

**BLAIR TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**Budget Workshop**  
**April 20, 2017**  
**APPROVED**

**CALL TO ORDER:** The Budget Workshop meeting of the Blair Township Board of Trustees was called to order at 9:04 a.m. on April 20, 2017 at the Township Hall, 2121 County Road 633, Grawn, MI, to prepare for the operations of the 2017-2018 fiscal year.

**ROLL CALL:** Members present: Clous, Wolfgang, Blonshine, Campbell, Zeits, Fitzpatrick and Kucera. Also in attendance were Fire Chief Jim Carroll, EMS Director Dan O'Brien and one guest.

There was no public input.

The EMS Director and Fire Chief presented their proposed wages for part time staff.

**Moved by Wolfgang second by Clous** to adopt the wage adjustments for part time staff for Fiscal year 2017-2018. **Yes:** Wolfgang, Blonshine, Clous, Zeits, Fitzpatrick, Kucera, and Clous. **No:** None. **Motion carried.**

The Clerk recommended raising election worker pay by \$1.00 per hour.

**Moved by Wolfgang second by Blonshine** to raise election work pay to \$12.00 an hour for election inspectors and \$14.00 for chairpersons. **Yes:** Blonshine, Campbell, Zeits, Fitzpatrick, Kucera, Clous and Wolfgang. **No:** None. **Motion carried.**

**Moved by Wolfgang second by Kucera** to give all other employees a 3% COLA. **Yes:** Zeits, Fitzpatrick, Kucera, Clous, Wolfgang and Blonshine. **No:** Campbell. **Motion carried.**

**Moved by Blonshine second by Zeits** to keep the Supervisor's salary at the current rate of \$53,630.00. **Yes:** Zeits, Fitzpatrick, Kucera, Clous, Wolfgang and Blonshine. **No:** Campbell. **Motion carried.**

**Moved by Blonshine second by Kucera** to increase the Clerk's salary by \$5,000.00 per year. **Yes:** Fitzpatrick, Kucera (she is worth it), Wolfgang, and Blonshine. **No:** Clous (Not because she is not worth it), Campbell, and Zeits (it too high). **Motion carried.**

**Moved by Zeits** to keep the Treasurer's salary at the current rate of \$45,598.00. **Motion failed** due to lack of support.

**Moved by Blonshine second by Kucera** to increase the Treasurer's salary by \$5,000.00 per year. **Yes:** Kucera, Wolfgang, Zeits, Blonshine and Fitzpatrick. **No:** Clous and Campbell. **Motion carried.**

General Fund Revenues were discussed.

Zoning Administrator Lindsey Wolf addressed the board regarding clarification of her job description and title, wages were also discussed. She also presented her proposed budget.

**Moved by Fitzpatrick second by Kucera** to change the Zoning Administrator's job title and description to Zoning Administrator/Planner. **Motion carried.**

**Moved by Campbell second by Fitzpatrick** to increase the Zoning Administrator/Planner's wage to \$48,000.00 per year and make the position salaried. **Yes:** Kucera, Campbell, and Fitzpatrick. **No:** Wolfgang (I would agree with the increase, not the change to salary), Zeits (yes to increase, no to salary), Blonshine (yes to increase, no to salary), Clous (yes to increase, no to salary). **Motion failed.**

**Moved by Wolfgang second by Zeits** to increase the Zoning Administrator/Planner's wages to \$48,000.00 per year. **Yes:** Wolfgang, Blonshine, Zeits, Kucera, Clous and Fitzpatrick. **No:** Campbell. **Motion carried.**

Board member Campbell left the meeting at 11:45 am.

The Assessing and Board of Review budget centers were discussed.

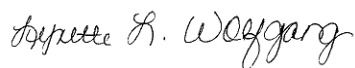
**Moved by Blonshine second by Clous** to increase the Assessor's wages \$50,774.00 per year. **Yes:** Blonshine, Zeits, Kucera, Clous, Fitzpatrick and Wolfgang. **No:** None. **Motion carried.**

Board member Clous left the meeting at 12:30 pm.

The Water/Sewer Coordinator's wages were discussed.

**Moved by Wolfgang second by Blonshine** to increase the Water/Sewer Coordinator's wage to \$45,000.00 per year. **Yes:** Fitzpatrick, Zeits, Blonshine, Wolfgang and Kucera. **No:** None. **Motion carried.**

**ADJOURNMENT:** Adjourned 12:38 pm.



Lynette L. Wolfgang  
Township Clerk