

**GARDEN TOWNSHIP**  
**SPECIAL MEETING – BUDGET WORK SESSION**  
**February 4, 2020**

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m. Present: Lisa Pichette, Mary Ann LeBresh, Brenda Lester, Richard Pichette, and Tyler Lucas. Also present was Fire Chief, Keith Farley.

The purpose of the meeting was to work on the budget for FY 2020/2021.

The board worked on the Fire Department budget.

**BUDGET AMENDMENTS:**

Budget amendments that were approved at the January 14, 2020, meeting was not in balance for the Fire Department so an additional \$200.00 is needed to settle that issue. In addition, the Fire Department is short \$1,238.49 in Building Maintenance Expense due to installing the new Modine furnace, for a total adjustment needed in expenses of \$1,438.49.

- **Loan Interest Expense:** Decrease from \$1,800.00 to \$1,201.95, a decrease of \$598.05
- **Loan Principle Expense:** Decrease from \$55,600.00 to \$55,000.00, a decrease of \$600.00
- **Truck Maintenance Expense:** Decrease from \$1,500.00 to \$1,259.56, a decrease of \$240.44
- **Building Maintenance Expense:** Increase from \$9,825.00 to 11,063.49, an increase of \$1,238.49

A motion was made by Lisa, seconded by Tyler, to approve the budget amendments for the ~~Transfer Station~~ Fire Department as presented by the Clerk. Roll Call Vote: Brenda – yes, Mary Ann – yes, Tyler – yes, Lisa – yes, and Richard – yes. Motion carried.

A new sign is needed for the building. Brenda made a motion, seconded by Tyler, to order a new sign for an approximate cost of \$492.00 and do the following budget amendments:

- **Building Maintenance Expense:** Increase from \$11,063.49 to \$11,563.49, an increase of \$500.00
- **Truck Maintenance Expense:** Decrease from \$1,259.56 to \$759.56, a decrease of \$500.00

Roll Call Vote: Brenda – yes, Mary Ann – yes, Tyler – yes, Lisa – yes, and Richard – yes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Lisa, seconded by Mary Ann, to give the Chief approval to order turn-out gear from Pomasl in the amount of \$1,875.00 and give the Clerk permission to pay the bill when it's received as long as the total is \$1,875.00 or less. Roll Call Vote: Brenda – yes, Mary Ann – yes, Tyler – yes, Lisa – yes, and Richard – yes. Motion carried.

A motion to adjourn was made by Brenda, seconded by Lisa to adjourn. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0. Motion carried and meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Lester  
Garden Township Clerk