

Township Manager's Proposed 2016 Municipal Budget

Proposed 2016 Municipal Budget

Budget Preparation Process

- 1. Department Head Requests
- 2. Manager/CFO Review
- 3. Manager/CFO/Department Head Public Hearings
- 4. Public Input at Council Meetings
- 5. Manager/CFO final review
- 6. Manager's presentation to Council of proposed budget appropriations and estimated revenues

Proposed 2016 Municipal Budget Budget Preparation Process

- 7. Council review and public hearings
- 8. CFO's Revenue and tax levy cap projections
- 9. CFO's review and recommendations
- 10. Council introduction of budget by revised statutory date of 3/18
- 11. Hearing and adoption of budget by revised statutory date of 4/22 or next meeting

Assumptions

2016 Budget is dependent upon:

- Council determination of 2016 Municipal Budget Appropriations
- Fund Balance (Surplus) available for 2016
- 2015 Municipal Revenues' Analysis and 2016 Revenue Anticipations
- State Aid allocations for 2016
- BCUA Sewer Increase estimated at 2.18%

Proposed 2016 Municipal Budget

Proposed levy increase 2.26% or \$1,244,683.00 Proposed appropriations decrease 2.36% or \$1,673,029.37

> Estimated annual tax increase: Average home assessed at \$377,800 Increase in Taxes Per year: \$95

Tax Levy = Budget Appropriations Minus Revenues

No Tax Levy Cap Issue Expected

2016 Budget Preemptive Action

- Estimated levy increase 2016 5.00%
- 2016 Tax Sale Date Moved to January 4th
- Tax collection percentage
 2013 (97.10%), 2014 (98.28%) 2015 (99.46%)
- Reserve for uncollected taxes (RUT)
 2014 (\$3,593,708.93), 2015 (\$2,707,885.14),
 2016 (\$1,800,00.00)
- Difference \$907,885.14 (RUT- 33.53%)

2016 Budget Preemptive Action



Appropriation vs. Levy

Appropriations – what the municipality intends to spend on operations

 Levy – what the municipality intends to raise through taxation of property owners
 (Levy = Budget Appropriations Minus Revenues)

Appropriations Cap vs. Levy Cap

Appropriations Cap

- Enacted 1977
- Originally capped budget appropriations increases at cost of living (COLA)
- Amended in 2003 to 2.5%
- COLA Ordinance 3.5% and Cap Banking

Levy Cap

- Enacted 2007
- Amended in 2010 to 2% and modified exclusions

Exclusions from 2010 Levy Cap

- Increases in Debt Service and Capital Expenditures
- Weather and other "declared" emergencies
- Pension contributions in excess of 2%
- Health benefit cost increases in excess of 2% and limited by the increase in State Health Benefits rate increases

Appropriations Decrease \$1,673,029.37

Category	Increase/ (Decrease)
Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	(\$907,885.14)
Other Expenses (Tab 5 less Statutory, Debt Service, Deferred Charges, and Capital Funds)	(\$418,525.38)
Debt Service/Debt Management Plan	\$16,823.85
Statutory Expenditures (Tax Refunds) Deferred Charges (Assessment) (PFRS, PERS, SS)	(\$969,692.43)
Capital Improvement Plan	\$225,550
Salaries and Wages	\$380,699.73

What are Special Emergency Appropriations?

Per N.J.S.A. 40A:4-53:

- Preparation of Tax Maps
- Revaluation
- Codification of Ordinances
- Preparation of Master Plan
- Drainage Maps/Flood Control
- Engineering/Planning of Sanitary Sewer System
- Municipal Consolidation
- Severance Liabilities
- Preparation of Sanitary/Storm System Map
- Tax Appeal Refunds

2015 Tax Breakdown

Tax Breakdown

Total Property Taxes: \$152,991,035.94



- Proposed budget refers to municipal portion of taxes only
- All taxes collected by the municipality for the taxing entity
- Taxes forwarded to taxing entity biweekly/quarterly

2016 Proposed Budget Budget Appropriation Categories

Total: \$69,141.143.34





Salary & Wage Increases Required by Union Contract

Under Contract \$9,572,144.59 27% Under Binding Arbitration Contract \$21,882,070.48 62%

> Only 11% of salary & wages or \$3,797,209.52 Not under required Contract increase

Total: \$35,251,424.59

Expired Contracts

Exp. December 31, 2014

- PBA 215 & SOA
- AFSCME Exp. December 31, 2015
- Library Exp. December 31, 2015
- DPW Supervisors Exp. December 31, 2015
- DPW Non-Supervisors Exp. December 31, 2015

Manager's Office



2016 Recommendations

- Fund Deputy Manager position
- Fund Administrative Assistant position
- Fund Economic Development Director position

Manager \$474,395 1%

Municipal Court Department

2016 Recommendations



 Fund Deputy Court Administrator position

Court \$482,731 1%

Finance Department

2016 Recommendations

• Add Accountant position



Finance \$254,351 1%

Human Resources Department

2016 Recommendations



• Fund Police MIS Technical Assistant Position

Human Resources \$422,924 1% Salaries and Wages Summary and Recommendations Terminal Leave Trust

Funding @ \$300k due to past and future retirement obligations

Overtime

Dept.	2016	2015	Change %	Spent
Fire	\$440,000	\$425,000	3.53 %	\$437,777.81
DPW	\$326,400	\$320,000	2.00%	\$405 <i>,</i> 460.48
Police	\$500,000	\$425,000	17.65%	\$526,057.62

Appropriations Other Expenses



Group Insurance For Employees



Net decrease 10.68% or \$666,175



Contributions to Self-Insurance Fund

• No Change



Other Insurance Premiums



- PEJIF Premium
- Auto Liability and collision
- Employment Practices
- Public Officials
- Facilities
 Increase 2.8%

Debt Service

Debt Service



Highlights

- Note Principal increased \$407,034.10
- Bond principal decreased \$369,000
- Bond Interest decreased \$21,210.25
- After certain reductions, total increase of \$16,823.85 in Debt Service

Deferred Charges

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Tax appeal reserve of \$1,000,000 for 2015 appeals (State appeals 2015 \$1,167,000)

Number of appeals and potential refunds TBD

Statutory Expenditures

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Major Adjustments



- PFRS decreased \$446,188.52
- PERS Increased \$63,640.68
- Social Security increased \$10,000
- Total line item decreased \$374,498.33

Capital Improvement Fund

Total Cost of Improvements \$4,359,000 Capital Improvement Fund \$312,950

Capital Improvement Fund Review February 11, 2016





Estimated State Revenue

Total: \$3,379,296



Factors Potentially Impacting Budget

- General state of economy
- Special Emergencies
- Glenpointe Tax Appeal (Unfunded)
- Impact of tax appeals (State)
- Interest rates
- Reduced or flat state aid
- BCUA sewer
- Labor contract negotiations

Budget Wrap - Up



Strategies Short & Long Term

- Develop Strategic Plan
- Shared services
- Cost containment/efficiency/technology
- Police/Fire/EMS Dispatch Consolidation through County
- Power Purchase Agreement/3rd Party Energy Supplier
- Sale/development of selected municipally owned property
- Enhance ratables through business attraction and development
- Redevelopment of Alfred Avenue
- CO or Certificate of Inspection upon resale/purchase
- Fee Schedule revision

Upcoming Budget Meeting Tentative Agenda Thursday, February 11, 2016

- Review Police Department budget
- Review Public Works/Engineering budgets
- Review Capital budget
- Review Various budget accounts

Upcoming Budget Meeting Tentative Agenda Thursday, February 18, 2016

- Review Fire Department budget
- Review Recreation Department budget
- Review Various budget accounts

Upcoming Budget Meeting Tentative Agenda Thursday, February 25, 2016

- Presentation Insurance
- Review Legal Budget
- Review Library Budget
- Review Council budget
- Review Township Manager's budget
- Review Township Clerk's budget
- Review Various budget accounts

Thank you!

