

April 25, 2019

The Budget Workshop Meeting of the Common Council of Egg Harbor City was held on Thursday, April 25, 2019 at 6:00pm in Council Chambers, located at 500 London Avenue with the following Council Members present: Donna heist, Angelo Lello, Clifford Mays, Pat Moran, Robin Sefton, Robert Ross and Mayor Lisa Jiampetti.(Joseph Ricci arrived at 6:40pm)

Councilman Ross called the meeting to order and made the following announcement:

1. In compliance with the “Open Public Meetings Act” of the State of New Jersey, adequate notice of this meeting of the Egg Harbor City Common Council was provided in the following manner:
 - a. Advance written notice of this meeting was posted on the Egg Harbor City Hall Bulletin Board.
 - b. Advance written notice of this meeting was sent to the Hammonton Gazette, the News, the Press and the Current
2. I direct the City Clerk (Chief Financial Officer filling in) to enter into these minutes this public announcement.

CFO Jodi Kahn (out on maternity leave) was called on a cell phone and put on speaker.

Kahn reviewed the budget draft that was previously provided to all council members. There was discussion over tax collector salary and what the new salary will be once the current tax collector retires on September 1, 2019. Councilman Lello expressed concerns over the amount of money budgeted for vehicle repair this year and felt it should be lowered. Mayor Jiampetti stated the amount budgeted includes parts. Ms. Kahn stated there was a big repair on the street sweeper and there is a big repair needed on one of the chargers. Mayor Jiampetti stated the Code Enforcement Department needs a car and once the charger is repaired it could be moved to the Code Enforcement Department. Mayor Jiampetti stated \$80,000.00 was budgeted last year and \$105,000.00 was spent. Ms. Kahn stated she budgeted \$100,000.00 for this year. Mayor Jiampetti went over the expenses that the City cannot control, which include group health insurance, workman comp insurance, utilities, PERS, and uncollectible taxes. Mayor Jiampetti stated revenue has decreased, court revenue is down and vacant property registration is also down. Mayor Jiampetti stated the fees at the EHC Lake were raised for necessary repairs at the lake. Councilman Lello asked about the extra pay the supervisor of public works is being paid to run both the water department and public works. Mayor Jiampetti stated the position began in April of 2017 and the position paid \$6500.00 through the end of the year and was supposed to be reevaluated at the end of 2017. Councilman Lello questioned why the position was needed when the city already had a supervisor of public works. Mayor Jiampetti also mentioned there is a dam inspection needed at the EHC Lake and the cost needs to be considered in the budget. The meeting was adjourned at 6:50pm with a motion from Lello and second from Sefton.

Respectfully Submitted,
Meg Steeb/City Clerk