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**AGENDA
SPECIAL MEETING
BUDGET WORKSHOP
MONDAY, MARCH 8, 2010
5:30PM**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER & FLAG SALUTE**
- 2. OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT STATEMENT**
- 3. ROLL CALL**
- 4. 2010 BUDGET WORKSHOP**
- 5. PUBLIC COMMENT**
- 6. ADJOURNMENT**

SPECIAL MEETING
March 8, 2010

A special meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Bradley Beach was held in the council chamber on the above date.

Mayor Schreck opened the meeting with a salute to the flag.

Sunshine Law

The meeting has been noticed publicly according to the Open Public Meetings Act requirement for “Annual Notice”, and posted on the official bulletin board.

Roll Call 5:30 PM

Present: Council: Cotler, Marchak, Engelstad
Mayor Schreck
Borough Auditor Kaplan
Administrator O’Reilly

Absent: Council: Galassetti

Councilman Cotler arrived at 5:55pm

Secretary: Municipal Clerk Mary Ann Solinski

Also in attendance: CFO Joyce Wilkins

BUDGET WORKSHOP

Administrator O’Reilly noted that the original monetary gap of approximately \$754,588 is now around \$420,000 due to some adjustments due to staff and other reductions.

Auditor Kaplan gave an overview of the beach, sewer and current funds. Discussions ensued regarding the surplus balance of the current fund and the library appropriation of approximately \$392,694.00.

Auditor Kaplan also explained that the Borough could seek a Levy Cap Waiver from the DCA but noted that it would be a one time fix which doesn’t affect the base line for future years. Council carefully started analyzing which lines additional revenue could be anticipated from.

Councilmember Cotler noted that members should receive the budget work sheets as soon as possible to review and make notes of changes, if any occur. prior to the budget work shop

meeting. Councilwoman Marchak agreed with him on this matter as time is necessary to review and make notes for possible discussion at the meetings.

Robert Napoli of the Way/s/Means Committee of the Bradley Beach Fire Department worked on the Fire Department's budget with Fire Chief Afanador. For 2010, the department is requesting 104,637.00 as opposed to \$71,102.00 in 2009. The proposed increase includes the following: Aerial Truck Repair of \$12,500.00; Fire House Utility Cost of \$19,000.00; Extra snow services \$500.00; Hazmat \$750.00; Portable tools (generator) \$2,000.00 along with various adjustments to other line items in last year's budget. They noted that the department's donations are down 35% and hall rentals decreased by half and as the department is comprised of volunteers, municipal funding is critical to the operation.

Councilwoman Marchak asked how many active members there are. John McLoughlin responded that there are presently 24 and noted that there is presently no public employees in the department. Council also discussed the repair of the aerial truck.

Administrator O'Reilly noted that funding for the First Aid Squad is \$25,000.00 which is the same as last year. She advised on March 9th, Council will review the Sewer Utility Budget.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Lt. Stephen Fahnholz asked if copies of the items being discussed could be available to the public in order to follow Council at future meetings.

ADJOURNMENT

ON MOTION by Schreck/Marchak the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 PM.

Mary Ann Solinski, RMC, CMC
Municipal Clerk