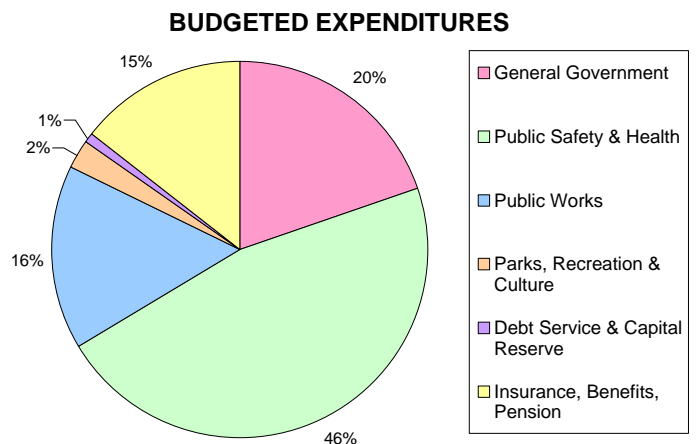
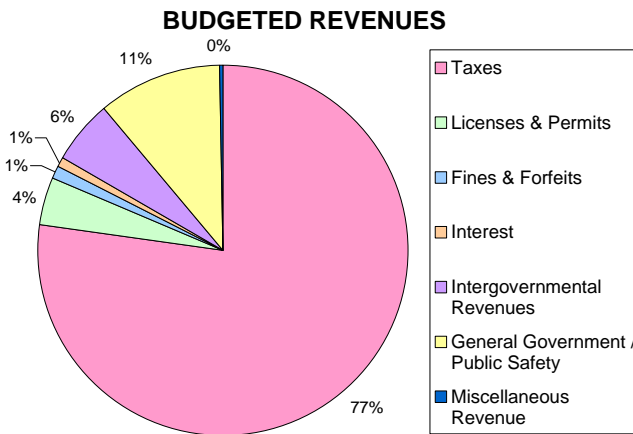


2006 Budget

The East Bradford Township Board of Supervisors approved the 2006 Budget Package at its December 13, 2005 meeting. The 2006 Budget actually consists of six (6) distinct budgets – General, Sewer, Highway, Liquid Fuels, Capital, and Open Space. The General Fund Budget represents the primary Township budget while the other budgets serve more specific or proprietary purposes. A summary of the 2006 General Fund Budget is provided below:

BUDGETED REVENUES		BUDGETED EXPENDITURES	
Taxes	\$2,233,453	General Government	\$569,921
Licenses & Permits	\$125,000	Public Safety & Health	\$1,341,899
Fines & Forfeits	\$28,000	Public Works	\$458,055
Interest	\$30,000	Parks, Recreation & Culture	\$68,150
Intergovernmental Revenues	\$160,512	Debt Service & Capital Reserve	\$25,000
General Government/Public Safety	\$310,050	Insurance, Benefits, Pension	\$419,026
Miscellaneous Revenue	\$8,090	Total Expenditures	\$2,882,051
Total Revenues	\$2,895,105		



The **General Fund** represents the principal operating fund for the Township (police and fire, parks and recreation, planning/zoning, codes enforcement/engineering, legal, administration). The 2006 General Fund Budget includes increased expenses for additional police patrol and dispatch services, roadside litter control service, a 3.8% employee uniform wage increase (with no change in the current staffing level), and a base contribution to the Capital Reserve Fund. It is a balanced budget. Once again, there is no increase to the general tax.

The **Sewer Fund** is a utility fund established to provide public sewer service to over 1,100 customers in the Township through an inter-municipal agreement with the Borough of West Chester. The Sewer Fund presently includes capital expenditures (expensed against Fund Equity) which should be considered (and subtracted) before assessing annual fund performance. There are no increases in the 2006 sewer user fees and sewer connection fees have decreased.

The **Highway Improvement Fund** is a proprietary fund established for design and construction of road improvements in the Township. The Highway Improvement Fund functions generally as a capital improvement and contingency fund for roads and related infrastructure. Revenues are derived from developers' contributions.

Receipts for the **State Liquid Fuels Fund** are provided by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania from (gas) tax disbursed annually to all municipalities. The receipts are based upon Township road miles and population. Use of the fund is limited to road maintenance/reconstruction and related equipments purchases. A list of scheduled road projects for 2006 is available at the Township

The **Open Space Fund**, established in 1999, is funded from the open space preservation tax (1/4 of 1% on earned income). Expenditures are restricted to acquisition of interests in real property and costs associated with these activities. The Open Space Fund represents the only source of Township debt at this time.

Finally, the **Capital Reserve Fund** is comprised of appropriated monies that are used for capital projects, major equipment purchase/replacements, etc. This fund serves a complementary function to the General Fund together with the Five Year Capital Reserve Schedule for longer term planning. For 2006, funds are budgeted in particular for improvements to the Public Works Garage.

Copies of the budget are available at the Township. Any budget questions should be directed to Michael Lynch, Township Manager.