

Special Budget Work Session
October 25, 2016 4 pm
Posted Friday: October 21, 2016

Present: Hughes, Oakes, Wood, Kemp, Hernandez, Kieft; **Absent:** Ream

Also Present: Staff: Accountant Joslyn, Assessor Good, Police Chief Sanford, DPW Director Sanders, Fire Chief Glotzbach, Rental Supervisor Fredericksen

Some of the Board members received by email an explanation of Treasurer Wood's request for funding to continue taking responsibility of Township Social media. Some Board members did not receive the most recent copy of the budget. Accountant Joslyn provided them with the most recent copy at this meeting and a copy of "Sources of Additional Funding" written by Treasurer Wood.

Supervisor Kieft called the budget work session to order at 4:15 pm. He turned the meeting over to Treasurer Wood. Treasurer Wood asked Accountant Joslyn to give comments also, as the Budget is being presented.

Treasurer Wood stated that over the years we have cut every department that we can. The 2017, is going to be handled different. We are at a time where cutting budgets is not going to help with the type of deficit we are facing. We need to look at other revenue sources. Please review the handout at your connivance. That being said, the Executive Committee and Accountant have reviewed all budgets and left them basically as all departments have submitted. This evening, we will review our revenues and each department by line item. If anyone has questions or any concerns, please feel free to ask at any time.

Treasurer Wood and Accountant Joslyn went through the entire 2017 Budget. They provided explanation for any changes to the budgets as submitted by the department heads. All questions and concerns were addressed. The Department heads that were present also shared further explanations of their requests when needed.

We had some discussion regarding retiree's insurance. No action could be taken at this meeting. It was suggested that we bring the retirees in and share these changes that will probably occur next year with Board approval.

Supervisor Kieft will be requesting a second work session.

It was moved by Treasurer Wood and second by Trustee Hernandez to adjourn the meeting at 6:32 pm. **Motion Carried**