

**BUDGET WORKSESSION MEETING
MINUTES OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
February 15, 2022 * 7:00 P.M.**

Mayor James called the meeting to order followed by the Pledge Allegiance to the Flag
The Sunshine Notice Statement was read as follows below:

Sunshine Notice: This meeting is called pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Law. This meeting has been provided in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act by: Posting a copy of the agenda on the bulletin board in the Municipal Complex and emailing a copy to The Atlantic City Press and Burlington County Times and all those requesting copies on January 6, 2022. Forwarding a copy of the agenda to each person who has requested copies of the meeting schedule. All the above posting, filing & mailing have taken place on February 3, 2022.

At the call of the roll the following were present Committeeman Gadd, Deputy Mayor Seybold and Mayor James, Township Clerk Lisa H. Hand, CFO Kristen Manning and Deputy Township Clerk Karen Bacon.

2022 BUDGET WORKSESSION

Mayor James, Deputy Mayor Seybold, Committeeman Gadd and CFO Manning and Township Clerk Hand discussed the 2022 Municipal Budget.

Items discussed were Salaries; Appropriations and Capital Improvements.

Mayor James stated that the Fire Companies and Ambulance Squad has requested an increase of the contributions this year. We will have to continue with the review of the budget, to see if we can do this.

Leonard Forand, Chief of the Green Bank Vol. Fire Company – We were told that we could get \$150,000.

David Simpson – Lower Bank Vol. Fire Company – Under NJSA the municipality can go up to \$150,000 for three companies and for the ambulance up to \$75,000.

Mayor and Committee continued to review the 2022 Budget.

CFO, Kristen Manning – Under the line item of coronavirus we have \$25,000, will we need this?

OEM – David Simpson – I don't think so.

Mayor James – Take it down to \$10,000 and divide the rest to the Fire Companies and Ambulance.

PUBLIC COMMENT

(Please state your name & address for the record)

Mayor James asked if there was any Public Comments.

Barbara Cavileer – River Road, Lower Bank – What about the parking lot?

CFO, Kristen Manning – it is under the CAP ordinance.

Barbara Cavileer – The PA system needs to be updated. We can't always hear.

Brian Detrick – Turtle Creek Road – Thank you for finding the money for the fire companies. The other expenses have increased this year; we are working on a new roof and setting aside money for a new rig.

Barry Cavileer – River Road, Lower Bank – Thank you for the additional funding.

Lenny Forand, Jr. – Green Bank Vol. Fire Company – Thank you for all the funding and after the meeting come out and see our new rig.

Mike Alexander – Lower Bank Vol. Fire Company – We are looking into purchasing a new truck; thank you for the funding.

ADJOURNMENT at 7:55 PM

Motion made by Committeeman Gadd, seconded by Deputy Mayor Seybold.

Roll Call: Gadd, Seybold, James

Ayes: 3

Nays: 0

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa H. Hand, RMC
Township Clerk