

FORKS TOWNSHIP, NORTHAMPTON COUNTY
Board of Supervisors

9-19-2023

Budget Work Session Meeting Minutes

A budget work session of the Forks Township Board of Supervisors was held on Tuesday, September 19, 2023, at the Forks Township Municipal Building, Easton, PA, and was called to order by Chairman O'Neil at 5:30 pm.

Board Members:

John O'Neil, Chairman
Ty Corallo, Vice Chairman
Tim Hughes, Secretary/Treasurer
Kelly Keegan, Member
Dean Turner, Member

IN ATTENDANCE:

Donna M. Asure, Township Manager

The board adjourned into executive session, on a motion by K. Keegan, seconded by T. Corallo, at 5:31pm for personnel issues. The board will reconvene at the conclusion of the executive session.

The board of supervisors reconvened the budget work session at 7:37pm.

Chief Mike Friel was present to discuss the 2024 budget requests with the board.

The following was discussed –

- the need to purchase vehicles for the department
- a new record management system as the current system will “expire” in November 2024 which means there will be no updates or maintenance available to the system.
- Additional staff
- The police station and needed space
- The motorcycles and the possibility of selling them
- More bike patrols through the park
- Seeking grants for as many items as we can

The board will take all this into consideration as they discuss and finalize the 2024 budget.

The township manager distributed to each member the three proposals received for the open space/growth management plan and future discussions. The board asked that dates for a work session to interview all three firms be scheduled.

Having no further business, the work session was adjourned at 8:05pm.