

Council Minutes
Budget Workshop Meeting
April 27, 2019 – 11:00 a.m. – 403 Second Street NE, Coeburn, VA

A budget workshop meeting was held Saturday, April 27, 2019 to discuss the proposed FY20 budget.

Attendees:

Upon roll call all members of Council were present. Cathy Sharpe – Clerk/Treasurer and Interim Town Manager Charles McConnell were also present

Also present were Jimmy Williams, Police Department representative, and Art Mead. Police Chief Scott Brooks and Public Works Supervisor Jeff Livingston were also present for part of the meeting.

Call to Order:

Mayor Jeff Kiser called the meeting to order.

Business:

FY20 Budget Proposal – Council, Art Mead and attending representatives discussed the proposed budget. Council constructively reviewed each line item within the General Fund and Utility Fund for expenditures. The Treasurer answered any questions that council and Mr. Mead had regarding specific expenses. Council agreed to amend certain line items.

Recess:

Mayor Jeff Kiser called the meeting back to order after recess.

After the rest of the budget line items were discussed Interim Town Manager Charles McConnell advised that council had made a great choice by appointing Jimmy Williams as the new Town Manager. He suggested that Mr. Williams get to know other surrounding Town Managers and ask for help wherever he can get it. Mr. McConnell also suggested that a meeting be held with EDA, CIA, Lays, Planning Commission, Kiwanis Club and any other organizations that would have interests in Coeburn being better; this meeting would be to give guidance as to what can be done for the town.

Mr. McConnell advised that the town's website needs to be updated. He stated that everyone is so busy that it is hard to take time to keep the information on the website current.

Mr. McConnell voiced his concerns about the Coeburn Police Department. He advised that officers are working that don't have the training that they should have. He stated that it is hard to keep part time workers and that police officers are underpaid and not just in Coeburn but everywhere.

Mr. McConnell stated that Ms. Sharon Still and Mr. Deventae Mooney were doing an awesome thing by volunteering to manage the swimming pool. He hopes that the example they are setting rubs off and people do things like this everywhere. Mr. McConnell said if he has helped a little bit by being Interim Town Manager it makes him feel good because he loves the Town of Coeburn. He thanked everyone for the hard work they have done to make the town what it is today.

A budget workshop meeting was scheduled for Thursday May 9, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. at town hall to further discuss expenditures.

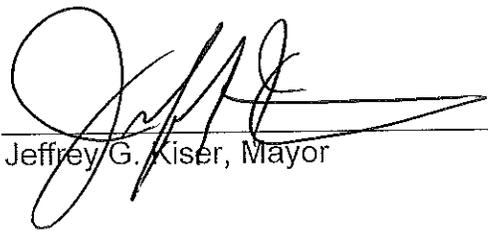
Adjournment:

Mr. Jeff Kiser adjourned the budget workshop meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,



ATTEST: Cathy Sharpe, Clerk



Jeffrey G. Kiser, Mayor