

Maple Valley Township Annual meeting & Budget Hearing  
March 26, 2022

The ANNUAL MEETING AND BUDGET HEARING of Maple Valley Township was held at Coral Community Center at 10am on March 26, 2022

Supervisor Schwandt opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and called the meeting to order at 10am.

Board Members Present: John Schwandt, Ben Newell, Lee Frandsen and Cathy Benson.

Absent: June Miller

Citizens present who signed in: Jan Olson, Kevin Olson, Kathy Hyrne, Mary P., Larry and Judy Rolston, Dan & Andi Knapp, Mike and Robin Poulsen, Mick and Tracy Morden, Lianne Briggs, Cindy Petrie, Curtis Briggs, Kevin & Valerie Gates, Dan Boes, Kevin Newell, Tyler Trierweiler, V Douglas, Penny & Gordon Bassett, Pat & Dennis Delaney.

Minutes of Meeting from March 27, 2021 read.

Motion by Frandsen, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Newell to accept minutes from last meeting, Motion passed. Note correction to minutes about motion by Kain.

Supervisor Report: List of Road projects proposed for the new year.

Replace existing culvert under McBride Rd, to Cowden Lake \$13,307

Asphalt Overlay on Black Rd from Cannonsville to McBride RD \$88,397

Replace existing culverts under Amble and Cody Lake Rds at the Lovett and Cody Drain \$19,356.00

Asphalt overlay on Black Rd from South County Line Rd to CR522 \$100,215

Asphalt overlay on First St from Second St to A Street \$39,402

Limestone Resurface Kendaville Rd from Bailey Rd to Amble Rd \$48,652

Asphalt Overlay on Argogast Rd from McBride Rd to Kendaville Rd \$90,764

Rotomill and Pave Grant St from Mill St to Bailey Rd, \$4,836

Assessor Report: Assessor absent, Supervisor reported about eight Residents applied for Veteran's exemptions for the Board of Review.

Planning Commission: Report by Secretary Andi Knapp in absence of chairman, working on wind ordinance, ordinance waiting for public hearing, April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 7pm at the hall. One special permit issued for a garage.

Zoning report: Administrator not present

Fire Dept: Paid two payments, waiting on the tanker trucks

Salaries for Elected Officials are as follows: Supervisor salary, \$7,800, Clerk salary, \$15,000, Treasurer salary, \$11,500, and Trustee Salary, \$1,200. There were no increases requested by the board and public comment was no increase.

Resolution to keep township salaries as presented: Newell, yes, Schwandt, yes, Benson, yes, Frandsen, yes, Resolution passed.

Motion by Frandsen, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Newell to pause annual meeting at 10:14, motion passed.

Budget hearing opened at 10:14 am. Supervisor took a moment to explain that only registered voters in our township could make and 2<sup>nd</sup> motions and vote.

Discussion items:

Administrator Kelsey asked for a raise to \$5,280 a year to be more in line with other townships. Veterans park, look into SET value and why it was 0 last year, MTA website and loss of population, Who paid for tankers for fire dept, Fogeson Drive lawsuit, Wind ordinance, complex bus garage and rentals, Treasurer not collecting at the hall, how is money collected protected, and when it is required for taxes to be collected at the hall, look into seeing if the bank would have a program so taxpayers to make their tax payments to the bank.

Tyler Treiweiler made a motion to reduce professional services in the budget to from \$50,000 to \$15,000, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike Poulsen, Discussion, Motion passed by majority.

Penny Bassett made a motion to look into selling the bus garage in Trufant and the board to report on progress, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vicki Douglas, motion passed.

Penny Bassett made a motion to put \$4,000 in the budget for clean up day. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jan Olson, Motion passed.

Motion by Ben Newell to add \$100 to office supplies for Clerk, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Frandsen, Motion passed. Clerk to look into BS & A program before deciding to upgrade Quickbooks.

Motion by Frandsen, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Newell to approve the proposed budget. Motion passed.

Motion to close budget meeting by Newell, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Frandsen, Motion passed. Budget meeting closed at 11:11 am.

Motion to reopen annual meeting by Frandsen, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Newell, Motion passed.

ARPA money, suggestions were: updating technology at hall, updating the inside and outside of the hall, lighting for the parking lot, painting pavilion in Trufant, sidewalks in Trufant and Coral, playground equipment. Supervisor looking into \$50,000 from county and adding \$25,000 from ARPA funds to upgrade playground equipment.

We can start spending the money after April 31<sup>st</sup> but we can start on bids now.

Other suggestions, water at Cemetery, Roger Betten volunteered in a previous meeting to help get water at the cemeteries.

Any updates need to be COVID compliant. Looking into a programmable thermostat for the Coral Community Center, FOIA training, Road commission will match funds for the ARPA money.

Motion by Linda, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jan Olson to have Planning Commission Chairman and Assessor attend the annual meeting. Motion passed.

Motion by Newell, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Penny Bassett to adjourn, Motion Passed. Meeting closed at 11:37 am

Respectfully submitted by Cathy Benson, Clerk  
Maple Valley Township