

**NORTH NEWTON TOWNSHIP**  
**2013 Budget Message**  
*A Vision Realized*

**The Projected Expenditures for the 2013 General Fund Budget total \$996,110.**

This figure represents the following:

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| <b>January 1, 2013 Projected General Fund Balance</b>            | <b>\$1,400,000</b>      |
| <b>2013 Budgeted Receipts</b>                                    | <b>+ 996,110</b>        |
| <b>Total of General Funds Appropriated &amp; Un-appropriated</b> | <b>\$2,396,110</b>      |
| <b>2013 Budgeted Expenditures</b>                                | <b><u>- 756,863</u></b> |
| <b>Total Un-appropriated General Funds</b>                       | <b>\$1,639,247</b>      |

2012 was a milestone year in which a vision of over six years culminated on October 1, 2012 with the opening of the North Newton Township Administrative Office at 528 Oakville Road. Beginning with the January 7, 2013 reorganizational meeting, all Township public meetings will be held in the event hall (community room) at this location.

The Administrative Office accommodates space for the Secretary/Treasurer's office, a lobby and two additional offices which could each provide space for two employees when needed in the future. A fire-rated file storage room provides space for municipal records and a conference area. A maintenance room and restroom complete the new area which is attached to the existing event hall/community room and kitchen. While the community room will continue to be available for rental, it will also serve as the location of all public meetings as well as serving as the Township's polling place during primary and general elections.

The entire building is now served by a backup generator which was used for a few hours during Hurricane Sandy in October.

An open house of the facility and a ribbon cutting ceremony was held during the general election on November 6<sup>th</sup>. The building committee, engineers and contractors were recognized for all their work. The Board extended their appreciation to the following people who worked hard to ensure the Township could be proud of their new presence in the municipality.

ECI Construction - Bill Witmer & Tom Devor

J.A. Kolva - Jeff Kolva, owner

Whisler's Well Drilling, Inc. - Ken Whisler & Eric Swintowsky

Brehm-Lebo Engineering, Inc. - Greg Lebo, P.E., Joe Parissi, Bill Green, P.E.

Jack Griffith, Consulting Engineer - Electrical Engineering

Cox Engineering - Larry Cox, Jr. - Mechanical Engineering

NNT Building Committee - Harold McCullough, Shawn McCullough, Calvin Lynch

Darin Alleman - Performed landscaping installation as an Eagle Scout Project

The construction and engineering totaled \$330,000 and was paid out of cash flow without any loans. This was possible due to the Host Municipal Agreement with Advanced Disposal. The agreement earmarked \$450,000 toward the construction of the municipal office. The remaining money will be used to fund the overhead associated with daily operations.

The Township received \$815,000 in 2012 through this Agreement. Income from this source is expected to be \$750,000 in 2013 and will fall in 2014 to \$660,000 when the 25 cents per ton supplemental fee for the municipal office is finished being paid out.

The Host Municipal Agreement with Advance Disposal continues to be the Township’s largest source of income. This is followed by the earned income tax assessment of ½% which brings in \$180,000 annually. Other taxes include the real estate transfer tax which can vary widely, but is projected to be \$15,000 in 2013. The per capita tax of \$5 per adult resident is expected to yield \$6,450. The 2013 Budget does not include a real estate tax assessment. The remaining income is based on payment for township services, state and local fines, interest income and various other smaller revenues.

Other accomplishments of 2012 include:

- Completion of a connector road joining Park Circle to Sir William Drive including installation of drainage pipe with inlets and shoulder work.
- Milling, re-grading and surfacing of Fish Hatchery Road from the new bridge to the intersection with S.R. 641. This included perforated pipe along both sides of the road, shoulder work and elevating the road at the intersection to improve sight distance.
- Reflective double center line was applied to half of all Township roads.
- Successful first year of operation of the Municipal Trash Hauler Contract with Advanced Disposal through Southampton Township.
- A mild winter season allowed the Township to come through the winter months with a surplus of road salt while only spending \$2,400 on payroll for snow and ice removal.
- Installation of new kitchen cabinetry and flooring at the park.

Goals for 2013 include:

- Hiring a part-time Administrative Assistant. This position would provide another person with the knowledge to perform the duties of the Township Secretary/Treasurer and assist with special projects and provide full-time coverage of office hours in the absence of the Secretary/Treasurer.
- Explore hiring a part-time Codes Enforcement Officer to handle ordinance violations.
- Maintenance and repair of equipment and existing facilities.
- Road improvements as outlined in the next paragraph.

**State Liquid Fuels Fund - 2013 Projects**

The Roadmasters intend to pave the entire length of Stamy Road at a projected \$90,000. Another 5 ½ miles of Township roads will receive an application of sealcoat at a cost of \$55,000 to be paid from the General Fund.

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| <b>Projected January 1, 2013 State Liquid Fuels Fund Balance</b> | <b>\$ 44,000</b>  |
| <b>2013 Budgeted Receipts</b>                                    | <b>+ 97,026</b>   |
| <b>Total of State Funds Appropriated &amp; Un-appropriated</b>   | <b>\$ 141,046</b> |
| <b>2013 Budgeted Expenditures</b>                                | <b>- 90,000</b>   |
| <b>Total Un-appropriated State Funds</b>                         | <b>\$ 51,046</b>  |

**Street Light Fund**

There will be no increase in the street light assessment this year. Properties in the village of Oakville will continue to be assessed at 60 cents per foot of road frontage. North Newton Hills properties will remain at \$68 per lot.

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| <b>Projected January 1, 2013 Street Light Fund Balance</b>            | <b>\$ 1,200</b> |
| <b>2013 Budgeted Receipts</b>   | <b>+ 6,066*</b> |
| <b>Total of Street Light Funds Appropriated &amp; Un-appropriated</b> | <b>\$ 7,266</b> |
| <b>2013 Budgeted Expenditures</b>                                     | <b>- 5,562</b>  |
| <b>Total Un-appropriated Street Light Funds</b>                       | <b>\$ 1,704</b> |

*\*Includes a transfer of \$790 from General Fund to cover payment for lighting at Township properties.*

**Summary**

After a very ambitious and successful year in 2012, the 2013 Budget provides for the continued operation of municipal services at current levels.

The total for all projected 2013 fund balances, receipts and expenditures are as follows:

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| <b>Projected January 1, 2013 Balance of All Funds</b>        | <b>\$1,445,200</b> |
| <b>2013 Total All Budgeted Receipts</b>                      | <b>+1,099,202</b>  |
| <b>Total of All Funds Appropriated &amp; Un-appropriated</b> | <b>\$2,544,402</b> |
| <b>2013 Total All Budgeted Expenditures</b>                  | <b>- 852,452</b>   |
| <b>Total All Funds Un-appropriated</b>                       | <b>\$1,691,950</b> |

Respectfully submitted by *Bonnie L. Myers, Secretary/Treasurer*

December 13, 2012