

**MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**  
**TOWN OF SNOW HILL, MARYLAND**

**Budget Session**

**March 23, 2021**

**A Budget session with Mayor and Town Council of Snow Hill, Maryland was held at the Old Fire Hall on Green Street, observing current COVID protocols, on Tuesday, March 23, 2021 with Mayor Tammy Simpson presiding. The meeting was called to order at 4:33pm.**

**PUBLIC OFFICIALS PRESENT**

Mayor Tammy Simpson  
Councilperson Melisa Weidner  
Councilperson Regina Blake  
Councilperson Lisa Outten Harrison

Town Manager Gary Weber  
Administrative Assistant Margot Resto  
Finance Manager Lounell Hamstead  
Police Chief Andy McGee  
Media, Marketing & Promotions Coordinator,  
Jeré Johnson  
Julia A. Purnell Museum Director, Dr. Cynthia  
Byrd

**STAFF PRESENT**

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**1. Approval of Minutes**

- *Town Hall Meeting March 9, 2021* - Motion to approve (Harrison), seconded (Blake), all in favor.

**2. Elections:** Candidate Filing Deadline, Voter Registration Cutoff, Offices for Election

**3. Ordinance 2021-01, 2021-02:** Mayor & Council Salary Increases (**First Readings**) Administrative Assistant Margot Resto read both ordinances aloud.

**4. Town Manager application: Mayor asked Council** - extend deadline for Town Manager application? Yes, until after election, to May 12, agreed upon by Council.

**5. Black-Eyed Susan RFP:** Deadline for RFP passed, extend deadline? Extend RFP deadline extension until filled. Jeré Johnson mentioned she has budget for RFP ad.

**6. Budget** – Mayor’s Proposed FY’22 Budget. Mayor Simpson read letter from Proposed FY’22 Budget. Mayor opened the floor for public comments or questions.

- a. Citizen asked where is Black-Eyed Susan budget – p 52; Mayor said it’s in the budget in case we don’t get an Operator.
- b. Mayor mentioned news of funding ARP - Possible use for this money could go for WWTP needs, etc...50% this year and 50% next. Details TBD.
- c. Citizen asked: is there a Town Attorney, where in budget? P16. Kevin Karpinski, over 7 years now. \$30K budgeted.

- d. Candidate asked – what about increase in finance and admin budget; Town Manager salary + benefits added with FY'21 budgeted amount.
  - e. Fire Chief -maintenance – what does this mean? \$130K. Mayor has reached out to County re: runs and what is paid for them. Fire Chief – said Town used to fund more than the County. County kept stepping up money, Town couldn't. Town still pays for 2 positions. Have to cut career staff service to Snow Hill. Not going to have 24 hr service without funding. Met with County last week, they said they will meet with Town. TM said 4 Mayors got together and were able to work out for more. Mayor said this is a draft and can change.
  - f. Citizen asked about American Rescue Plan – when will it be discussed. Mayor said info was just released, will discuss when we hear from County and have more info.
  - g. Purnell street, Coulbourne Well, etc. are on the list.
  - h. Council Harrison brought forth a Lions Club request for COVID funds – to help them be able to use facilities – sanitizing.
- 7. Closed Session:** Black-Eyed Susan RFP: Council Blake read closing statement. Motion by Council Harrison, Second by Council Weidner, all in favor. Time was 5:16m.
- 8. Return to Open Session at 6:26pm.** Mayor shared overview of what was discussed regarding the Black-Eyed Susan RFP. No questions or comments from public.
- 9. Adjournment** - Motion to adjourn made by Councilperson Weidner, seconded by Councilperson Blake. The time was 6:27pm.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Margot Resto, Administrative Assistant