Board of Trustees  
Tuesday December 12, 2017  
6:00 PM  
Special Meeting  
Budget 2018

Opening
Roll Call

Adoption of Agenda

A. Motion to adopt agenda  

New Business

Old Business

B. Presentation of Draft 2018 Expenditures  

Community Forum

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Opening

Roll Call

Lisa Allen-Present
Bob Hausermann-Present
Lois Swift-Absent

Fiscal Officer Koepke

In Attendance; Administrator/Fire/EMS Chief Steve Pegram, Director Bob Seyfried, Police Chief Bob Rose

Adoption of Agenda

352-2017 Trustee Hausermann motioned to adopt the agenda. Trustee Allen seconds; motion carries.

Trustee Allen-Yes Trustee Hausermann-Yes Trustee Swift-Absent

Old Business

Administrator Pegram lead the Presentation of Draft 2018 Expenditure Budget

Revenue received in 2017 was $245,000 more than projected.
The goal for our budget projection is to budget more than we will need, and expect less in revenue, in order to increase unencumbered.
The budget shows a 4% increase for non-union employees.

The General Fund draft budget also shows 4 new computers in administration, and an increase in contributions to other organizations may be needed.
The Draft 2018 budget shows the general fund increasing expenditures in 2018 by roughly $26,000. The reason for the increase is for the replacement of the township server, an electronic sign, a possible park project donation, and $10,000 for cleanup day and/or other community projects.

The Zoning Fund has an increased budget for expenditures to account for anticipated growth in the township. The Zoning Fund revenue has increased significantly in the past few years due to home and other permits being purchased.
The Motor Vehicle License Fund just had salt budgeted in 2017. In 2018, the MVL Fund is budgeted to help make the payments on 2 salt trucks, on a five year purchase plan. The old salt trucks currently in use are from 1993 and 1997. The new trucks have all salting equipment needed, minus the plow. Administrator Pegram stated that all trucks in the service department are beyond their recommended lifespan. The payments for the trucks are $28,000 per truck, per year. Director Seyfried stated that the Rush Truck Center is able to provide these trucks via state bid contract at a 3% interest rate. Old Trucks will be sold on GovDeals.com

In the Gas Tax Fund, there is an increase in expenditures due to the truck purchases, and the revenue is expected to stay the same as 2017.

In the Road and Bridge Fund, there is $20,000 budgeted for part of the paving projects, tree removal services, and guard rail repairs. Overall, expenses are down by around $49,000 in this fund.

In 2017, the Cemetery fund had less revenue than projected, as there were less burials. Trustee Hausermann requested the department verify that the township is getting the best deal on the mowing contract.

The Permissive Motor Vehicle License Fund has the bulk of the paving project expenditures for 2018, at $80,000, leading to a total of $100,000 in paving projects. Overall expenses are down in this fund, and this will keep us caught up on paving projects that we have brought up to date in the past couple of years.

Chief Rose stated The Police Fund shows an increase in expenditures for 2018, as we are still rebuilding the department. Administrator Pegram recommends adding another full time officer.

Chief Rose stated that 2018 will be another step forward with the funds from the 2016 levy passage. In 2017, the property insurance increased significantly, so the addition of another full time officer was postponed. 20 Sworn Officers was the original goal, and we are currently at 19. The township will hire one more part time officer, and promote a current part time officer to full time.

No police department funds are exceeding revenue projections in 2018. The cost of equipment purchases in 2018 will decrease from the amounts spent in 2017, with the exception of radio purchases, as our radios are outdated. There are grant applications outstanding for the purchase of these radios. Expenses in Training will increase in 2018. The police budget in 2018 will not be using any unencumbered funds.

Chief Rose also stated as a side note that the basement room that has been completed is also a storm shelter.

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Chief Pegram stated that there has been an increase in salary expenses for the Fire and EMS department due to union contract negotiations. The department has reduced costs, as their property insurance portion has decreased, and there is no budgeted vehicle purchases for 2018. The next vehicle replacement on the schedule is for 2019. The Ambulance fund is always the townships healthiest fund, due to the addition of soft billing in the EMS department. The goal in this fund is to convert 2 part time positions to 2 full time in 2018. The Fire and EMS Levy shows around a $35,000 increase in 2018 from 2017 due to capital purchases for the new Firehouse.

As a recap, the budget for 2018 continues to show a trend of revenue increasing and expenses decreasing overall.

Community Forum

No speakers

Adjournment

353-2017 Trustee Hausermann motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:51PM. Trustee Allen seconds; motion carries.

Trustee Allen-Yes Trustee Hausermann-Yes Trustee Swift-Absent

Trustee Fiscal Officer