



Borough Workshop Budget Meeting #1 Minutes
October 01, 2025
7:00 pm

Call to Order, Salute to the Flag. 7:00

Mr. Eric Kudrich President	P	Mr. Harry Prey Councilman	P
Mr. Mark Madsen Vice President	P	Mrs. Lisa Salvato Councilwoman	P
Mr. Sean Alessandra Councilman	A	Mr. Cory Homer Mayor	A
Mr. John Bush Jr Councilman	A	Mr. Jason Ohliger Solicitor	A
Mr. Jon Maney Councilman	A	Mr. Scott Myer Treasurer	A

1 member of the public was present.

President's Remarks: The purpose of this workshop is to discuss the 2026 Budget. This workshop was advertised in the Pike County Dispatch on December 26, 2024.

Lisa Salvato began by explain that the 2026 budget is being based on Septembers assessed value of 967 taxed parcels; a mil is equal to \$19,776, which is up a bit from last year.

Liquid Fuels was carried over from last year's disbursement; the actual is not known at this time. Also carried over \$5,000 from 2025. Funds were allocated for blacktop, salt and signs.

Street Improvement: 2.00 mills: Carried over \$20,000. Employee salary was removed, allocated \$15,000 for tree maintenance, \$26,331 for blacktop, and earmarked \$20,000 for municipal projects, materials for projects.

Debt Service: The garbage truck loan paid off, there are no current debts. There will be no tax imposed for debt service this year; there is still money left in the account if needed and will remain there for unforeseen needs. Mr. Maden was concerned that we may need funds for building construction.

Street Lights: This fund has been 3.7 mills for several years. Due to rising costs, streetlights will be increased to 4.7 mills. With debt service dropping one mill and streetlights increasing one mill it is a wash. A new line for repair and maintenance has been added to this fund.

Fire Department: Will remain at 4.0 mills. The referendum for additional millage years ago was supposed to go to their truck loan payment. Due to increasing expenses, it has not been possible. Their spending this year has been good, so \$7,000 in prior years funds was rolled over. They reviewed their line items and dropped some and no money will be going to their capital reserve account. They decided to make a truck loan payment of almost \$15,000. When discussing their budget with Lisa, she made it clear that this is not something that will happen each year. If they go over any of their funds that are typically paid by the Borough, they will need to use their own funding. They do have their own budget, their own committee and accounts.

Motion to cancel the meeting scheduled for 10/15/2025 was made by Mr. Prey. All in favor.

Motion to adjourn was made at 7:38 by Lisa Salvato. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Marianne Brown
Borough Secretary



Borough Workshop Budget Meeting #2 Minutes

November 5, 2025

7:00 pm

Call to Order, Salute to the Flag. 7:00

Mr. Eric Kudrich President	L-7:10	Mr. Harry Prey Councilman	P
Mr. Mark Madsen Vice President	P	Mrs. Lisa Salvato Councilwoman	P
Mr. Sean Alessandra Councilman	P	Mr. Cory Homer Mayor	A
Mr. John Bush Jr Councilman	A	Mr. Jason Ohliger Solicitor	A
Mr. Jon Maney Councilman	P	Mr. Scott Myer Treasurer	A

The workshops scheduled for October 15th and 29th were canceled.

President Kudrich arrived at 7:10 due to attendance at another meeting.

One member of the public was present.

Vice President's Remarks: The purpose of this workshop is to discuss the 2026 Budget. This workshop was advertised in the *Pike County Dispatch* on December 26, 2024. This is the final scheduled budget meeting.

Lisa Salvato began by explaining some updates to the previously discussed accounts.

Liquid Fuel: Distribution for 2026 was \$81,911, a decrease of \$12,418 from last year.

Street Improvement: Adjusted line 438.165 Municipal Project down; 438.260 Tree Maintenance was brought back up to last year's figure; and 438.250 Blacktop/Repairs was increased.

EMS (NEW): On November 4th, the referendum for the EMS Tax of 1.25 mills passed. A new fund was set up for this. It shows the EMS Tax, the County Contribution/Grant for transparency, and Transfer from the General Fund, which was needed to account for the shortfall of taxes collected and the EMS Contract.

Jon Maney presented the budget for the Recreation Department.

Parks and Recreation: The recreation mill increased from 3.0 to 4.0, a first in years of operation. Jon explained that there was a decrease in passive income this year and increasing costs of operations and utilities. \$4,500 was allocated for garbage removal, an additional expense this year. The shift of manpower (DPW moved to the Municipal Authority) will cause an increase to payroll. In the past, the DPW worked closely with the Recreation Department. The splash pad has an expense of \$2,200 for the water to be monitored daily by licensed professionals. This is for six weeks of monitoring. He noted the splash pad is operating very well this year. Recreation can go up to 8.0 mills, so an increase of 1.0 mill feels fair.

Lisa Salvato, along with Mark Madsen, explained the General Government fund.

General Government:

Incoming funding: Millage of 3.0 stayed the same. Line 310.100 increased due to real estate sales throughout the borough. Jon and Mark noted that this line-item income is the equivalent of the Police Department expense.

Outgoing funding: Tax collection has increased, but this is due to more income from property taxes and EIT being collected; both the tax collector and Berkheimer are paid a percentage of what is brought in. Engineering services, building repairs and maintenance, and PA Revitalization have been increased. The Police contract has been updated; a line for EMS has been added as a buffer for extra expenses not covered by the new EMS tax. A line for zoning officer assistant, per diem assistant, has been added to assist with property inspections. Solid Waste and the Streets and Gutters funds have changed significantly now that the Municipal Authority is handling these duties. Spring Cleanup funding was increased; it was provided to residents at no charge, and the turnout and amount of waste collected increased significantly. Repairs & Maintenance show an increase; it includes lines for Municipal Contract and Municipal Projects. Mark clarified how and what they would be used for. The borough will remain responsible for funding projects around town. The Municipal Authority will provide a list of projects and costs. The borough will

review the budget and see if there is enough funding for each project. If funding is not available, the project will be pushed to next year. The transfer to the Capital Reserve was increased and can be adjusted if needed.

The council felt confident that all lines appear to be on point.

A motion to adjourn to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personnel matters was made by Mark Madsen at 7:38, with all in favor.

Council reconvened at 7:52. It was noted that borough employees would be receiving a 3% increase for the year.

There was no public comment.

Motion to adjourn was made at 7:53 by Jon Maney/Mark Madsen. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,



Marianne Brown
Borough Secretary