

Leland Township Board Budget Meeting

February 28, 2023, 2:00 p.m.

Leland Township Office, 224 W. Main St., Lake Leelanau

PRESENT: Supervisor Susan Och, Clerk Lisa Brookfield, Treasurer Shirley Garthe, Trustee Clint Mitchell, Trustee Mariann Kirch

BUDGET DISCUSSION

There was a discussion in understanding how some funds coming in and transferring out are listed in the budget. Ms. Brookfield suggested that the rendering of the new Township Hall (interior floor plan, architectural proposal, exterior elevation) should be in the budget. \$5,500 was added to line 101-956.

General Budget – The Assessor’s hourly wage went to \$16 an hour. Mr. Mitchell worked out the numbers to determine if the amount asked for equaled the rate of inflation from the last increase until now; then her wage should be about \$14.70 an hour. Ms. Kirch reported on the research she did about the work assessors do. They have more paperwork now. There was discussion about giving gradual increases versus periodic increases. Ken Hagstrom’s wage went to \$20 an hour which is a 5% rounded up slightly.

Parks and rec

Funds that are not spent from the budget get put into the general fund which will be noted in the budget at the annual meeting. The increase of the cost of cleaning and supplies at the Harbor was discussed.

Contract services – It was discussed what is considered contract services. An appropriate amount for the cleaning of the Hancock restrooms was discussed. The Township contributes \$2,400 for maintenance of Hancock Park.

The items listed below are items in the Parks & Rec budget that are considered repairs and maintenance:

Removal of Phragmites

Repair of the smashed dock at Nedow’s Bay - \$1,000

Water testing at Nedow’s Bay

Drow Field fertilizing- \$4000 – There was discussion of when fertilizing should be done.

Emelia’s landing - \$3000 for rocks at the launch.

Buoys - \$500 for the year, in and out.

Capital outlay

Sign Nedow’s Bay - \$400

Sand Nedow’s Bay - \$1,000

There was discussion about pipe water testing at Nedow's and possible planting of plants around pipe to filter the water.

New swimming dock at Suelzer – dock sections (3-4) \$4,000

Picnic tables at Suelzer – They can't be too heavy because they have to be moved around for mowing. Maybe the boards on the current tables could be replaced. It would need about 200 feet of lumber which would cost about \$600. Then who would do the work? Mr. Mitchell will work on getting more accurate figures.

New park ordinance signs. – Ms. Och researched the cost and it would be \$3,150. It was decided to spend \$2,000 for 8-9 signs.

Swim buoys at Nedow's - \$900

Total \$9,000

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Cindy Kacin, Recording Secretary

Date Approved: _____

Supervisor Susan Och

Clerk Lisa Brookfield