



Budget & Finance Committee

Tuesday, October 23, 2012 – 1:30 p.m.
Room 100 – Otsego County Building
225 West Main Gaylord, MI 49735

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Olsen called the meeting to order at 1:30 PM

Roll call – Present: Lee Olsen, Paul Beachnau, Erma Backenstose, Clark Bates, John Burt

Others present – See attached separate list of attendees.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Mr. Beachnau to approve the minutes from the October 16, 2012 budget and finance committee meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Dover Township Request

Ms. Axford distributed a spreadsheet showing the financial impact of the recent Michigan Tax Tribunal's (MTT) decision on the Treetops properties will have on the taxing units within Otsego County.

Dover Township reiterated its request to Otsego County to assist in funding the cost of an attorney to appeal the decision. The request was also extended to all taxing units within the County, to consider assisting with the cost of the appeal.

The Committee will consider the request and make its decision at a later date.

NEW BUSINESS

A. 2013 Budget Discussion

Ms. Frisch distributed the second draft of the general fund budget for 2013. She also presented a list of fees for services and memberships paid to outside agencies for the Committee's consideration. She then updated the Committee on the Friend of the Court (FOC) Fund. She also discussed health care copay and cola options for 2013.

For the next Committee meeting, Ms. Frisch was directed to update the budget as follows:

- Update payroll figures for non-union employees, increasing the cola to 2% for 2013.
- Update the general fund and FOC fund to combine all FOC activities into the 215 fund, and allocate \$9,220 to the 215 Fund to balance the budget.
- Contact the Sheriff to ask him to present a report of statistics/activities for the Marine, ORV, and Snowmobile grants for the Township Association meeting on November 20th.

Mr. Olsen asked the Committee to change the dates of two November budget workshop meetings as follows:

Change the November 6th meeting to Monday, November 5th, at 2:00 pm.

Change the November 13th meeting to Wednesday, November 14th. Same time (1:30 pm).

The Committee agreed with the changes.

Mr. Olsen adjourned the meeting at 3:25 PM

<u>Name</u>	<u>Organization</u>
Diann Axford	Treasurer
PAUL BEACHMAN	OTSEGO COUNTY
Lee Olsen	Otsego County
Diane House	Dover Twp Treasurer
Tom Murphy	DOVER TWP SUPERVISOR
Sally Nowak	Dover Twp, Assessor
Diane Youngedyke	Pres. Otsego Co Library ^{Book}
Maureen Derenzy	Otsego County Library
Theron Higgins	otsego county BUS
Pam Miller	" "
Rala Duff	Otsego County Treasurers Office
Mary Sander	Wayne Twp / EMS
Emilyn Pratt	Dover Twp payee
Jason Broge	Kirtland Community College - MTR
Jack Thompson	University Center Bayland
Jeanne Freymuth	UCC
Mike Tabotta	OCPR
Bill Michals	Sports/lex
Sonia Wishart	occoa
James Vanderweer	Treetops
BARRY OWENS	Treetops
Kick Holt	J-L Area Schools
THOMAS TEBEAM	GAYLORD Comm. Schools
JOHN PALMER	Vanderbilt School Supt
Mary Vratanna	COP-ESD
Erma Backenstose	County Commissioner
Clark Bates	" "
Rachel Frisch	Finance Director