

**DOUGLASS TOWNSHIP**  
**2022-2023 BUDGET HEARING MINUTES**

**Present:** Terry Anderson, Tom Jeppesen, Pat Althoff, Amy Laper & Ronda L Snyder

**Guests:** Wendie Switala, Ben & Linda Reynolds, Sheila Crooks & Becky Sowles

4:00 P.M.: The meeting was called to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited

Tom made a motion to switch over to the Budget Hearing. Pat supported the motion. Motion passed

**Budget Hearing:**

1. Amy made a motion to approve the estimate for the new camera system. Tom supported the motion. Motion passed
2. Amy talked about the items that needed to be changed because of price increases.
3. Ronda talked about a speaker system that was a request from a resident and the fact that she would not be able to work the November election so the county will bring in someone else to do that and so we needed to add more to the Election Salaries. Ronda also talked about the Spring Clean-up contract.
4. Amy mentioned that we could use some of the ARPA money if we need to.

**Public Comment:**

1. Wendie Switala wanted to know what the SET is.
2. Linda Reynolds wanted to know if the new cameras would record the meetings.
3. Sheila Crooks didn't think Musson Road was bad enough to fix this year.
4. Ben Reynolds wanted to know how many cameras there would be.

**Tom made a motion to adjourn the Budget Hearing and go back into our regular meeting. Amy supported the motion. Motion passed**

**Regular Meeting:**

1. Ronda made a motion to approve the budget. Tom supported the motion.  
Yeas: Althoff, Jeppesen, Anderson, Snyder, Laper  
Nays: 0
2. Tom made a motion to pay the April bills. Pat supported the motion. Motion passed
3. Tom made a motion to approve the road contracts that had been discussed at February's board meeting. Amy seconded. Motion passed

**Public Comment:**

1. Wendie Switala: Wanted to know how we could hold the budget hearing after April 1 and she stated the notice in the paper was incorrect. Ron Redick spoke to this and explained how we could hold the hearing after April 1 and that the notice in the paper was sufficient. He said that since the Township was not increasing the Tax Levey the center, bold part that was in the notice was not really needed.

Tom made a motion to adjourn. Pat seconded. Motion passed.