

NORTH SEWICKLEY TOWNSHIP BUDGET MEETING

The budget meeting of the North Sewickley Township Board of Supervisors was held on Tuesday, August 23rd, at 7:00 P. M. at the North Sewickley Township Building, 893 Mercer Road, Beaver Falls. In attendance were Supervisors Emmett Santillo, John Axtell, Thom Portman, Secretary Amy Schmidhamer, Road Foreman Wayne Young, Tax Collector Karen Trozzo and Chief Becze.

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CALL MEETING TO ORDER < **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO FLAG** >

ROLL CALL

Emmett Santillo	Here
John Axtell	Here
Thom Portman	Here

PUBLIC SPEAK- NONE

BUSINESS

2017 Budget

Revenues- Tax Collector Commission

Tax Collector Karen Trozzo requested consideration for an increase in the percentage for commission effective with the 2018 tax season. A decision must be made prior to February 2017. Supervisors asked that she research other compensations in the area for Tax Collectors.

Expenses- Police Department

Several estimates were given for a new police cruiser with equipment packages. Supervisors requested Chief Becze to gather information for dash cameras. Chief Becze also requested to increase the ammunition budget to \$1000 from \$500.

Expenses- Road Department

Road Foreman Wayne Young presented a list of items that will need to be replaced soon with estimated pricing along with a list of the current Township equipment with miles and hours for review.

Expenses- Buildings- Air Conditioning

Estimates were given for the social hall as well as the police department air conditioning. Mr. Santillo made the motion to approve the social hall air conditioning bid of \$3,198 from Maier Heating and Cooling with 2016 budget funds. Mr. Portman seconded. Chairman asked for questions/comments. All in favor.

Personnel- Non Union Employees

Mr. Santillo made the motion to give Maintenance personnel- Donald (Ray) Walters 2 weeks' vacation for 2017 consistent with his hours and raise his hourly rate to \$13 per hour, keeping with his current schedule. Mr. Portman seconded. Chairman asked for questions/comments. All in favor.

Mr. Santillo made the motion to increase the Secretary/Treasurer-Amy Schmidhamer to \$23 per hour, keeping other benefits and hours consistent to current schedule. Mr. Portman

seconded. Chairman asked for questions/comments. All in favor.

After an executive session, Mr. Santillo made the motion to increase Chief Becze's salary to \$52,000 per year including ACO, keeping other benefits and hours consistent to current schedule. Mr. Portman seconded. Chairman asked for questions/comments. All in favor.

Discussion was held on the gasoline and diesel. Secretary, Amy Schmidhamer researched that New Brighton, New Sewickley, Rochester and Franklin were using regular unleaded instead of the premium gasoline that the Township is currently using. Beaver Falls uses midgrade. Mr. Santillo made the motion that if the price difference was greater than .10 cents per gallon to make the switch to regular immediately. Mr. Axtell seconded. Chairman asked for questions/comments. All in favor.

At 8:16 P.M. Mr. Axtell made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Portman seconded the motion. Chairman asked for questions/comments. All in favor.

Amy Schmidhamer, Secretary