

Fire Fund 2016

Operating Revenues

Real Estate Taxes - \$114,000

Based upon the County Assessment Records for Richland Township revenues should be \$114,000, with the majority of the revenues received in March, April and May. The fire fund tax mill rate remains at .75 mills.

Cable Franchise Fee - \$162,000

The franchise fee is based on 5% of the gross receipts of Comcast, Service Electric, and Verizon for cable services, Internet cable services and any other services they provide for the term of our contract. In 2016 and forward, 40% of this fee will be used to fund police operations.

Permits - \$17,000

This includes fees collected for planning review services and inspections. The amount collected depends upon the type of service or inspection required and the associated fees.

Operating Expenses

Fire Company Support Donations - \$245,880

Operating Donations - \$77,400

This is the annual payment for Fire Protection paid to the four local fire companies who provide fire service to the Township. The payment is based upon the percentage of area the Fire Company covers in the Township. The payments are as follows:

➤ Richland Township Fire & Rescue	\$25,620
➤ Quakertown Fire Company	\$26,295
➤ Trumbauersville Fire Company	\$11,325
➤ Richlandtown Fire Company	<u>\$14,160</u>
Total	\$77,400

Capital Donations - \$168,480

These are requests from the four local fire companies to purchase capital items such as fire trucks, equipment, etc. These requests are submitted annually. Capital payments are continuing to be made each year according to the requests from the fire companies. In 2015 the Capital Donations being requested are:

- Quakertown Fire Company - \$38,000 for the fifth of seven payments for replacement of Rescue 18 and a Ladder Truck for \$37,000. Also new radios for \$6,434 for

the first of seven payments and a new SCBA system for \$12,846 for the first of ten payments

- Richlandtown Fire Company #1 – \$10,500 for 2016 and 2017 for Air Packs and \$5,800 for the first of five payments toward the purchase of a field truck.
- Trumbauersville Fire Company – \$13,000 for the fourth of five payments for replacement of a tanker.
- Richland Township Fire and Rescue – \$35,000 for the seventh of ten payments for replacement of a tanker and \$9,900 for the second of fifteen payments for an engine replacement.

Fire Safety Inspection Wages - \$8,800

This is the annual wages and payroll taxes for the Fire Inspection portion of the Township Code Enforcement Officer's compensation.

Fire Safety Inspection Expenses –\$ 673

This is for payroll taxes on fire inspection salary.

Insurance - \$26,000

The Township pays all insurance costs associated with Richland Township Fire & Rescue Company.

Water Hydrant Fee - \$16,000

This annual payment of \$16,000 less a \$1,723 overpayment from 2015 to Quakertown Borough is for the use of Borough hydrants located in the Township. This fee is set by a Borough Ordinance.

Miscellaneous - \$100

This category is for miscellaneous costs.

Non Operating Revenues & Expenses

Interest Income - \$500 (Income)

Interest earnings are from investments in local banks Certificates of Deposit, Money Market accounts and PLGIT accounts.