

**SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**  
**November 18, 2008**

Media Borough Council met in the large conference room of the Media Municipal Center on the above date with the following officials present: President Daly, Councilmen Cunningham, Williamson and Alyanakian. Borough Manager Smith was also in attendance. Mayor McMahon, Vice-President Hall, Councilwoman Simpson and Councilman Derrickson were absent from the meeting.

President Daly called the Special Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**2009 PRELIMINARY BUDGET**

President Daly mentioned that the Finance Committee conducted several meetings with department heads, boards/commission, community organizations, etc. to discuss the 2009 budget. The 2009 preliminary budget is in balance with a total of \$9,578,975. Amounts for the four (4) funds are as follows:

General Fund	\$7,329,475
Capital Fund	\$2,066,000
Liquid Fuels Fund	\$ 108,000
Recreation Fund	\$ 75,500

The following are important facts to note pertaining to the 2009 budget:

- With the regard to the General Fund Revenue, the Finance Committee is not recommending a tax millage increase in 2009.
- The Act 511 taxes look good for 2008. The Borough's tax collection firm believes the revenue will hold steady in 2009.
- There is \$35,000 in the form of a non-recurring revenue grant from the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission for a parking study.
- The Finance Committee is recommending an increase in parking meter revenue, fines and permits in the amount of approximately \$48,000.
- The Finance Committee is recommending an increase in commercial trash collection from \$150 to \$200, which is a net increase of \$11,000. Please note this does not totally offset costs associated with commercial trash collection.
- There is a 9% projected increase in health insurance in the amount of \$70,000.
- Salary increases for personnel:
  - 3.00% salary increase for Public Works
  - 3.50% salary increase for the Police Department
  - 3.75% salary increase for Dispatchers
  - 3.42% for non-union personnel

The total cost is approximately \$97,000 higher in 2009.

- There is an increase in the police MMO pension fund in the amount of \$21,000.
- Delaware County Solid Waste is implementing a residential tipping fee in the amount of \$15.90 per ton, which will increase the line item to \$43,000.
- A transfer in the amount of \$40,000 is anticipated for the Recreation Fund.
- A donation in the amount of \$70,000 is anticipated for the Media Business Authority.

- A donation in the amount of \$82,000 is anticipated for the Media-Upper Providence Library (\$5,000 increase).
- A transfer in the amount of \$443,100 is anticipated for the Capital Fund.
- A transfer in the amount of approximately \$170,000 is anticipated to the Capital Reserve account.

With regard to the Liquid Fuels Fund, all funds will be used for road resurfacing.

\$30,000 was removed from the Recreation Fund based on the fact that the Recreation Board will no longer be involved in the Media 5 Mile Race.

With regard to the Capital Fund, \$1,500,000 is set-aside for CMAQ. The total road-resurfacing budget was increased to \$310,000 from \$228,000.

During the course of budget discussions, the sale of borough-owned property, continuation of dispatchers and the development of a Capital Improvements Program, etc. were discussed.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT & PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR**

There were no comments from the public.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Councilman Alyanakian motioned to adjourn the Special Meeting at 9:50 p.m. Councilman Williamson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Jeffrey A. Smith  
Borough Manager/Secretary