

November 4, 2009 Preliminary Budget Meeting and Other Business

Chairman Whitmoyer called this special meeting to order at 2:20 p.m. in the Municipal Building for the purpose of discussion on the preliminary 2010 Budget and any other business. Those attending were Ron Whitmoyer, Dale Swope, John Kintzer, Kathy Boltz, Robbi Lane, Heather Claman, Pete Eisenbrown, and Kris Kerschner.

Administrative Actions

Sale of Truck – It was decided to have Dale Swope inspect the dump truck before it is sold. Dale Swope made a motion to advertise the truck for sale, and to run the advertisement in the Merchandiser, Reading Eagle, and the Lancaster Farmer. John Kintzer second the motion, upon a roll call vote, all three Board Members cast a yes vote.

Mill Road Box Culvert Bid – The bid was awarded at 16,077.08 and is exempt from taxes.

CPA Auditor – The appointment of the Township's CPA auditor needs to be advertised 30 day prior to the reorganization meeting along with their applicable fees that will be charged. The Board decided to gather quotes from several CPA's.

Reorganization Meeting for 2010 – The reorganization meeting for 2010 is scheduled for Monday, January 4, 2010, the time had not been determined. In the past it had been scheduled for 7:00 p.m. The Board discussed having the meeting earlier in the day. The time had not been decided upon at this meeting.

Annual Storm Water Inspections – Township Engineer commented that notices have been sent to A & L Twin Reality requesting the stormwater facilities be mowed on the property, no action has been taken. It was decided that the Engineer should send a certified letter of the notice to mow.

Mill Road – The Township is using Liquid Fuels Funds to pay for the Mill Road Project. The box culvert will require a third party inspection prior to pouring the concrete.

Square in Mount Aetna – The Township Engineer asked the Board if the parking plans that is going to be submitted to Penn Dot for the parking at the square in Mt Aetna should include crosswalks or just parking. The Board decided to submit the plan to Penn Dot with parking only.

Budget 2010

Township Funds - The line item breakdown for each account was reviewed and discussed by the Board. As proposed, the real estate tax rate will remain at 1.6 mills, or \$1.60 on each \$1000 of assessed value.

Sewer Funds - The line item breakdown for each account was reviewed and discussed by the Board. The Board also discussed the delinquent accounts and if there is a way that the list could be made public. The Board directed the sewer service secretary to contact the Engineer to have the tapping fee recalculated.

A motion was made by John Kintzer to advertise the 2010 preliminary budget available for public inspection, motion second by Dale Swope. Upon a roll-call vote, all three Board members cast a yes vote on the motion. The 2010 Budget would come before the Board at the December 14, 2009 meeting.

A motion to adjourn was made by Dale Swope at 3:30 p.m., motion second by John Kintzer. Upon a roll-call vote, all three Board members cast a yes vote on the motion.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathy Boltz

Secretary, Tulpehocken Township