

**Bertrand Township Board
2016/2017 Budget Planning Workshop
Saturday, December 12, 2015**

Bertrand Township Hall
3835 Buffalo Rd., Buchanan, MI 49107

Supervisor Hicks called the workshop to order at 9:00 a.m.

Members Present: Hicks, Kuhn, LeClaire, Vite, Zelmer

Also present: BTFD Chief Knisely and Assistant Chief Remmo, Sexton Jean Wolf

Purpose: This was a high level budget planning session. Each member present along with the Fire Chief, Assistant Chief, and Sexton were encouraged to share their “wish list” for consideration to be included in the 2016/2017 budget. The session was not intended to go into detail on any particular accounting line item. That will happen in the January session.

Discussion: Hicks led a very broad discussion and added items to a flip chart. The discussion started with Fire Department needs. Chief Knisely submitted to the board his items for consideration (*see attachments*).

The Cemetery and Sexton Wolf were the next to discuss needs and wants. (*see attachments*).


Finally, the board considered the General Fund, roads, Township Hall grounds, and Community Building. Vite and Kuhn submitted to the board memos listing items they wanted considered.

{LeClaire left the session at 11:05 a.m.}

Supervisor Hicks suggested the items listed at this workshop will be fine-tuned with numbers and priorities given to each at the January 30, 2016, workshop.

Motion made by Hicks to adjourn at 11:35 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



December 13, 2015

Don Vite
Bertrand Township Clerk

Dated