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BUDGET MEETING OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL, FEBRUARY 21, 2015 AT 9:02 A.M. IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF BOROUGH HALL.

Mayor Dempsey's statement re: Open Public Meetings Act of 1975 and that notice was given to the Coast Star and the Asbury Park Press on December 18, 2014 and January 5, 2015.

ROLL CALL: Present: Council Members Lee, Sinneck, Donovan, Mangan, Olivera, and McCarthy

Absent: None

Also present was Municipal Administrator/CMFO Joseph DeIorio.

CFO BUDGET UPDATE

Mr. DeIorio went over what the council needs to still discuss to finish up the budget discussions. He stated that the Capital Plan does not give the council authorization to actually spend money but places those items that the Borough is thinking about doing for 2015 if stated properly in the capital plan it will save the Borough money. He stated that he submitted to council some of the small budgets which are normally handled administratively for review.

SMALL BUDGET LIST

Mr. DeIorio stated that the Governing Body authorized \$100,000 donation to the Library last year and this year's request is \$120,000, Shade Tree is a decrease in operating expenses, OEM increase is due to number of hours submitting grants, and Municipal Court is up slightly. He advised that the First Aid Squad didn't indicate a budget increase but requested if they could participate in the Borough's gasoline shared services with Brielle.

There was discussion about the gasoline shared services with Brielle and how this would work out and the Borough taking lead in the Hepatitis C vaccine program grant.

Mr. DeIorio stated this request is not budgetary. He advised that the other small budgets with no request for additional money are the Environmental Commission, Tourism Commission and Recreation Commission.

There was a brief discussion on the Cable Advisory Committee and a possible budget.

There was discussion on the Library's Budget request.

Library representative Nancy Corcoran went over the fundraising and maintenance issues that they have been putting off.

There was discussion on the previous budgets and the current financial documents of the Library. There was also a discussion on the services that the Library provides and the services the County Library provides.

Council Member Olivera stated that if Council has any questions they can submit them to him and he will contact Rene from the Library to get the answers.

There was discussion on the request for the increased budget amount for the Library.

It was recommended that the Library Budget be kept at \$100,000 for 2015.

CAPITAL BUDGET REVIEW

There was discussion on the Bulkhead, the different projects and the dollar amount for each and NJEIT Loans. There was also discussion on the timeline of a project and the revenues associated with the Marina. There was discussion on which NJEIT funding the engineer should move forward with submitting.

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It was recommended that the engineer move forward with the Revetment Project NJEIT.

There was discussion on new water meters and how old the current ones are and the replacement program that is in affect now.

Council Member Sinneck made a motion to put the new water meters in the capital plan of the Budget, seconded by Council Member McCarthy. Motion carried by the following vote: "yes" Council Member Lee, Sinneck, Donovan, Mangan, and McCarthy. 'No" Council Member Olivera.

There was a ten minute recess.

CAPITAL BUDGET REVIEW – ROADS

Mr. DeIorio stated that the council has the list of roads that were discussed at the prior meetings and what they have before them is a culmination of requests. He stated that he needs a number to put in the capital budget and he advised that it is in a single amount and is not listed by streets.

There was discussion on the streets and the amount to be put into the capital budget.

Council Member Donovan requested that \$832,512 be put in the capital plan.

There was discussion on the streets and which ones need improvements and should be considered to be worked on this year.

Council Member Mangan recommended that the budget be adopted and then look over the balance of the projects and that the finances be looked at before going out for the projects.

Council Member Donovan stated that there a few 2014 projects that will be needed to move forward with in 2015.

CAPITAL BUDGET SUMMARY - OTHER PROJECTS

Mr. DeIorio advised that the goal would be to adopt an ordinance to address Borough Hall.

Council Member Mangan stated that all the repairs and items for Borough Hall should be looped all together. He advised that these are not upgrades they are repairs.

There was discussion on the various improvements to Borough Hall and keyless entry to certain borough buildings. There was also discussion on the beach garage, beach headquarters and the Life Saving Station having card key entry.

There was discussion on the purchase of police vehicles which it was agreed that there would be one patrol car purchased. There was also discussion on AED and cameras for the police budget and the technology bond and the speed monitor follow up.

There was discussion on the public works replacement of vehicles and plows, hot box and the line maintenance machine.

It was recommended to put the hot box with the burner in the budget. It was also recommended that the mason dump and the pickup plow, (T7 and T8 replacements) and the pickup be put into the budget.

Mr. DeIorio went over the list of grant improvements which needs to be listed in the capital plan and there are some matching dollar amounts necessary.

There was some discussion on the car charging station, which grants were applied for and Squan Plaza additional re-construction costs.

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Mr. DeIorio stated that the Beach Utility request was for a Bobcat and new beach vehicle.

It was recommended that the Bobcat and new vehicle not be purchased this year.

There was discussion on the Second Avenue parking lot and reconstruction project and basketball resurfacing project.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Council Member Donovan made a motion to open the meeting to the public, seconded by Council Member Mangan. Motion carried unanimously.

There being no comment Council Member Olivera made a motion to close the public portion, seconded by Council Member Mangan. Motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Donovan made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 12:02 p.m., seconded by Council Member Mangan. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Ilaria Municipal Clerk