

TILDEN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Thursday, November 2, 2023
Workshop

The Tilden Township Board of Supervisors met in the Township Municipal Building with the following present: Supervisors Gene Schappell, Fred Herman, and Richard Delong; Chief William McEllroy; Manager/Secretary/Treasurer Monica Flower, Assistant Secretary Samantha Hartman and local residents. The attendance roster is on file with the secretary.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Gene Schappell at 2:58 P.M. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

AN EXECUTIVE SESSION WAS HELD 10/30/2023 AT 3PM FOR PERSONNEL**Public Participation:**

- Greg Kozlowski requested clarification on September 13, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes. At the September 13th meeting he'd asked about the funds used for the newly purchased equipment. In the minutes the funds and amounts were not specified. At this time Monica Flower states, the yellow tractor's replacement was purchased with ARP Funds, the red tractor's replacement was purchased with equipment funds, and the new zero turn mower was purchased with sewer funds and ARP funds.
- Greg Kozlowski also requests for an ARP fund summary sheet to be made public to show the allocation and use of funds with the amount remaining.

General Discussion:

- Police Chief McEllroy reviews a body camera and taser quote from Axon. During his review of this quote, he requests for the body cameras be purchased with ARP Funds. The tasers would be purchased as normal out of the Weapons and Ammunition Budget. By purchasing the body cameras and tasers at the same time there is a significant discount on the purchase. The District Attorney's office has also committed to providing funds to cover the first year of body camera use.

A Motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Fred Herman to authorize Police Chief McEllroy to purchase the body camera and taser quote from Axon using \$15,877.28 from ARP Funds. Upon roll call Schappell, Herman, and Delong voted yes.

- The drafted 2024 Budget was briefly discussed based on changes the Supervisors had previously requested.
- Greg Kozlowski requested consideration on reducing Real Estate Tax in the amount of the raise to Fire Tax.
- In regards to the Fire Tax account, Dale Stoudt asked if there is a maximum amount allowed to remain in the account. The answer is no, but will be verified.

A Motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Fred Herman to adjourn the meeting at 3:59 P.M. Upon roll call Schappell, Herman, and Delong voted yes.

ATTEST:

Samantha Hartman
Tilden Township
Assistant Secretary