Black Creek Township Supervisors <u>Special Meeting Minutes</u> Thursday, February 15th, at 9:00 a.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Special Meeting of the Black Creek Township Supervisors, held on Thursday, February 15th, 2024 will now come to order.

Attendance:

Roll Call: Supervisor Cheesman: Present, Supervisor Yacowatz: Present, Supervisor Feerrar: Present.

Public Comment on Agenda Items: There is a 5-minute time limit. Please state your name and address.

Adoption of 2024 Budget

A *motion* by Supervisor Cheesman, *seconded* by Supervisor Chairman Yacowatz to approve the adoption of the newly proposed budget for 2024.

All in favor.

Supervisor Feerrar went on to explain the budget and how it works and how it was calculated. He mentioned that the 2024 budget is based on operating income and operating expenses and he did include any grants into the budget. Supervisor Feerrar stated that we do not have any grants in yet, we have some waiting, but none that are approved yet. However, once they are approved, he will call a meeting and let the people know how they will affect the budget. He then explained that he took out John and Saura's medical benefits from the budget, he took out John's salary, a \$189,771 error that was in last year's actual and he's taken out the two grants awarded last year to bring the budget back down to where it should be. He went on to mention that in the budget, we will not increase taxes. He then said that now that we have all of the snow plow personnel and materials for snow plowing, the budget should be very close at the end of the year and well within the 0.72 tax millage. As for liquid fuels, last year we received \$137,000 and this year we will receive \$116,779 to use for this year for the roads. Other than that, our taxes should be the same. Our other income should come in at about \$865,979 and our expenses, a balance budget, which means that your expenses should equal your income, should equal out to the \$865, 979. He further explained that last year, there was a \$907,000 budget on income, and \$1,000,106 was spent. Then there was a \$907,000 budget on expenses and \$1,000,007 was spent. He concluded that the previous administration left them with only \$115,000 to start with. The Supervisor Chairman added that the Township's main income is the Liquid Fuels allocations, taxes and also permits for building and zoning.

Hiring of Road Crew Members: One Full time, Two Part-time

A *motion* by Supervisor Feerrar, *seconded* by Supervisor Chairman Yacowatz to approve hiring: Howard Hill – Full Time at an hourly rate of \$25.00.

Jesse Webster – Part-time at an hourly rate of \$25.00.

Donnie Tombasco – Part-time at an hourly rate of \$22.00.

All in favor.

Public Comment:

A comment was made by Cindy Planutis gave a sincere thank you to the Supervisors for trimming trees by the Sally Pursell's sign. She said its a lot easier to see to drive out onto Rock Glen Road.

Adjournment:

A *motion* by Supervisor Feerrar, seconded by Chairman Yacowatz, to adjourn the meeting at 9:20a.m. All in favor.