

BUDGET COMMISSION

The Geauga County Budget Commission met in special session on Monday, August 7, 2023 at 9:07 a.m. in the Auditor’s Conference Room at 215 Main Street, Chardon, Ohio. Present: Geauga County Auditor Charles E. Walder, Geauga County Prosecutor James R. Flaiz and Geauga County Treasurer C. P. Hitchcock.

Also Present: Chief Deputy Ron Leyde, Chief Administrator, Frank Antenucci, Deputy Auditors: Pam McMahan, Kristen Sinatra, and Tammy Most

Special Meeting was advertised – 2024 Budget Workshop

Opening Remarks:

All 2024 Budgets have been submitted by the deadline with the exception of Chester Park District who does not receive levied money.

Prosecutor Flaiz entered the meeting at 9:09 am

The Budget Staff provided the following information:

Chardon Township’s budget was of concern as they were using “zero based budgeting” and as a result some of their funds’ carryover balances went negative. After some discussion it was decided to send a letter from the Budget Commission to the elected officials at Chardon Township letting them know that they need to re-evaluate their budget to provide for at least a 25% carryover balance for 2024.

General Discussion:

It was discussed that a SharePoint drive would be established. This would allow equal access to submitted budgets as well as, Budget Staff created reports. Samples (draft format) were passed around for the Budget Commission members to review.

Public Comment:

Sarah McGlone of the League of Women Voters asked for the reports for Chardon Township. It was decided that reports were in a working draft format for internal use only. The final reports would be available and distributed at the hearing.

Being no further business to conduct it was moved by C. P. Hitchcock to adjourn the August 7, 2023 special meeting at 10:04 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles E. Walder, Auditor
Secretary/Budget Commission

