

**PUBLIC HEARING
JANUARY 27, 2022
7:00 P.M.**

PRESENT

Mayor:	Roy M. Gladding
Council Members:	Kay Carlton Fleet Dillard Kenneth A. Gillis Troy L. Balderson Anita J. Latane
Town Manager:	Eric Pollitt
Town Clerk:	Patsy K. Scates

ABSENT

Vice Mayor:	Marcia W. Jenkins
Town Attorney:	Diane M. Lank
Chief of Police:	James G. Ashworth, Jr.

VISITORS:

No public was present

A Public Hearing of the Town Council was held on January 27, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in the Tappahannock Municipal Building. The hearing was advertised in the Rappahannock Times for one week (per Town auditors) on January 19, 2022 as required by Title 15-2-2204 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended.

The purpose of the public hearing was to provide an opportunity for the citizens of Tappahannock to voice their opinion regarding The Adopted FY2022 budget totals \$5,957,430 combined budget in revenues and expenditures, \$3,920,710 for the General Fund and \$2,036,720 for Water/Sewer Enterprise Fund. The proposed amendment calls for an increase of \$458,300 in revenues in the General Fund for the following expenses: \$113,730 for employee hourly rate increases; \$30,000 in one-time bonuses for staff; \$75,000 in grant related expenses; and \$239,570 in capital purchases and professional services. The proposed \$52,320 increase in revenues for Water/Sewer Enterprise Fund is proposed for \$46,320 in employee hourly rate increases and \$6,000 in one-time bonuses for staff.

Mayor Gladding called the meeting to order.

Mayor Gladding stated that the council members have before them for their consideration a proposed FY 2022 budget amendment and a resolution.

Mayor Gladding turned the meeting over to Town Manager Pollitt.

Town Manager Pollitt reviewed the resolution which showed the proposed amendment.

Council Member Dillard asked if the American Rescue Plan Act federal revenue was included in the original budget?

Town Manager Pollitt he did not include the ARPA funds in the previous budget because it was not adopted officially by the legislation yet when it was time to do the advertisement.

Council Member Dillard stated that the funds (around \$1.2 million) have been presented to us and at the last meeting. Council voted as to how to use the funds so since we have a proposed amended budget where would the funds show up in the budget. He stated that he sees \$45,725.00 in the general fund's revenue category in the amended proposed budget but asked how the remaining funds be categorized.

Town Manager Pollitt stated that these ARAP funds are not included in this budget amendment, but it will be shown in the FY 2022-2023 budget when it is presented.

Council Member Dillard asked when we will receive the next round of federal funding.

Town Manager Pollitt said we are anticipating to receive the next round of funding June 30, 2022, or July 1, 2022. He stated that in the over all Capital Improvement Plan it will show water and sewer needs and

general fund needs such as development of the parks and acquiring vehicles in the public works department. This capital improvement plan is separate from the day-to-day operating plan.

Council Member Gillis asked why he did not receive what he had asked earlier to see.

Town Manager Pollitt stated that what Council Member Gillis is referring to is he had requested to see the pay increase for each staff person and specifically how much of a raise a particular staff person received and the change in their job description. He stated that he had made the salary adjustments based on other localities, experience, skills and what we could afford. He stated that if council members would like to see that he will review it later one on one.

Council Member Gillis stated that he would like to see it.

After some discussion, Town Manager Pollitt stated that he would review the department heads job descriptions and pay increases with Council Member Gillis.

There was some discussion regarding the anticipated revenues.

Mayor Gladding asked for any comment or questions.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:20p.m.

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Roy M. Gladding, Mayor

Patsy K. Scates, Town Clerk