

A Special Meeting was held October 18, 2002 at 7:30 PM at the Heidelberg Township Municipal Building for the purpose of discussing the 2003 Budget. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Harry Rodgers.

Harry Rodgers, Paul Hilbert, Larry Sterner and Norma Markle were present.

Others present were Bruce Jones, Matt Bollinger, Scott Rabenstine and Ed Morin.

Bruce Jones presented a proposal from the Recreation Committee requesting \$ 30,000.00 for 2003, which would include the land payment to Warehime. Also to transfer the \$ 15,000.00 from 2002 not received yet. This will be budgeted for 2003.

Ed Morin stated the Fire Company is holding their own at this point and he and Scott Rabenstine requested that they receive what they did in 2002, which was .25 mills of the Real Estate Tax collected. This will remain the same.

Matt Bollinger stated he had nothing prepared and requested the same as 2002 which was \$ 5,000.00, this also will remain the same. Matt also suggested the Board sometime look into purchasing a generator for emergency purposes.

Police Budget for 2003 will be \$ 206,799.55 or \$ 51,699.96 per quarter.

Contributions to the libraries and VNA will remain the same in 2003 @ \$ 2,000.00 each and the SPCA will get \$ 500.00. The contract from Hemler's will need to be reviewed.

Larry Sterner stated that tractor and mower used for mowing along roads should be replaced and looked at some with a ballpark figure of \$ 70,000.00.

Paul Hilbert suggested purchasing a new lawn tractor also.

A second alternate is needed for the Zoning Hearing Board.

Pay rates for 2003 were discussed.

Millage for 2003 will remain at 1.20 mills.

The proposed budget for 2003 came to \$ 700,000.00, a \$ 5,000.00 increase from 2002.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

*Norma Markle, Sec.*

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