

**Porter Township
Van Buren County, Michigan**

**Budget Hearing
June 14, 2023**

Supervisor Oxley called the *General and Fire Fund Budgets Public Hearing* to order at 6:00 p.m. Members present- Meade, Nesbitt, Oxley, and Bitely. Also present - Attorney Schuitmaker and 1 guest.

Supervisor Oxley closed the Budget Public Hearing at 6:10 p.m.

**Headlee and Truth in Taxation Public Hearing
June 14, 2023**

Supervisor Oxley called the *Headlee and Truth in Taxation Public Hearing* to order at 6:10 p.m. Members present- Meade, Oxley, Bitely, and Nesbitt. Also present - Attorney Schuitmaker and 1 guest.

Supervisor Oxley closed the Headlee and Truth in Taxation Public Hearing at 6:18 pm.

**Fire Special Assessment District Public Hearing
June 14, 2023**

Supervisor Oxley called the *Fire Special Assessment District Public Hearing* to order at 6:18 p.m. Members present- Meade, Oxley, Bitely, and Nesbitt. Also present - Attorney Schuitmaker and 1 guest.

Supervisor Oxley closed the Fire Special Assessment District Public Hearing at 6:30 pm.

**Road Special Assessment District Public Hearing
June 14, 2023**

Supervisor Oxley called the *Road Special Assessment District Public Hearing* to order at 6:30 p.m. Members present- Meade, Oxley, Bitely, and Nesbitt. Also present - Attorney Schuitmaker and 1 guest.

Supervisor Oxley closed the Road Special Assessment District Public Hearing at 6:45 pm.

**Lake Drive on Huzzy Lake Special Assessment District Public Hearing
June 14, 2023**

Supervisor Oxley called the Lake Drive Special Assessment District Public Hearing to review the tentative assessment roll to order at 6:45 p.m. Members present- Meade, Oxley, Bitely, and Nesbitt. Also present - Attorney Schuitmaker and five guests.

Supervisor Oxley closed the Lake Drive Special Assessment District Public Hearing at 6:51 p.m.

**Regular Meeting
June 14, 2023**

Supervisor Oxley called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Members present - Meade, Oxley, Bitely, and Nesbitt. Also present - Attorney Schuitmaker and eight guests.

Motion by Bitely with support by Nesbitt to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on May 10, 2023. Voice vote - all yes. Motion passed.

Motion by Bitely with support by Nesbitt to approve the Treasurer's report subject to audit. Voice vote - all yes. Motion passed.

Motion by Nesbitt with support by Bitely to approve the bills as presented. Roll call vote - all yes. Motion passed.

Motion by Nesbitt with support by Meade to amend the Short Term Rental Ordinance to state "The rental period for Single Family Dwellings used as Short Term Rentals shall be no more than one renter per 7 day period. A renter may rent for less than 7 days, however, a new renter is not allowed before the end of the 7 day period." Voice vote - all yes. Motion passed.

Motion by Bitely with support by Nesbitt to adopt a resolution to set a Public Hearing to confirm roll and levy the assessment to maintain Lake Drive - Huzzy Lake for July 12, 2023 at 6:45 pm. Roll call vote - all yes. Motion passed.

Motion by Bitely with support by Nesbitt to adopt a resolution to renew township-wide special assessment district and spread the roll for fire protection at 1.0 mil. Roll call vote - all yes. Motion passed.

Motion by Nesbitt with support by Bitely to adopt a resolution to reaffirm township-wide special assessment district for the cost of construction, improvement and maintenance of public roads at a rate of 1.0 mil. Roll call vote - all yes. Motion passed.

Motion by Bitely with support by Nesbitt to reschedule the Huzzy Lake Weed Special Assessment District Public Hearing to August 9, 2023 at 6:30 pm and the Gravel Lake Weed Special Assessment District Public Hearing to August 9, 2023 at 6:45 pm. Voice vote - all yes. Motion passed.

Motion by Bitely with support by Nesbitt to approve the General Fund Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024 in summary form. Total revenue of \$953,165 less total expenditures of \$1,455,790 for a proposed net decrease in fund balance of \$502,625 together with the projected beginning fund balance of \$1,005,584.71 for a projected year end 2024 fund balance of \$502,959.71. Roll call vote - all yes. Motion passed.

Motion by Nesbitt with support by Bitely to approve the Fire Fund Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024 in summary form. Total revenue of \$162,000 less total expenditures of \$151,920 for a proposed net increase in fund balance of \$10,080 together with a proposed beginning fund balance of \$614,266.09 for a projected year end 2024 fund balance of \$624,346.09. Roll call vote - all yes. Motion passed.

Motion by Bitely with support by Nesbitt to amend the General Fund Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023 in summary form. Total revenue of \$1,074,145.50 less total expenditures of \$1,251,435 for a net decrease in fund balance of \$177,289.50. Roll call vote - all yes. Motion passed.

Motion by Bitely with support by Nesbitt to amend the Fire Fund Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023 in summary form. Total revenue of \$161,400 less total expenditures of \$182,500 for a net decrease in fund balance of \$21,100. Roll call vote - all yes. Motion passed.

Motion by Meade with support by Bitely for Township Board, after public hearing, to override the Headlee rollback. Roll call vote - all yes. Motion passed.

Motion by Meade with support by Bitely for the Township Board, after public hearing, to not roll back the Truth in Taxation. Roll call vote - all yes. Motion passed.

Motion by Meade with support by Bitely to specify the Kern Cemetery, Chamberlain Cemetery, and Fire Drive at Township Hall paving work be funded using COVID funds. Roll call vote - all yes. Motion passed.

Motion by Meade with support by Nesbitt to approve 3 year contract with Quality Lawn Care for spring and fall cleanup and lawn mowing for township hall, both cemeteries, and township property, at a rate of - 2023-\$10,325, 2024-\$10,841, 2025-\$11,383. Roll call vote - all yes. Motion passed.

Motion by Meade with support by Bitely to approve J Allen and Company to pave the township hall parking lot at a rate not to exceed \$50,000, and to utilize any unused COVID funds. Roll call vote - all yes. Motion passed.

Motion by Bitely with support by Meade adjourn the meeting at 7:55 pm. Voice vote - all yes. Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,
Charles Meade, Jr.
Porter Township Clerk