## WEST FINLEY TOWNSHIP

# **Board of Supervisors** ~ 2025 Budget Meeting

October 28, 2024

The Board of Supervisors of West Finley Township held a special meeting on Monday, October 28, 2024 at the Township Office Building. This meeting was a scheduled workshop for the 2025 Proposed Budget. The Supervisors in attendance were Chairman Martin and Supervisor Collins. Vice Chairman Pritt was unable to attend the meeting due to a scheduled work trip.

The township residents in attendance were Tim Collins, Craig Yoho, Mark Sibert, and Ian Martin.

The call to order was made by Chairman Martin at 6:04 pm.

Chairman Martin deferred the reading and approval of previous meeting minutes until the regularly scheduled monthly meeting on November 11, 2024.

### **Public Comment**

Craig Yoho and Mark Sibert presented a letter from Chief Emery in response to the new agreement being proposed. He has issue with the wording incidental cost and finds it to be "concerning." Chief would like the definition of incidental cost "as equal to or less than ten percent of (the VFC's) operating cost which on average over the past three years has been \$185,000.00 dollars." The Board's interpretation of this definition is different than that of the VFC's. The wording needs to be more specified and clearer before either party agrees to the terms. This year, the VFC has received \$54,295.42 from West Finley Township.

When asked about the company's budget, Mr. Yoho explained that changes to the laws have made it more expensive to operate. Fortunately, a lot of things have already been upgraded, but with new regulations, there are times when equipment must be replaced due to contamination. Mr. Yoho and Mr. Sibert are both hopeful that the finances at the company will be managed appropriately.

#### **Old Business**

There was no Old Business on the agenda.

#### New Business

There was no New Business on the agenda.

#### Administrative Items

The Supervisors were presented with a proposed budget for all accounts for 2025. Each account was individually discussed, and budgets prepared according to the allowable expenditures according to the DCED's Chart of Accounts. For each account, the Board received a balance sheet and a year to date revenue and expenditure report. These figures were used to determine the remaining funds for accounts receivable and payable for 2024. The Board was then able to estimate a proposed balanced budget for

the FFATA account, Gaming Fund, Act 13 fund, Liquid Fuels fund, PLGIT general account, and Community Bank general fund account.

The proposed budgets will be added to the agenda for the November monthly meeting for approval for advertisement in the Observer Reporter. The Final budget for each account will be approved at the December monthly Board meeting.

## Secretary's Report

There was not a Secretary's report for this meeting.

## Adjournment of Meeting

Chairman Martin adjourned the meeting at 7:59 pm.