

**MINUTES
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
PAWLEYS ISLAND**

DATE/PLACE: December 16, 2019
Pawleys Island Town Hall

PRESENT: Mayor Brian Henry, Ashley Carter, Guerry Green & Sarah Zimmerman

ABSENT: Rocky Holliday

PUBLIC COMMENT:

No one signed up for public comment.

BUSINESS

A. Second Reading of Ordinance 2019-11: An Ordinance Adopting the 2020 Annual Operating Budget. Ryan Fabbri stated that he had already made 3.5% cut in the 2020 budget for the first reading however, at the last meeting, council requested another 1.5% cut that Ryan reviewed with council. The discussion of not including in the 2020, the salary increases for Ryan Fabbri and Chief Fanning would in turn affect retirement as retirement is based on a percentage of gross wages. Sarah Zimmerman stated that the Beautification Foundation had a contract with Waccamaw Landscaping for \$15,000 without seeking bids from other landscaping companies. Ms. Zimmerman stated that the concern for taking care of flowers in front of the old Town Hall seems more important than taking care of the Town Administrator and the Chief of Police. **Sarah Zimmerman made a motion to approve the 2020 Budget without the reduction in salaries for Ryan Fabbri and Chief Fanning and would like to see the price of the July 4th t-shirts go from \$18.00 to \$20.00, the parade registration fee go from \$15.00 to \$25.00 and the Turtle Strut registration fee go from \$35.00 to \$40.00. Ashley Carter seconded. Ashley Carter & Sarah Zimmerman voted in favor of the motion and Mayor Henry and Guerry Green voted against the motion. Guerry Green made a motion to approve the budget as amended. Mayor Henry seconded.**

Ryan Fabbri expressed his appreciation for what Ashley Carter and Sarah Zimmerman are trying to do but he and Chief Fanning agreed to forgo their salary increases this year. Mayor Henry stated that it can be put back later in the year if council agrees to. **Mayor Henry, Guerry Green and Ashley Carter voted in favor to approve the budget as amended. Sarah Zimmerman voted against it.**

COMMENTS BY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Ashley Carter stated that we need to try to be as prepared as we could possibly be for what could happen to the A-tax revenue if we were to have a devastating storm that wiped out a lot of the homes on the island.

ADJOURNMENT

Sarah Zimmerman made a motion to adjourn. Ashley Carter seconded. All in favor.

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