

Mine Hill 2017 Budget
State of the Township Presentation



Mine Hill's 4 Budget Areas

1. Water Utility
2. Garbage District
3. Sewer Utility
4. Current Fund/Municipal

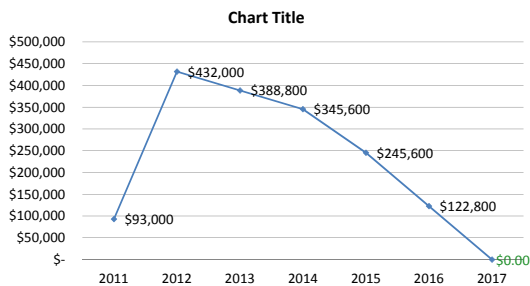
Water Utility

- The Water Utility is Financially Stable.
- The water meter and leak repairs have netted significant savings reducing water loss from 52% in 1Q 2012 to 16% as of 4th quarter 2016
- 2017 Debt Payment = \$122,800 **FINAL PAYMENT!** 😊
- 2016 Ending Water Surplus = \$378,000
- 2017 ending surplus projected to be ~\$300,000
- Debt Balance from Meters = **ZERO**
- \$161,000 in Water Capital
- \$739,000 Water Operating Budget

2017 Water Utility Projects

- Projects : Hurt St. and Reynold's lane this year
- Hurd Street Extension from Dover Water System – approximately \$40,000 –will add about 11 additional customers & 2 hydrants
- We have applied (again) for a DOT Grant to allow us to re-pave and curb Hurd Street when this is complete
- The water Utility has absorbed *5 rate increases* in the amount of 13% from Morris MUA without any increases passed to the residents
- **Starting 3rd Q 2017, we will lower water bills by \$10.00/Quarter.**
- **For 2017 this will equal \$20.00.**
- **For 2018 forward will equal \$40.00 annually.**

Water Utility Debt



Garbage District

- The Garbage District is Financially Stable.
- The Garbage District has *no debt*
- 2017 Total Budget = \$407,000
- 2016 Surplus = \$79,124

Sewer Utility

- The Sewer Utility is Financially Stable.
- The Sewer Utility was bankrupt in 2012 by **\$38,683.00**
- 2017 Budget = \$523,100
- 2017 Debt Payments Principal= \$172,434
- 2016 Sewer Surplus = \$201,140
- Debt Balance = \$820,000 end of 2016 (*\$1,333,000*)
- Mine Hill has 504 sewer customers

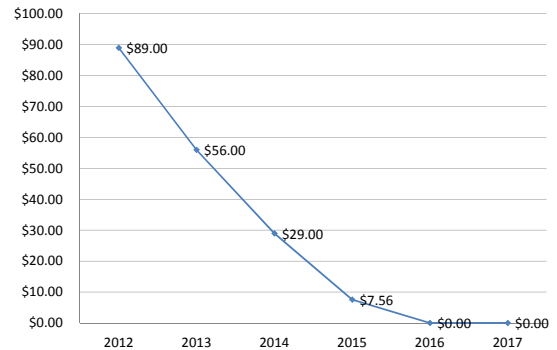
Sewer Plans for 2017/18

- The Township has achieved expansion of the sewer system.
- Our goal is the expand sewers to every house in Mine Hill within 5-7 years
- All 4 of our sewer meters are live and we have gotten 20,000 gallons released as of now. This is plenty for us to get started. We expect an additional 15,000-20,000 to be released in 2018 to complete 275 houses or so.
- Bassett Lane sewer line is underway

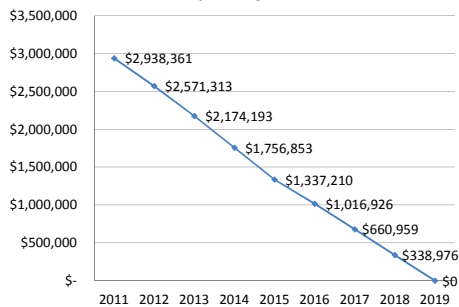
Municipal Budget

- Tax increase will equal **ZERO** for 2017
- Municipal surplus end of 2016, \$699,310
- **The Township incurs no new municipal debt for the 6th year in a row.**
- 2017 Debt Payments = \$355,967
- In May of 2017 our municipal debt will be \$660,959 (*\$1,016,926* in 2016)

Tax Increase History



Municipal Budget Debt



Capital Budget

- \$49,015 remaining capital **cash reserve** from 2016
- Will fund the needs of the DPW, Fire Department, First Aid Squad etc.
- Adding \$60,000 in 2017 budget for a total capital budget of **\$109,015**
- Municipal surplus \$689,310.00 end of 2016 (*\$703,000*)

Capital Projects List for 2017

- The tennis court will be done this year. <\$25,000
- Civic Center Kitchen remodel <\$4,000
- Civic Center Floor Throughout ~\$7,500
- Milling and paving some roads ~\$10,000
- *The main focus this year will be on water and sewer infrastructure. By plan, we focused on municipal capital projects expecting to get sewer gallons. We have them and will be focusing there.*

Additional Budget Notes

- We will spend <\$10,000 to begin eliminating Tax Title Lien Properties & do updates to the tax maps
- We will continue working on digitizing our construction and other files.
- We will invest this year in some newer equipment for sewer, water and municipal needs. A track-hoe excavator and 1 newer large dump truck will probably be purchased by December.

Budget Notes Continued

- The 2017 Budget is able to absorb:
- Fully Fund our Capital projects and FD/FAS needs
- Police Department increase of 2%
- Health benefits were flat this year
- We utilize a "hit-list" to maintain a low to zero increase. We find "one year" items and also target things that can be cut if needed to balance the budget.

In Summary

- The Township's 4 budget areas are stable and solvent
- The Township is aggressively reducing debt
- The Township has eliminated budgetary borrowing as part of the municipal budget process for 6th year in a row
- We have sufficient funds to meet our needs in the 2017 budget including capital and the utilities
- *Mayor Sam Morris*
- *Town Council - Dave Bloom, Kris Kanzenbach*
- *Conrad Pepperman, Fred Willis, & Bret Coranato*
- *Katelyn Wild, Treasurer*
- *Greg Della Pia, CPA, CMFO, PSA*