

June 17, 2020

The Budget Workshop Meeting of the Common Council of Egg Harbor City was held on Wednesday, June 17, 2020 at 7:00pm in Council Chambers, located at 500 London Avenue with the following Council Members present: Joseph Ricci Jr., Donna Heist, Mattia Brown, and Steven Dash. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the meeting was also able to be accessed remotely via conference call. In remote attendance were Councilmember Scott Trythall and Mayor Lisa Jampetti.

Councilman Ricci called the meeting to order.

Chief Financial Officer Jodi Kahn took roll call.

Councilman Ricci stated that there is a new buyer for the 335 Boston Ave property. The buyer is paying \$85,000. Councilman Ricci would like Council to consider putting in \$65,000 of that in the budget to bring it to a zero cent tax increase. Mayor Jampetti stated that is plugging the budget. CFO Kahn stated she understands wanting to have a zero tax increase with the pandemic, but warned Council that they will have a \$90,000 hole to fill next year from putting non-recurring revenue from the wetlands deed restriction and the Boston Ave property sale in the budget. Councilman Ricci also stated the school is looking at a 2.2 cent tax increase. Councilman Dash expressed his concern that people will be worse off next year. Councilwoman Heist said she would hate to see a zero cent increase this year and then a large hike next year. Councilman Trythall said that he thinks with some of the projects the City is working on including having a new ratable from the potential sale of the water utility, that he thinks next year will be ok. A straw vote was taken and all Councilmembers in attendance were for adding in the property sale to the budget. CFO Kahn will prepare the amendment for next week's Council Meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25pm with motion from Brown and second by Dash .

Respectfully Submitted,  
Jodi Kahn/CFO