

HUNTINGTON TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES 2020 BUDGET HEARING and REGULAR MEETING  
JULY 10, 2019

President Daniel Mathuews called the July 10, 2019 meeting to order at 5:30 P.M. at the Township Fire House.

Roll Call:	Daniel Mathuews	Present
	Gary Hopkins	Present
	Larry Kellough	Present

**Hearing on the 2020 Annual Budget**

The 2020 Annual Budget was presented for hearing and review by FO Snyder. A few of the highlights follows. Less than 1% increase in collected property tax receipts. The 2 mill Fire/EMS levy expires at that end of 2018; no revenue in 2019; a loss of \$127,477 beginning in 2019. It is on the ballot this November as a renewal, but not included in this budget. We will receive the Public Works Commission grant in 2019 for road paving. The EMS billing revenue is budgeted at \$127,621; the highest yet. 2018 collections are averaging \$141,800. This budget includes 2 levies: the 1 mill Fire/EMS (2018) and the new 1.5 mill EMS (2018). The following grants have been included: Road mileage; sales tax allocation; EMS grant; and Firefighters' Training grant. There is an increase of 5% increase for the road laborers. The Township has one remaining loan that will pay off 9.30.2020.

**Motion** by Daniel Mathuews, second by Gary Hopkins approve the 2020 Annual Township Budget.

Vote:	Daniel Mathews	Yes
	Gary Hopkins	Yes
	Larry Kellough	Yes

**Regular July Meeting**

**Motion** by Daniel Mathuews, seconded by Gary Hopkins, to approve the Regular June 2019 minutes.

Vote:	Daniel Mathuews	Yes
	Gary Hopkins	Yes
	Larry Kellough	Yes

**Motion** by Daniel Mathuews, seconded by Larry Kellough, to approve payment of June 2019 bills.

Vote:	Daniel Mathuews	Yes
	Larry Kellough	Yes
	Gary Hopkins	Yes

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**GUEST:** Larry Cuckler, Fire Chief, approached the Board to ask for approval of one (1) purchase requisitions, as follows:

#1 Sutherlands Radiator    \$110    A/C in squad 918

**Motion** by Larry Kellough, seconded by Daniel Mathuews to approve the purchase requisitions.

Vote:	Larry Kellough	Yes
	Daniel Mathuews	Yes
	Gary Hopkins	Yes

- Chief Cuckler informed the Board of a quote to replace/improve the ceiling in the bay at the fire station by RKJ Inc of Waverly of \$62,085. Trustee Mathuews asked if the heat source and lights could be lowered; thereby putting in a drop ceiling. The issue is not that there is a harmful respiratory situation that has been created, but rather a problem with disintegration. Rob Flannery will be contacted to see if he could do this work of lowering lights, heat sources, and dropping the ceiling.
- Chief Cuckler asked the Board to accept the resignation of Stephanie Smith from the FD paid part-time crew; she has not been able to work the required shifts in order to remain active.

**Motion** by Gary Hopkins, second by Larry Kellough to accept Ms. Smith's resignation from the FD paid part-time crew.

Vote:	Gary Hopkins	Yes
	Larry Kellough	Yes
	Daniel Mathuews	Yes

- **The Board discussed** the Fire & EMS 1 mill levy that expired 12.31.18 for which we are now receiving the last year of tax receipt collections and the Auditor's Certification of Expected Revenue of \$55,123.

**Motion** by Daniel Mathuews, second by Gary Hopkins, to approve a Resolution to Proceed with a 1.0 mill renewal 5-year levy that will collect \$55,123. Levy will be placed on the November 2019 ballot. (Resolution is attached to these minutes.)

Vote:	Daniel Mathuews	Yes
	Gary Hopkins	Yes
	Larry Kellough	Yes

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**Discussion:** The Board discussed dust control and Chip & Seal programs for township roads. We will be using SC Construction, under the Ross County Engineer's Office Bid. \$14,079 for a 1 coat per mile and \$26,843 for 2 coats per mile. The Township will maintain the following roads:

Double Coat:

Turner Road – from Blain Highway to Benner's farm, the from the new house to the bridge. 1 mile, 14' wide.

Rinehart Road – from St Rt 772 to bottom of hill, then from top of hill to first sharp downhill. 1 mile, 14' wide.

Reub Hill Road – from Bishop Hill to the bridge. 2/10 of a mile. 14' wide.

Chester Hill Road – the hill. 16' wide.

Huntington Township Cemetery – the new driveway around Section B.

Single Coat:

Shady Glen and Minney Hill

Total Expense: \$129,216

**Motion** by Larry Kellough, second by Gary Hopkins, to proceed with this year's chip seal program as laid out above.

Vote:	Larry Kellough	Yes
	Gary Hopkins	Yes
	Daniel Mathuews	Yes

**Discussion:** The Board also discussed the wear and tear on Shady Glen and Minney Hill Roads due to the closure of Blain Highway hill. Trustee Kellough spoke with the Ross County Engineer Charles Ortman, and Mr. Ortman agreed to pay for one coat of chip seal for each road. 67 limestone, rolled in place with a single coat of tar. 2 miles long, 14' wide for a total of 16,426 yards for \$24,780.

**Motion** by Larry Kellough, seconded by Gary Hopkins, to set re-allocate \$32k from Operating Supplies to Equipment in the R&B Fund of 2031.

Vote:	Larry Kellough	Yes
	Gary Hopkins	Yes
	Daniel Mathuews	Yes

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General items under discussion:

- June 2019 Run Statistics: 91 total calls of which 71 were EMS for which we answered 69. 20 were fire calls and we answered 100% of those. We responded to 12 mutual aid and received 3.
- FO Snyder shared that the first submission of the SAFER grant has been remitted and approved. \$22,744.26.
- The Board again discussed the need for a new squad. The older green one has numerous problems and is not reliable. Tabled until the August meeting.
- FO Snyder informed the Board of a pay increase that had passed the legislature for local government officials of 1.75% effective 2020-2028, but not until the official is newly elected. One trustee will qualify 1.1.2020 and the FO will qualify 4.1.2020.
- The 2020 Census meeting is Monday, July 29, 2019 at 3:00 at the Ross County Service Center, Room A. A representative from our township has been asked to attend.
- The Board discussed Dale Arrowood's concern about a rusted out culvert on Shaffer Road.
- The Board discussed paying \$5k to maintain the mower and running it as long as possible before replacing. Considering talking to vendor about a lease to own program.

**Motion** by Daniel Mathuews, second by Gary Hopkins, to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 P.M.

Vote:	Daniel Mathuews	Yes
	Gary Hopkins	Yes
	Larry Kellough	Yes

ATTESTED:

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President

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Vice President

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Member

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Fiscal Officer