

MINUTES OF THE BUDGET WORKSHOP MEETING OF THE LOWER SOUTHAMPTON BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HELD WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2013 AT 6:30 PM IN THE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 1500 DESIRE AVENUE, FEASTERVILLE, PA 19053

Roll Call: Keith Wesley
Joseph McFadden
Patrick Irving
Kim Koutsouradis

Absent: Ed Shannon

Staff John McMenamin, Township Manager
Joseph Galdo, Finance Director
William Oettinger, Fire Marshal
Janet Hude, Township Secretary

Budget meeting call to order at 6:30 pm

Fire Marshal:

Mr. Oettinger said he is giving his head Inspector and new title of Assistant Fire Marshal with an increase in salary of \$1.00 per hour. Mr. Oettinger said the reason for this is that Tony Montonario needs some recognition he has a lot of certificates and also to help out while he is away for vacation. Mr. Oettinger said he wants to know that he does not have to worry about his department while he is away. Mr. Oettinger then went over the rest of his budget.

Public Works:

Mr. Condo said he increased his fuel because of the vehicles that they are using. Mr. Condo said he has added a new line item for Tree Removal since we did a lot that this year and that price is \$15,000. Mr. Condo said under Capital Improvement added money to buy a Hot Box for \$17,000 and this is for hot patching of pot holes.

Liquid Fuels:

This is governed by the State and we are receiving less money each year due to the fact that other Townships and Boroughs that never received this money now are doing so. Mr. Condo said we have a limit on what we can spend it on we found this out when we had our 3-year audit done - still waiting for PADOT to render a decision - Mr. McMenamin explained.

Mr. Condo said road improvements increased from \$100,000 to \$125,000.

Fire Protection Fund:

Mr. Galdo said this basically is a pass through fund - this is split between the two fire companies who each received \$132,000 a year.

It was noted that the Township gives Tri-Hampton Rescue Squad \$90,682 a year.

Sanitation Fund:

It was noted that the Township was not charging various things to this fund that they should have been doing like street sweeping and this will help the General Fund.

Sewer Fund:

There was a discussion on the Philadelphia Water Department and the problems we are having with them. There was also a discussion on increasing the sewer bills for the residents and commercial businesses in the Township.

Mr. McMenamain discussed with the Board the Township's Bond money that must be spent. Mr. McMenamain said the Board is going to have to decide which drainage problem they want to fix and there are quite a few in the Township such as Meadowbrook Road, Mallard Road and Brownsville Road near Philadelphia Avenue.

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Ed Shannon, Secretary