BUDGET MEETING, NOVEMBER 22, 2022

The Preliminary Budget Meeting of the Gloucester Township Municipal Utilities Authority was held on Tuesday, November 22, 2022 at 5:30 P.M. at the Gloucester Township Municipal Utilities Authority Building, 401 W. Landing Road, Blackwood, New Jersey.

The following members were present: Mr. Calabrese, Mr. Pillo, Mr. Schmidt, Mrs. Bradley, Mr. Dintino and Ms. Smith (late).

Also present were: Mr. Christopher Long, Mr. Leisse, Mr. Brickley, Mr. Corn, Mr. Carr, Mr. Engelbert and Mrs. Hrynio.

Mr. Mercado was also present. Ms. Jones was excused. Mr. Cardis was not present.

The Chairman read the commencement statement noting that the meeting was advertised in the Courier Post and The Central Record. Notice was placed on the bulletin boards of the Township of Gloucester and the Gloucester Township Municipal Utilities Authority.

Chairman Calabrese stated that no action would be taken at this meeting.

Mrs. Hrynio stated that we would begin with reviewing the Proposed 2023-2024 Solid Waste Operating Budget and Supporting Revenue.

Mr. Corn stated that the Solid Waste Operating Budget is up approximately 8% in total. Debt service agrees to the debt service schedule. The handouts show, in detail, the expense increases/decreases per line item from last year. Per State requirements, any line item that increases more than 10%, must include a narrative. Fringe benefits, insurance and vehicle expense are over the 10%. We will supply a narrative explaining why. With fuel costs being what they are, that is one of the main factors for that increase. Insurance always increases.

From a revenue standpoint, there is the Township Agreements (compost, recycling and grass), tipping fees and compost sales.

Mr. Corn stated that if anyone has any questions, please feel free to contact him.

Mrs. Hrynio stated that we would begin with reviewing the Proposed 2023-2024 Sewer Operating Budget and Supporting Revenue.

Mr. Corn stated that the Sewer Operating Budget is an increase of 2.8% from an appropriation standpoint. The loan amounts match the required debit service schedules. The driving factors for the increase for both budgets are fringe benefits, insurance and vehicle expense.

From an expenditure standpoint, nothing is out of the ordinary, compared to how we operated in the past.

The main revenue source is the service fees. The state budget breaks down the service fees further between residential and commercial fees. For budget purposes, we expect a 4% increase for residential fees each year. Connection fees and miscellaneous revenue – they remain the same. Interest on investments could be reduced from \$17,000 – but if not, it will not affect the overall budget either way if that number comes in less than that.

Mr. Corn asked if anyone has any questions. There were none.

PUBLIC PORTION

There was no one present.

Chairman asked for motion for adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Pillo, second by Mr. Schmidt the meeting adjourned.

All signified their approval by stating aye.

Marlene Hrvnio, Recording Secretary

APPROVED DECEMBER 15, 2022 REGULAR MEETING