

Borough of Jamesburg

Special Council Meeting Minutes

March 25, 2009

Call to Order: 6:00pm – Mayor Anthony LaMantia called the meeting to order and announced that same is being held pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act of 1974 and all provisions of that Act have been met. Any contracts awarded tonight require the contractor to comply with N.J.S.A. 10:5-3.1 et. seq. and N.J.A.C. 17:17. Also announced, in the event of a fire and pursuant to the NJ Uniform Fire Code, the members of the audience were requested to take notice of the exits at the front and rear of the Council Chambers as well as the main hallway.

Flag Salute: Led by Mayor LaMantia

Roll Call: Present: Mayor LaMantia
Council President Carpenter
Council member Deans
Council member Grimes
Council member Longo
Council member Ludas
Administrator Jawidzik

Absent: Council member Kostbar
Attorney Raffetto

INTRODUCTION OF THE 2009 LOCAL MUNICIPAL BUDGET

Councilwoman Deans wanted to know if it was possible to have no tax increase. Mayor LaMantia explained that we have already instituted layoffs and cut recreation and public works services. The other expense budgets are below the 2003 level for all discretionary departments. Councilman Longo explained that there are contractual, insurance and utility increases that need to be budgeted for. There was discussion regarding the library and the fact that members of the public addressed the council at the meeting last year and stated that they are willing to pay higher taxes to keep the library. The voters voted two to one to keep that service, when we had the ability to lessen the increase through an agreement with Monroe Township.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following statements of revenues and appropriations shall constitute the Municipal Budget for the year 2009.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said budget be published in the Cranbury Press in the issue of April 17, 2009. The governing body of the Borough of Jamesburg does hereby approve the following as the Budget for the year 2009

Proposed: Longo
Second: Carpenter
In Favor: Carpenter, Grimes, Longo, Ludas
Opposed: Deans
Absent: Kostbar

RESOLUTION #101-03-25-09

SELF-EXAMINATION OF BUDGET RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-78b has authorized the Local Finance Board to adopt rules that permit municipalities in sound fiscal condition to assume the responsibility, normally granted to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, of conducting the annual budget examination; and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 5:30-7 was adopted by the Local Finance Board on February 11, 1997; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-7.2 through 7.5, the Borough of Jamesburg has been declared eligible to participate in the program by the Division of Local government Services, and the Chief Financial officer has determined that the local government meets the necessary conditions to participate in the program for the 2009 budget year.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the governing body of the Borough of Jamesburg that in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:30-7.6a & 7.6b and based upon the Chief Financial

Officer's certification, the governing body has found the budget has met the following requirements:

1. That with reference to the following items, the amounts have been calculated pursuant to law and appropriated as such in the budget:
 - a. Payment of interest and debt redemption charges
 - b. Deferred charges and statutory expenditures
 - c. Cash deficit of preceding year
 - d. Reserve for uncollected taxes
 - e. Other reserves and non-disbursement items
 - f. Any inclusions of amounts required for school purposes.

2. That the provisions relating to limitation on increases of appropriations pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.2 and appropriations for exceptions to limits on appropriations found at N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.3 et seq., are fully met (complies with CAP law).

3. That the budget is in such form, arrangement, and content as required by the Local Budget Law and N.J.A.C. 5:30-4 and 5:30-5.

4. That pursuant to the Local Budget Law:
 - a. All estimates of revenue are reasonable, accurate and correctly stated,
 - b. Items of appropriation are properly set forth
 - c. In itemization, form, arrangement and content, the budget will permit the exercise of the comptroller function within the municipality.

5. The budget and associated amendments have been introduced and publicly advertised in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Local Budget Law, except that failure to meet the deadlines of N.J.S.A. 40A:4-5 shall not prevent such certification.

6. That all other applicable statutory requirements have been fulfilled.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution will be forwarded to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services upon adoption.

Council	Motion	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
<i>Carpenter</i>		X			
<i>Deans</i>		X			
<i>Grimes</i>	1 st	X			
<i>Kostbar</i>					X
<i>Longo</i>		X			
<i>Ludas</i>	2 nd	X			
<i>Mayor LaMantia</i>					

MOTION TO OPEN TO PUBLIC COMMENT:

Proposed By: Longo
 Seconded By: Grimes
 All in Favor

MOTION TO CLOSE TO PUBLIC COMMENT:

Proposed By: Longo
 Seconded By: Grimes
 All in Favor

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

Proposed By: Grimes
 Seconded By: Longo
 All in Favor

TIME OF ADJOURNMENT: **6:10pm**

Denise Jawidzik
 Deputy Municipal Clerk