

## **BOROUGH OF HAMPTON**

### **2022 BUDGET WORKSHOP MEETING**

**MARCH 16, 2022**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Todd Shaner. The 2022 Municipal Budget Workshop began at 6:30p.m. This meeting was held in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act. Notification of the meeting was advertised in the February 24, 2022, edition of the Hunterdon Democrat. This meeting notice was posted on the public bulletin board and is on file in the Office of the Municipal Clerk.

Present: Mayor Shaner Rob Celentano John Drummond Doug Rega  
Carroll Swenson Jeff Tampier Rob Wotanowski Kathy Olsen, CFO  
Linda Leidner, RMC Alan Brower, DPW Director Rick Allen, Fire Chief

Kathy Olsen, CFO offered an overview of the budget numbers as presented.

Ms. Olsen made note of the fact that if the Borough Council doesn't make any changes to the budget as it is presented tonight, the Municipal Tax Rate will be flat (0).

CFO Olsen explained that this budget is under both CAP's. CAP Levy and Appropriation CAP. In general, the Borough had a good year, surplus is up. Ms. Olsen noted that she was able to use the surplus to balance the budget. She also explained that the Reserve for Debt Service can be used to offset Debt Service.

Ms. Olsen noted that money from the American Rescue Plan Act will be allocated to Water Utility improvements.

Most department budgets remained flat.

Questions were asked by members of the public.

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Capital items were considered line by line by department. Each Department head in attendance explained the need for their particular request. It was determined that while the number seems high this year the items requested have the life span required and are needed by the departments that requested them.

As of now the Municipal 2022 Budget is flat.

The Chief Financial Officer will contact the Municipal Auditor regarding the preparation of 2022 Municipal Budget. It is anticipated that the introduction of the budget will take place on April 18, 2022.

With a Motion by Cm. Swenson, second by Cm. Rega the 2022 Municipal Budget Workshop concluded at 8:55p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Leidner RMC  
Municipal Clerk