

## November 4, 2016

Council convened for the regular monthly meeting at 8 PM at the Prompton Fire Hall. Members attending were President Brian Mikulewicz, Dan Biondo, Robert Mikulewicz, Dale Odell, Allen Heberling, Lynn Holl, and Kirk Fries. Also present was Secretary/Treasurer Michael Wolfe.

The minutes of October 7, 2016 were read and approved unanimously by council without amendment.

### ***Old Business***

Secretary announced the results of the recent appeals. The Kielar appeal was abandoned. The Baker appeal resulted in a \$700 reduction in assessed value. At the current tax rate of 0.9000 mills, this works out to a \$0.63 loss in projected tax revenue.

Secretary posted links to the required emergency management training that was discussed during the October meeting. The links are on the borough website under the October 2016 monthly meeting page:

- <http://promptonpa.com/october-2016-meeting/>

### ***New Business***

The Pennsylvania Route 6 Alliance sent another letter urging council to adopt the scenic byway ordinance. Part of the proposed ordinance is a restriction on future installation of signage along the road. Council did not agree with this reduction of property rights within the borough and declined to formally consider the ordinance.

Following the annual audit, the State Workers Insurance Fund (SWIF) premium for the borough increased by \$43.

Council discussed cleaning up the park in advance of the upcoming election and turkey party. The park cleanup was scheduled for Sunday, November 6, at 1 PM. Some council members will not be around in the afternoon and may work on the park in the morning.

Secretary presented the initial draft budget for 2017. These were the highlights:

- RE transfer tax ranged from \$380 to \$5,500 with an average of \$2,000 over past 7 years; budget set to \$1,000
- Total State Income estimate dropped by about \$6,000 from last year due to no DGLVPR project for 2017
- Local Govt income was over \$4,000 in 2016 because there were two Canaan Twp payments in same calendar year
- Public safety income jumped to over \$2,000 in 2016 due to two septic inspections; most years SEO income is \$0
- Last year's mild winter led to a snowplow total under \$1,500; a typical year is \$3,000, which is the 2017 estimate
- The Parks expenses were higher than expected in 2016 due to unplanned fence repair of \$300

The budgeted amount of \$7,417 for "maintenance and repair of roads and bridges" and the total budget surplus of \$1,037 results in roughly \$8,500 which may be put toward future capital road projects, such as resurfacing.

### ***Accounts Payable***

**Kirk Fries moved to approve all bills for payment. Dan Biondo seconded the motion which carried unanimously.** The accounts payable approved for payment are detailed in the Treasurer's Report on the reverse side of this page.

Meeting adjourned. Michael Wolfe, Secretary

## November Treasurer's Report

Description	Amount	Balance
General Checking Beginning Balance		\$ 21,186.50
Road Project Set-aside	\$ (3,000.00)	\$ 18,186.50
PA Dept of Rev - State Inc Tax Withholding	\$ (24.55)	\$ 18,161.95
PA Dept of Labor - Unemp Comp	\$ (10.76)	\$ 18,151.19
Road Project Set-aside	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 21,151.19
<b>General Checking Ending Balance</b>		<b>\$ 21,151.19</b>

Highway Checking Beginning Balance		\$ 122.18
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Highway Savings Beginning Balance		\$ 14,861.64
Road Project Set-aside	\$ (7,000.00)	\$ 7,861.64
Street Lights ( 9/1/2016 - 10/3/2016)	\$ (306.31)	\$ 7,555.33
October Interest	\$ 1.18	\$ 7,556.51
Road Project Set-aside	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 14,556.51
<b>Highway Savings Ending Balance</b>		<b>\$ 14,556.51</b>

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 35,829.88</b>
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