Fund: \$35,000  
Debt Service: \$119,321

FunFest: \$0

Total \$1,030,000

**Adjournment** – Schumacher/Rush unanimous to adjourn at 8:20 p.m.

Cathy Stevens

Submitted By: (s/) Cathy Stevens  
Clerk/Treasurer  
Baldwin Township

Tom Rush

Approved By: (s/) Tom Rush  
Vice-Chairman, Board of Supervisors  
Baldwin Township

March 2, 2016

Date

Attendee: Terry Carlile