

***SPECIAL MEETING & BUDGET WORK SESSION - October 27, 2009 - 6:30 P.M.
Held in Municipal Building Meeting Room, 206 S. Market Street, Elysburg, PA 17824***

Chairman Howard Shadduck called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and led the group in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Responding to roll call were Supervisors Howard Shadduck, Blaine Madara, Ed Payeskie, Joe Shirvinski and Supervisor Chip Wetzel. Also attending were Township Manager Joe Springer; Secretary/Treasurer Debra Olson; Solicitor Todd Kerstetter; Meg Bartos of Rep. Bellafanti's office; Steven Balati of Lyric Communications; Glenn Wansock of Service Electric and 3 additional employees of Service Electric.

CITIZENS INPUT– none

OLD BUSINESS –

- Steven Balati and Meg Bartos spoke on behalf of the request for a resolution by Lyric Communications. Glenn Wansock spoke on behalf of Service Electric. Shirvinski motioned to decline to support the project as presented at this time, Wetzel seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

The board went into executive session at 6:55 p.m. to discuss possible litigation. The regular meeting was reconvened at 7:03 p.m.

Wetzel/Shirvinski motioned to remove line item 412.118 Transfer to Fire Equipment Donation \$10,000 from the budget for the year 2010. Motion Carried. Payeskie voted no.

Payeskie motioned and Madara seconded to transfer the budgeted amount of \$10,000 in account 412.118 to the PLIGIT Fire Equipment Donations Bank Account for the year 2009. Motion carried.

The General Fund budget was prepared based on taxes currently in place, i.e.:

- Real Estate – 4 ½ mills (broken down = 3 ¼ mills for general purposes; ½ mill fire protection; ½ mill equipment; ¼ mill library)
- Per Capita \$5
- Occupation 50%
- Real Estate Transfer 1%
- Earned Income 1%
- LST \$52 on earnings exceeding \$12,000
- TV Franchise 2%
- Mechanical Amusement \$50 per machine

Several revisions were made to proposed budgets; budgets will be considered for advertising and posting during November 10, 2009 meeting, with final adoption during the December 8, 2009 regular meeting.

The budgets were reviewed line item by line item, with the following results: General Fund anticipated receipts plus carry over from 2009 = \$1,332,300; budgeted expenditures = \$1,318,883 leaving a projected surplus of \$13,417. State Aid Fund anticipated receipts plus carry over from 2009 of \$257,217; budgeted expenditures of \$217,945 leaving a projected surplus of \$39,272.

CITIZEN INPUT – None

ADJOURNMENT at 8:25 p.m. on motion by Wetzel/Payeskie.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra L. Olson
Ralpho Township Secretary