

**No. 2016-15
ORDINANCE**

*An Ordinance of the County of Luzerne Adopting the
2017 Fiscal Year Budgets for Luzerne County*

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 5.07 of the Home Rule Charter of Luzerne County, County Council desires to adopt the 2017 Fiscal Year Budgets as set forth in this Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the proposed budgets do not cause the total budgeted expenditures and other uses in the budget to exceed the total of budgeted revenues and other sources of income plus any unreserved fund balance expected to be used; and

WHEREAS, the proposed budgets do not reduce budgeted expenditures required by law, for debt service or to meet any estimated unpaid obligations.

NOW, THEREFORE, the following is hereby ENACTED and ORDAINED by the Luzerne County Council:

SECTION ONE. Incorporation of Preamble.

The provisions set forth in the preamble to this Ordinance are incorporated herein by reference in their entirety.

SECTION TWO. Taxes.

County Council hereby approves the tax levied on all real estate property for general and special County purpose, including the payment of interest and principal of the funded debt, to be 5.9754 mills.

SECTION THREE. Repeal of Homestead Exclusion.

Luzerne County Council Ordinance 2014-10, passed at the December 15, 2014 County Council meeting, specifically repealed the County Tax Exclusion as established under PA Act 50 of 1998 for a period of three (3) budgetary years (FY 2015, FY2016 and FY2017). Luzerne County Ordinance 2014-10 is hereby amended to remove the three year time period so that this County Tax Exclusion is permanently repealed until other specific action is taken by the Luzerne County Council. In addition, Luzerne County Ordinance 2014-10 is hereby amended to remove the requirement that these funds be applied to the County Reserve Fund in FY 2017.

SECTION FOUR. Approval of Budget.

County Council hereby approves the attached 2017 Fiscal Year Budgets, as amended, which Budgets are incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.

SECTION FIVE. Effective Date.

This Ordinance shall take effect on January 01, 2017.

SECTION SIX. Repealer.

Any Resolution or Ordinance or parts thereof that conflict with or are inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of the conflict or inconsistency with this Ordinance.

ENACTED a meeting of the Luzerne County Council held on the 13th day of December, 2016.

ROLL CALL VOTE (6-5)

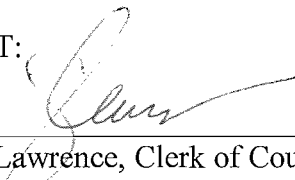
YES: Kelleher, McGinley, Schnee, Waitkus, Williams, and Houck

NO: Brominski, Dobash, Haas, Sorokas, and SA Urban

LUZERNE COUNTY COUNCIL

By: 
Linda McClosky Houck, Chair

ATTEST:

By: 
Sharon Lawrence, Clerk of County Council

By: 
Tim McGinley, Vice-Chair