

**BUDGET WORKSHOP**  
**October 4, 2023**

Call to Order by Supervisor Don Oltz at 6:16 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call by Town Clerk, Anita Casper, found the following board members present:

Supervisor Don Oltz  
Councilwoman Karen VanLiew  
Councilman David MacDonald  
Councilwoman Maureen Riester - absent

Kerry Smith was also in attendance

Review Year 2024 Tentative Budgets for the following:

- a) Salary Requests
- b) Insurance
- c) Waste Management
- d) Sewer Fund
- e) Water Fund
- f) Water District #6
- g) Knolls Drainage District

Discussion from the previous meeting (9/18/23) regarding removing \$7,000.00 from the General Fund set aside for water inspection was revisited and decided by all to keep that money in the budget for 2024 as the health of our lake is very important. However, Fleming will be more diligent in finding out where and how this money is being utilized.

Each item above was discussed and reviewed in its entirety. Salaries for Dog Control Officer and Town Historian are set at \$5,500.00 and \$500.00 per year respectively. David Waro will not be the Dog Control Officer, so that position remains unfilled. Supervisor Oltz stated he met with a representative from Blue Cross/Blue Shield and the premiums will be lower this year for employees. Due to poor service and other issues, Kerry Smith re-negotiated the contract with the current waste management company, Casella, which included lower pricing. The remaining ARPA funds must be ear-marked by 2024 and spent by 2026. Some of these monies will be used for sewer improvements. The Springport water district #6 should be totally turned over to Springport by June of 2024. The Knolls Drainage District remains a problem that must be permanently fixed by the town or the county.

The town will be purchasing a Dell laptop and additional cloud storage from Williamson Law Book to assist with annual budget preparation. A motion to approve the purchases was made by Councilwoman VanLiew, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman MacDonald. Ayes 3-0

The next Budget Workshop is set for October 25, 2023 at 6:15 p.m. A motion to adjourn at 6:57 p.m. was made by Councilwoman VanLiew, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman MacDonald. Ayes 3-0.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Anita Casper  
Fleming Town Clerk