



Upper Uwchlan Township
**Board of Supervisors Workshop,
Proposed 2015 Budget Workshop**

November 11, 2014

4:00 p.m.

Minutes

Approved

In attendance:

Cathy Tomlinson, Chair
Kevin Kerr, Vice-Chair
Guy Donatelli, Member
Cary Vargo, Township Manager
Jill Bukata, Township Treasurer

Gwen Jonik, Township Secretary
Al Gaspari, Codes Administrator
John DeMarco, Police Chief
Mike Heckman, Director of Public Works

The Board conducted interviews of Police personnel at 4:00 p.m. and 4:15 p.m. and held an Executive Session regarding personnel and legal matters.

Cathy Tomlinson called the Workshop to order at 5:28 p.m.

Proposed 2015 Budget

Jill Bukata presented proposals for the 2015 General Fund as follows:

- Transfer \$700,000+ from the General Fund to the Capital to pay down loan;
- Estimated net income \$183,000;
- New part-time employee to assist with utility billings and the Finance Dept. Current part-time employee would move to special projects, across all Departments;
- Software program purchase for data and systems security;
- Increased healthcare costs.

Proposed Capital Fund highlights include:

- Pay off the higher interest rate loan;
- Security cameras – township building exterior and interior; Public Works exterior (yard waste dumpsters);
- Replace Police Explorer (2005);
- Purchase police-related equipment: truck scales for roadside truck inspections and (1) manually controlled drone;
- Replace small dump truck (2005) and utility truck, and purchase a large dump truck for Public Works Dept. The Board favored purchase of large dump truck rather than 3 year lease-to-purchase;
- Road milling head for performing base repairs, less expensive to purchase than to rent;
- Aerator and seeder for the athletic fields, less expensive to purchase than to rent;
- Storm sewer and sanitary sewer video equipment;
- Purchase larger trailer for the larger mowers; keep existing trailer for the smaller mowers
- Purchase 14 emergency management radios to work with the County's new system (late 2015) the County issues 2 per Township;
- partnership to construct Fellowship Fields field house, assisting with water/sanitary sewer facilities;

- Hickory Park: paving worst sections of parking lot;
- Upland Farm: trail improvements, fundraising consultant;
- Trails: Eagle Village connections design and engineering; Park Road Phase IV;
- Traffic Signals: potential light at Fellowship Road and Route 401;

The Public Works Department operating budget is in good shape. Mike Heckman advised road mowing costs will double in 2015 as a work zone crash vehicle must now follow the mower.

Jill requested the Board review the 5-year Goals and advise her of any comments.

Responding to Cary Vargo's inquiry, the Board doesn't require another Workshop regarding the proposed 2015 Budget.

Adjournment

There being no further business to be brought before the Board, Cathy Tomlinson adjourned the Workshop at 6:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gwen A. Jonik,
Township Secretary