

WILMINGTON TWP., MERCER COUNTY, PA
2024 BUDGET MESSAGE

GENERAL FUND

INCOME:

There was a slight increase in assessment value.

EXPENSE: Insurance costs are expected to remain relatively close to this year's premium.

Changes may be coming with how the township manages its emergency management program. A budget item has been created to cover this expense if needed.

Taxes

Real Estate tax will remain the same at 4.67 mills. As in prior years, 1 mill will be transferred to Capital Preservation for the purchase of equipment.

Building/Grounds/Tools

Repairs may be needed for stability of the salt shed.

Road maintenance/repair

- A culvert replacement will take place on Indian Run Road.
- Tree service will be bid out on Number 8, Ferris, Means, Mill, and Brenneman Roads. These jobs will be quoted separately.
- A vacuum truck will be used on the storm drains on Bend Road hill.
- Ditching will take place on Orchard, Bend, Angel, Indian Run, and Bend Roads.
- Stone will be placed on the gravel roads as needed.
- Anderson Road may be considered for restoration to half of it.

Personnel

The budget allows for a supervisor to attend state convention. Meals, hotel, registration, mileage, and four eight-hour days at regular wages are included in the budget for convention as allowed by law.

Equipment

- Both trucks are to be scheduled for undercoating at Armor Linings, Inc.
- The truck loan has a planned split payment between the Capital Preservation Fund and General Fund but being taken directly out of the General Fund. Therefore, payments being made from the Capital Preservation Fund will be transferred to the General Fund for direct debit.
- A quick hitch and forks will be obtained for the John Deere tractor.

Miscellaneous

- \$31,400 from the sale of the John Deere 5325 tractor will be placed in the General Fund to hold for either a salt shed or truck purchase, to pay down a loan, or other capital purchase as needed.

CAPITAL PRESERVATION FUND

Equipment

- 1 mill is transferred from the General Fund to Capital Preservation Fund each year.
- The truck loan has a planned split payment between the Capital Preservation Fund and General Fund but being taken directly out of the General Fund. Therefore, payments being made from the Capital Preservation Fund will be transferred to the General Fund for direct debit.

STATE FUND

Road maintenance/repair

- Single Sealcoating all of Angel Road (8765' x 18'), Auction Road (2376' x 18'), Willow Drive (1004' x 18'), Willow Drive cul-de-sac (80' diameter), Valley View Drive (1848' x 18') Mill Road (1478' x 14'), Briarwood Lane (1003' x 18'), Briarwood Lane cul-de-sac (80; diameter), and Bend Road from the township line to the top of the hill (2525' x 18') and from Bethel New Wilmington Road to the bridge (1742' x 18'). The estimated cost is \$66268.

FIRE PROTECTION FUND

Fire Protection tax remains at .80 mills.

SEWER FUND

Expenses

- The design phase of the sewer project is expected to begin in 2024 after DEP approval of the 537 Plan.
- The Sewer Certificate of Deposit will mature October 15, 2024. Balance is \$23,733.73.

ARP FUND

Expenses

- The ARP fund has been closed out as all funds were dispersed.