

**HALIFAX TOWNSHIP**  
**102 Fisher Street**  
**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
**BUDGET WORKSHOP MEETING**  
**OCTOBER 21<sup>ST</sup>, 2024 AT 7:00 p.m.**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Chairman Bechtel called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:**

Supervisors Bechtel, Bruner, McBurney, Schreffler, and Paul were present along with Roadmaster Matt Roland and Secretary Sara Glace. Solicitor Warshawsky and Engineer Alex Greenly were not required to be present.

**RECORDING MEETING:**

Halifax Township secretary is the only person reportedly recording the meeting.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

There were no executive sessions held in the last month.

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:**

No public comment.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**2025 BUDGET:** The Board of Supervisors reviewed the proposed 2025 budget line item by line item under both the income and expenses.

**EMS TAX:** Halifax Township Board of Supervisors is looking into ways to monetarily support the Halifax Area Ambulance and Rescue Volunteer Relief Association (HARAA) to prevent the nonexistence of the HAARA. According to State Law PA ST 53 P.S. § 68205: No per capita tax is permitted to be levied by a Second-Class Township. All taxes must be based upon real estate valuation. The applicable provision dealing with Emergency Services is identified below. (8) An annual tax not exceeding one-half mill to support ambulance, rescue and other emergency services serving the township. (i) The township may appropriate to one-half of the revenue generated from a tax under this clause for the purpose of paying salaries, benefits or other compensation of employees of the ambulance, rescue or other emergency services. (ii) If an annual tax is proposed to be set higher than one-half mill, the question shall be submitted to the voters of the township.

**SUPERVISOR PAY:** Act 94 of 2024 was enacted into law recently that increases Supervisors pay however pay changes go into effect upon re-election to a new term. If a supervisor chooses not to run again or loses in the election, yes, the pay change would go into effect for that newly elected supervisor.

**FEE SCHEDULE FOR 2025:** The Board of Supervisors spent time reviewing the fee schedule for 2025. The fee schedule covers permits stormwater management plans, subdivision/land development plans, and miscellaneous items.

**AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING:**

**2025 Budget**  
**EMS Tax**

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024-20245 Budget Workshop Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024-2025 Budget Workshop Meeting at 6:00 p.m. (if necessary)

November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024-Planning Commission Regular Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024-Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

A **Motion** was made by Supervisor Bruner and seconded by Supervisor Schreffler to adjourn the meeting at 9:20 p.m. Vote called. **Motion** carries 5-0.

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Sara M. Glace**  
**Secretary/Treasurer**