

**Meeting Minutes**  
**April 26, 2022**

5:00 PM

Call to order

Roll Call

<i>Councilmember</i>	<i>Present</i>	<i>Absent</i>
<i>Councilman Anderson</i>		X
<i>Councilwoman Perrone</i>		X
<i>Councilwoman Worthy</i>	X	
<i>Deputy Mayor Whitfield</i>	X	
<i>Mayor McIntosh</i>	X	

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Statement

- **In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, this is to announce that adequate notice of this meeting was provided in the following manner:**

**On March 30, 2022, advance written notice of this meeting was posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Complex and was mailed to the Burlington County Times, the Intelligencer, and the Courier Times.**

**On March 30, 2022, advance written notice of this meeting was filed with the Township Clerk. The Clerk is directed to enter into the minutes of this meeting this public announcement.**

**Mayor McIntosh** – Tonight we are going over the amendments that council has worked on over the course of this month.

**Township Manager** – If you choose to adopt the amending resolution this evening, this resolution will need to be published three days probably after our meeting next Tuesday. We will have a public hearing on these budget amendments being no additional changes and the governing body will be able to adopt an operating budget next Tuesday. The DCA has received these amendments and has approved them.

**WORKING BUDGET DISCUSSION – COUNCIL**

**Res 2022 – 72                      TO AMEND BUDGET**

I need a motion

<b>Councilmember</b>	<b>Motion</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>Yea</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Recuse</b>	<b>Abstain</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Councilman Anderson							X
Councilwoman Perrone							X
Councilwoman Worthy		X	X				
Deputy Mayor Whitfield	X		X				
Mayor McIntosh			X				

Discussion –

**Deputy Mayor Whitfield** - Mr. Harris, would you be able to explain the impact of what the amendments are to the taxpayers from the prior budget that was introduced.

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**Township Manager** – Yes. Let me clarify that the first portion of the budget items 1-7 those are amendments that came from the introduction after it was sent to them for initial review. That is not related to anything you as the governing body has done.

**Mayor McIntosh** – Can you explain why the deferred charges and statutory expenditures would increase from what was introduced?

**Township Manager** – Partially that is related to deferred charges that municipalities were to assist years ago for PERS and PFRS. They were paid in increments over a period of time. That's what the bill came due for payment in this year. It was a big lump sum of money from PRFS stuff that was done when former Governor Christine Todd Whitman was in office.

**Mayor McIntosh** – Council wanted to optimize what we were spending money on. We were spending a lot on overtime for employees. That was a big reduction in our budget. I do want to point out that Council's budget did go up. Council thought it was more valuable to invest in economic development, support, internal control, assessment, and we're working on our master plan. A lot of those are costly. We incorporated money to support the Events Committee as well as the youth advisory committee. We hope to work in partnership with Recreation or the Library. There were some cuts in salary and overall.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

**Jacqueline Mack**                      **70 Maplewood Lane**

- Can you please explain what the increase in public and grounds is going to be for? It goes from \$653,250 to \$697,750.
- Could you also make sure the button on the front door is working? It's not working out there, if we're going to have maintenance in there let's make sure that's covered.

**Deputy Mayor Whitfield** –

- Thank you, Ms. Mack, that increase includes the maintenance of the library. That was an addition that we added to the buildings and grounds line item.

**Mayor McIntosh** –

- Ms. Mack we will follow up with the button for the front door of the Municipal building.

**Public Comment is now closed.**

**COUNCIL COMMENT**

**Councilwoman Worthy** –

- Yes, I wanted to say thank you to my council colleagues who participated in the budget process and thank you Mayor for continuing to ask for input and feedback. Thank you for the series of meetings. I appreciate the engaging conversation.
- I would also like to thank Ms. Bolden and Mr. Harris for the Phenomenal Women Awards event. It was also nice to have one of our residents Teddy sing with the band. They did a wonderful job and it was a wonderful event hosted by the Recreation department.
- I am looking for more events that are hosted by Willingboro for Willingboro.

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**Deputy Mayor Whitfield –**

- Thank you to the participating council members who were active in this budget process. Council appreciates all of the residents that were engaged in this process as well. I appreciate all of your diligence. Thank you to all of the departments and Mr. Harris for your diligent work.
- A big thank you to all of the organizations and community members for our first annual spring beautification project who came to support and all arms of the government, thank you so much to those who came out to help keep our community clean, as you go on your daily walks take a bag with you and pickup any trash you see
- I would like to give a big thank you to Go Grow and Janelle Livingstone and Chewy that had a community garden event at JFK on the same day
- I am looking forward to Willingboro community events that will be held in the JFK courtyard at the JFK center especially led by our own residents

**Mayor McIntosh –**

- Thank you to the departments that participated
- Residents I'm glad you did participate in this. This is part of your civic duty to your local government. I hope you're happy that we have a reduction in our budget
- Thank you to the staff who make sure our residents experience is great

**ADJOURNMENT**

I need a motion to adjourn

<b>Councilmember</b>	<b>Motion</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>Yea</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Recuse</b>	<b>Abstain</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Councilman Anderson							<b>X</b>
Councilwoman Perrone							<b>X</b>
Councilwoman Worthy	<b>X</b>		<b>X</b>				
Deputy Mayor Whitfield		<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>				
Mayor McIntosh			<b>X</b>				

**Meeting adjourned at 9:20pm**

ALL BUSINESS ITEMS ARE TENTATIVE, PENDING THE REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE LAW DEPARTMENT