**Audit and Budget Meeting**

**2-27-2023**

The Board of Audit met at 6:00 pm on Monday, February 27, 2023. Board members present included Chairman Mark Stovern, Supervisor John Hoffman, Supervisor John Schmalz, Treasurer Dominique Haller and Clerk Faith Lichtscheidl. Maintenance Brad Johnson and resident Becky Strand were also present at this meeting.

At 6:00 pm the meeting was called to order and the pledge of allegiance was recited.

The clerk stated that the clerk and treasurer balance regarding year end book keeping.

The board came up with a list for discussion at the 2023 Annual Board meeting on March 14, 2023. The list includes the following items they would like to see taken care of.

1. Parking lot should be seal coated and painted. We also need handicap signs in front of the spots and they parking area needs to be painting.
2. Carbide teeth grade for the grader to help with the ice (will need costs).
3. Compactor for the grader rather than relying on the traffic to pack the roads.
4. There are many culverts that will require work to be done this spring.
5. Seal coated roads should be assessed again to see if they need more seal coating.
6. Pole shed: Brad checked with Menards and has a plan for a building with 11% off that would cost about $32,000. Estimate with concrete would be about $70,000.
7. New tires on the grader.
8. Talked about having some rock salt on hand for some of the blacktop roads.
9. Possible pre-treatment of asphalt roads before a snow storm
10. Remote openers for the garage doors.

Upland Road: Chairman Stovern met with the County Auditor and there are 28 properties on this road. If this road is blacktopped and the residents were assessed 100% for cost, each resident would be assessed approximately $21,000. This could be done through a special assessment which is easiest for the Auditor’s office. Or it could be done through a subordinate service district and the township would need to report to the auditors office yearly that residents of this road need to be billed. Either way, the assessed dollars could be spread out over 10 to 15 years or it could be paid by the resident up front. It is possible interest will be charged and that could be around 2%.

After discussion regarding the amount to raise the levee for 2024 a motion was made by Supervisor Schmalz to raise it 20%, Supervisor Hoffman 2nd the motion; all in favor, motion carried. The 20% is what will be presented to the residents at the annual meeting on March 14, 2023.

A motion was made by Supervisor Hoffman to adjourn the meeting at 8:14 pm, Supervisor Schmalz 2nd the motion; all in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Faith Lichtscheidl, Clerk

Mark Stovern, Chairman