



ATLAS TOWNSHIP, MI

TOWNSHIP BOARD

DRAFT MINUTES • JANUARY 24, 2019

Budget Worksession Meeting

Township Hall

12:00 AM

7386 S. Gale Rd, Grand Blanc, MI 48439

1 **1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

2 **2. ROLL CALL**

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Tere Onica	Supervisor	Present	
Barry June	Trustee	Present	
Ann Marie Moore	Treasurer	Present	
Patrick Major	Trustee	Present	
Katie Vick	Clerk	Absent	

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4 **3. STAFF PRESENT**

5 Fire Chief Steve Bullen was present.

6 **4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

7 **5. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

8 Doreen Hogness- Budget expenses. Legal expenses.

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10 Paulette Johnson- Atlas Park funding. Metro Act fees. Pathway use and future routes.

11 **6. OLD BUSINESS**

12 1. General Fund Budget Review

13 Board member Moore asked to be excused at 6:30 p.m. The board discussed Other
14 Business first to accommodate the Treasurer's request. The Item under Other Business:
15 Request for funding to limestone Atlas Park pathway. Funding will be provided by the
16 Recreational Pathways fund.

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18 This need was mentioned in December 2018. Trustee June stated that with the weather,
19 now may be a better time to get approval for limestone to be dumped and spread
20 instead of waiting for spring. The total cost was estimated at \$15,000.00.

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22 Discussion and review started with the Fire Fund. Fire budget looked good. A bid packet
23 for a new truck will happen this year. The Fire Department will need financial help from
24 the township. The department has about \$250K in savings and about \$200K in
25 investments. The truck will likely cost \$450K.

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27 The Chief requested an increase for Assistant Chief, Ed Klimek all the additional time and
28 work he does. The Assistant Chief developed and launched the ATRFD web-site; he
29 continues to do all of the reporting and payroll responsibility he had as Captain; He
30 works 20-hours per week on average, not including calls. The Chief and Assistant Chief
31 have been mapping out and planning to install wells to make water available in every

32 quadrant of the township so that everyone is within a 3-mile radius of a water source.
 33 They plan to revisit the ISO ratings as the wells are installed. A performance review will
 34 be provided to support the request for increase.
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36 The board reviewed the General Fund Budget by line item. Extra-voted revenue for fund
 37 101, 206, 266, and 255 will not be available until after the Board of Review takes place.
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39 The township remodel cost is unknown. New building codes such as sensor lighting will
 40 add cost. Construction will likely span two fiscal years. The Building Inspector is
 41 reviewing blueprints for bid specs.
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43 101-101.000-865.000 was recommended at \$1,500.00
 44 101-101.000-920.000 was double the budgeted amount. Expenses were booked in the
 45 wrong account and have to be reclassified. The board reviewed specific GL numbers with
 46 overages. Until reclassification occurs, the Supervisor will not recommend amendments.
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48 Grant revenue and expenses are needed from the Clerk to budget CDBG Public Service
 49 funds.
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51 The Supervisor is waiting for budget information from the following departments: 190,
 52 215, 253, and payroll information to calculate increases.
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54 The current CPI is 1.95%. Cost of Living for all departments was established in prior
 55 years as the method for increases. The Supervisor elected not to add COLA to her
 56 department wage with trustee objections; when declined by officials in the past inequity
 57 of wages were created for future officials.
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59 Road repairs and maintenance will require a hit to the general fund. Atlas has \$209K of
 60 matching funds available. Limestone will cost about \$130K independent of the 50/50
 61 funding. Green Road was discussed. Trustee June will engage the GCRC with input on
 62 what can be done to facilitate road construction and minimize cost.

63 2. Motion to approve \$15,000.00 from the Recreational Pathways Fund to purchase
 64 limestone for the path in Atlas Park.

65	RESULT:	ADOPTED [3 TO 0]
66	MOVER:	Tere Onica, Supervisor
67	SECONDER:	Patrick Major, Trustee
68	AYES:	Onica, Moore, Major
69	ABSTAIN:	June
70	ABSENT:	Vick

71 Trustee June abstained due to his employment with Genesee County Parks. June
 72 commented on the additional work that will be done by the County Park, such as the
 73 installation of cross-tubing and the need for Woven Geo-Textile fabric.

74 **7. NEW BUSINESS**

75 1. Any Other Business

76 No other business was discussed.

77 **8. BOARD COMMENTS**

78 **9. ADJOURNMENT**

79 The meeting adjourned around 7:30 p.m.