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Board of Supervisors Work Session Minutes Tuesday, August 16, 2016 1:00 PM

This meeting was the first Work Session for the 2017 budget. In attendance were Supervisors Balsama, DiMonte and Stumpo and Treasurer Peggy Lennon.

Public in attendance: 0

Stumpo opened the meeting at 1 PM.

Public comment: None

Any other business which may come before the Board: None.

2017 Budget: The Board reviewed the current structure of the Earned Income Tax (EIT), which was increased as of 1/1/2015 from 0.2% to 0.5%, including resident vs non-resident rates, proportion of residents paying a higher rate where they are employed, and school districts' ability to collect an EIT.

Pocopson Township's 2016 budget lists EIT receipts at \$802,000, and current projections support that figure. This represents approximately ½ of total general fund revenues. The Board briefly discussed options to replace the EIT, such as raising property taxes; but because eliminating the EIT would leave the Township unable to cover projected expenses (which in the 2016 budget are nearly \$1.9 million), they directed that the 2017 budget include a 0.5% EIT.

Two budget meetings, to be held in the evening, will be scheduled for October.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Peggy Lennon, Treasurer

icki Stumpo, Chair