

# Township Manager's Proposed 2017 Municipal Budget

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#### **Budget Preparation Process**

- 1. Department Head Requests
- 2. Manager/CFO Review
- 3. Manager/CFO/Department Head Public Hearings
- 4. Public Input at Council Meetings
- 5. Manager/CFO final review
- 6. Manager's presentation to Council of proposed budget appropriations and estimated revenues

#### Proposed 2017 Municipal Budget

#### **Budget Preparation Process**

- 7. Council review and public hearings
- 8. CFO's Revenue and tax levy cap projections
- 9. CFO's review and recommendations
- 10. Manager's Budget to Council rev. statutory 2/17
- 11. Council introduction of budget by revised statutory date of 3/17 or next meeting
- 12. Hearing and adoption of budget by revised statutory date of 4/21 or next meeting

#### Assumptions

2017 Budget is dependent upon:

- Council determination of 2017 Municipal Budget Appropriations
- Fund Balance (Surplus) available for 2017 (AFS)
- 2016 Municipal Revenues' Analysis and 2017 Revenue Anticipations
- State Aid allocations for 2017
- BCUA Sewer Increase estimated at 2.80%

#### Proposed 2017 Municipal Budget

Proposed levy increase 1.44% or \$791,800.51 Proposed appropriations increase 2.59% or \$1,778,370.87

Estimated annual tax increase:

Average home assessed at \$380,134

Increase in Taxes

Per year: \$57.02

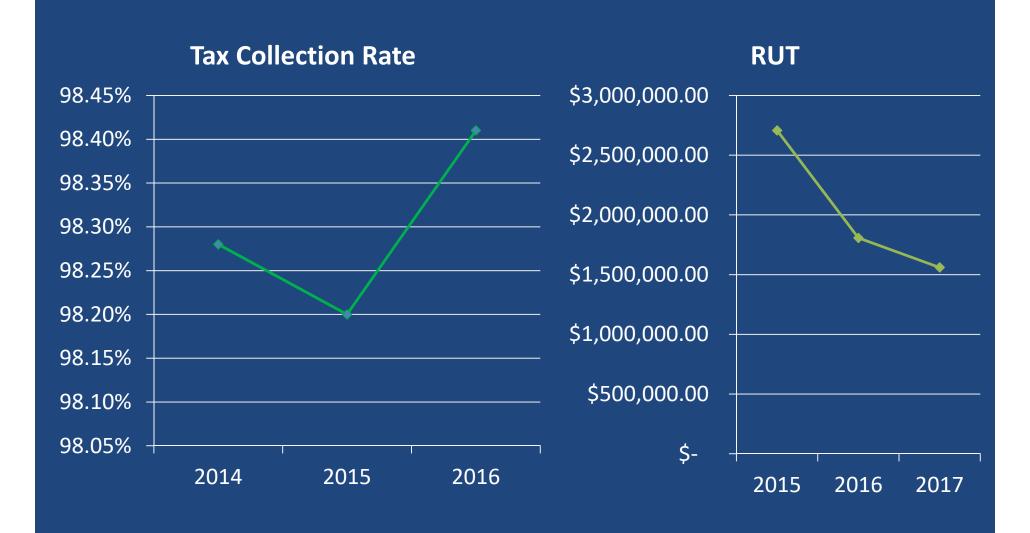
Tax Levy = Budget Appropriations Minus Revenues

No Tax Levy Cap Issue Expected

#### 2017 Budget Preemptive Action

- 2017 Tax Sale Date Moved to January 3rd
- Tax collection percentage
   2014 (98.28) 2015 (98.20%) 2016 (98.41%)
- Reserve for uncollected taxes (RUT)
   2015 (\$2,707,885.14), 2016 (\$1,807,043.00),
   2017 (1,560,000.00)
- Difference \$247,043.85 (RUT- 13.67%)

#### 2017 Budget Preemptive Action



#### Appropriation vs. Levy

 Appropriations – what the municipality intends to spend on operations

 Levy – what the municipality intends to raise through taxation of property owners

(Levy = Budget Appropriations Minus Revenues)

#### Appropriations Cap vs. Levy Cap

#### **Appropriations Cap**

- Enacted 1977
- Originally capped budget appropriations increases at cost of living (COLA)
- Amended in 2003 to 2.5%
- COLA Ordinance 3.5% and Cap Banking

#### Levy Cap

- Enacted 2007
- Amended in 2010 to 2% and modified exclusions

#### Exclusions from 2010 Levy Cap

- Increases in Debt Service and Capital Expenditures
- Weather and other "declared" emergencies
- Pension contributions in excess of 2%
- Health benefit cost increases in excess of 2% and limited by the increase in State Health Benefits rate increases

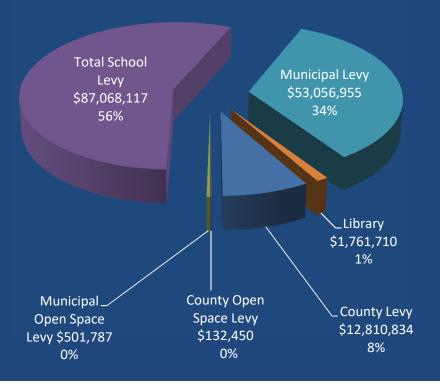
#### Appropriations Increase \$1,778,370.87

Category	Increase/ (Decrease)	
Grants	(\$283,879.64)	
Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	(\$247,043.85)	
Capital Improvement Fund	\$2,050.00	
Deferred Charges	\$46,333.40	
Debt Service	\$313,172.56	
Salary and Wages	\$600,810.11	
Other Expenses (Tab 5 less Statutory, Debt Service, Deferred Charges, and Capital Funds)	\$636,338.32	
Statutory Expenditures	\$710,589.97	

#### 2017 Tax Breakdown

#### **Tax Breakdown**

Total Property Taxes: \$155,331,854.43

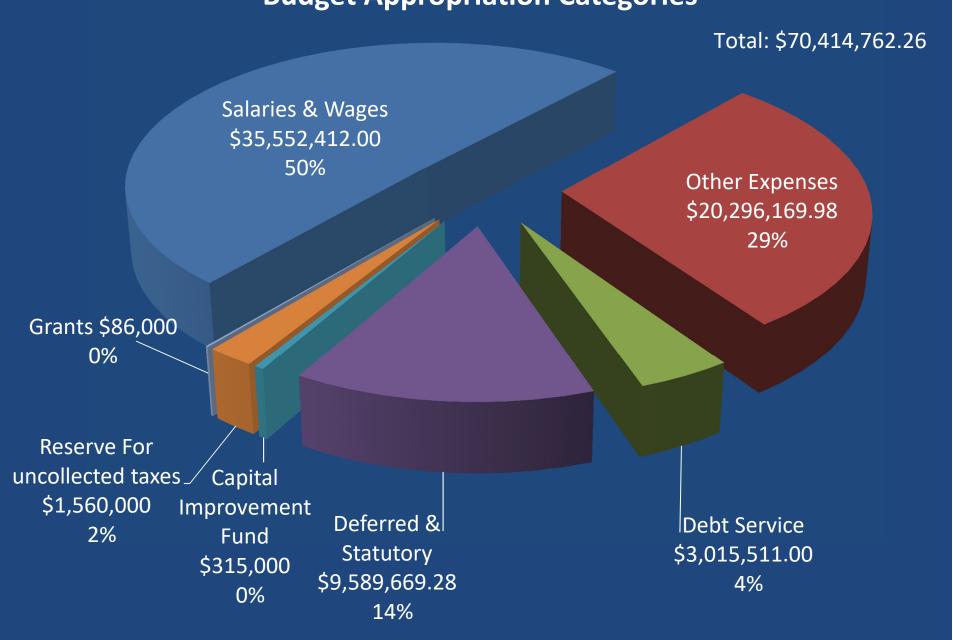


 Proposed budget refers to municipal portion of taxes only

All taxes collected by the municipality for the taxing entity

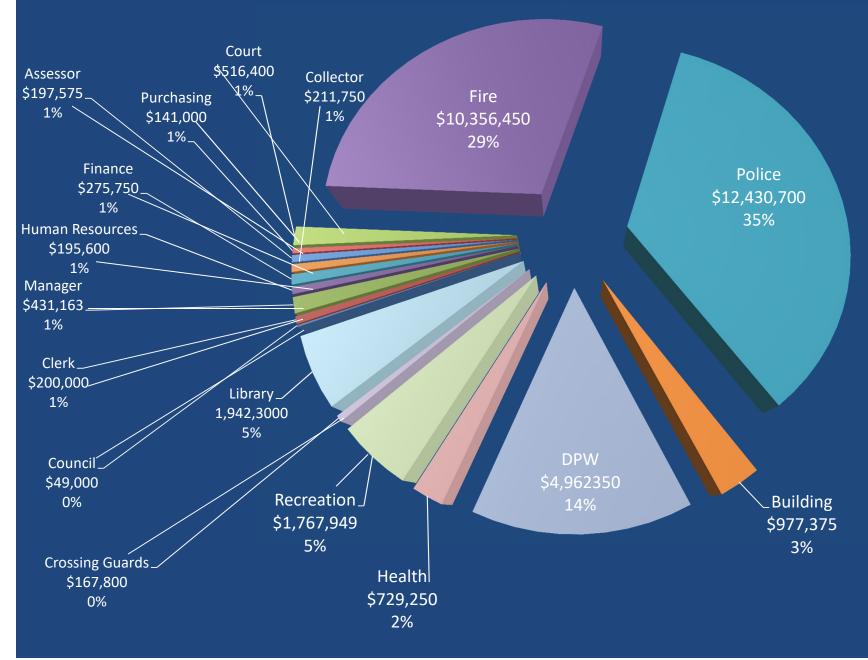
 Taxes forwarded to taxing entity biweekly/quarterly

#### 2017 Proposed Budget Budget Appropriation Categories

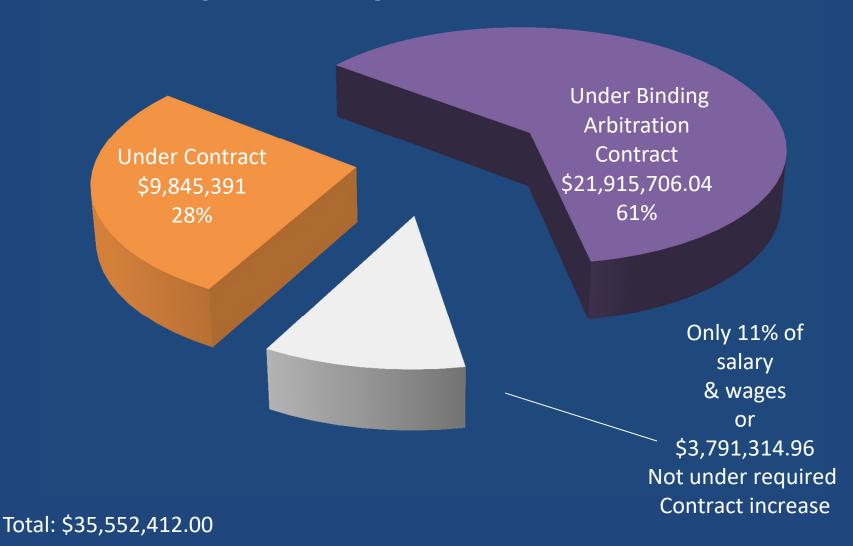




Total: \$35,552,412



### Salary & Wage Increases Required by Union Contract



#### Collective Bargaining Agreements

SOA

PBA 215

AFSCME

Library

DPW Supervisors

DPW Non-Supervisors

PFOA Local 242

FMBA Local 42

Exp. December 31, 2017

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Exp. December 31, 2017

Exp. December 31, 2016

Manager's Office

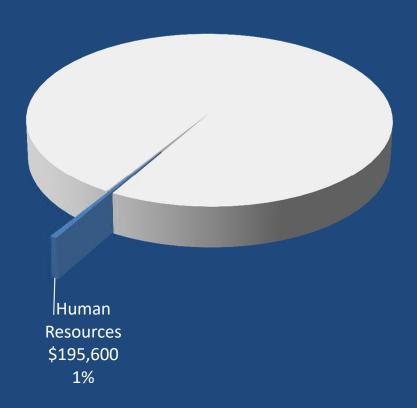
**2017 Recommendations** 



Fund Deputy Manager position

**Human Resources Department** 

**2017** Recommendations



Fund Personnel Technician
 Position

Terminal Leave Trust

 Funding @ \$750k due to past and future retirement obligations

#### Overtime

Dept.	2017	2016	Change %	Spent
Fire	\$500,000	\$440,000	13.64%	\$472,773.94
DPW	\$326,400	\$326,400	0%	\$244,737.35
Police	\$600,000	\$500,000	20%	\$654,983.39

### **Appropriations Other Expenses**

Group Insurance For Employees \$5,720,500 28%

Department
Operating
Expenses
\$6,340,669.98
31%

Utilities \$6,518,000 32%

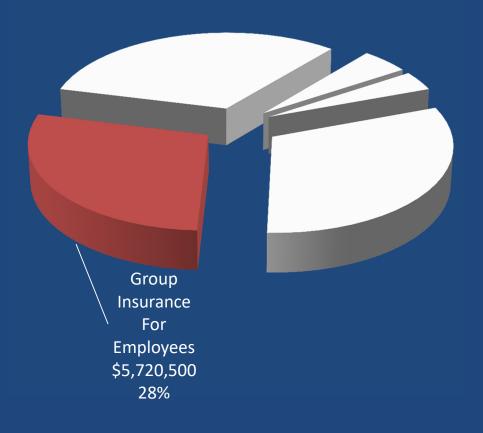
> Contributions to Self-Insurance Fund \$972,500 5%

Other Insurance
Premiums
\$744,500

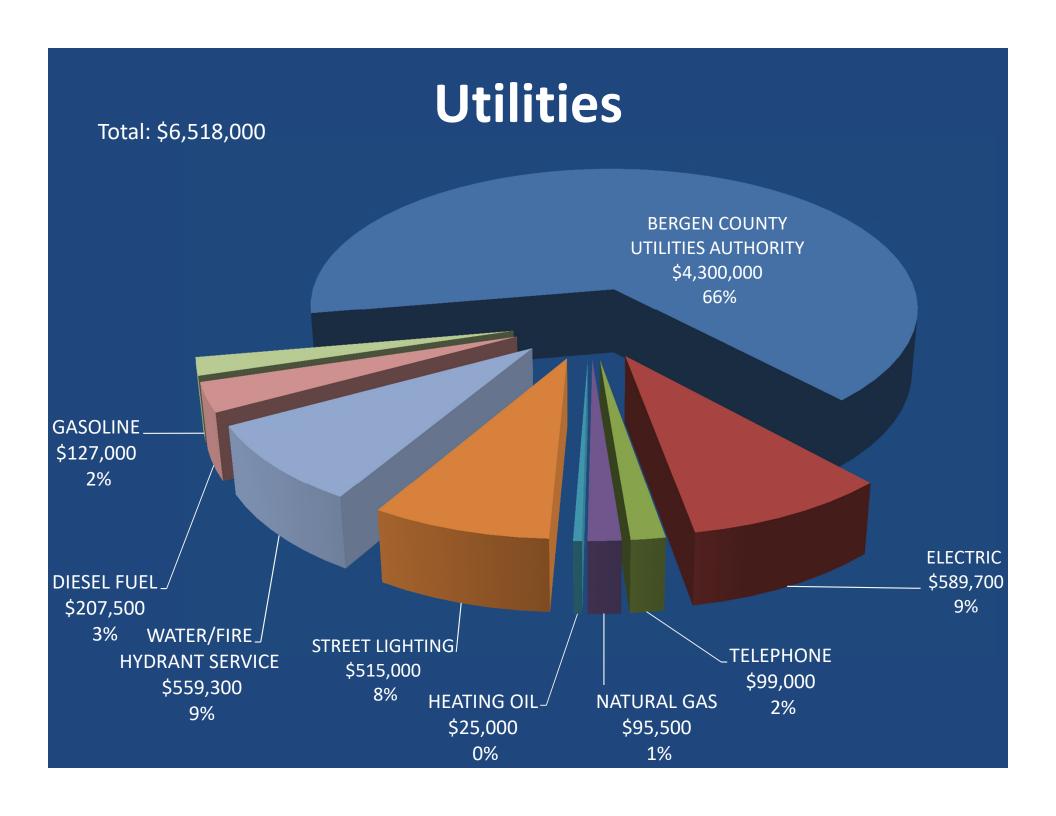
4%

Total: \$20,296,169.98

#### Group Insurance For Employees

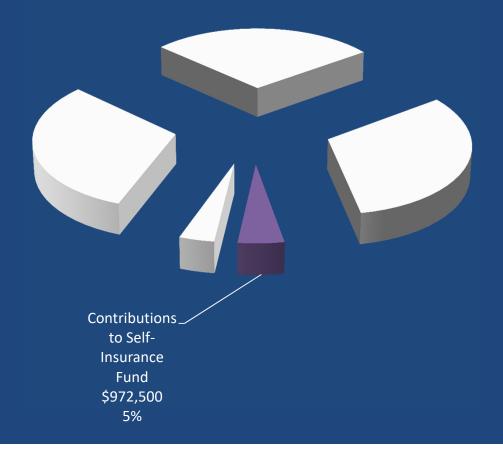


Net Increase 5.53% or \$300,000

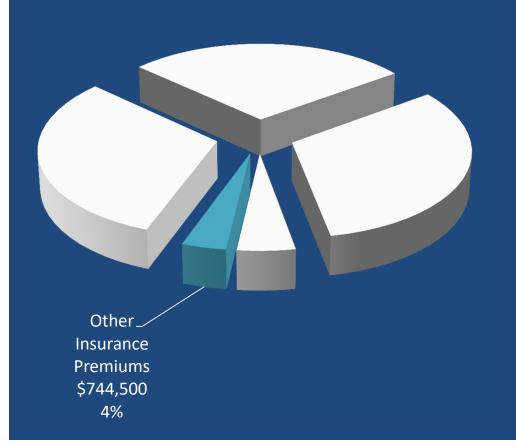


#### Contributions to Self-Insurance Fund

No Change



#### Other Insurance Premiums



- PEJIF Premium
- Auto Liability and collision
- Employment Practices
- Public Officials
- FacilitiesIncrease 3.73%

#### **Debt Service**

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### Debt Service \$3,015,511

4%

#### Highlights

- Note Principal increased \$88,667
- Bond principal increased \$228,632
- Bond Interest decreased \$5,121
- After certain reductions, total increase of \$313,172.56 in Debt Service

### What are Special Emergency Appropriations?

#### Per N.J.S.A. 40A:4-53:

- Preparation of Tax Maps
- Revaluation
- Codification of Ordinances
- Preparation of Master Plan
- Drainage Maps/Flood Control
- Engineering/Planning of Sanitary Sewer System
- Municipal Consolidation
- Severance Liabilities
- Preparation of Sanitary/Storm System Map
- Tax Appeal Refunds

#### Budgeted Special Emergencies

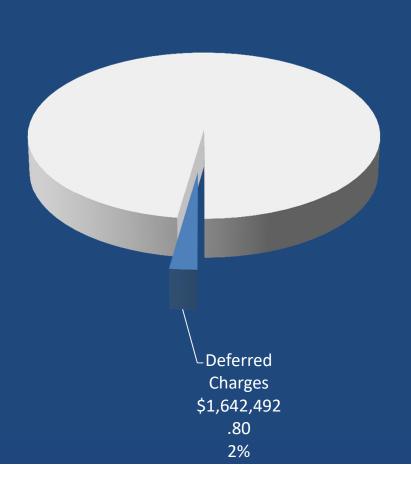
#### **Deferred Charges**

Severance Liabilities \$153,665.40 (Paid-Off 2016)

Revaluation \$142,492 (2019)

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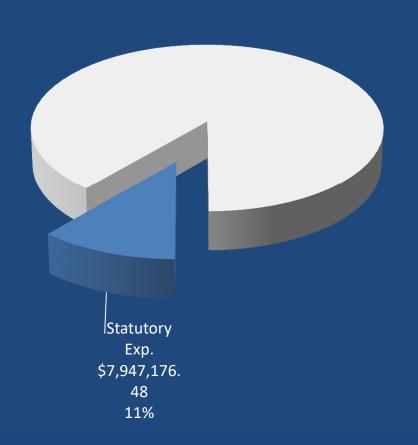
Tax appeal reserve of \$750,000 for 2017 appeals (State appeals 2016 \$519,978.35, County appeals \$12,563.67)

Number of appeals and potential refunds TBD

#### Statutory Expenditures

#### **Statutory Expenditures**

#### **Major Adjustments**



- PFRS increased \$603,180.48
- PERS Increased \$106,959

 Total line item increased \$710,589.97

#### Capital Improvement Fund

**Total Cost of Improvements** 

\$11,240,560

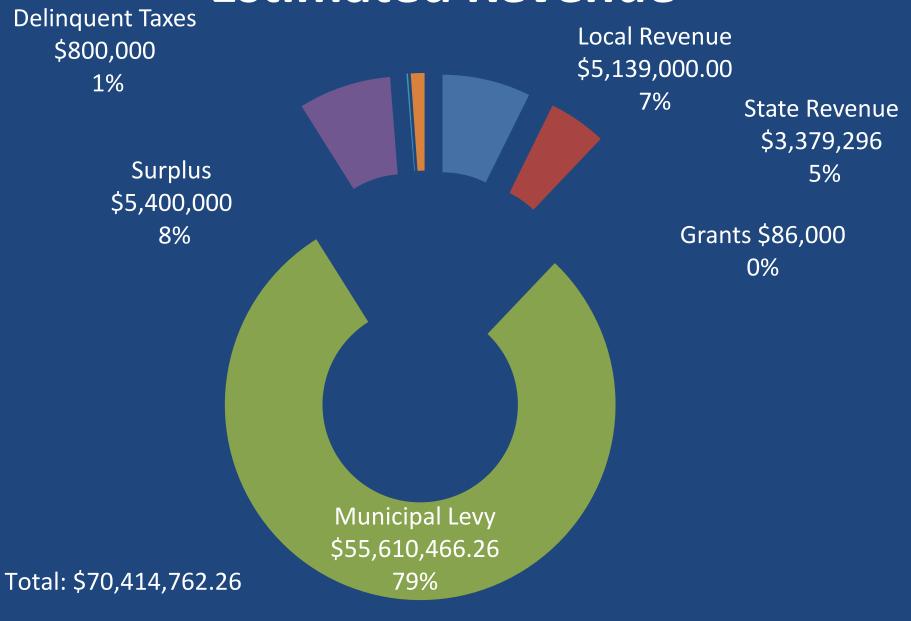
**Capital Improvement Fund** 

\$315,000\*

\*Balance – existing capital funds & M.O.S.T

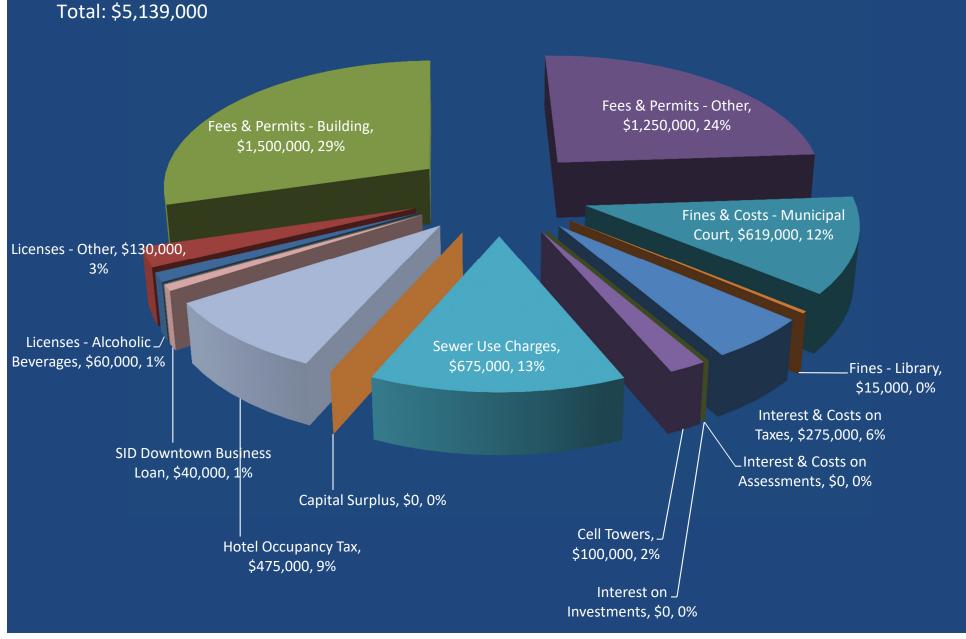
Capital Improvement Fund Review February 23, 2017





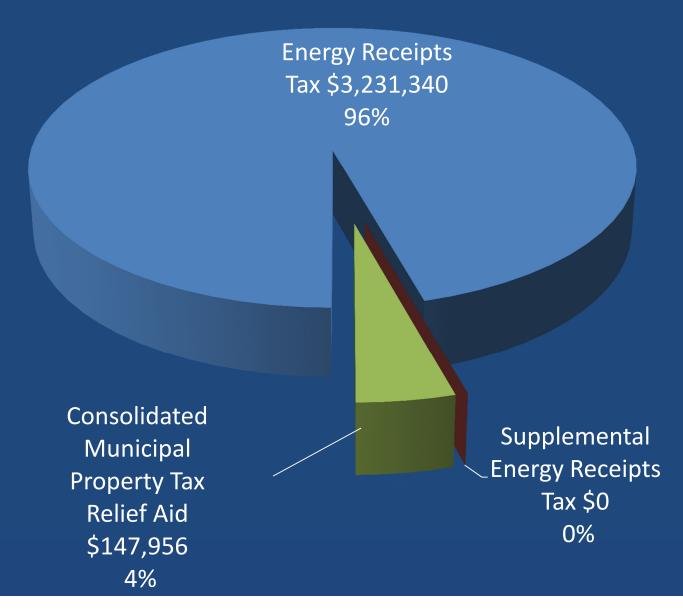
#### **Estimated Local Revenue**





#### **Estimated State Revenue**

Total: \$3,379,296



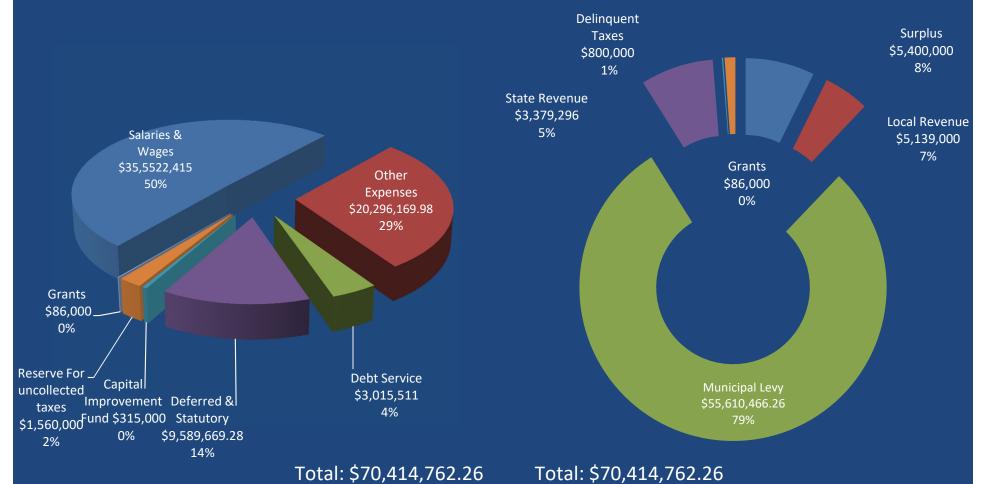
#### Factors Potentially Impacting Budget

- General state of economy
- Special Emergencies
- Glenpointe Tax Appeal (Unfunded)
- Impact of tax appeals (State/County)
- Interest rates/Bond Rating
- Reduced or flat state aid
- BCUA sewer
- Labor contract negotiations
- Severance Liabilities
- Pension Contributions
- Group Health Insurance
- Bail Reform
- Fund Balance

#### Budget Wrap - Up

#### **Appropriations**

#### Revenue



### Strategies Short & Long Term

- Develop Strategic Plan
- Shared services
- Cost containment/efficiency/technology
- Police/Fire/EMS Dispatch Consolidation
- Sale/development of selected municipally owned property
- Enhance ratables through business attraction and development
- Redevelopment of Alfred Avenue
- Fee Schedule revision

### Upcoming Budget Meeting Tentative Agenda

Thursday, February 23, 2017

- Review Police Department budget
- Review Public Works/Engineering budgets
- Review Capital budget
- Review Various budget accounts

### Upcoming Budget Meeting Tentative Agenda

March 2, 2017

- Review Fire Department budget
- Review Recreation Department budget
- Review Various budget accounts

## Upcoming Budget Meeting Tentative Agenda March 9, 2017

- Presentation Insurance
- Review Legal Budget
- Review Library Budget
- Review Council budget
- Review Township Manager's budget
- Review Township Clerk's budget
- Review Various budget accounts

#### Thank you!

