

**BUDGET WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL
OF THE BOROUGH OF OGDENSBURG
14 HIGHLAND AVE. OGDENSBURG AT 6:00PM
March 4, 2019**

Mayor Hutnick called the meeting to order at 6:00PM.

Mayor Hutnick led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Astor, Nardini, O'Dell, Opilla, Slater

Absent: Nasisi

Mike Marceau, CFO was also present for the budget workshop.

STATEMENT BY MAYOR: "Notice requirements of P.L. 1975, Open Public Meeting Act, NJSA 10:4- et.seq. have been satisfied with a schedule of all meetings, together with the time, location and agenda of same being sent to the NEW JERSEY HERALD and NEW JERSEY SUNDAY HERALD and posted on the bulletin board in the Borough Hall on February 17, 2019."

ORDER OF BUSINESS

2019 Budget

Mike Marceau, CFO explained the budgets sheets he presented to the Council; he explained the levy cap, how he made cuts and for every \$5,000 increase the taxes increase \$6.00.

The Council reviewed the budget sheets making cuts on several items.

John Fierro, Land Use Board member, spoke about the Reexamination Report the Land Use Board had just completed. Mr. Fierro explained how we need to invest in the Borough's infrastructure of the town, homes in Ogdensburg are selling for less than there assessed value and how the budget and assessed values work.

Bob Armstrong, Land Use Board Chairman, spoke to the Council about the redevelopment plan that was already completed years ago and just needs to be executed. Mr. Armstrong explained changes with redevelopment, over lay of zoning in certain areas and the need for parking on Main Street for businesses.

Chief Gordon spoke about several items in his budget and the live scan which would come out of capital.

There was a discussion on the old levy cap bank, the average assessed house and the increase or taxes.

Councilwoman Slater left the meeting around 7:05PM.

PUBLIC SESSION:

Councilman Opilla moved, Councilman Nardini seconded motion to open the public session of the meeting. All were in favor.

No one from the public stepped forward.

There being no further business from the public, Councilman Opilla moved, Councilman Nardini seconded motion to close the public session of the meeting. All were in favor.

There being no further business, Councilman Astor moved, Councilman Nardini seconded motion to adjourn the meeting. All were in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 7:10p.m.

Robin Hough, Borough Clerk

George P. Hutnick, Mayor