

**WEST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
October 18, 2017**

Township Supervisors:

Mr. Edward G. Meakim, Jr., Chairman
Mr. Philip J. Corvo, Member
Mr. Raymond H. Halvorsen, Member

Township Officials:

Mr. Casey LaLonde, Township Manager
Mr. Rick Craig, Township Engineer
Ms. Kristin Camp, Township Solicitor
Ms. Jeanne M. Denham, Finance Director
Mr. Derek Davis, Asst. Township Manager
Ms. Jennifer Latzer, Asst. Finance Director
Mr. David Woodward, Public Works Director
Mr. Mark Bertolami, Streets Superintendent
Ms. Dorine McClune, Parks Superintendent
Mr. Michael Moffa, Sewer Superintendent
Mr. Michael Caccavo, Facilities Superintendent
Ms. Lisa Covatta, Streets Department
Mr. Jon Wetty, Public Works Department

A special budget workshop meeting of the Board of Supervisors of West Goshen Township was called to order by Chairman Edward G. Meakim, at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 18, 2017 at the West Goshen Township Administration Building. Mr. Meakim opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Mr. Meakim requested that all audience members silence their cell phones.

Mr. Meakim made notice to all members of the public in attendance that they may be recorded via audio and video by other members of the public.

Mr. LaLonde provided an overview of the 2017 General Fund, Waste & Recycling Fund, Sewer Fund, Capital Reserve Fund and Liquid Fuels Fund Budgets through the "Key Financial Highlights" document, dated October 18, 2017.

Mr. LaLonde stated that the intention of tonight's meeting was to have the Department Heads available for questions on their various 2018 budget requests and to provide a similar overview of the "Key Financial Highlights" as discussed at the October 11, 2017 Board meeting.

Mr. LaLonde introduced Parks Superintendent Dorine McClune to discuss her 2018 capital expenses. There were no questions for Ms. McClune.

Mr. LaLonde detailed the various other capital expenses for each Department to include Streets, Sewer, Facilities, Engineering and Administration.

Mr. LaLonde then reviewed some of the "Key Financial Highlights" below, as done during the October 11, 2017 Board meeting and budget discussion.

2018 Budget – KEY FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- No proposed millage increase in the Real Estate Tax for 2018 – 8th consecutive year with no tax increase (last increase 2010). *Millage rate 2.0 mills.*
- No proposed increase in Sewer/Trash fees for 2018. *Sewer \$65/qtr; Trash \$85/qtr.*
- The General Fund is currently proposing a \$108,962 surplus.
- Major Capital proposed for 2018: Administration: Control panel for the Police Department, Generator replacement, and replacement Pool vehicle; Police: Dispatch room remodel, 2 patrol SUV's, 1

interceptor truck, Voice recorder server and software, Vehicle garage security gates, and License plate recognition system; Roads: Asphalt roller, and 2 truck replacements, net decrease \$76,757.

- Major Capital for Parks proposed for 2018 – reimbursed by Transfer from Restricted Parks: a riding mower, Gator, 5-ton trailer, chipper bandit, baseball infield groomer, tractor/mower, movie projector, gazebo for Cloud Park, gazebo for Hamlet Park, and a rock climbing wall for Barker Park. \$147,500.
- Major Capital for the Sewer Department proposed for 2018 - Gator and trailer replacements.

Dr. Douglas White had several questions and suggestions for the 2018 budget and the Board took them under advisement.

Please see the full meeting video at the following Township link:

<https://www.westgoshen.org/west-goshen-youtube-channel/>

On a motion by Mr. Halvorsen seconded by Mr. Meakim, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 6:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Casey LaLonde
Township Secretary