

MINUTES
City of Dillon Budget Workshop
May 24, 2021

The May 25, 2021 Budget Workshop of the City Council was held in the Multi-Purpose Room of the City of Dillon Wellness Center located at 1647 Commerce Drive in Dillon, SC. Notices of this Budget Workshop of City Council was provided to the media and individuals requesting a copy of the agenda informing them of the date, location, and time of the meeting.

Councilmembers in attendance:

Mayor Pro-Tem Dr. Phil Wallace
Councilmember Timothy Cousar

Councilmember Johnny Eller
Councilmember Jay David

- I. **Call to Order** - Mayor Pro Tem, Dr. Wallace called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance. Benny Genwright gave the invocation.

- II. **Approval of Agenda**
Glen Wagner asked if an Executive Session could be added to the Agenda. Councilmember Eller made a motion to add Executive Session with support from Councilmember Cousar. The motion passed unanimously. Councilmember David made a motion to approve the Agenda with the added Executive Session. Councilmember Cousar seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

- III. **Budget for 2021-2022**
Glen Wagner gave proposed expenditures for General Fund of \$6,655,055. Included in the budget is a 2 mil increase in property taxes that will generate \$35,000. Also included is a 3% Sanitation increase that will generate \$42,895. Glen included a 2% cost of living increase and 1% merit increase. The Budget included the purchase of one commercial garbage truck for \$258,022 and 3 police vehicles for \$136,764. Also included is a Downtown/Grant writer position with salary and benefits for \$61,500. Glen didn't put in the budget but asked Council if they wanted to add the Dillon County recreation? Council decided against that. Glen also asked if Council wanted to put paving the alley between Main and Harrison St. in the budget. After some discussion Council agreed, the cost is around \$30,000. Included in the budget is a Downtown/Grant writer position with pay of \$61,500 with benefits included. Once discussion was over, Council decided that if after 3 or 4 months if no one has applied for the position they will give Dillon Community Alliance \$20,000 for the part time position. Councilmember Eller asked if we could look into giving the volunteer firemen a raise per call. Glen said he will look into it. Glen asked the Council to meet again on Thursday, June 1, 2021, 7pm at the Wellness Center to continue discussing the Budget.

- IV. **Executive Session**
Councilmember Cousar made a motion to go into executive session. Councilmember David seconded and the motion passed. No action was taken in Executive Session. Councilmember David made a motion to go back into open session. Councilmember Eller seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Adjourn

With no further business to discuss, Councilmember Cousar made a motion to adjourn. The motion passed 6-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:15pm.

Approved: Dr. Phil Wallace
Dr. Phil Wallace, Mayor Pro-Tem

Tina Scott
Tina Scott, Council Clerk

Date Approved: June 14, 2021