

WILLIAMS CHARTER TOWNSHIP

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Tuesday, October 1, 2024

Special Meeting – Budget Workshop

The Board of Trustees of Williams Charter Township held a Special Meeting – Budget Workshop at Williams Township Hall on Tuesday, October 1, 2024. The agenda is attached as Exhibit A.

I. Call to Order & Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by W. Butterfield, Supervisor, at 7:00 p.m.

Present: W. Butterfield (Supervisor), T. Charbonneau (Treasurer), J. Putt (Clerk), S. VanTol (Trustee), J. Plant (Trustee).

Excused: J. Gower (Trustee), B. Jean (Trustee)

II. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was said in unison.

III. Public Input

- None

IV. Changes to the Agenda

J. Putt moved to accept the agenda as presented, with support from S. VanTol.

Aye: 5 Nay: 0 Excused: J. Gower, B. Jean

V. Regular Agenda

1. Citizens for Local Control

Rob & Chris Andrzejewski were present requesting that Williams Township unite with other townships to stop the Green Energy Bill and to restore local government control. This will be referred to in the October Planning Commission meeting.

No action taken.

2. Voter Address Request Policy – J. Putt

J. Putt requested that we update our policy regarding the list of voters and residents running for office.

J. Putt moved to, as of 10/1/2024, provide residents running for office an Excel spreadsheet of current voters at no cost, but will not provide labels. S. VanTol supports.

Aye: 5 Nay: 0 Excused: J. Gower, B. Jean

3. Budget – Wage Scale

A 5% increase across the board. Various discussions regarding Election workers and the need for a Deputy Supervisor.

Jerry Putt moved to approve the 2025 Wage Scale, with changes, for the 2025 Budget. J. Plant supports.

Aye: J. Putt, J. Plant, S. VanTol

Nay: W. Butterfield, T. Charbonneau

Excused: J. Gower, B. Jean

Motion carried.

4. BCBSM Health Care

Jerry Putt hasn't received the updated costs for 2025 Blue Cross/Blue Shield. He indicated it would be a 15-20% increase.

W. Butterfield moved to accept the current estimated premium, to be determined. S. VanTol supports.

Aye: W. Butterfield, T. Charbonneau, J. Putt, J. Plant, S. VanTol

Nay: None

Excused: J. Gower, B. Jean

Motion carried.

5. Holiday and Office Closing Schedule

Jerry Putt moved to approve the 2025 Holiday and Office Closing Schedule, as presented. W. Butterfield supports.

Aye: 5

Nay: 0

Excused: J. Gower, B. Jean

Motion carried.

6. Board of Trustees Meeting Schedule

S. VanTol moved to approve the 2025 Board of Trustees Schedule as presented. J. Putt supports.

Aye: 5

Nay: 0

Excused: J. Gower, B. Jean

Motion carried.

7. Planning Commission Meeting Schedule

Jerry Putt moved to approve the 2025 Planning Commission Schedule as presented. S. VanTol supports.

Aye: 5

Nay: 0

Excused: J. Gower, B. Jean

Motion carried.

8. Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting Schedule

S. VanTol moved to approve the Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting Schedule as presented. J. Plant supports.

Aye: 5

Nay: 0

Excused: J. Gower, B. Jean

Motion carried.

9. 2025 Budget for Auburn Williams Recreation Association

S. VanTol moved to approve the budget for the Auburn Williams Recreation Association at \$15,000.00, as presented. W. Butterfield supports.

Aye: 5

Nay: 0

Excused: J. Gower, B. Jean

Motion carried.

10. 2025 Budget for the Fire District Operation

They receive 2 payments, one in January and one in July. This is for the General Fund – Operations.

Jerry Putt moved to approve the 2025 Budget for the Fire District Operations at \$160,130.00. J. Plant supports.

Aye: W. Butterfield, T. Charbonneau, J. Putt, J. Plant, S. VanTol

Nay: None

Excused: J. Gower, B. Jean

Motion carried.

11. Projected Road Projects

W. Butterfield indicated that the projects need to be submitted to be considered for the 2025 schedule.

12. 2025 Budget Initial Review

S. VanTol moved to approve the 2025 Budget with changes. J. Plant supports.

Aye: 4 Nay: 1 Excused: J. Gower, B. Jean

Motion carried.

J. Putt moved to approve the 206-853 accounts as presented. S. VanTol supports.

Aye: 5 Nay: 0 Excused: J. Gower, B. Jean

Motion carried.

VI. Unfinished Business

None

VII. Committee Reports

- J. Plant said Rockets in the Park has been successful. Strong winds one day.

VIII. Public Comment

Tom Paige remarked that the public needs to look at the budget before the public hearing. It was explained that it will be posted on the website.

IX. Adjournment

J. Plant moved to adjourn at 8:15 p.m. with support from S. VanTol.

Aye: 5 Nay: 0 Excused: J. Gower, B. Jean

Motion carried.

Jerome E. Putt, Clerk

Will Butterfield, Supervisor