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SPECIAL MEETING
 October 3, 2016

President Alan Ilgen called the special budget meeting of the Millheim Borough Council to order at 6:30 p.m. with the following persons in attendance: Patty Beckenbaugh, Ed Bowman, Alan Ilgen, David Sprowls, Lauralee Snyder, and Sharon Heckman.

ABSENT: Leslie Warriner

CITIZEN'S INPUT: None

BUDGET DISCUSSION:

Salaries for 2017 were discussed. The new Fair Labor Standards Act's law governing overtime and comp time taking effect December 1, 2016 was discussed. This law includes a wage base and job test requirements for employers to use to determine which employees are eligible for overtime. Based on the new law requirements, Roy Rupert is the only Borough employee who is not eligible for overtime or comp time.

An executive session was called at 7:00 p.m. to discuss matters of employment. At 7:15 p.m. the special meeting reconvened from the executive session with all members present except Leslie Warriner. The Secretary was instructed to use the following hourly rates to complete work on the 2017 budgets:

Sharon Heckman - \$19.48

Justin Kerstetter - \$15.30

Roy Rupert - \$28.75

Lester Kerstetter, Jr. - \$12.24

Rich Musser - \$17.99

Kent Yearick - 8.31

Pam Winter - \$10.00/hr. based on 700 hours. Ms. Winter will continue as part-time water/sewer billing clerk and will begin training to act as back-up for the Secretary-Treasurer.

The Fire Tax committee meeting was discussed. Everyone plans to keep the Fire Tax at 1/2 mills. They are not interested in paying the Workers' Comp Insurance from the General Fund since this is an allowable expense from the Fire Tax. In 2001 the law was changed to allow fire companies to bill insurance companies. Centre Hall-Potter Fire Company has been successful doing this. Next year Millheim Fire Company is to begin billing insurance companies. A motion was made by Ed Bowman and seconded by David Sprowls to continue collecting 1/2 mill fire tax for 2017. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Ed Bowman and seconded by David Sprowls to approve the 2017 Proposed Liquid Fuel Budget as presented. Motion carried.

OLD ACTION:


Bids received to complete the employee office in the Borough Building were presented. The consensus of Council was to discuss this item at the October 11, 2016 Council meeting.

NEW ACTION:

A motion was made by Ed Bowman and seconded by David Sprowls to purchase a snow blower from the Millheim Small Engine Shop for \$719. Motion carried.

Renewal of the 3-year Lease Agreement with Omar King for 4 acres at the Sewer Plant was discussed. The consensus of Council was to discuss this item as part of the Sewer Budget discussions.

A motion was made by Ed Bowman and seconded by David Sprowls to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 p.m. Motion carried.


 Sharon A. Heckman, Secretary-Treasurer