

CITY OF PORT REPUBLIC
6:00 p.m. JANUARY 29, 2019
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING/BUDGET WORKSHOP

Adequate notice of this meeting was given as required by the Open Public Meetings Act.

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT: Steve Allgeyer, Doris Bugdon, Roger Giberson, Stanley Kozlowski, Kevin Wessler

COUNCILMEMBERS ABSENT: Thomas Kurtz, Donna Riegel

MAYOR: Gary B. Giberson

MUNICIPAL CLERK: Kimberly A. Campellone, RMC

MUNICIPAL AUDITOR: Nancy Sbrolla, CPA, RMA

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: Jenna Kelly, CMFO

Council President Kevin Wessler called the meeting to order and lead the flag salute. This is to advise the general public and to instruct that it be recorded in the minutes, in compliance with Chapter 231 of the Public Laws of 1975, entitled the "Open Public Meetings Act". The Municipal Clerk of the City of Port Republic posted at City Hall, 143 Main Street, Port Republic and mailed and/or faxed to the Atlantic City Press and the Mainland Journal, a meeting notice setting for the time, date and locations of this meeting.

MOTION TO APPROVE JANUARY 2019 BILL LIST

On the motion of Councilmember Bugdon, seconded of Councilmember Kozlowski and carried.

YES: Allgeyer, Bugdon, Giberson, Kozlowski, Wessler

NO:

ABSENT: Kurtz, Riegel

ABSTAIN:

MOTION TO PAY ALL SIGNED BILLS

On the motion of Councilmember Bugdon seconded of Councilmember Allgeyer and carried.

YES: Allgeyer, Bugdon, Giberson, Kozlowski, Wessler

NO:

ABSENT: Kurtz, Riegel

ABSTAIN:

BUDGET WORKSHOP

Right now, we are at zero. The City ended the year at \$694,000 in surplus; this includes the \$50,000 that was cancelled for capital projects, which will be back in this year's budget. This year we are budgeting \$273,000, last year we budgeted \$220,000, that is the \$50,000 difference.

Bond Anticipation Note balance is \$200,000. The budget reflects a \$100,000 payment towards the debt; leaving a balance of \$100,000 remaining in debt.

The following line items were addressed:

Governing Body – increase to \$800, rather than current \$500, for stipend/salary

Municipal Clerk – increase for new furniture

Finance/Administration – increase to account for shortage last year

Municipal Court – increase for salaries at 3%

Celebration of Public Events – increase by \$1,000

Telephone – increased by \$1,000

LOSAP – increased for new members

Salary increases in the budget include the following positions:

Municipal Clerk: 3%, Deputy Clerk: \$2,500, Tax Collector: 3%, Tax Assessor: 3%, Court Administrator: 3%, Violations Clerk: 3%

The budget will be introduced on February 12, 2019.

RESOLUTIONS:

43-2019 Transfer Resolution

On the motion of Councilmember Giberson, seconded of Councilmember Kozlowski and carried.

YES: Allgeyer, Bugdon, Gliberson, Kozlowski, Wessler

NO:

ABSENT: Kurtz, Riegel

ABSTAIN:

44-2019 Emergency Temporary Appropriations 2019

On the motion of Councilmember Giberson, seconded of Councilmember Kozlowski and carried.

YES: Allgeyer, Bugdon, Gliberson, Kozlowski, Wessler

NO:

ABSENT: Kurtz, Riegel

ABSTAIN:

45-2019 Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement with The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)

On the motion of Councilmember Bugdon, seconded of Councilmember Allgeyer and carried.

YES: Allgeyer, Bugdon, Giberson, Kozlowski, Wessler

NO:

ABSENT: Kurtz, Riegel

ABSTAIN:

OPEN TO PUBLIC PORTION

On the motion of Councilmember Bugdon, seconded by Councilmember Giberson and carried.

CLOSED TO THE FLOOR FOR TOPICS FOR PUBLIC PORTION:

Hearing nothing from the public, Councilmember Allgeyer moved, seconded of Councilmember Bugdon and carried to close the public portion.

ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Councilmember Allgeyer, seconded of Councilmember Kozlowski and carried to adjourn at 6:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly A. Campellone RMC
Municipal Clerk