

MARCH 8, 2022
WAYNESBORO, PA 17268
SPECIAL MEETING

Council President C. Harold Mumma called the special meeting of the Waynesboro Borough Council to order at 8:30 p.m. with the following in attendance:

Borough Council Members – Jarred Knott, Patrick Fleagle, Jon Fleagle, C. Harold Mumma, Dade Royer

Mayor Richard Starliper

Borough Staff – Jason Stains, Borough Manager

Pennsylvania Economy League – Lynne Shedlock, Fred Reddig

Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development – Beverly Hutzel.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – AGENDA ITEMS: None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – NON-AGENDA ITEMS: None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS

PRESENTATION BY PENNSYLVANIA ECONOMY LEAGUE FOR THE PURPOSE OF DELIVERING THEIR STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT PLANNING PROGRAM RESULTS: Ms. Shedlock and Mr. Reddig presented financial information related to the General Fund.

- Franklin County operates from a 1961 Assessment.
- Borough taxes account for ½ of total revenues. Most municipalities have taxes accounting for 70% of total revenues.
- Transfers account for 40 to 45% of revenue and distort the picture of the General Fund.
- Public Safety is the largest cost center.
- Expenditures Per Capita exceed Revenues Per Capita Each year.
- Pension Funds are fully funded.
- Although Waynesboro has the largest millage rate of surrounding municipalities, Waynesboro is the only full service municipality compared to Mont Alto, Washington Township, and Quincy Township.
- Growing deficits are estimated beginning in 2021.
- Personnel currently are compensated below market rate for the area.

- Strong institutional knowledge amongst staff and positive relationship with the Waynesboro Borough Authority.
- Waynesboro has been proactive with infrastructure needs with evaluating the current road system.
- Pennsylvania Economy League is concerned that Washington Township and Quincy Township do not pay their fair share for fire service contracts.
- Pennsylvania Economy League is concerned that Waynesboro does not receive reimbursement through mutual aid contracts with other municipalities.
- Pennsylvania Economy League is recommending that Waynesboro become a Home Rule Charter Community.
- Pennsylvania Economy League is recommending that Waynesboro continue discussions with the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development for support for Phase II Funding through the Strategic Management Planning Program.

Brief discussion was held following the presentation. The Borough Manager advised that he will have the presentation posted on the Borough's website.

Having no further business to discuss, Council adjourned to executive session at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jason B. Stains
Borough Manager/Treasurer