Tulpehocken Township Board of Supervisors Meeting of September 18, 2023 Preliminary Budget Meeting and Other Business

The Tulpehocken Township Board of Supervisors met on September 13, 2023, in the Township meeting room at 7 P.M. Supervisors in attendance and voting were Vice Chairman Lester Feick and Supervisor Harold Zimmerman. (Chairman Gary Deck was not in attendance).

Also present were Police Chief Bryan Dronick, Township Secretary & Treasurer Kathy Judy and Sewer Services Secretary Lisa Care.

Members of the audience included Elizabeth Kreider, Willie Weiler and Linda Wilcox.

<u>CALL TO ORDER</u>: Vice Chairman Feick called the meeting to order at 6:05 P.M.

The meeting continued with the pledge to the American Flag.

<u>PUBLIC COMMENTS</u>: Elizabeth Kreider addressed the Board, to follow up on a request that the Board consider contributing to or covering the cost of a new sign for the Bethel-Tulpehocken Public Library. Mr. Weiler presented the board with the lesser of two quotes they received for the new sign and will work on getting the Board another quote, per the Board's request. Library renovations are expected to be complete by year end and the sign, according to the provided quote, would take approximately three months to complete. This will be reviewed again at the next budget meeting.

NEW BUSINESS: Review 2024 Preliminary Budgets:

<u>Sewer Funds</u> – The line-item breakdown for each accounts' 2023 year to date and 2023 projected year end were reviewed. Changes for the 2024 budget that were discussed included a possible increase to the sewer service user fees per edu; the fees were last increased in 2015. Also, Sewer Operator service expenses are expected to change. The current operator service contract expires at the end of 2023; letters were sent and interested companies have until October 31, 2023 to provide a proposal. Projected revenues and expenses for 2024, including the loan payments, will be reviewed again in October or November.

<u>Township Funds</u> - The line-item breakdown for each accounts' 2023 year to date and 2023 projected year end were reviewed. Changes for the 2024 budget that were discussed included expected revenues from Mopec, the PCCD grant and a Marion Township donation and the police equipment expenses related to them. Also discussed were possible increases to ambulance and fire company contributions, as well as road maintenance and road equipment expenses. Projected revenues and expenses for 2024 will be reviewed again in October or November.

OTHER BUSINESS:

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING:

Vice Chairman Feick made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:05 P.M. - - seconded by Supervisor Zimmerman and passed unanimously (2-0).

Respectfully Submitted, Kathy Judy, Secretary Tulpehocken Township