

**CAMP HILL BOROUGH COUNCIL
SPECIAL WORKSHOP – 2011 PROPOSED BUDGET
ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2010**

The workshop began at 6:05 p.m. Present were:

Burke McLemore
Don Edwards, Jr.
Deborah Donahue
Richard Guerin
Peter Robelen
Aubrey Sledzinski

Also present were Police Chief Ammons, Mayor Mark Simpson, Borough Manager Gary M. Kline, Finance Director Raymond Madden, Borough Secretary Anne Shambaugh, Sewer Billing Clerk Nate Sterling and Public Works Foreman Michael Auxer.

Mr. Kline presented the proposed 2011 budget to Council for review.

Mr. Kline stated the budget does not include any tax increase for 2011 and monies will not need to be appropriated to balance the budget. He also stated there will be another increase to the sewer fees in accordance with the long-range plans to fund the waste water treatment plant as discussed and recommended by the Health and Sanitation committee. Current fees are \$290 annually and the proposed budget includes fees of \$600 annually.

Mr. Kline presented options regarding the proposed funding for the wastewater treatment plant. He proposed a 20, 25, and 30-year term for the loan. After a lengthy discussion, it was decided to look at 30-year term since the life expectancy of the project ranges from 30 to 50 years.

Mr. Kline asked Council if they would like to pay off the current bank note in the amount of \$1.7 million dollars from the fund balance and save an additional \$200,000 in debt service payments to the General Fund. Mr. Kline stated if Council approves this payoff it may be possible to hold off on any tax increases the next few years. After a brief discussion, Council authorized Mr. Kline to include the payoff of the bank note using the General Fund fund balance.

Mr. Kline asked if Council wanted to eliminate the administrative fee currently received from Penn Waste of \$3.00 per month per resident. Council agreed to remove the fee reducing the quarterly trash bill from \$45.75 to \$36.75.

Additional discussion followed regarding the budget line items: fringe benefits provided to employees, training for employees, budget items paid by police forfeiture funds, special programs (dramatic drop in expenditures), and questions about the pole building and leaf picker.

Mr. Guerin questioned the increase in payroll for 2011 and asked for justification. Mr. Guerin also asked about the funding of the Borough's pension plans and the contributions made to the healthcare cost by employees. Mr. Kline provided the information as requested.

There were minimal questions through the remainder of the General Fund. Mr. Kline stated the salary for Rebecca Yearick (\$7,500) was not included in the proposed budget. Mr. Guerin asked if Ms. Yearick could present her case to Council at the next budget hearing and Council agreed.

Council asked Mr. Kline to add a \$30,000 line item to the Capital Improvement Fund to paint the Administration Building and replace the gutters. There were no requested changes to the Cemetery, Liquid Fuels, Swimming Pool or Waste Water Funds.

In conclusion, Mr. Kline stated he would provide the following to the council members for review prior to next week's budget hearing: Reconciliation Sheet showing the changes to the General Fund and Capital Improvement Fund.

The workshop concluded at 8:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Shambaugh, Borough Secretary