

**ROCKLAND TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
BUDGET MEETING**

**October 27, 2016**

The Rockland Township Board of Supervisors held their annual budget meeting on October 27, 2016 at 1:00PM at the Rockland Township Municipal Building. The following members were present: Herb Meadway (Chairman), Duane Bennetch (Vice Chairman) and Nathan Ohlinger (Township Supervisor). Also present were: Karen Krall (Secretary/Treasurer), Michael Pott (Roadmaster), and Eric Fox (Ruscombmanor Fire Company).

Chairman, Herb Meadway, called the meeting to order at 1:00PM.

The Secretary/Treasurer presented the proposed 2017 budget to the Board of Supervisors, which included no proposed tax increases for 2017. The Board of Supervisors reviewed and discussed the General Fund revenue line items for 2017 with total revenue anticipated for 2017 at \$1,035,040.00, including \$85,000.00 for the ARLE Grant.

The Board of Supervisors discussed the General Fund expenses for 2017. The Board decided to keep all 2017 donation amounts the same as for 2016, including the donations to the volunteer fire companies and ambulance services and Animal Rescue League. The 2017 proposed budget includes a 3% increase for the Secretary/Treasurer and includes a \$0.50/hr increase for full-time road crew employees. The Board discussed capital expenditures for 2017 and decided to allocate \$229,500.00 for capital expenses, including approximately \$38,700.00 for final payment of 2013 Mack truck, \$11,000.00 for balance due for skid steer and cold planer, \$175,000.00 for 2017 Mack truck and snow plow (to replace the 1998 International), and \$4,500.00 for a skid loader broom. Funding for these capital purchases (equipment, etc.) will be taken from the Township's Capital Reserve Account during 2017. The Board agreed to add the following expense items for 2017: 408.111 MS4 Expenses totaling \$8,000.00, 411.542 One-Time Donation-Rescue Truck (Ruscombmanor Fire Company) \$5,000.00, and 411.560 Dry Hydrant Installation \$10,000.00. The total expenses for the proposed 2017 budget for the General Fund total \$1,334,435.00.

The Board of Supervisors reviewed the proposed State Aid Fund budget for 2017. The Township anticipates receipt of approximately \$190,000.00 in State Aid monies for 2017, therefore the projected State Aid funds available for 2017 is approximately \$244,000.00. The Roadmaster expects to use approximately \$170,000.00 for 2017 road projects.

The Secretary was instructed to prepare the proposed 2017 total budget (all funds) totaling \$1,504,435.00, with no proposed tax increases for 2017, for approval for advertising at the upcoming November 15, 2016 for consideration for adoption at the December 13, 2016 Board meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:23PM on a motion by Duane Bennetch, seconded by Herb Meadway. There was no public comment. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Krall  
Secretary/Treasurer