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Grant Township Board

Annual Truth in Taxation Hearing Minutes

March 24th, 2023, 11:00am

Grant Township Community Center

220 Gratiot Street, Copper Harbor, MI 49918

Phone: (906) 289-4292

Pledge of Allegiance

Meeting called to order at 11:00am

Roll Call

Present – Scott Ochodnicky, Misty Filsinger, Greg Lis, Ned Huwatschek, Art Davis

Absent – None

Zoom - None

Agenda & Minutes Approvals

- 1) **Motion to approve March 24th 2023 Annual Truth in Taxation Hearing Agenda** – put forward by Ned H, seconded by Art D, all in favor, Motion carries 5-0-0
- 2) Approval of March 29th 2022 Annual Truth in Taxation Hearing Minutes – this was already approved at the regular Board meeting held July 12th, 2022

Record of Electors Present - John Mueller, Tom Boost, Cheryl Ochodnicky

Purpose of Meeting

The purpose of this hearing is to review the millages used to create the budgets that will be used to operate the Township in the Fiscal year beginning April 1st, 2023 and ending March 31st, 2024.

The proposed budgets were developed using the following millage schedule and taxes will be collected to support these budgets.

Fixed allocated	2.3003	\$153,494.77
Ex-Voted	3.9589	\$264,173.89
Fire Millage	1.9794	\$132,081.12

Budgets were presented and discussed briefly by the Township Board

Comments from Electors – John Mueller discussed affordable housing in our area

Motion to adjourn – put forward by Scott O, seconded by Art D

Meeting adjourned at 11:08

APPROVED

*Vote tallies recorded in Meeting Minutes as Aye/Yes - Nah/No - Abstain
(Absent excluded from tally)*



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Annual Budget Meeting Minutes

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Agenda & Minutes Approvals

1. **Motion to approve March 24th, 2023, Annual Budget Meeting Agenda** – put forward by Scott O, seconded by Greg L, all in favor, **Motion carries 5-0-0**
2. Approval of March 29th 2022 Annual Budget Meeting Minutes – this was already approved at the regular Board meeting held July 12th, 2022

The purpose of this hearing is to:

- Amend the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 budgets as necessary
- Adopt the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 budget
- Authorize Annual Appointments and Allowances

Adoptions of Resolutions - The following Resolutions are presented By Scott Ochodnicky (Township Supervisor) for adoption:

Resolution #02-2023 Amend the 2022-23 FY General Fund Budget as follows:

- 1) Increase 443-932 Public Works Vehicle & Equipment Repairs from \$1500 to \$6600 – put forward by Scott O, seconded by Art D, - **Roll Call Vote** – Scott O yes, Misty F yes, Greg L yes, Ned H yes, Art D yes, **Resolution is adopted with a 5-0-0 vote**

Resolution #03-2023 Adoption of Fiscal Year 2023-24 General Fund Budget in the amount of \$837,672 with capital outlay – put forward by Scott O, seconded by Misty F, - **Roll Call Vote** – Scott O yes, Misty F yes, Greg L yes, Ned H yes, Art D yes, **Resolution is adopted with a 5-0-0 vote**

Resolution #04-2023 Adoption of Fiscal Year 2023-24 Fire Departments Budget in the amount of \$101,848– put forward by Scott O, seconded by Ned H, - **Roll Call Vote** – Scott O yes, Misty F yes, Greg L yes, Ned H yes, Art D yes, **Resolution is adopted with a 5-0-0 vote**

Resolution #05-2023 Adoption of Fiscal Year 2023-24 Water Dept Budget in the amount of \$114,096 – put forward by Scott O, seconded by Greg L, - **Roll Call Vote** – Scott O yes, Misty F yes, Greg L yes, Ned H yes, Art D yes, **Resolution is adopted with a 5-0-0 vote**

Resolution #06-2023 Adoption of Fiscal Year 2023-24 Sewer Dept Budget in the amount of \$249,760 – put forward by Scott O, seconded by Misty F, - **Roll Call Vote** – Scott O yes, Misty F yes, Greg L yes, Ned H yes, Art D yes, **Resolution is adopted with a 5-0-0 vote**

Resolution #07-2023 Adoption of Fiscal Year 2023-24 Copper Harbor DDA Budget in the amount of \$126,566 – put forward by Scott O, seconded by Art D, - **Roll Call Vote** – Scott O yes, Misty F yes, Greg L yes, Ned H yes, Art D yes, **Resolution is adopted with a 5-0-0 vote**

Resolution #08-2023 To set Trustee Extra Meeting Compensation at: \$150/meeting – put forward by Scott O, seconded by Misty F, - **Roll Call Vote** – Scott O yes, Misty F yes, Greg L yes, Ned H abstain, Art D abstain, **Resolution is adopted with a 3-0-2 vote**

Resolution #09-2023 To set Fire Chiefs' Compensation: \$8,000/year each chief – put forward by Scott O, seconded by Art D, - **Roll Call Vote** – Scott O yes, Misty F yes, Greg L yes, Ned H yes, Art D yes, **Resolution is adopted with a 5-0-0 vote**

Resolution #10-2023 To establish rates for Orange Township Garbage Bags at:
Small \$18.00 per package of 10 bags
Medium \$28.00 per package of 10 bags
Large \$50.00 per package of 10 bags

– put forward by Scott O, seconded by Ned H, - **Roll Call Vote** – Scott O yes, Misty F yes, Greg L yes, Ned H yes, Art D yes, **Resolution is adopted with a 5-0-0 vote**

Resolution #11-2023 To establish sewer usage rates at \$11.00 per 1000 gallons – put forward by Scott O, seconded by Misty F, - **Roll Call Vote** – Scott O yes, Misty F yes, Greg L yes, Ned H abstain, Art D yes, **Resolution is adopted with a 4-0-1 vote**

Resolution #12-2023 To establish water usage rates at \$11.60 per 1000 gallons – put forward by Scott O, seconded by Greg L, - **Roll Call Vote** – Scott O yes, Misty F yes, Greg L yes, Ned H abstain, Art D yes, **Resolution is adopted with a 4-0-1 vote**

Adoptions of Appointments and Allowances - The following Annual Appointments and Allowances are presented by Scott Ochodnicky (Township Supervisor) for approval for Fiscal Year 2023-24:

- 1) **The Monthly Board Meeting** - 2nd Tuesday of the Month at 6 PM except as noted. - Motion put forward by Scott O, seconded by Greg L, all in favor, **motion carries 5-0-0**
- 2) **Work Session** - Thursday preceding Twp Board Meeting at 6 PM except as noted. - Motion put forward by Scott O, seconded by Ned H, all in favor, **motion carries 5-0-0**
- 3) **Auditor:** Susan Sanford, C.P.A. - Motion put forward by Scott O, seconded by Misty F, all in favor, **motion carries 5-0-0**
- 4) **Assessor:** Mark Erhart. - Motion put forward by Scott O, seconded by Greg L, all in favor, **motion carries 5-0-0**
- 5) **Banks of Record:** Incredible Bank, The Miners State Bank, Superior National Bank and Range Bank. - Motion put forward by Scott O, seconded by Misty F, all in favor, **motion carries 5-0-0**
- 6) **Newspaper of Record:** Daily Mining Gazette. - Motion put forward by Scott O, seconded by Greg L, all in favor, **motion carries 5-0-0**

- 7) **Board of Review Compensation:** \$25.00/hour + meal per session, plus mileage. Training expenses to be determined by Township Board. – put forward by Scott O, seconded by Art D, - **Roll Call Vote** – Scott O yes, Misty F yes, Greg L yes, Ned H yes, Art D yes, **motion carries 5-0-0**
- 8) **Election Board Compensation:** \$17.50/hour + meal for 6+ hour sessions. Training expenses to be determined by the Township Board as required by the State. – put forward by Scott O, seconded by Greg L, - **Roll Call Vote** – Scott O yes, Misty F yes, Greg L yes, Ned H yes, Art D yes, **motion carries 5-0-0**
- 9) **Township Deputy Official Position:** \$18.00/hour – put forward by Scott O, seconded by Greg L, - **Roll Call Vote** – Scott O yes, Misty F yes, Greg L yes, Ned H yes, Art D yes, **motion carries 5-0-0**
- 10) **All hourly positions:** Will be set at a minimum base rate of \$17.50/hour. Increases will be based on merit and longevity. – put forward by Scott O, seconded by Greg L, - **Roll Call Vote** – Scott O yes, Misty F yes, Greg L yes, Ned H yes, Art D yes, **motion carries 5-0-0**
- 11) **Out of Township Travel Compensation:** \$50/day + reasonable and customary expenses. – put forward by Scott O, seconded by Misty F, - **Roll Call Vote** – Scott O yes, Misty F yes, Greg L yes, Ned H yes, Art D yes, **motion carries 5-0-0**
- 12) **Mileage Reimbursement:** starting at \$0.66/mile and adjusted to current federal rate. – put forward by Scott O, seconded by Art D, - **Roll Call Vote** – Scott O yes, Misty F yes, Greg L yes, Ned H yes, Art D yes, **motion carries 5-0-0**
- 13) **Community Room with or without Park Pavilion and Lac LaBelle Fire Hall Rental Fees:** \$350 plus \$250 refundable security deposit. The fees allow the use of the facilities for a maximum of two days. Residents of Grant Township do not have to pay for the Halls or Park Pavilions but must still pay security deposit and show proof of liability. – put forward by Scott O, seconded by Greg L, - **Roll Call Vote** – Scott O yes, Misty F yes, Greg L yes, Ned H yes, Art D yes, **motion carries 5-0-0**

Public Comment period begins at 11:36am

Motion to adjourn - put forward by Scott O, seconded by Art D

Meeting adjourned at 11:44am

APPROVED

*Vote tallies recorded in Meeting Minutes as Aye/Yes - Nah/No - Abstain
(Absent excluded from tally)*

will be filled in after the expenditures are done for the f/y

Last F/Y

2023-24

2022-23

REVENUE

Proposed

Actual

Budget

101 - 401 - 000	Taxes - General Revenue	420,970		411,925
101 - 475 - 000	Licenses & Permits	3,580		3,562
101 - 501 - 000	Federal Grants	11,244		11,245
101 - 539 - 000	State Grants	26,223		24,614
101 - 600 - 000	Charges for Services	40,641		40,641
101 - 664 - 000	Investments & Rentals	10,415		3,069
101 - 671 - 000	Other Revenue	0		0
101 - 690 - 000	Other Financing Sources	337,100		408,757
	Total Revenue	850,173		903,813

2023-24

2022-23

Proposed

Actual

Budget

EXPENDITURES

Legislative

101 - 101	Township Board	85,030	72,906
Chief Executive (171-190)			
101 - 171	Supervisor	50,307	40,320
Financial and Tax Administration (191-260)			
101 - 192	Accounting Manager	12,296	25,520
101 - 215	Clerk	46,974	42,832
101 - 247	Board of Review	4,233	4,502
101 - 253	Treasurer	48,074	42,074
101 - 257	Assessor	20,762	19,011
Other General Government (261-279)			
101 - 262	Elections	1,000	8,562
101 - 265	Buildings and Grounds	358,920	360,345
Public Safety (301-439)			
101 - 302	First Responders	2,700	8,400
101 - 330	Liquor Law Enforcement	3,500	3,700
Public Works Control (441-599)			
101 - 443	Public Works Vehicles and Equipment	16,000	9,700
101 - 446	Roads, Street and Bridges	24,421	76,586
101 - 448	Street Lighting	20,000	20,000
101 - 526	Sanitary Landfill (old dumps)	200	200
101 - 528	Rubbish Collection/Disposal	98,024	98,630
101 - 567	Cemetery	6,467	5,001

Community and Economic Development

101 - 704	Internet Improvements	0	0
101 - 706	Environmental Support	0	0
101 - 728	Economic Development	0	0

Recreation and Culture (751-849)


101 - 751	Parks and Recreation	38,765	53,025
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Grand Total **837,672** **891,314**


Fund balance beginning fiscal year 0

Expected fund balance ending fiscal year 0

This budget was approved at the Budget Hearing of March 24, 2023

 3-24-2023

Scott Ochodnický - Supervisor

 3/24/2023

Greg Lis - Clerk

 3/24/2023

Misty Filsinger - Treasurer

SEWER FUND
Budget Summary for F/Y 2023-24

Revenue

Charges for Services Control

590 - 000 - 628	Administration	20,357
590 - 000 - 629	Usage - Operating	79,440
590 - 000 - 630	Readiness to Serve - Maint & Invest	81,624
590 - 000 - 631	Sewer Debt Reduction	23,040

Invest Income and Rents Control

590 - 000 665.01	Interest - Checking Account	0
590 - 000 665.02	Interest - SRF Depository	0

Other Financing Sources Control

590 - 000 - 693	Sale of Capital Assets	
590 - 699 - 248	Interfund Transfers In (DDA for grinders)	50,000
	Fund Balance - non-annual purchase	5,500

Total Revenue **259,960**


Expenditures

102	Maintenance Team	8,509
192	Accounts Administration	9,264
215	Clerk	1,292
253	Treasurer	1,292
536	Sewer System - Operating	79,440
537	Sewer System - Maintenance & Maint.Funds	149,964

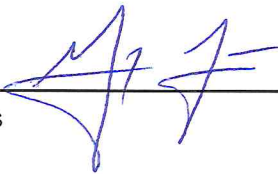
Total Expenditures **249,760**

Grand Total Expenditures	249,760
Grand Total Revenue	259,960

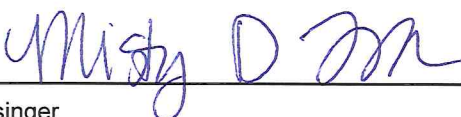
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Scott Ochodnicky

 3/24/2023

Greg Lis

 3/24/2023

Misty Filsinger

WATER FUND
Budget Summary for F/Y 2023-24

Revenue

Contributions from Local Units

591 - 000 - 581	Hydrant Rental - Fire Millage	5,040
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Charges for Services

591 - 000 - 628	Administration	33,209
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591 - 000 - 629	Usage - Operating	80,887
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591 - 000 - 630	On/Off Charges	1,350
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591 - 000 - 631	Installation Fee	0
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Invest Income and Rents Control

591 - 000 - 665	Interest	200
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Other Financing Sources Control

591 - 000 - 693	Sale of Capital Assets	
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591 - 000 - 699	Fund Balance Transfers In	12,000
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Total Revenue

132,686

Expenditures


102	Maintenance Team	7,079
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192	Accounts Administration	8,547
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215	Clerk	1,292
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253	Treasurer	1,292
536	Water System	95,887
	Total Expenditures	114,096
	Grand Total Expenditures	114,096
	Grand Total Revenue	132,686


This budget was approved at the Budget Hearing of March 24, 2023



Scott Ochodnicky



Greg Lis



Misty Filsinger

FIRE FUND
Budget for Fire Millage - F/Y 2023-24

REVENUE

[400] Revenue Control		
206 - 000 - 401	Taxes Control 401-499 (General Revenue)	130,151
206 - 000 - 539	State Grants Control 539-579	
206 - 000 - 664	Investment Income and Rentals Control 664-670	6,506
	Total Revenue	136,657

EXPENDITURES


LEGISLATIVE (101-128)		2022-23 Budget	2022-23 Actuals
337 Administration		36,128	32,378
	Total Expenditures Administration	36,128	24,187
	Total Net Revenue	136,657	
	Divided by 2	68,329	

339 Fire Fighting Copper Harbor	40,040	39,040	25,950
Total Expenditures CH	40,040		
Total Revenue CH	68,329		
Net Income - Fund Balance CH	28,289		
440 Fire Fighting Lac La Belle	25,680	24,380	14,852
Total Expenditures LLB	25,680		
Total Revenue LLB	68,329		
Net Income - Fund Balance LLB	42,649		
Total Expenditures / Budget Total	101,848		

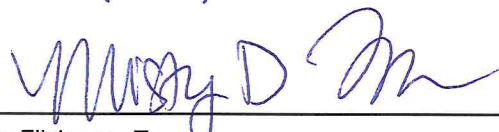
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 Greg Lis - Clerk

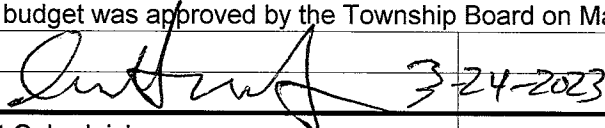
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 Misty Filsinger - Treasurer

						2022-23 F/Y
LEGISLATIVE (101-128)						
248 CH DDA Fund						
248	103	DDA Board				800
		Supplies				
248	103	-752	Supplies - Office			
248	103	-791	Subscriptions & Publications			
		Other Services & Charges				
248	103	-801	Prof & Contractual Services ~Audit		800	700
248	103	-826	Bank Fees			
248	103	-851	Mail/Postage			
248	103	-861	Trans. Mileage Reimbursement			
248	103	-881	Web Services /website			
248	103	-900	Printing & Publishing			
248	103	-910	Professional Development			
248	103	-910	Memberships			
248	103	-946	Engineering Services - Grants			
		Capital Outlay Control				
248	103	-984	Software			
Financial and Tax Administration (191-260)						
248	215	Secretary				1,550
		Personal Services				
248	215	-703	Salary		1,440	1,440
248	215	-711	Medicare		21	0
248	215	-712	Social Security		89	110
		Supplies				
248	215	-752	Supplies			
248	215	-791	Subscriptions & Publications			
		Other Services & Charges				
248	215	-850	Communications (telephone, radio, etc.)			
248	215	-852	Other Misc. Comm - Internet Services			
248	215	-861	Trans. Mileage Reimbursement			
248	215	-910	Professional Development			
248	215	-933	Software Maintenance Agreement (support)			
248	215	-934	Other Repairs & Maintenance			
248	215	-948	Computer Services			
		Capital Outlay				
248	215	-980	Office Equipment & Furniture			
248	215	-984	Software			0

	248	253	Treasurer				1,938	
			Personal Services					
	248	253	703	Salary		1,800		1,800
	248	253	711	Medicare		26		0
	248	253	712	Social Security		112		138
			Supplies					
	248	253	752	Supplies				
	248	253	791	Subscriptions & Publications				
			Other Services & Charges					
	248	253	850	Communications (telephone, radio, etc.)				
	248	253	852	Other Misc. Comm - Internet Services				
	248	253	861	Trans. Mileage Reimbursement				
	248	253	910	Professional Development				
	248	253	933	Software Maintenance Agreement (support)				
	248	253	934	Other Repairs & Maintenance				
	248	253	948	Computer Services				
			Capital Outlay					
	248	253	980	Office Equipment & Furniture				
	248	253	984	Software				
			Other General Government (261-279)					
	248	265	Buildings and Grounds				10,000	
			Other Services & Charges					
	248	265	801	Professional & Contractual Services				
	248	265	920	Electricity				
	248	265	930	Land and Building Repairs				
	248	265	931	Equipment Repairs				
	248	265	940	Rentals				
	248	265	941	Contingency				
	248	265	946	Engineering Services				
	248	265	955	Miscellaneous				
			Capital Outlay					
	248	265	974	Land Improvements				
	248	265	975	Buildings, Additions and Improvements		10,000		5,000
	248	265	979	Equipment - Yard and Storage				
	248	265	988	Construction in Progress				
			Debt Service					
	248	265	991	Principal				
	248	265	992	Interest				
	248	265	993	Fees				
	248	265	993	Additional Principal				

	248	703	- Marketing and Promotion				21,500	
	248	703	- Other Services & Charges					
	248	703	-851	Mail/Postage				
	248	703	-861	Trans. Mileage Reimbursement				
	248	703	-880.01	CHIA Advertising	12,000			10,000
	248	703	-880.02	CH Nature Society	2,500			2,500
	248	703	-882	Local Event Support	2,000			2,000
	248	703	-883	Community Video	5,000			5,000
	248	703	-900	Printing & Publishing ~Advertising				
	248	703	-911	Conferences				
	248	703	-913	Travel				
	248	703	-948	Computer Services				
	248	703	-955	Misc.				
				Capital Outlay				
	248	703	-984	Software				
	248	704	Internet Improvements				0	
				Supplies				
	248	704	-752	Supplies				
	248	704	- Other Services & Charges					
	248	704	-801	Professional & Contractual Services				
	248	704	-861	Trans. Mileage Reimbursement				
	248	704	-955	Misc.				
				Capital Outlay				
	248	704	-985	Equipment				
	248	705	Community Development				57,500	
				Other Financing Uses				
	248	705	-995.01	Interfund Transfers Out	7,500			6,000
	248	705	-995.02	Interfund Transfers Out	50,000			50,000
	248	752		XXXXXfireworks supplyXXXX	1,500			

	248	806	Welcome Center Administration			12,978	
			Personal Services				
	248	806	703	Salary	12,000		12,000
	248	806	711	Medicare	174		0
	248	806	709	Social Security	744		950
	248	806	708	SUTA (UIA)	60		0
			Supplies				
	248	806	752	Supplies			
	248	806	791	Subscriptions & Publications			0
			Other Services & Charges				
	248	806	801	Prof & Contr Services			
	248	806	850	Communications (telephone, radio, etc.)			0
	248	806	851	Mail/Postage			
	248	806	852	Other Misc. Comm - Internet Services			
	248	806	861	Trans. Mileage Reimbursement			
	248	806	880	Community Promotion			
	248	806	900	Printing & Publishing			
	248	806	931	Equipment Repairs			
	248	806	934	Other Repairs & Maintenance			0
	248	806	948	Computer Services			
	248	806	955	Misc.			
			Capital Outlay				
	248	806	980	Office Equipment & Furniture			1,200
	248	806	982	Books			
	248	806	984	Software			0
	Total Expenditures				128,066	126,566	119,138
	Total Fund Balance In					-16,347	21,621
	Revenue					110,219	97,517
	Fund Balance end F/Y 2022-23					80,537	
	Grant Total Balance at F/Y 22-23 year end						
	This budget was approved by the Township Board on March 24th, 2023						
							
	<u>Scott Ochodnicky</u> Supervisor, Grant Township						

