

UPPER MOUNT BETHEL TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
BUDGET MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2018 @ 6:00 PM

AGENDA – PART I

1. Call to Order- Chairman Bermingham Jr. called the meeting to order @ 6:00 pm.
2. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
3. Roll Call- Present in addition to Chairman Bermingham Jr. were Supervisor Due, Supervisor Teel, Supervisor DeFranco, Supervisor Pinter, and Township Manager Fisher.
4. Approve the Agenda-**MOTION** by Supervisor Pinter, seconded by Supervisor DeFranco to approve the agenda. Vote: 5-0.
5. Public Comment-Charles Cole asked in regards to the budget, is the survey that is to be going out to the residents included in the budget and will the survey include questions regarding police coverage. Manager Fisher stated yes. Charles also asked about the speed radar signs. There was a discussion about the speed radar signs. Manager Fisher stated that they have been removed off of Rt. 611 and will be moved to another location.

AGENDA - PART II

Final Draft Budget Review- Manager Fisher provided the Board of Supervisors with the 2019 Final Draft Budget. Manager Fisher stated that this will be available to the public for the next 30 days to be viewed. Manager Fisher stated that this budget recommends no tax increase for the 2019 fiscal year. He also stated this budget supports a five (5) year road improvement program, engineering for a traffic light, the next phase in the Act 537 approval process, the first phase of a Master Trail Plan for The Preserve, ambulance service, network upgrade, document scanning, and new permitting and administrative software. There was also a discussion regarding the township trucks and equipment. Manager Fisher stated that the budget also includes a 1.5 mills fire tax, which is dedicated to fire service through our two volunteer fire companies. Supervisor Pinter stated the importance of revenues and that they are being put back into the fire company. **MOTION** by Supervisor Teel, seconded by Supervisor Due, to keep the 1.5 mill fire tax in the budget. Vote: 5-0.

Manager Fisher stated that he feels 2019 will be a planning year.

AGENDA – PART III

Public Comment- Charles Cole asked if there was any money in the budget for police services. Manager Fisher stated that no, it was removed at the last budget meeting. Chairman Bermingham Jr. stated that it was removed but if the Board approves to move forward with police service, there is money in the General Fund to cover the service. Charles also stated that if a survey was to be done, it needs to be done right. Ron Angle asked how many trucks the township has that are equipped to plow snow. Manager Fisher stated 6 trucks, but one truck is down at this time.

AGENDA – PART IV

Adjournment- **MOTION** by Supervisor Due, seconded by Supervisor Teel to adjourn the budget meeting @ 7:00 pm. Vote: 5-0.

Respectfully by Cindy Beck-Recording Secretary