

**COUNCIL MEETING  
NOVEMBER 5, 2012**

In attendance:

Council

Mark McCouch  
Gregory S. Nesbitt  
Andrew Santacroce  
Deborah Tustin  
W. William Whiteside, III

Staff

William T. Walker, Township Manager  
Michael Galla – Director of Administration  
Richard Sabol – Director of Finance

Mr. McCouch called the Council Meeting to order at 7:05, and led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance. He asked for questions or comments from the public and there were none.

Mr. Walker provided introductory information concerning the Horsham Township Police Department. Chief Ruxton then presented commendations to Officer Michael Peter, Sergeant Constance Johnson, Officer Barrington Ramsay, and Officer Stephen Ryan.

Mr. McCouch thanked Township staff for its work during Hurricane Sandy. He asked for questions or comments from the public. There were none.

Mr. Walker presented the Manager's Budget message for the proposed 2013 Budget and Tax Levy. He stated the rough draft does not include a tax increase for 2013. The rate remains at 1.0 mil (.47 Library, .31 Fire and .22 Police). He then highlighted important components of the proposed budget. Included in his presentation were the following: purchasing three police vehicles, paving Oak Hill Development, purchasing two highway vehicles, installing sewers in the Horsham Terrace Development section, rehabilitating Carpenter Park's tennis courts, improving Kohler Park, finishing the Clearbrook Park bank stabilization project, adding to the Powerline Trail, upgrading traffic signals at Limekiln Pike and Welsh Road, replacing old street lights with those that are more energy efficient, renovating the Township website, creating the Route 611 Corridor Revitalization Plan, updating the Township zoning ordinance, rehabbing bridges and storm inlets, and installing pedestrian crossing lights at Horsham Road and Babylon Road.

Mr. Whiteside asked about an expected 5% increase in 2013 expenditures, and Mr. Walker explained that the increase would be paid by reducing funds normally allocated to the Capital Improvement Fund.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM.

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William T. Walker