

**CHARTIERS TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS
BUDGET WORKSHOP
TUESDAY
November 14, 2017
Following Supervisor Workshop Meeting**

A. William Kiehl-Chairman called the Budget Workshop to order, at 4:40 P.M. Tuesday, November 14, 2017.

ATTENDANCE:

Attending the workshop were Supervisors John M. Marcischak, Glenn Alterio and Mr. Kiehl. Also attending were Jodi L. Noble-Township Manager, Anita Marcischak - Treasurer and Bev Small-Recording Secretary.

Mrs. Noble presented an draft General Fund Budget. The General fund was balanced at with the personnel requests discussed previously, but does require a potential reduction in the fund balance of \$100,000. She provided detailed information including millage values for Supervisors' consideration for the options in lieu of reducing the fund balance.

Several options presented and discussed included: the potential to levy a Fire Tax of 0.147mils as special services handled by the CTVFD (possible provision for personnel); potential to charge for Recycling (comparable to how surrounding municipalities handle this) reducing significant annual Township Cost of contract; potential billing by Police and VFD for specific services provided beyond regular coverages; the option to apply in 2018 for a C.O.P.S. Grant for additional Police personnel was discussed.

Extensive discussion and options ensued with deliberation as to the determination of the direction and decision to arrive at the most feasible solution to approve a budget that has the least impact on using revenues from reserve funds. Mrs. Noble will check with Peters Township, McDonald Borough and the Township Solicitor regarding Ordinances centered on funding options for personnel to offset a tax raise.

The Township Manager will prepare the Preliminary Budget based on the Supervisors' consensus and recommendation to keep the \$25,000 for the Volunteer Fire Department, a Public Works employee to be hired mid year, but to remove the additional police officer so as not to reduce the fund balance or raise taxes. This will be the focus for action at the next scheduled Budget Meeting Tuesday, November 21, 2017 at 4:00 P.M.

The meeting adjourned at 5:10 PM to convene in Executive Session to discuss personnel matters. The Executive Session adjourned at 5:20 P.M.

John M. Marcischak
Secretary

Bev Small – Recording Secretary