

May 8, 2019

The Budget Workshop Meeting of the Common Council of Egg Harbor City was held on Wednesday, May 8, 2019 at 6:00pm in Council Chambers, located at 500 London Avenue with Mayor Lisa Jampetti present. Council Pres. Ross opened the meeting and the following members of Council were present: Donna Heist, Stefania Kuehner, Angelo Lello, Pat Moran, Joseph Ricci, and Robert Ross (Not present were Carol Kienzle, Clifford Mays, Jr. and Robin Sefton) Deputy Clerk Jacki Young was present to take the minutes.

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.

Council Pres. Ross gave a recap of the last "Budget Workshop". Council Pres. Ross stated he is requesting \$10,000.00 be cut for vehicle maintenance. Ms. Kahn gave an update on vehicle repairs to date and stated if necessary an emergency appropriation can be done in an emergency. After discussion and deliberation Council was in agreement to make the change in the amount in the budget for vehicle maintenance repairs. Councilwoman Kuehner had concerns with cutting the amount. Council Pres. Ross stated more revenue is needed or services will need to be cut. Councilman Ricci asked would the tax rate increase would be with this cut and Ms. Kahn stated 3.7%. Mayor Jampetti asked what the % the County was at and Ms. Kahn stated she did not have that information yet. Ms. Kahn stated so far County is a 3.2 decrease. Council Pres. Ross asked for a straw vote on the budget if the City proceeds with the \$10,000.00 decrease in vehicle maintenance repair and most all of Council voted yes. Mayor Jampetti stated there can be no more delays and that the state requires a budget be passed by a certain date. Ms. Kahn explained the budget procedure and stated if we do not adopt a budget it will affect our score with the County.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45pm with a motion from Kuehner and second from Moran.

Respectfully Submitted,
Meg Steeb/City Clerk