

**PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES**  
**December 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: Mayor McMahon, President Daly, Vice-President Hall, Councilwoman Simpson, Councilmen Cunningham, Williamson, Derrickson and Alyanakian. Borough Manager Smith was also in attendance.

President Daly called the Public Hearing to order at 7:05 p.m.

**2009 BUDGET**

President Daly deferred to Borough Manager Smith to explain the highlights of the 2009 budget. Borough Manager Smith highlighted, via a PowerPoint slide presentation, the four (4) budgets as follows:

• General Fund	\$ 7,332,475
• Capital Fund	\$ 2,066,000
• Recreation Fund	\$ 75,500
• Liquid Fuels Fund	\$ 108,000
TOTAL	\$ 9,581,975

Anticipated increases in the 2009 operating budget include the following:

- 8.85% increase in health insurance resulting in additional \$70,000 in premiums
- 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
  - 3.45% for non-union personnel
  - The total cost is approximately \$97,000 higher in 2009.

Most of the operating expenditures will remain essentially the same throughout 2009 with the exception of the following:

- With regard to the Police pension plan, \$21,000 more is budgeted to meet MMO requirements.
- There is a non-recurring expense of \$17,500 for a parking study, with a corresponding revenue line item of \$35,000. \$7,500 will come from the Borough.
- The Library contribution was increased \$5,000 to \$82,000.
- The Media Business Authority donation was reduced \$5,000 to \$70,000.
- The Delaware County Solid Waste Authority has assessed a tipping fee of \$15.90 per ton for residential trash, which will result in approximately \$43,000 in 2009. The fee will increase to \$23.45 per ton in 2010 and rise to approximately \$62,500.

With regard to the Capital Fund, 2009 will be the third year that capital revenues and expenditures will be segregated from the operating budget (General Fund). The following is a list of anticipated non-recurring grants/revenue for 2008:

- CMAQ (Traffic Signal Enhancements) - \$1,500,000
- DCED Grant/RTM contribution for Barrall Park enhancements - \$21,400
- DEP Grant (Solar Panels) - \$40,000

It is anticipated that \$443,100 will be transferred from the General Fund to the Capital Fund to help cover the costs of these projects.

Borough Manager Smith noted that expenditures in the Liquid Fuels Fund will consist of road resurfacing and that the 5 Mile Race revenues and expenditures will be removed from the Recreation Fund in 2009 since a separate entity will handle the coordination of the race.

Borough Manager Smith also noted that Borough Council may want to strive to set aside 5-10% of operating revenues annually to replenish the capital reserve account. Ideally, the capital reserve account should have approximately one (1) years worth of operating revenue to allow for the creation of a 5-10 year capital improvement plan (CIP), which will serve as a blue print for future capital expenditures.

It is anticipated that Borough Council will consider adoption of the 2009 budget during the regular meeting at 8:00 p.m.

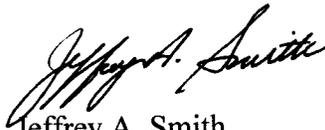
### **PUBLIC COMMENT & PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR**

There were no comments from the public.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The Public Hearing adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Jeffrey A. Smith  
Borough Manager/Secretary