

October 4, 2016 - Board of Supervisors - Minutes Work Session

Minutes of the Antrim Township Supervisors
Budget Work Session
October 4, 2016 7:00 PM

The Antrim Township Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, October 4, 2016 at the Antrim Township Municipal Building, located at 10655 Antrim Church Road, with the following members present: John Alleman, Chairman; Rick Baer, Vice Chairman; and Fred Young. Also attending was: Brad Graham, Administrator; Jennifer Becknell, Secretary.

Meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m.

Administrator Graham stated the Township should strive to have a completed preliminary budget by the November 8, 2016 Supervisors meeting, but could still reach the final budget approval date of December 13, 2016 if the preliminary budget is approved at the November 22, 2016 meeting.

Graham went through the General Fund budget revenues to date for 2016 and amounts budgeted for 2017, with emphases on tables showing tax revenues and other income sources for the Township. There was some discussion on raising LST (Local Services Tax) to the maximum allowed amount of \$52.00, as the Township only collects \$10.00 currently.

Graham then went through the General Fund expenses to date for 2016, mentioning that current expenses are at or under budget. There were three (3) big ticket items that were budgeted for in 2016 that were not started due to a change in the Roadmaster position and will be re-budgeted for in 2017. These items are as follows: 1) vehicle lift for garage 2) barn renovation at Antrim Township Community Park 3) storage building with wash bay at the Township main office location.

There was discussion of the roads to be considered for paving and road improvements in 2017. One paving project will be proposed but it will be smaller than recent years. It is being proposed that a greater amount of Tar/Chip projects will be undertaken. The rationale is that we have many roads that are not in need of an asphalt overlay, but do need maintenance processes (tar/chip) done before they deteriorate to the point of needing repaved.

There are no trucks to be replaced this year. There is a recommendation from staff to replace the Townships 1978 Athey Belt Loader. The estimate received for this replacement is \$196,500.

The Secretary distributed to the Supervisors a one-page sheet outlining what the typical raise options would cost, and further stated that the payroll spreadsheet would not be completed until after the health insurance figures are received at the PMHIC meeting on October 7, 2016.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Becknell
Board of Supervisors Secretary