GLEN ARBOR TOWNSHIP

P.O. Box 276 Glen Arbor, MI 49636 231-334-3539 FAX 231-334-6370 Tom Laureto, Supervisor Pam Laureto, Clerk Lee Houtteman, Treasurer John Peppler, Trustee Don Lewis, Trustee

Public Budget Hearing

3/16/21

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Laureto at 7:00 PM in the Township Hall meeting room. In attendance Glen Arbor Township Board Members Tom Laureto, Don Lewis, and Pam Laureto. Board members John Peppler and Lee Houtteman were present via zoom. Several members of the public were also present via ZOOM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Supervisor Laureto stated the purpose of the meeting was to present the proposed fiscal year 2021-2022 budget to the public and gather public comment. He visually shared the budget via ZOOM and reminded everyone that the budget is posted on the township's website.

Supervisor Laureto explained that we anticipate less income. Last year we received a \$50,000 SBHT grant. Interest income is expected to be very low. We are not expecting much income from Hall Rent or Park Fundraisers due to reduced activities and COVID-19 restrictions.

Supervisor Laureto reviewed the budgeted expenses by activity providing information on why each activity was increased or decreased from the previous year's budget. Many activities showed decreases. Laureto highlighted the 1.3% salary increase budgeted for each board member, the budgeted extra COVID-19 requirements for restroom cleanings, the budgeted 2nd election which may not occur, and the budgeted \$50,000 for the SBHT engineering study which we did not spend this fiscal year.

Public Comment: None

Board Member Comments: Don Lewis asked about the \$25,000 we submitted to County for reimbursement from the CARES Act. Clerk Laureto said she spoke with County today. We do not know the amount that was approved for reimbursement, but they are expecting to finish up the paperwork this week and get the check to us before the end of the current fiscal year. It will be reflected as income for this year.

Lewis also asked about the doubling of the park budget and what expenses they will incur. Supervisor Laureto explained the budgeted repairs that are needed and that a new concrete ping-pong table may be added this year. Clerk Laureto said that the FY 2019-2020 Park budget was approximately \$75,000. This proposed budget is \$65,000 because we are planning for normal activities this year.

Meeting adjourned at 7:24 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Laureto Township Clerk