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Board of Supervisors: Thomas Schiebel, Chairman Andrew Erie, Vice Chairman Ronald Flatt, Supervisor Kenneth Frenchak Jr, Supervisor Edward Latuska, Supervisor



Michael Gallagher, Solicitor
Olsen & Associates, Engineer
Anthony Amendolea, Secretary/Treasurer
Mark Lauer, Public Works Director
Richard Round, BCO/Zoning Official

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Special Meeting – 2012 Budget November 21, 2011 6:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Thomas Schiebel called the Special Meeting, of the Center Township Board of Supervisors, to order at 6:31 p.m. The meeting was held at the Center Township Municipal Building, 419 Sunset Drive, Butler PA 16001.

ROLL CALL: In addition to Chairman Schiebel, present were Vice Chairman Andrew Erie; Supervisors Ronald Flatt, Kenneth Frenchak, and Edward Latuska; and Township Secretary/Treasurer Anthony Amendolea.

PUBLIC TO BE HEARD (3 Minute Limit):

1. Ms. Beverly Schenck, 105 Iroquois Dr.: The revenue side of the budget is not the problem but the expenditures are. Prior to 2006, Middle Department Inspection Agency was used to perform Uniform Construction Code inspections. Four road crew members were used to maintain roads. Road mileage increase 1.36 miles and two additional road crew members were hired. The Board has other options to trim the budget other than raising taxes.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. 2012 Budget: 2011 budget deficit as of November 1, 2011 was \$72,000. The majority of this deficit, \$52,000, was due to the purchase of salt and health insurance. Expenses are less than 2010. Health insurance increased forty percent (40%) for 2012. The Board is requesting quotes for other health insurances. Effective December 18, 2010, two phone lines will be discontinued. Berkheimer Associates Earn Income Tax distribution lags behind 2010 distribution. Public Works Director Lauer suggested to Chairman Schiebel that he will stagger the road crew shifts effective December 15, 2011. The proposed tax increase of 2.75 mills for the General Fund and 2.5 mills for the Debt Service Fund. The Fire Protection Fund millage will remain at 1.8 mills. The total millage is 7.05 mills or an increase of \$73.88 per year on a \$200,000 market value home.

Frenchak motioned to increase the General Fund millage to 2.75 mills, Debt Service Fund millage to 2.5 mills, and the Fire Protection millage of 1.8 mills will remain the same. Latuska seconded. Erie against because he feels this proposed tax increase is detrimental to the businesses and residents of Center Township. Motion carried 4 to 1.

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ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned to an executive session to discuss personnel issues at 7:59 p.m. The meeting reconvened at 8:08 p.m. with no action being taken.

Frenchak motioned to adjourn the Agenda Setting Meeting at 8:09. Latuska seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Anthony A. Amendolea	Thomas G. Schiebel	
Township Secretary/Treasurer	Chairman	
Andrew Erie	Ronald E. Flatt	
Vice Chairman	Supervisor	
Kenneth J. Frenchak Jr	Edward G. Latuska	
Supervisor	Supervisor	