

SOLEBURY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
SPECIAL BUDGET WORK SESSION
September 16, 2014 – 4:30 P.M.
Solebury Township Hall

MINUTES

Attendance: James Searing, Chair, Paul Cosdon, Vice-chair, Robert Heath, Jr., Edward McGahan, Jr. and Helen Tai. Dennis H. Carney, Township Manager, Gretchen K. Rice, Assistant Manager and Michele Blood, Finance Director, were also in attendance.

The Chair opened the work session with a brief overview of the current financial status of the Township and then opened the floor to the Board for discussion.

The following issues were among the items discussed:

Current reserve balances in capital accounts and projected balances over the next few years;
Level of service expected by Township residents and cost to provide acceptable level;
Largest expense items in budget;
How to reduce expenses;
Possible tax increase;
Potential shortfall in Roads & Bridges and General Fund balances in future years;
Possible funding of EMS as a stand-alone tax rather than funding from General Fund;
Current Library funding from Township residents via County funding;
Increase in Township funding for Library.

The Finance Director will provide a separate analysis to include a budget reflecting a tax increase and a budget reflecting no increase.

The work session ended at 6:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted
Gretchen K. Rice
Assistant Manager
Secretary/Treasurer