

MINUTES

PUBLIC HEARING OF HAMPTON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2016

President Son called to order the Public Hearing of Hampton Township Council at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building located at 3101 McCully Road, Allison Park, Pennsylvania.

Those present: V. Son, President, R. Dunlap, C. Montgomery, S. Neugebauer, Members; J. Speakman, Controller; V. Tucceri, Legal Counsel; W.C. Lochner, Municipal Manager.

CITIZEN AGENDA MATTERS

Nothing was brought before Council for discussion.

PUBLIC HEARING – PROPOSED 2017 BUDGET

Mr. Dunlap moved to open the Public Hearing for the proposed 2017 Budget. Ms. Neugebauer seconded the motion and a roll call vote was unanimously in favor.

Mr. Lochner presented a brief overview of the proposed 2017 Budget. He began by stating that there will be no new tax increases or increases in the sewer rates for 2017. He then presented a summary of the revenues in the 2017 General Operating Budget. He noted that the total revenues in 2017 have increased by \$246,114, or 1.7%, over the total revenues in 2016. Next, he reviewed the expenditures in the 2017 Budget. He commented that the total expenditures in the 2017 Budget are \$361,971, or 2.6%, higher than in 2016. He provided explanations for the variances in expenditure levels across the various departments contained within the General Operating Budget. He displayed a summary of the General Operating Fund revenues in comparison with expenditures and pointed out that the 2017 Budget will increase the carryover balance by over \$37,000 due to higher revenues than expenditures. He noted that this carryover balance does not include the funds in the Emergency Reserve, which amounts to over \$500,000. Mr. Lochner asserted that the Township is in a good position financially and was able to absorb several new expenditures that arose from unfunded mandates. He presented an overview of the 2017 Capital Improvements Budget, including the anticipated revenues and expenditures. He remarked that, if all goes as anticipated, the Township should have an excess in revenues of approximately \$30,000 over the total amount of expenditures. Mr. Son questioned if an expenditure for landscaping for the Lower Allison Park Project was included in the 2016 or 2017 Budget. Mr. Lochner replied that most of the cost was accounted for in the 2016 Budget since many of the plantings have already been installed. There will be a cost associated with the remainder of the landscaping, which will be included in the 2017 Budget. He gave an overview of the status of the Lower Allison Park Project and a timeline for the remaining work.

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Mr. Dunlap moved to close the Public Hearing regarding the proposed 2017 Budget. Mr. Montgomery seconded the motion and a roll call vote was unanimously in favor.

OTHER BUSINESS

Nothing was brought before Council for discussion.

There being no further items for discussion, Mr. Son adjourned the Public Hearing at 7:41 pm.

Susan A. Bernet,
Clerk of Council

Victor D. Son,
President of Council