

**ABERDEEN TOWNSHIP COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING
TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 2016**

Present: Gregory Cannon
Arthur Hirsch
Concetta Kelley
Joseph Martucci
Robert Swindle
Margaret Montone
Fred Tagliarini

Absent: None

Also Present: Holly Reycraft, Township Manager
Ron Gordon, Township Attorney

Mayor Tagliarini called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and stated that notice of this meeting has been posted and published in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

Holly Reycraft went through the Workshop Agenda.

Introduction of 2016 Municipal Budget and Solid Waste Collection District Budget:
2016 Budgets have been worked on by the Department Heads and Council. The tax rate is 2.22 as presented. The public hearing is scheduled for April 19, 2016 and adoption to follow. The budget continues to be reviewed.

Remediation Agreement between Township of Aberdeen and Aberdeen Environ LLC and RPM Development LLC: Remediation Agreement is for the South River Metals Development located at 100 Church Street.

Settlement of Tax Appeal for 228 Highway 35 Aberdeen LLC: Authorizing Stipulation of Settlement for Block 303, lot 27, 228 Highway 35 for tax years 2013, 2014 & 2015.

Councilman Cannon stated he met with Angela Morin, CFO and commended her on a job well done. In our workshop in February we were at a 13% tax increase from the requests received from the departments we are at a 4.3% tax increase now. Angela did a good job to find an additional \$29,000 in Police Administration Fees, \$9,300 in Cable Franchise fees, \$21,000 in Verizon Franchise fees. These monies add up. Marie Taylor, Tax Collector did an excellent job on collecting delinquent taxes last year we have an additional \$180,682.00. There were a number of cuts we made. This isn't the final

budget.

Council did not have any questions on the workshop items.

Councilman Martucci made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilwoman Kelley and unanimously concurred by Council.

Fred Tagliarini, Mayor

Karen Ventura, Municipal Clerk