

**Town of Camden  
Public Workshop  
Camden Municipal Building  
May 11, 2015**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor King called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and noticed that this regular Council Meeting was being held in compliance with the Delaware Open Public Meeting Act by posting the agenda on May 1, 2015, in the following manner:

- a. The electronic sign,
- b. The Official Bulletin Board,
- c. The official Town of Camden Web Site,
- d. The News Journal, and
- e. The Delaware State News.

Mayor King led attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor King led a moment of silence.

Council Attending: Mayor King, Councilman Dougherty, Councilman Casquarelli, and Commissioner Schock.

Council Absent: Vice-Mayor Green and Councilwoman Torres.

Staff Attending: Town Manager Aaron Chaffinch, Town Clerk Jamie Fenske, Account Specialist Amanda Marlow, and Finance Officer Tom Josiah.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Town Hall will be closed Monday, May 25<sup>th</sup> in observance of Memorial Day

**REVIEW/DISCUSSION**

*Proposed FY 2016 Budget*

Mayor King stated that he appreciated all of Mr. Josiah's hard work and his excellent presentation last week on the first reading of the budget.

Mr. Josiah explained that Mrs. Marlow has been a big help preparing the budget. He added that some items have been realigned for better budgeting.

Mr. Josiah reported that the audit expense has exceeded the 2015 budget because of three years of audits finally being done. There is still a projected surplus for FY 2015.

Councilman Dougherty questioned the Grand Prix maintenance.

Mrs. Marlow explained that the Grand Prix is still in use.

Mayor King asked to have \$1,000 added for the new Tahoe that is being purchased.

Mayor King questioned the FCVC Grant.

Mrs. Marlow explained that is a violent crimes grant with \$5,000 in revenue and \$5,000 in expenses.

Mayor King questioned why the cleaning expense went up for FY 2016.

Mrs. Marlow explained that it was not budgeted correctly in 2016.

Mayor King questioned if the health insurance was going up.

Mrs. Marlow explained that it will go up 5% this year and it is already in the budget.

Mr. Josiah explained that RETT is projected slightly higher this year to hopefully be more actual.

Councilman Casquarelli questioned why the budgeted property tax went down this year.

Mrs. Marlow explained that this year's budgeted property tax shows the projected tax discount.

Councilman Casquarelli added that he would like to see more help with the code enforcement.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

#### **COUNCIL COMMENT**

Mayor King thanked Mrs. Marlow and Tom Josiah on the budget that they prepared!

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

At 7:22 p.m. a motion was made by Councilman Dougherty, seconded by Councilman Casquarelli, to adjourn the regular meeting. All in favor; none opposed.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Jamie Fenske, Town Clerk*