

**MINUTES
BOROUGH COUNCIL
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
Budget Discussion
October 23, 2025
6 P.M.**

The Council met as Committee of the Whole at Borough Hall. The meeting was called to order. Council President requested that attendees stand, as able, for the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was conducted by Council President McCandless. Councilmembers present were Ms. Jordan, Ms. Johnson, Mr. Blatt, Mr. Trabel, and Council President McCandless. Also present was Borough Manager Burkhart.

Absent were Mr. Trotter and Mr. Rufe

Note: The meeting of the Committee of the Whole meeting is a public meeting and work session to discuss the Budget 2026 – No formal action is taken.

DISCUSSION ITEMS (NEW BUSINESS)

A. Burkhart reviewed the Sewer Budget with Council noting the anticipated revenue of 1,342,000. It was noted that there may be an increase in the Pump House income and expenses given the improvements anticipated in 2026.

There was a review of the expenses for the Sewer Budget noting the projected treatment charges for 2026 and the portion of a mini excavator being budgeted in the Sewer Budget.

A. Burkhart reviewed the draft Income and Expenses for the Health and Sanitation Fund. It was noted under expense that an increase of Contracted Services is expected annually for the next five years. This is the Whitetail contract for garbage removal.

There was a review of the Library Fund. The cost of Library Services will remain the same for 2026.

The Fire Fund was reviewed, and it was noted that 200,000 expense are anticipated for the Fire Truck Refurbishment. The remainder of that expense would be from the Capital Funds.

There was a discussion about increasing the fees associated with Garbage Collection and how that would impact the Health and Sanitation Revenue.

COUNCIL ACTION ITEMS – There were no other items for discussion.

ADJOURNMENT

There was a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed

	Motion	2nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Annamarie Jordan		X	X			
Jamie Johnson	X		X			
Wilbert Rufe						X
Doug Trotter						X
Philip Trabel			X			
Stewart McCandless			X			
Norman E. Blatt Jr.			X			
Mayor Johnson						

BOROUGH OF FOUNTAIN HILL
 ATTESTED

LEHIGH COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

BY: _____
 Amy Burkhart, Borough Manager

By: _____
 Stewart McCandless - President of Council

SUBMITTED BY: _____
 Amy Burkhart, Borough Manager

APPROVED