

Richmond Township Board of Supervisors
Special Police Budget Meeting
Wednesday, September 20, 2023
3:30 P.M. prevailing time

This meeting took place via Zoom at various locations.

ROLL CALL

In attendance at this meeting were Supervisors Brian Wanner, Sam Kemmerer and Scott Brinker; Jen Galomb; Township Secretary-Treasurer, Chris Young; Fleetwood Borough Manger and Chief Ulshafer; Fleetwood Police.

Police Budget Discussion

Chief Ulshafer reviewed with the Board that for 2023, it was approved to add 1 full time and 1 pt officer for the year's budget, which was an increase of approximately \$132,000.00. He discussed that the number of arrests went up 60% from last year. Crime is up and with the officers that he has he is only able to send 1 officer out at a time, which is not safe.

In an effort to save money, he was able to receive grant money for body cams and alco sensors, as well as they are in the process of trying to upfit one of the old Ford Explorers so that a new vehicle does not have to be purchased.

Next year he would like to send more officers to training and add more police radios, which the radios can cost up to \$5,000.00 each.

Chris Young discussed that with the increase in health insurance, pension and salary they are looking for us to increase our budget \$100,000.00 This would give them 1 extra officer.

The Board stated that they needed time to talk it over and review.

As no further discussion took place, the meeting adjourned at 4:00 P.M.



Jennifer Galomb
Secretary-Treasurer, Richmond Township



Brian Wanner
Chairman, Richmond Township