

Conestoga Township Board of Supervisors

Budget Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, October 8, 2024

A budget meeting of the Board of Supervisors was held on Tuesday, October 8, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in the Conestoga Township Public Meeting Room located at 3959 Main Street, Conestoga, Pennsylvania.

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by the Chairman of the Board, Matthew Connelly.

PRESENT - SUPERVISORS

Chairman Matthew Connelly, Vice Chairman Joe Devoy and Tom Grassel Jr.

OTHERS PRESENT

Jessie Ebersole, Township Secretary/Treasurer

Brian Herr, Roadmaster

Terry Shepps, 125 Valley Road

Melanie Scheid, 157 Marticville Road

2025 BUDGET WORK SESSION

Jessie Ebersole stated that the 2025 budget reflects a conservative approach to revenues, and expenditures are based on current year-to-date, the last five years of actual data, and quotes obtained. She reviewed and provided comments on the proposed revenue and expenditure line items for the General Operating and the State Highway funds. A major change from 2024 to 2025 budget is in Road/Equipment Grants revenue and Roads Capital Purchase expense in the amount of \$600,000. **Brian Herr** explained that this amount represents a grant we are applying for to purchase a multipurpose machine with attachments. Brian went on to explain the other major changes in the Roads and Streets category. The major increase in Pipe Replacement/Repair budget is for River Road maintenance. The Road Bid Projects are designated for Tomahawk Cul-de-sac, Brenner Hollow Road, Colemanville Road, and Fox Hollow Road.

Terry Shepps inquired on the Act 537 Plan Engineering amount budgeted at \$60,000. Tom Grassel explained the 2024 contracted services will flow into 2025. Future financial decisions will be based on DEPs evaluation of the plan update. Terry complimented the Board of Supervisors and Jessie for presenting a budget that continues to maintain fund balance while making improvements to the Township's roadways and equipment. Jessie thanked Terry for the many years of being fiscally responsible of the Townships financials.

Melanie Scheid asked the Board to include funds in the budget to address the concern of the dark gray water coming from the well at the pool. Tom Grassel related a personal experience with

the same issue of water discoloration that occurs during dry weather conditions. They agreed to look into her concern.

Matthew Connelly stated the budget review was completed within this meeting and therefore no other advertised meetings will be necessary.

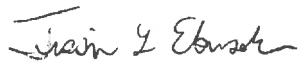
Joe Devoy made a motion to cancel the advertised meeting for October 15, 2025 with a second by **Matthew Connelly**.

All in favor – None opposed.

ADJOURNMENT

With no other business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 10:04 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by,



Jessie L. Ebersole
Conestoga Township Secretary