

**BUDGET WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL  
OF THE BOROUGH OF OGDENSBURG  
14 HIGHLAND AVE. OGDENSBURG AT 6:00PM  
March 2, 2020**

Council President Nardini called the meeting to order at 6:20PM.

Council President Nardini led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL:** Nardini, Nasisi, O'Dell, Slater,

Absent: Alvarez, Cruz, Mayor Hutnick (via phone at 6:35pm arrived at 7:45pm.)

Also, present Michel Marceau, CFO

**STATEMENT BY MAYOR:** "Notice requirements of P.L. 1975, Open Public Meeting Act, NJSA10:4- 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 4, 2020."

**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

**2020 Budget**

Mike Marceau, CFO referred to the hand out "Summary Levey Cap Calculation" explaining the changes he made regarding discussions from the last two budget meeting workshops. Mr. Marceau explained the percentage increase, the cost per household and adjustment used from the 2017 cap bank.

Eric Slater, Chief of the Ogdensburg Fire Department was present to go over the Fire Department budget.

Councilwoman Slater questioned the cuts made to the Fire Department budget. There was a discussion on the cuts particularly the cuts under OSHA.

Mr. Marceau explained the fund balance the amount used in the past, how much should be kept in fund balance and why a certain amount should be kept in fund balance.

The Council discussed the Land Use Budget and planning services.

Mr. Slater explained the air flow tests needed for the fire department.

There was a discussion on street and roads, the fire department volunteers, the amount of calls each member goes on, daytime calls, equipment needed for the fire department and a new fire truck. The Council discussed decreasing twenty-five hundred dollars from Snow and Salt and increasing that amount in the fire department OSHA line item. Under line item fuel oil OE it was discussed now that the Historical building is on natural gas to decrease that line item thirty-five hundred dollars and add one thousand dollars of that to natural gas and the rest put in Mayor and Council OE.

**PUBLIC SESSION:**

Councilwoman Slater moved, Councilwoman O'Dell seconded motion to open the public session of the meeting. All were in favor.

No one from the public was present.

There being no further business from the public, Councilwoman Slater moved, Councilwoman O'Dell seconded motion to close the public session of the meeting. All were in favor.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:20p.m.

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Robin Hough, Borough Clerk

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George P. Hutnick, Mayor