

March 01, 2005

BUDGET WORKSHOP

Beachwood Municipal Complex
1600 Pinewald Rd.

7:15 PM

Call to Order

SALUTE TO FLAG -

A MOMENT OF SILENCE IN MEMORY OF THE MEN & WOMEN IN MILITARY SERVICE WHO HAVE GIVEN THEIR LIVES FOR FREEDOM, AND OUR MEN AND WOMEN THROUGHOUT THE WORLD PROTECTING OUR FREEDOM, WE WISH THEM A SAFE AND SPEEDY RETURN HOME.

Call to Order

Opening Statement:

Ladies and Gentlemen, pursuant to the applicable portions of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting has been given. The schedule for this Budget Meeting of the Borough of Beachwood is listed in the notice of meetings posted on the Bulletin Board located in the Municipal Complex and delivered to the Ocean County Observer and the Asbury Park Press February 17,2005.

Roll Call Members Present
Mayor Harold R. Morris

Councilmembers:

Gregory Feeney
Gerald W. LaCrosse

Thomas Miserendino

Ronald Roma

ABSENT: Beverly Clayton - Patricia A. Moran

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Mr. Antonides – discussed the current Cap regulations. After introduction, Borough can do ordinance to address 1% cap increase.

2004 Landsale (\$183,000) addressed one time expenditure, not in the 2005 budget, but used in our cap #.

Departments cannot cut anymore.

Mr. Feeney: Just the mandated increases = 4.8 cents increase but not provided for by the State. Mr. LaCrosse's suggested cafeteria plan, will not affect this year. If health care costs are less this year, the money left will flow to surplus.

Homeland Security reduction (\$70,000) reflects approximately 2 cents - LOSAP reflects 1cent. The rate projected currently is 15 ½ cents. Phasing in deferred school taxes to cover 1/3 of the \$70,000 Homeland Security and Fire Company Radio's = 3 cents coming off the projected 15 ½ cents bring tax rate to 12 ½ cents.

Discussion of Permanent Financing vs temporary notes, while it would reduce this budget by \$50,000 it would have a greater impact on the 2006 budget.

Discussion of grants anticipated "Click It Ticket" etc.

Bonding capability \$628,000.

Mr. Roma noted that he would like to address \$700,000 for roads (bonding) which would include the cost of Engineering.

Additional bonding items discussed - Police SUV \$28,950.
Fire \$32,270

Public Discussion:

Comments

Mr. Schiffermiller - regarding proposed tax rate

Mr. Novaky

ADJOURNMENT

Submitted by: E.A. Mastropasqua

Harold R. Morris
Mayor

Attested to by: _____
Elizabeth A. Mastropasqua RMC/CMC
Municipal Clerk