

**ALEXANDRIA TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE**  
**Special Budget Meeting**  
**MINUTES**  
**March 3, 2016**

This meeting was advertised in The Hunterdon County Democrat and notice posted in the Alexandria Township Municipal Offices and the Alexandria Township Website ([www.alexandrianj.gov](http://www.alexandrianj.gov)) as required by the Open Public Meetings Act.

**Meeting Called to order at 7:22 PM.**

**ROLL CALL:**

**PRESENT:** Committeewoman Garay, Committeeman Abraham, Mayor Pfefferle, CFO Rees, CFO Hart, DPW Foreman Griffith

**ABSENT:** Twp. Atty. Dragan

**NEW BUSINESS:**

• **BUDGET WORK SESSION #1:**

The Township Committee reviewed budget worksheets prepared by CFO Rees & CFO Hart. The following items were discussed:

- 1.) Total revenues/appropriations for 2016 are projected at \$2,777,163.58. Total revenues/appropriations for 2015 were \$2,719,336.74 causing an increase of \$57,826.84 for 2016.
- 2.) The total amount to be raised by taxes for 2016 is \$1,502,819.75. The amount to be raised by taxes in 2015 was \$1,387,730.20 causing an increase of \$115,089.55 for 2016. Reasons for the amount to be raised by taxes increasing are due to a new medical insurance add on at \$36,000.00 , medical insurance premiums rising 13% for 2016, and \$24,000.00 in debt services.
- 3.) Aid to volunteer companies to stay the same as in 2015. The Pattenburg Fire Dept. is requesting additional monies to help offset costs for firefighting turnout gear in order to comply with federal regulations.
- 4.) There is a balance of \$1.715 million dollars in surplus.
- 5.) There is \$30,000.00 left over from 2015 for Hatch Mott MacDonald Engineering Services. CFO Rees can remove \$17,000.00 from the balance to use towards offsetting the 2016 budget.
- 6.) Township needs to budget approximately \$6,500.00 for Gypsy Moth spraying for 2016.
- 7.) The addition of Township Committee salary of \$4,100.00 (has been declined in past years)

Township Committee reviewed DPW Foreman Griffith's budget request for 2016. The following items were discussed:

- 1.) Township will continue to put \$50,000.00 a year aside for future equipment purchases.
- 2.) The DPW will be purchasing a new backhoe in 2016 for \$115,000.00 (monies coming out of existing equipment account).
- 3.) Oil & Chip-Approx. \$100,000.00 (Roads to be determined at a later date).
- 4.) Reclamation Project for Schaaf Road-Estimate of \$512,228.00.
- 5.) Inlets- Quote was received last month and came in high due to prevailing wage.
- 6.) Federal Regulations require the Township to upgrade all street signs from a white background with black lettering to a green background and white lettering. The Township will not move forward with this change at this time.
- 7.) Township Committee reviewed three cost options to pave the park driveway and parking lots.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

None

**COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR:**

None

**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

Comm. Abraham made a motion, seconded by Comm. Garay to adjourn.

**Roll Call: Aye: Garay, Abraham, Pfefferle**

**Nay: None**

**Abstain: None**

**Motion Carried**

**Meeting Adjourned at 9:16 PM.**

**Respectfully Submitted:  
Michele Bobrowski, RMC  
Township Clerk**

I hereby certify that I have reviewed these Minutes of the Township Committee Meeting of March 3, 2016 and certify that said Minutes were approved unanimously by the Township on the 13th day of April 2016.

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Mayor

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_