

ORDINANCE NO. 20-15

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BETHLEHEM, COUNTY OF NORTHAMPTON, PENNSYLVANIA, ADOPTING A BUDGET AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS ESTIMATED TO BE REQUIRED FOR THE PURPOSES OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BETHLEHEM, AND FIXING THE REAL ESTATE MILLAGE RATE FOR THE 2016 FISCAL YEAR

WHEREAS, Article XVII, Section 1701, et seq., of the First Class Township Code, 53 P.S. 56701 et seq., requires, inter alia, that the Bethlehem Township Board of Commissioners prepare and adopt a budget which shall reflect as nearly as possible the estimated revenues and expenditures of the Township for the year for which the budget is prepared; and

WHEREAS, the total appropriation shall not exceed revenues available for the fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the tax levied by the Bethlehem Township Board of Commissioners shall be fixed at such figure within the limit allowed by law as with all other sources of revenue shall meet and cover such appropriations.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Bethlehem, County of Northampton, and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, as follows:

Section I:

That for the expenses of the Township of Bethlehem for the fiscal year 2016 the following amounts are hereby approved and appropriated from the receipts estimated to be available for said fiscal year for the specific purposes set forth below, which amounts are more fully itemized in the Budget Form on file in the Office of the Township Manager, as follows:

GENERAL FUND

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS

Taxes	\$12,031,593
Licenses and Permits	758,700
Fines, Forfeits and Penalties	100,000
Revenue for Interest, Rentals and Royalties	62,600
Receipts from Other Agencies	879,000
Charges for Current Services	1,389,100
Non-Revenue Receipts	1,231,627
Opening Balance	1,808,409
TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE	<u>\$18,261,029</u>

ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES

General Government	\$ 2,929,384
Public Safety	8,170,895
Public Works	2,801,211
Cultural-Recreation	1,257,566
Debt Service	1,622,693
Interfund Transfers-Capital Reserve Fund	<u>\$ 192,000</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>\$16,973,749</u>
PROJECTED FUND BALANCE	<u>\$ 1,287,280</u>

CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

Estimated Revenues \$ 2,310,850
Opening Balance 125,000
Total Funds Available \$ 2,435,850
Estimated Expenditures 2,305,850

PROJECTED FUND BALANCE \$ 130,000

STATE LIQUID FUELS TAX FUND

Opening Balance \$ 134,214
Estimated Receipts 734,349
Total Fund Balance 868,563
Estimated Expenditures 616,386

PROJECTED FUND BALANCE \$ 252,177

SEWER REVENUE FUND

Estimated Revenue \$ 5,056,158
Estimated Expenditures 5,056,158


PROJECTED FUND BALANCE \$ (0)

Section II:

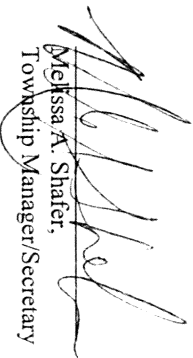
That real estate taxes are hereby levied for the 2016 Township of Bethlehem fiscal year at a rate of 7.09 mills per dollar of assessed valuation.

ORDAINED AND ENACTED this 21st day of December 2015 at a regular public meeting after public hearing thereon.

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OF BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP**


D. Martin Zawarski,
President

ATTEST:


Melissa A. Shafer,
Township Manager/Secretary