ATHENS TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS October 29, 2022 8:00 AM Budget Workshop

Meeting was called to order at 8:08 am by Chairwoman Heffron. Those in attendance: Tressa Heffron, Kirstie Lake, Christine Vough, Bonnie Petruschak, Ruth Casterline, Chuck Wright.

David Dekay began the meeting with Athens Volunteer Fire Department. They have a sign they would like to replace our current one with, however they would like Athens Township to help pay for the sign so we can all share it. They have upcoming fundraisers and are looking at a budget that will be balanced.

Chief Clink explained that the police need a new copier. A new one is \$7500 and a used one is around \$3800. He will check on the warrantees for them both.

Adjourned into Executive Session at 9:23. Returned to regular meeting at 10:05.

On a motion by Tressa Heffron and seconded by Kirstie Lake, discussing payment for the police squad room furniture was added to the agenda.

On a motion by Kirstie Lake and seconded by Christine Vough, payment for the squad room furniture will be \$11,148.62 from the ARP funds. Motion passed unanimously.

Chuck Wright discussed his goals for the Public Works department. In order to rebuild the roads, evaluation of the equipment needs to be done. Creating a safer work environment in the shop is critical to the safety of the crew. Staff retention and training, and well as building a positive morale will be vital to the success of the department. Additional items brought by Mr. Wright:

- Addition of space for foreman and PWD is needed.
- We need a mechanic.
- Communication with the group needs to be uniform and organized.

Christine Vough made a motion to add the discussion of supervisor credit cards to the agenda. Kirstie Lake seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Christine Vough made a motion to cancel the township credit cards for all supervisors except the chairperson. Tressa Heffron seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Motion to adjourn was made by Tressa Heffron and seconded by Kirstie Lake. Motion passed. Meeting was adjourned at 11:40.

Respectfully submitted,

Tressa Heffron Athens Township Chairwoman (acting secretary)