#### **BRISTOL TOWNSHIP**

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### NOVEMBER 5, 2009 BUDGET MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 9:15 P.M. by President Tarlini.

THOSE IN ATTENDANCE: Council members Greer, Monahan, Davis, Pluta and Tarlini were present at the meeting.

Gail Gordon presented the budget along with the Budget Committee members Susan Rosenberg, Ryan Hires, Eugene Kehoe and Pat Koserick. Budget Committee member Rodney Farrell was unavailable for the meeting.

Mrs. Gordon said the Budget Advisory Committee met with me and the department heads. Residents will have more comfort because residents went through this budget and made recommendations to Council.

Susan Rosenberg said we met several times and reviewed the budget. We completed the review with fiscal integrity and it is balanced. Ten recommendations were forwarded to Council. Some were not feasible. The Finance Director and other administrative people were helpful.

#### **BUILDING PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT:**

Mr. Kucher said the original recommendation was to eliminate one GS4 position (which is vacant) and hire an additional code inspector and eliminate one part time inspector. Adding an additional full time inspector would bring additional income. Each rental needs inspection. President Tarlini stated your department brings in review. You are adding a half a person. In the Mayor's budget \$23,000 was added to the non-residential tax. The motels, etc. may not come next year. That is a false number. Mr. Kucher said \$270,000 was confirmed through phone calls. President Tarlini said originally you had \$40,000 now you say \$270,000. Mr. Kucher said me and my staff called and came up with a number. Ms. Rosenberg said we had concerns but Mr. Kucher seemed comfortable with that number. We felt comfortable. The number could be higher. Vice President Pluta stated between 2006 to 2009 you don't break \$100,000. Looking at your breakdown the projects don't total \$270,000. Mrs. Gordon said at one time, part of the money went to parks. Mr. Kucher said some of the money went to the police department too. Mrs. Gordon stated I agree we should adjust this to two inspectors. Ms. Rosenberg said can one clerk handle all the paperwork? Councilwoman Davis said we were negotiating with BIU, we pay 40%. We should be paying less. Mr. Bartlett said we negotiated they never agreed to a lower amount. President Tarlini called for the motion to change one part time inspector to full time. Mr. Kucher said we would hope to get one part time to take the full time but it will be open to the TWU members. Mr. Bartlett stated part time can't bid on positions. Vice President Pluta asked what the difference between part and full time is; or could we add an additional part timer? Mr. Kucher responded medical benefits are not for part

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time. Councilman Monahan asked can one of these part timers be full time? Mr. Kucher said any assistance would be taken. Second by Councilman Greer. Councilman Monahan stated if you get a full time inspector one person may lose their job. Poll: Council members Greer, Davis and Tarlini voted yes. Council members Monahan and Pluta voted no. Motion *failed*. Vice President Pluta called for the motion to hire an additional part time inspector. Second by Councilman Monahan. Council members Greer, Davis and Tarlini voted no, Council members Monahan and Pluta voted yes. Motion *failed*.

Vice President Pluta called for the <u>motion</u> to add line item 014213-045 Civilian Support Staff in the amount of \$96,243 (this was omitted from the budget). Second by Councilwoman Davis. Chief McAndrew stated this is contracted and is omitted. Vice President Pluta revised the motion to add the line item to include \$5,020. Second by Councilman Greer. Poll: all ayes. Motion approved.

Councilman Greer called for the <u>motion</u> to increase patrol health insurance, line item 01425-100 \$15,951. (One increased to family coverage). Second by Vice President Pluta. Poll: all ayes. Motion approved.

Councilwoman Davis called for the <u>motion</u> to add \$96 to narcotic education incentive, line item 014216-18. Second by President Tarlini. Council members Greer, Monahan, Davis and Tarlini voted yes. Vice President Pluta was not available for the vote. Motion approved.

Mrs. Gordon stated when we talk about hiring more crossing guards we should consult the School District to assist with funding, since it is for their use.

Ms. Rosenberg said the police department should be separated into their own mileage to let residents know where the money is going.

President Tarlini stated the meeting will continue November 12, 2009 from 7:00 P.M. to 9:30 P.M.

The meeting ended at 11:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted Denise Gorry Secretary

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## **MOTIONS APPROVED:**

- 1. Add line item 014213-045 Civilian Support Staff in the amount of \$96,243 (this was omitted from the budget) and add the line item to include \$5,020.
- 2. Increase patrol health insurance, line item 01425-100 \$15,951. (One increased to family coverage).
- 3. Add \$96 to narcotic education incentive, line item 014216-18.