

TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

BUDGET MEETING

February 27, 2016

Budget Meeting opened to the public of the Township Council of the Township of Washington, a budget meeting was held at 9:00 a.m. Members present: Peter Calamari, Dr. Steven Cascio, Thomas Sears, and Michael Ullman. Also present: Janet Sobkowicz, Mayor; Mary Anne Groh, Administrator.

GENERAL PUBLIC DISCUSSION

A motion was made by Dr. Sears, seconded by Mr. Sears, to open the public discussion.

Ayes: Councilmen Calamari, Cascio, Sears, Ullman

Nays: None.

Absent: Councilman Bruno

A motion was made by Dr. Cascio, seconded by Mr. Sears, to close the public discussion.

Ayes: Councilmen Calamari, Cascio, Sears, Ullman

Nays: None.

Absent: Councilman Bruno

BUDGET SESSION

A motion was made by Dr. Cascio, seconded by Mr. Sears, to open the budget session.

Ayes: Councilmen, Calamari, Cascio, Sears, Ullman

Nays: None.

Absent: Councilman Bruno

Council President Ullman dialed in the Mr. Bruno to participate in the discussion. Township Clerk Elaine Erlewein stated he may participate in the meeting however, he may not be able to vote on subject lines since he was not physically present at the meeting.

Administrator Groh responded to questions on Memorial Field. The size of the well must be determined followed by the next step. Then a quote will be obtained. Administrator Groh stated the Superintendent of DMF has a quote for seeds and chemicals. Equipment for spreading will be borrowed from Hillsdale. She further stated that no shared service agreement is required for

sharing of said equipment. Discussion took place amount Councilmen on the parking issue on Horizon Court from students of IHA. Councilman Sears stated the town cannot prevent parking on Horizon Court unless there are signs authorized by ordinance. Administrator Groh stated signs have been ordered for Sussex Road. Mayor Sobkowicz stated we need count of cars before moving forward with signs.

Mayor Sobkowicz stated the proposed 2016 Municipal Budget will increase the average household by \$2.00 and the library increase will be \$4.00 per average household. Mayor continued with the Capital Budget is not completed. Cancelling old ordinances were done last year in the amount of \$250,000. Salaries were budgeted at increases of 1.5%. Police increase equated to 4.75% increase due to the step clauses of collective bargaining.

Councilman Ullman preferred starting at page 1 and questioned why we have line items not used in two to four years. Mayor Sobkowicz responded it is best to streamline things, not opposed to eliminate them. Councilman Calamari suggested we begin with large departments. Worksheets began with page one.

Page 1	6-01-20-100-130 Dept. of Administration. S & W, P/T Move to line 6-01-20-100-160 Dept. of Administration. P/T Floating Staff	
Page 2	6-01-20-100-210 Adm. O/E Office Supplies	-\$ 500
Page 2	6-01-20-100-250 Adm. O/E Due, Meet & Conf.	-\$ 400
Page 2	6-01-20-100-280 Adm., O/E Travel & Mileage	-\$ 100
Page 3	6-01-20-100-370 Adm., O/E Training Expense	-\$ 500
Page 3	6-01-20-100-500 Adm. O/E Misc.	-\$ 500
Page 3	6-01-20-100-830 Adm., O/E Computer Mt Cont.	-\$ 600
Page 5	6-01-20-110-210 Mayor O/E Office Supplies	-\$ 300
Page 5	6-01-20-110-370 Mayor, O/E Training Exp.	-\$ 500

Page 5	6-01-20-110-500 Mayor O/E Misc.	- (\$ 200)
Page 5	6-01-20-110-790 Mayor O/E Trophies	- (\$ 200)
Page 6	6-01-20-111-200 Twp. Council Salaries & Wages	FLAG
Page 6	6-01-20-111-280 Twp. Council O/E Travel	- (\$ 200)
Page 6	6-01-20-111-300 Twp. Council O/E off Furn.	FLAG
Page 6	6-01-20-111-320 Twp. Council O/E Cons & Non L	- (\$1,000)
Page 6	6-01-20-111-470 Twp. Council O/E Printing	- (\$ 200)
Page 7	6-01-20-111-790 Twp. Council O/E Trophies	+\$ 300
Page 7	6-01-20-111-810 Twp. Council O/E Internet Service	FLAG
Page 7	6-01-20-111-820 Twp. Council-Computer Supplies	- (\$ 200)
Page 8	6-01-20-120-130 Twp. Clerk Spec Secretary O/T	+\$1,500
Page 8	6-01-20-120-270 Twp. Clerk O/E off E Rep & Mt	FLAG
Page 9	6-01-20-120-300 Twp. Clerk O/E off Fur & Equip.	- (\$ 300)
Page 9	6-01-20-120-310 Twp. Clerk O/E Legal Adv.	+\$1,300
Page 9	6-01-20-120-500 Twp Clerk O/E Misc.	- (\$ 200)

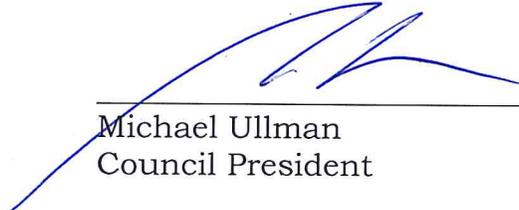
Page 10	6-01-20-121-100 Elections O/E Postage	-\$ 225)
Page 11	6-01-20-130-130 Fin S& W Chief Fin Officer	FLAG
	TOTAL	-\$3,025.00)

Councilman Ullman suggested moving line 6-01-20-100-130 to line 6-01-20-100-160. All Ayes: Absent Councilman Bruno. Administrator Groh explained postage on line 6-01-20-100-220, postage if for reserve to fill the machine. Pitney Bowes began with \$3500 plus an additional \$10,000 was needed to bring the machine to \$13,000. It is time to replenish funds. Councilman Cascio said he is okay with \$13,000 for postage.

A motion was made by Mr. Sears, seconded by Dr. Cascio to adjourn.
 Ayes: Councilmen Calamari, Cascio, Sears, Ullman.
 Nays: None.



 Elaine Erlewein
 Township Clerk



 Michael Ullman
 Council President