

Ridley Township Board of Commissioners
November 25, 2025 6:00pm
Meeting Minutes

The Special Meeting of the Ridley Township Board of Commissioners was called to order by President Willert at 6:00pm on November 25, 2025 at the Township Building.

The following Commissioners were present: Mr. Saraceni, Mrs. Morrisette, Mrs. Cummins, Mr. McMenamin, Mr. Saunders, Mr. Warwick, Mr. Willert, and Mr. Capozzoli.

Also present were Mr. Ryan (Township Manager), Mr. Betzler (Controller), Mr. Caponi (Assistant Township Manager/Finance Director) and Mrs. Schlosser (Accounting Manager).

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mr. Willert announced the purpose of the meeting was to review and adopt the 2026 Tentative Budget.

The Board reviewed and discussed the proposed budget, noting significant increases across several critical areas, especially ALS ambulance service costs and costs associated with maintaining and repairing storm and sanitary sewer systems. Additionally, costs associated with everyday operations – utilities, fuel, insurance costs, etc. – have escalated.

Mr. Willert announced the tentative budget calls for a proposed tax increase of approximately \$95.00 for the average homeowner, or approximately \$.26 per day. The County Solid Waste Authority has once again increased their disposal fees and the Sewer Authority has raised its charges as well. These are fee for service costs that are separate from the real estate taxes, but must be incorporated into our operating budget. In 2026, service charges will also adjust to reflect the increases. The rubbish fee will increase to \$340, or about \$.94 per day, which includes twice-a-week trash collection, recycling and leaf collection, and the sewer fee will increase to \$450, or about \$1.25 per day. The last increase was four years ago in 2021 and since that time, the township has absorbed a 27% increase in sewer fees and a 56% increase in trash disposal fees.

Mr. Willert noted there were no residents in attendance to offer public comment.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrisette, seconded by Mr. Saraceni to adopt the 2026 Tentative Budget as presented. Motion carried unanimously (8-0).

Mr. Willert announced the tentative budget will be available for public inspection for 20 days at the Ridley Township Library and Resource Center and the Final Budget adoption will be held on December 22, 2025 at 6:00pm in Garling Hall, Ridley Township Municipal Building.

Adjournment

**Motion made by Mrs. Cummins, seconded by Mr. Capozzoli to adjourn the meeting.
Motion carried unanimously (8-0).**

Meeting concluded at 6:26pm.