

WILSON BOROUGH
NORTHAMPTON COUNTY
PENNSYLVANIA
NOVEMBER 9, 2009

A Budget Meeting of the Council of the Borough of Wilson was held in the Guy B. Tomaino Public Safety Building at 2040 Hay Terrace, President Feinberg called the meeting order at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

Leonard Feinberg, President	James Klass
Joan Lilly	James McGowan
Louis Starniri	Tony Verenna (Late)
David Williams	

ABSENT:

Bob Reiss, David Schug

Mr. Feinberg reviewed the Budget Meeting schedule. After a short discussion, Council agreed to meet on November 23, 2009, November 30, 2009, December 2, 2009, December 7, 2009, December 9, 2009 and December 14, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. until the budget is completed.

Ms. Lohrman made two additions to the revenue portion of the budget. Based on recent calculations, Ms. Lohrman believes that \$295,755.37 will be left at the end of 2009 to be forwarded into the 2010 budget. Ms. Lohrman received the new assessment from the county today. Based on 11.00 mills, the real estate taxes collected for next year would be \$1,680,204.90.

Ms. Lohrman has spoken to Mr. Veresink, Borough Health Officer. Mr. Veresink stated that Wilson Borough has the lowest Health License Fees and Business License Fees in the area. Council agreed to increase the Health License Fee to \$50.00 and the Business License to \$25.00.

Ms. Lohrman has received numerous engineering proposals. Mr. Feinberg informed Council that they as a whole would be reviewing the proposals after the budget was completed. The position of Borough Engineer could be changed at anytime.

Several items were discussed including: when the rate increase will occur for Met-Ed, the Police Training budget, and civil service and rank. Each department head will present his budget to Council.

Salary increase for full time office staff and public works department were calculated at 4.0%. The full time police rate increase was 3.5%. The Borough has not received the Arbitration Award for the Fire Department as of yet. It is hoped that the Borough will receive it prior to the end of 2009. No salary increases were included for part time employees or staffing increases or rank in the police department. Council will have to determine what the wish to do.

Mr. Feinberg adjourned the Budget Meeting at 6:50 p.m. in preparation for the regular Council Meeting.

Transcribed from a tape.

KAREN A.LOHRMAN, BOROUGH SECRETARY