

**BOROUGH OF CONSHOHOCKEN**  
**BUDGET WORK SESSION**  
**NOVEMBER 28, 2007**

Budget Work Session meeting called to order by Mr. Peter Cianci. Members of Council present at the meeting were Mr. Jack Coll. Mr. James Griffin, Mr. Robert Stokley, Mr. Vincent Totaro, and Mr. Peter Cianci.

Mr. Fran Marabella went over 2008 budget from the revenue side to the expenditure side. Mr. Marabella explained to Council and the members of the audience changes that were made to try to balance the budget. The budget is out of balance in the amount of \$1,318,530.00.

Council discussed areas that would have to be cut in order to balance it.

Some suggestion were to put a freeze on hiring, to look at a new package for health benefits for the employees, employees make contributions to the health program, and for each department head to reevaluate the budget and try to come up with cuts.

Members of the audience voiced concerns with the possibility of having to raise taxes. The possibility of a tax raise was discussed and all agreed their has not been a tax raise in many years, but they do not like the idea of an increase in taxes.

Council reminded the audience that the service the Borough provides to the residents needs to continue, and in order to do this a tax increase may be the only way to continue to provide the services.

A discussion was also held on the Hammer Junkyard project in reference to the height of the homes proposed and the density of the area.

Pearl Duckett,  
Borough Secretary