MARION TOWNSHIP BUDGET MEETING October 11, 2018 at the Township Building

Present: Archie Gettig Jr., John R. Dillon (Rick) and Angel Emery **Guests:** None

Chairman Gettig, called the meeting to order at 7:11 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comments: No Guests Present

New Business:

Gettig announced that Supervisor Day would not be attending because he is ill. Emery explained the reports that were provided. The final budget for 2018 was discussed and compared to where the finances currently stand for the township. The board conversed about potential projects in the township that should be worked into the budget. The state account was discussed, the township is estimated to receive \$47,066 in liquid fuels in 2019, 20% of that amount which would be \$9,413.39 will be designated to the township's equipment fund which will bring that fund total to \$36,124.29. Specs were looked at for new trucks which the equipment fund could help pay for. No decisions were made at this time.

The board casually discussed different items on the budget and questioned where changes occurred from last year to this year. The heating fuel has increased since last year, Dillon would like to check insulation in the building and costs to better insulate to help reduce heating fuel costs. There were also extra expenses at the park expenses this year due to the garage door being purchased and installed and the extra pumping at the bathrooms due to all the rain. Emery explained all the changes in expenses from 2017 to 2018.

Wages were reviewed and discussed, Dillon made mention that the Secretary/Treasurer is the one of the most important roles at the township and should be paid accordingly. Dillon also brought up that the Head Road Master should be compensated more than the rest of the road crew as he deals more with the residents and complaints. No decisions were made at this time. The PSATS salary survey will be looked at when it is available to view.

Projects that need done in the township were discussed. The township will apply for county aid to try to help offset the townships costs for the projects. Matt Kenepp and Don Franson will help with the county aid application.

Emery was directed by the board to move \$5,000 from the 400 account, which covers general government, to the 430 account, which is for highways, roads and streets, for the 2019 budget. The board would also like to decrease the 450 account, cultures and recreations, by \$1,000 and

increase the 480 account for miscellaneous expenses such as payroll liabilities and insurance by \$2,000. Emery will make the changes to the budget and board would like to meet again in November. No date or time was set at this point but Emery will advertise when a date and time is decided.

On a motion by Gettig and 2nd by Dillon, motion passed to adjourn the budget meeting at 8:22p.m. 2-0.

Angel Emery, Secretary/Treasurer

Archie Gettig Jr., Head Chairman

John R. Dillon, Vice- Chairman