

**THE TOWN OF HILTON HEAD ISLAND
TOWN COUNCIL BUDGET WORKSHOP**

Date: Monday, April 13, 2015

Time: 5:00 P.M.

Present from Town Council: David Bennett, *Mayor*; Bill Harkins, *Mayor Pro Tem*; Lee Edwards, Marc Grant, Tom Lennox, Kim Likins, John McCann, *Council Members*

Present from Town Staff: Steve Riley, *Town Manager*; Greg DeLoach, *Assistant Town Manager*; Charles Cousins, *Director of Community Development*; Brad Tadlock, *Fire Chief*; Scott Liggett, *Director of Public Projects and Facilities/Chief Engineer*; Tom Fultz, *Director of Administrative Services*; Nancy Gasen, *Director of Human Resources*; Susan Simmons, *Director of Finance*; Ed Boring, *Deputy Fire Chief of Operations*; Julian Walls, *Facilities Manager*; Brian Hulbert, *Staff Attorney*; Victoria Shanahan, *Accounting Manager*; Jill Foster, *Deputy Director of Community Development*; Shawn Colin, *Deputy Director of Community Development*; Jeff Buckalew, *Town Engineer*; Vicki Pfannenschmidt, *Executive Assistant*

Present from Media: Dan Burley, *Island Packet*

1. Call to Order

Mayor Bennett called the workshop to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. FOIA Compliance – Public notification of this meeting has been published, posted, and mailed in compliance with the Freedom of Information Act and the Town of Hilton Head Island requirements.

3. Project Updates/Budget Overview

Mayor Bennett invited Scott Liggett to the dais to conduct his portion of the power point presentation. Mr. Liggett conducted an extensive update on current projects noting the new initiatives identified at the annual Town Council Workshop in December are working their way into the schedule. He reviewed the TIF projects and timelines for such.

Mr. Liggett presented a detailed overview of the dirt road acquisition program explaining the process, costs, funding sources and obstacles faced by the Town. He also reviewed road maintenance along with the status of funding noting that acquisition of new roads will add to the maintenance costs of the Town. He added that staff is researching opportunities for a revenue source.

Mr. Liggett provided information concerning the pathway program and the status of funding. He posed options for funding explaining the need for guidance from Council.

Mr. Liggett appraised the beach renourishment program and bonding status along with planning and timing for the next in-cycle renourishment.

Ms. Simmons conducted her overview emphasizing the need for realistic expectations and the necessity for rebalancing funding sources. She reviewed, in detail, the scheduling issuance of bonds, the upcoming GO bond issue, the FY16 Debt Service Fund and Capital Projects Fund along with bonding opportunities. She conducted an overview of funding limitations and other General Fund impacts. In closing Ms. Simmons covered the unknown impacts on costs concerning Council priorities, potential additional revenues and the competing demands for human resources. She stated staff looks forward to working with Council to develop a FY16 budget responsive to the Town's goals and added that the budget is a living/working document which can be amended as Council makes decisions. Ms. Simmons reviewed the timeline for the budget workshops.

4. Adjournment

The workshop was adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

Vicki L. Pfannenschmidt,
Executive Assistant/Town Clerk

Approved: 04/21/2015

David Bennett, Mayor