

UPPER MOUNT BETHEL TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
BUDGET MEETING MINUTES  
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2017 @ 6:00 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER- Chairman Bermingham called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. Present in addition to Chairman Bermingham were Supervisor Geake Supervisor Due, Supervisor De Franco and Township Manager Fisher. Supervisor Hallett arrived late. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

2. APPROVE AGENDA – **MOTION** by Supervisor Due, seconded by Supervisor De Franco to approve the 2018 budget agenda. Vote: 4-0.

3. Public Comment – None.

110208 4. 2018 Budget (3rd Draft) –Manager Fisher submitted and reviewed with the Board the 3<sup>rd</sup> draft budget. Manager Fisher indicated he worked on revenue 301.100 with Bob Schneider today. Public Comment by Bob Schneider – we need an answer if going forward with Ambulance; Page. 1 - The budget includes the fire tax of 1 mil, there is a misconception however, we thought there was a need for equipment every year, but don't need another fire truck for 3 years. Manager Fisher referred to 310.710 – Open Space tax reduced to \$180,000.00; Page. 2 – 342.101 – Manager Fisher noted an increase to Community Park Lease of \$60.00 per year for Poliskiewicz. Rick said he needs to check the contract date to see when that needs to be renewed; Page. 4 – 363.001 – Dirt & Gravel Program - \$47,000.00 that's an error and will be removed; Page. 5 – Rick discussed 391.000 - \$7,000 for a piece of equipment he is still trying to sell; Page. 392.000 – Recreation interfund Transfer of \$15,000.00 for summer recreation salaries. Rick said he might want to move \$20,000.00 instead of \$15,000.00. Page. 5 – Total revenue \$3,519,785.00 – 99.3 estimated revenue with little over a month to go. Page. 15 – 454.145 Seasonal Labor-Park Maintenance - \$18,000.00, Rick mentioned the Board had discussed contracting out lawn maintenance.

Page. 17 – 470.000 Debt Service is still in for Eastern Industries, once loan is paid off, that will be taken out; Page. 18 – Total expense for 2018 - \$3,307,225.00 with a surplus of \$212,560.00 not including the payment of Eastern Industries loan of 130,000. There was discussion about bridge repairs. Supervisor Geake said he didn't see any money budgeted for guide rails. Manager Fisher noted we will have 1.2 mill. in reserve to carry us at the beginning of the year.

Supervisor Hallett arrived at 6:50 p.m.

**MOTION** by Supervisor Geake, seconded by Supervisor De Franco to finalize the budget tonight “as is” with the changes specified by the Manager and transfer the extra money into the capital reserve. Also include in the budget the ambulance service. Vote: 5-0. Manager Fisher said he will make the changes for the last budget meeting to have it available to the public for 30 days.

Final Budget meeting Monday, November 27, 2017 @ 6:00 p.m.

5. Adjourn – **MOTION** by Supervisor Geake, seconded by Supervisor Due to adjourn the Budget Meeting at 6:55 p.m. No comments. Vote: 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted, Melissa Mastrogiovanni - Recording Secretary  
Upper Mount Bethel Township

