

Town of Hilton Head Island Town Council Budget Workshop

Tuesday, May 21, 2019 Benjamin M. Racusin Council Chambers **MEETING MINUTES**

Present from Town Council: John J. McCann, *Mayor;* Bill Harkins, *Mayor Pro-Tempore;* Marc Grant, Tom Lennox, David Ames, Tamara Becker, Glenn Stanford; *Council Members*

Present from Town Staff: Steve Riley, *Town Manager;* Joshua Gruber, *Assistant Town Manager,* Charles Cousins, *Assistant to the Town Manager;* Scott Liggett, *Director of Public Projects and Facilities;* Shawn Colin, *Director of Community Development;* Brian Hulbert, *Staff Attorney;* Steven Markiw, *Deputy Finance Director;* Angie Stone, *Human Resource Director;* Chris Blankenship, *Deputy Fire Chief;* Joheida Fister, *Deputy Fire Chief* Cindaia Ervin, *Finance Assistant;* Andrew Nichols, *Systems Analyst;* Krista Wiedmeyer, *Executive Assistant/Town Clerk*

Present from Media: Kathrine Kokal

1. Call to Order

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 5:09 p.m.

2. FOIA Compliance

Public notification of this meeting has been published, posted, and distributed in compliance with the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act and the requirements of the Town of Hilton Head Island.

3. Budget Wrap-Up

Mr. Riley gave an overview of the budget process and what the policy focus items were for Town Council. He noted that letters were sent to all of the Affiliated Agencies and the majority of them were satisfied with the funds they would be receiving from the upcoming budget. He discussed the Operating Budget and what the process was that went into providing a balanced Operating Budget. Mr. Riley talked about the Debt. Service Budget, and the positive borrowing ability that gives the Town the ability to grow in the future. Mr. Riley noted that this year when planning the CIP budget, the process changed in how the CIP committee met, and laid out the planning for the funding of projects. He did the same with the Storm Water Utility budget. Mr. Riley explained that when they met with the Bond Rating agencies this past winter, it showed that the Town needed to make the changes necessary for the reserves.

Town Council discussed many of the items Mr. Riley went over concerning the budget, among other items such as land planning, the comprehensive plan, and affordable workforce housing. Mayor McCann noted that the budget is solid, and balanced. That if necessary, the budget can always be amended. He asked that the members of Council consider allowing the budget to come back to the next meeting and approving it as written.

4. Adjournment

At 5:26, Mr. Harkins moved to adjourn. Mr. Grant seconded. The motion was approved by a vote of 7-0

Krista Wiedmeyer, Town Clerk

Approved: June 4, 2019

John J. McCann, Mayor