

Upper Paxton Township Board of Supervisors

Special Meeting

October 28, 2014

Those in attendance: Ronald Hepner, Chairman; John Orr and Robert Stoner, Supervisors; Betty Warfel, Secretary/Treasurer; and Luanna Zimmerman, Manager.

The meeting was called to order by Ron Hepner at 9:00 a.m.

Public Comments: None

New Business

Preparation of 2015 Budget: A special meeting duly advertised in the October 21, 2014 issue of the Upper Dauphin Sentinel was held in order to prepare the proposed 2015 township budget. The balanced budget plan includes \$1,375,695 in opening cash assets, proposed income in the amount of \$838,136 and anticipated expenses in the amount of \$838,136.

Discussion of raising permit fees, line item 361.30, in order to offset planning and zoning costs, line item 414.30, were discussed. Under line item 400.15, the pension contribution will be prorated between Robert Hooper and John Hoffman, Jr., in 2015.

Line item discussion included: increasing 404.31 because of adoption of proposed ordinances; 406.32 – discussion of cell phone costs and options regarding these costs; 406.35 – increasing the line item for the cost of the township's general insurance policy; 406.24 – designated for personal safety equipment and apparel for road crew; 408.31 – increased expense for engineering costs for upcoming projects including Green street and Landfill Road; line item 409.20 – would only include heating costs from Bolig's and Reeds Fuel Oil; line item 409.26 – only used for small tools and equipment purchases. Supervisors will discuss with the road crew the need for new equipment to be purchased under line item 430.74.

No additional funds were encumbered for playground equipment (line item 451.53). Also no additional funds were encumbered for the building fund (line item 409.43).

The Liquid Fuels allocation of \$186,019.51 to be received in 2015 will be used solely for highway projects.

Supervisors adjourned into Executive Session to discuss employee salaries at 12:15 p.m.

Supervisors re-adjourned into regular session at 12:30 p.m. Secretary Warfel and Manager Zimmerman will receive a 2% raise. Members of the road crew will received a 1-1/2% raise. The increased cost of the health insurance benefit could not be determined at the time of this meeting.

The proposed budget will be reviewed and subsequently advertised for public view and comments at either the December Monthly or Workshop meeting.

Public Comments: None

With no further business to be discussed, Ron Hepner made a motion to adjourn. John Orr seconded this motion. With all in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 12:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Betty A. Warfel, Secretary