

**EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WORKSHOP
1580 PAOLI PIKE
November 5, 2008 – 7:00pm**

Present: Chairman Marty Shane, Joe McDonough, Don McConathy and Thom Clapper. Vice-Chairman Carmen Battavio was absent. Also present were Township Manager Rick Smith, Township Finance Director Deb Beury, and Phyllis Marron (Park & Rec).

Call to Order

Marty called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

2009 Budget

The Board discussed the preliminary 2009 budget with Deb Beury.

Public Comment: Bill Egan, 1422 Mill Creek Drive – Said the Township should try to go to metered sewer billing as soon as possible, because it is the only fair way to bill users. Marty explained that the Township is working on it, but hasn't gotten there yet. It may be another 12 to 18 months before the Township can switch to metered billing. Don added that a change to metered billing will require that the Township computer system be upgraded.

The Supervisors agreed to charge sewer rates using a "fixed variable" approach.

The preliminary 2009 sewer rates are as follows:

Single-Family Home	\$146.00/quarter
Townhouse	\$79.00/quarter
Apartment	\$86.00/quarter
Commercial.....	\$27.06/quarter + \$6.36 per 1,000 gallons

Rick will draft a resolution for the Board to vote on.

Joe said he would like to have a meeting with the public before voting on the resolution. Don agreed that would be appropriate. Marty will have a letter sent out to the residents regarding the preliminary rates. The Board will vote on the sewer rates in December when they vote on the 2009 budget. Rick will try to reserve the high school for the public meeting, since it will draw a crowd.

Deb Beury will work with staff on developing a way to insert a message about the new rates into the first quarter 2009 bills.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:45pm.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board met in Executive Session until 11:20pm to discuss a personnel matter.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Meddings
Recording Secretary