

**CAMP HILL BOROUGH COUNCIL
SPECIAL WORKSHOP – 2011 PROPOSED BUDGET
ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2011**

The workshop began at 6:01 p.m. Present were:

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

Also present were Police Chief Ammons, Borough Manager Gary M. Kline, Finance Director Raymond Madden, Borough Secretary Anne Shambaugh and Sewer Billing Clerk Nate Sterling. Mr. Rick Woodard also attended.

- Motion made by Ms. Schultz, seconded by Mr. Guerin, to eliminate the regular meeting formalities. Motion passed unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Council recessed to executive session to discuss personnel matters at 6:02 p.m.

Borough Council returned to public session at 6:32 p.m. Ms. Donahue had to leave the meeting for other business.

Mr. Guerin stated the Borough received the rental cost for the Pollock Center for the theatre camps and it is \$8,800 while the cost was \$4,000 in 2011.

Mr. McLemore asked if \$4,000 should be included in the 2012 budget for this expense. After a brief discussion, it was agreed that line item 451.203 should be increased by \$5,000 to account for the increase rental cost of the Pollock Center.

Mr. Kline stated he spoke to Mr. McBride and the cost to purchase the 2004 bucket truck is \$50-55,000. Mr. Kline stated it has 115,000 miles and 10,000 hours of service on the vehicle.

Council agreed to continue using ATS for all bucket-truck needs at a cost of \$60.00/hour. Ms. Shambaugh asked for the cost to be included in the line item and Mr. McLemore stated \$15,000.

Mr. Kline asked about including money in the 2012 for the Toys for Tots parade since there is no longer a sponsor. Mr. Edwards stated the cost for 2011 is approximately \$4,800.

Council requested \$4,000 be placed in the General Fund expenditures for the 2012 Toys for Tots Parade.

Mr. Edwards stated \$10,000 is currently in the 2012 budget for the design of the new concession stand at the pool. He stated if construction begins in 2012 the money previously included in the 2011 budget will need to be re-allocated into the 2012 budget. Mr. Kline stated this is what needs to be done and council agreed to include the \$350,000 from the 2011 budget into the 2012 budget for the construction of the new concession stand.

Mr. McLemore stated the Borough will accept the grant money from the Lion Foundation for the pool. He requested someone attend the October 28th football game to accept the money and Mayor Simpson stated he would accept on behalf of the Borough.

Mr. Guerin stated the revenue for the wastewater fees will be \$3,083,000 in 2012. He stated the rates and billing method will remain the same until July 1, 2012 when it will be moved to "usage-based" billing. Mr. Schultz stated the committee was trying to equalize the rates across the board to have the usage equal the amount of the total paid. For example if commercial uses 20% of the water consumption, they should be responsible for 20% of the sewer fees.

Mr. Guerin stated the income from the fees needs to increase from \$2.6 million in 2011 to \$3.6 million in 2013 and the committee is trying to determine the best and most-effective way to get to the new number.

Mr. Guerin stated the committee is recommending a 9% increase in fees for 2012 and an 18% increase in fees for 2013. Mr. Schultz added that approximately 15-20% of residents will not see an increase as a result of the usage-based billing.

Ms. Shambaugh stated the new sewer rates will need to be advertised in conjunction with the 2012 proposed budget and Mr. Kline stated he would verify this with Mr. Feinour.

Mr. McLemore stated members of council wanted to discuss the Borough's health insurance and stated now was the time. Mr. Guerin stated council members want to review the union contracts and implement a similar type of payment for health benefits with the non-union employees.

Mr. McLemore requested Mr. Kline to forward the information from the union contracts to council for review. Mr. Schultz asked why council is looking at this information. Mr. Edwards stated it is a question of perception with the residents regarding staff and what they do and don't pay.

Mr. McLemore stated he sent an email earlier in the day regarding the Borough's business community. He stated Mr. Guerin has volunteered to spearhead the work with the Business Community.

After a brief discussion regarding the number of houses currently on the market in Camp Hill and how to better promote Camp Hill, Mr. McLemore requested Council work on this project in 2012.

Mr. Kline asked if there was a need to meet next week and Mr. McLemore stated no.

The workshop concluded at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Shambaugh, Borough Secretary