

Penbrook Borough Budget Meeting

August 12, 2024

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm. Elected officials present were Dry, Deardorff, Shaw, Stokes, Newcomer, Armbruster and the Mayor. Fire Chief Murphy and Fire Association Treasurer Brady were also in attendance.

2. A review of the 03 Fire Protection Fund Expenses lead by Chief Murphy.

A. All existing expense lines would remain the same as 2024 proposal. Murphy said there may be a slight increase in insurance premiums but he's not sure at this point.

B. Murphy would like to add the \$500 expense to pay for Fire Police supplies. It wasn't used this past year because they didn't have anyone to fill that role. Now there are several volunteers that are trained.

C. Murphy would like to add a new expense line for \$10,000 to pay for the incentives when qualified members respond to calls. Hogarth said he would consult the Chart of Accounts and place it under expenses where applicable.

3. A review of the 03 Fire Protection Fund Revenues lead by Hogarth.

A. Current Collections reflect the milage rate

B. Interest rates are slowly coming down but still over 5% being collected on roughly \$200,000.00

4. A review of General Fund Expenses for Codes

A. Most account lines to remain the same as the 2024 budget with few exceptions. Hogarth suggesting a \$100 increase for fuel and an increase for vehicle insurance because of the new codes vehicle.

B. Salaries for the Codes Official and Property Maintenance Officer are proposed at 3% but Hogarth reminded Council they are not under any obligation of a CBA and can adjust as they see fit.

5. Adjournment at 7:37 pm

Respectfully submitted.

Joseph Hogarth

Borough Secretary