

**Preliminary Budget Workshop Minutes
February 14, 2022 – 7:00 p.m.**

Meeting call to order at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

In attendance: Brian Moore, Kimberly Jones, Judy Wheelock, Keith Moore, Penny Nelson

With no additions or corrections to the agenda by board and/or audience, **motion by K. Moore; 2nd J. Wheelock to approve agenda as presented. Carried.**

Review of ARPA funds. Clerk reviewed the criteria for which these funds can be used. Discussion about QuickBooks that has been problematic since QB is not designed for use by governments. K. Jones stated that an adjoining township has been using BS&A with no problems, but it is expensive. Almost \$30,000 initially. Balance of the first distribution which was 48,799.27 is approximately \$44,746. The second deposit of 48,799.27 will be distributed later this year.

Recommendations are that we pay the balance of \$20,000 for the playground equipment from the general fund: campground maintenance and the acquisition of BS&A from ARPA funds. Add to the existing maintenance budget for the campground.

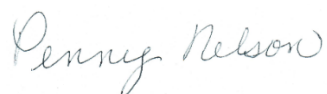
- K. Moore said that he is waiting for road work pricing from the county which would be a 70/30 split. (30% township funding) to potentially resurface Springdale Road.
- The campground host will not be returning this year, so income from that probably will be lower.
- Reviewed roughed out budget line by line.
- Hall building is in good shape. Just need to replace six banquet tables for the main hall.
- Fire contract increased to \$20,000.
- Legal cost may need to be increased.
- Audit funds should be increased due to a more comprehensive services needed by the township. Looking at Baird, Cotter & Bishop. This firm is recommended by MTA as one of a few that can shepherd us through ARPA reporting,

Public comments. None.

Brief board comments. None.

Adjournment 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Township Clerk