

Milton Township
Budget Hearing
March 21, 2011

Bargy called the meeting to order at 6 pm and the Pledge was recited.

Bargy discussed how the budget portion of this meeting would operate. Bargy goes through the budget page by page and citizens can ask any questions along the way.

Jerry Mensing asked regarding the general revenue on page 3. Bargy said this was a clerical mistake. The correct figure was discussed.

Ron Boals asked regarding the budget for the Old Township Hall. Bargy said this increase was for painting the exterior and repairing the stairs.

Jerry Mensing asked regarding the increase in office building and grounds. Bargy said they are getting bids for air conditioning and also for new heat source pumps. They also want to install a secure drop box. On the outside the stucco needs repair as well.

Jerry Mensing asked regarding the \$10K increase in roads. They will finish Sutter and then if approved by Elk Rapids Township, there will be a joint repair on Birch Lake Rd. The remainder will be used for cracks sealing and filling.

Bargy said the Parks budget has been cut in half. They got some major projects done and this year, it will be primarily general maintenance with a few small upgrades.

Ron Boals asked regarding the library budget. Ron said he just doesn't see where the money is going. Bargy said it was voted on in perpetuity and cannot be changed.

Toby Way asked regarding if the State revenue will be cut. Bargy said, this year we won't be affected.

A citizen asked regarding how the recycling is working out. Bargy said the county is now funding it and it has been working very well.

Scott Finch asked regarding if there are any other opportunities for consolidation? Bargy said Milton is meeting with surrounding townships to discuss this idea.

Budget hearing closed at 6:27 pm.

These minutes are subject to approval at the April 11, 2011 meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Ball, Clerk