

A regular meeting of the **FINANCE COMMITTEE** was held tonight, Chairman Morton Simon presiding. Members present were Commissioners Sharkey, McKeown, Norris and Rappoport. Also present was Ex-Officio Member Portner.

Staff members present were Township Manager Bryan Havir, Director of Fiscal Affairs Bruce Rangnow, Public Works Coordinator Michael Fleming and Director of Public Works Facility Chris Clewell. Also in attendance was Finance Officer Stephen Burns. A public attendance sheet is attached.

Mr. Simon called the meeting of the Finance Committee to order at 7:30 P.M.

1. The Executive Financial Summary Report for the five year period ending October 31, 2014 was reviewed and accepted.
2. A review of the President's 2015 Budget Message and the Proposed 2015 Operating and Capital Budgets was reviewed by the Committee.

Mr. Havir stated that Township Staff will continue to work on finding the means to reduce down the 2015 Proposed Operating Budget shortfall of \$840,803 between now and December 17, 2014 when the 2015 Operating Budget will be adopted by the Board of Commissioners.

Recommendation to the Board of Commissioners: Upon motion of Mr. Simon, the Committee unanimously recommended to the Board of Commissioners the adoption of the Preliminary Operating and Capital Budgets for 2015.

3. Mr. Clewell, the Public Works Supervisor, made a detailed presentation on the proposed plan to require landscapers to pay a new yearly license and per truck load drop off fee to the Township to dump their collected leaves off at the Township's Waverly Road Composting Facility.

Recommendation to the Board of Commissioners: Upon motion of Mr. McKeown, the Committee unanimously recommended to the Board of Commissioners the adoption of a Resolution adding certain revenue fees for the dumping of leaves at the Waverly Road Compost Facility, effective January 1, 2015 (see attached).

4. A discussion took place with respect to modifying the existing Ordinance for post-service or post-retirement healthcare insurance benefits for Commissioners elected or appointed for the first time after December 31, 2014.

Recommendation to the Board of Commissioners: Upon motion of Mr. Simon, the Committee unanimously recommended to the Board of Commissioners the adoption of an Ordinance modifying the provision of healthcare insurance benefits for post-service or post-retirement healthcare insurance benefits to Township Commissioners elected or appointed for the first time after December 31, 2014, effective January 2, 2015 (see attached).

5. Mr. Havir presented a status report on the first meeting of the newly created Alternative Revenue Committee. He indicated that the first action step taken by the Committee has been for the Board President and Township Manager to meet individually with each of the thirty-four (34) identified non-profit institutions to request their consideration of making greater voluntary financial contributions to the Township. Mr. Havir noted that while this process is just getting started, so far there has been a favorable response to the Township's request for more financial assistance where meetings have already taken place with a couple of the larger non-profit institutions.

Mr. Simon suggested that it might be appropriate to ask the non-profit institutions to make as much as a 50% finance contribution to the Township in lieu of the real estate taxes they would otherwise be paying if not for their non-profit status. The past practice has been to ask for a voluntary financial contribution of 25% in lieu of taxes.

Mr. Havir indicated that the next meeting of the Alternative Revenue Committee will be held on Tuesday, December 23, 2014 at 8:00 A.M. at the Township Administration Building.

6. Old Business – None.
7. New Business – None.
8. Citizen's Forum.

Mr. Robert Hyslop of 211 Harrison Avenue suggested that the Township could possibly save money in the removal and disposal of Fall leaf mulch from the Waverly Road Leaf Composting Facility if it was willing to consider re-instituting the use of the Glenside Library Parking Lot as a site for free leaf mulch to be picked up by residents.

It was noted in response that the Township had received numerous complaints in the past from the neighbors directly adjacent to the Glenside Library because of the offensive odor given off by the leaf mulch as well as runoff and other resulting parking issues and clean-up problems encountered when the parking lot was used as a free leaf mulch pick-up site.

There being no further business, upon motion of Mr. Simon, the Committee unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 P.M.



Bryan T. Havir
Township Manager

Per: Bruce Rangnow
Director of Fiscal Affairs

PUBLIC ATTENDANCE LIST
Finance Committee @ 7:30 PM
Public Works Committee @ 7:45 PM
Wednesday, November 12, 2014
Curtis Hall
Wyncote, PA 19095

NAME (PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)	ADDRESS	EMAIL ADDRESS AND/OR TELEPHONE NUMBER
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MYMUN GOLDMAN	8102 HIGH SCHOOL RD	215-880 3091
DAVID + JUDY BERSIN	7906 Cobden Rd	215-836-2165
Preston Hitchens	TWT 1300 Horizon Dr. Chalfont, PA	267-956-1020
SS Tralj	CC	
Jon Musselman	TTF	
Wendy Blustein	1805 Hillcrest Rd. Glenside PA 19038	215-233-9529
Ethan Lev Chebot-Goldman	705 Glenside Ave Wyncote 19095	215-887-7030 chebgold@msn.com
Sherry Can	1602 HARRIS Rd Laverock PA 19038	
Joe + Marianne Trainer	649 Lindley Rd Glenside	215-885-3969
Debs McCarter	211 W. Wyncote Rd Glenside	215-884-7306

TOWNSHIP OF CHELTENHAM
RESOLUTION NO. ____ - 14
RESOLUTION ADDING NEW FEES

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Cheltenham has determined, upon the recommendation of the Township Administration, that the revenue for certain fees is required to cover the reasonable and necessary expenses generally incurred by the Township; and

WHEREAS, certain Township departmental requests do not have a fee charge; and

WHEREAS, the existing fees and lack of fees for certain services are no longer economically viable for the Township.

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners finds it desirable to implement and administer a permitting program to control illegal dumping of brush and leaves at the Waverly Road Compost Facility with certain fees to be assessed and collected.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Cheltenham deems that it is in the best interest of the Township and its citizens to add the following fees effective January 1, 2015:

PROPOSED NEW FEES:

Public Works Department

Landscape Company Disposal Fee	
Base Fee for a truck load drop-off of 1-10 Cubic yards	\$ 15
Base Fee for a truck load drop-off of 11-20 Cubic yards	\$ 25
Landscape License Yearly Fee	\$100*
Tree Work Company License Fee	\$100*

*The annual license fee will be reduced by 50% for any business that has an active Business Privilege License based in Cheltenham Township and has filed a tax return in the past year.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Cheltenham, County of Montgomery, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, at its meeting held at Curtis Hall, 1250 W. Church Road, Wyncote Pennsylvania 19095 on this **19th day of November, 2014.**

ATTEST:

TOWNSHIP OF CHELTENHAM
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Bryan T. Havir
Township Manager and Secretary

By: _____
Harvey Portner, President

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
CHELTENHAM TOWNSHIP
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

ORDINANCE NO. - _____

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF
CHELTENHAM CHAPTER 58, ENTITLED "SALARIES AND
COMPENSATION", ARTICLE II ENTITLED "BOARD OF
COMMISSIONERS – YEARLY COMPENSATION" TO MODIFY THE
PROVISION OF HEALTHCARE INSURANCE BENEFITS AND POST-
RETIREMENT HEALTHCARE INSURANCE BENEFITS TO
TOWNSHIP COMMISSIONERS**

The Board of Commissioners of Cheltenham Township does hereby enact and ordain:

SECTION I – Amend Chapter 58 Article 2 of the Codified Ordinances of Cheltenham Township

Chapter 58, Article II, entitled "Yearly Compensation" shall be amended as follows:

The compensation of all Township Commissioners of the Township of Cheltenham whose terms commence on or after January 2, 2004, shall consist of the salary of \$6,000.00 per annum and insurance and retirement benefits as provided by the Township Management Group[.]provided, however, that no Township Commissioner elected or appointed for the first time after December 31, 2014 shall be provided with (nor shall any family member be provided with) any healthcare insurance benefits while serving as a Township Commissioner nor shall they be provided with (nor shall any family member be provided with) any post-service or post-retirement healthcare insurance benefits.

SECTION II - Disclaimer

Nothing in this Ordinance shall limit, in any manner whatsoever, the Township's right to enforce any ordinance or law of the Township of Cheltenham, County of Montgomery or Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Nothing in this Ordinance shall be a defense of any citation issued by any municipal corporation or the Commonwealth pursuant to any other law or ordinance.

SECTION III - Severability

The provisions of this Ordinance are intended to be severable, and if any section, sentence, clause, part or provision hereof shall be held illegal, invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision of the court shall not affect or impair the remaining sections, sentences, clauses, parts or provisions of this Ordinance. It is hereby declared to be the intent of the Board that this Ordinance would have been adopted even if such illegal, invalid or unconstitutional section, sentence, clause, part or provision had not been included herein.

SECTION IV - Repealer

All other ordinances and resolutions or parts thereof insofar as they are inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION V – Failure to Enforce Not a Waiver

The failure of the Township to enforce any provision of this Ordinance shall not constitute a waiver by the Township of its rights of future enforcement hereunder.

SECTION VI - Effective Date

This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its approval as permitted by law.

ORDAINED AND ENACTED into an Ordinance this _____ day of _____, 2014.

CHELTENHAM TOWNSHIP

By: _____
Harvey Portner, President,
Board of Commissioners

Attest: _____
Bryan Havir, Township Manager/Secretary

NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that the Board of Commissioners of Cheltenham Township, at its public meeting on _____, 2014 at 7:30 p.m. (prevailing time) at Curtis Hall, Church Road and Greenwood Avenue, Wyncote, Pennsylvania, will hold a public hearing on and could vote to adopt an Ordinance amending the Code of the Township of Cheltenham, entitled “Salaries and Compensation”, Article II entitled “Board of Commissioners – Yearly Compensation” to modify the provision of healthcare insurance benefits and post-retirement healthcare insurance benefits to Township Commissioners.

Copies of the full text of the proposed ordinance are available for examination during normal business hours at the offices of *Times Chronicle*, 290 Commerce Drive, Fort Washington, Pennsylvania 19034, the Montgomery County Law Library, Court House, Norristown, Pennsylvania 19401 and the Cheltenham Township Administration Building, 8230 Old York Road, Elkins Park, Cheltenham, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania 19027, at the last of which a copy of the proposed ordinance may be obtained for a charge not greater than the cost thereof.

JOSEPH M. BAGLEY, ESQUIRE
WISLER PEARLSTINE, LLP
Solicitors for Cheltenham Township