

MINUTES

SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING—BUDGET WORKSHOP

OCTOBER 29, 2025

1. **CALL TO ORDER WITH ROLL CALL**

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 3:00PM BY CHAIRMAN SCHOPF WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT: MARK GRAUPMAN, ELIZABETH GAUGER, STEVE SCHOPF AND CLERK-TREASURER PAM KRAUEL. ABSENT, DALE WIEGAND AND MYLES DANNHAUSEN.

2. **ADOPT THE AGENDA.**

GRAUPMAN MOVED TO ADOPT THE AGENDA, SECOND BY GAUGER, MOTION CARRIED.

3. **OPEN SESSION**

NO DISCUSSION.

4. **ANNUAL REVIEW OF CLERK-TREASURER COMPENSATION PACKAGE.**

KRAUEL PROVIDED A SPREADSHEET THAT WAS PUT TOGETHER BY BAILEY HARBORS CLERK THAT SHOWED THE 2024 SALARIES OF MUNICIPAL CLERKS, TREASURERS AND OTHER STAFF MEMBER WAGES. SHE ALSO PROVIDED HER CURRENT CONTRACT THAT ENDS DECEMBER 2025 ALONG WITH LAST YEARS MINUTES REFLECTING HER SALARY INCREASE. AFTER REVIEW AND DISCUSSION GAUGER MOVED TO INCREASE THE CLERK-TREASURERS SALARY BY \$5,400 FOR 2026, SECOND BY GRAUPMAN, MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

5. **CONSIDERATION OF DONATIONS FOR 2026**

AFTER DISCUSSION, THE TOWN BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS TO MAKE DONATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING FOR 2026;

BIRCH CREEK MUSIC CENTER--\$10,000.

DCEDC--\$5,000.

EGG HARBOR HISTORICAL SOCIETY--\$5,000

EGG HARBOR LIBRARY--\$5,000

6. **WORKING MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD ON TOWN BUDGET FOR 2026**

THE BOARD REVIEWED THE BUDGET SPREADSHEET LINE BY LINE INCLUDING THE DEBT SERVICE FOR INTERNET LOAN WITH BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC LANDS.

MAINTAINENCE IS REQUESTING TO REPLACE THE 2017 TORO LAWNMOWER. TWO ESTIMATES CAME IN FROM MAY SPORTS CENTER TO INCLUDE A TRADE IN VALUE OF \$3,700.00.

GAUGER MOVED TO ACCEPT MAY'S SPORT CENTER QUOTE FOR \$12,105.16 AND TO PUT IT ON HOLD FOR 2026, SECOND BY GRAUPMAN, MOTION CARRIED.

GRAUPMAN PRESENTED A QUOTE FROM COMMERCIAL RECREATION SPECIALISTS TO REPLACE THE CURRENT PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT AT THE TOWN HALL. THEY ARE CURRENTLY HOLDING THEIR END OF YEAR HALF OFF PRICE UNTIL FRIDAY. THE BOARD REVEIWED THE SPECS AND

LAYOUT OF THE EQUIPMENT. THE QUOTE ALSO INCLUDED AN ESTIMATED ADD ON COST FOR SHIPPING AND INSTALATION. GRAUPMAN ALSO ADDED \$20K FOR A PAVED SIDEWALK TO THE PLAYGROUND.

GAUGER MOVED TO PURCHASE THE EQUIPMENT AT AN ESTIMATED COST OF \$175,000.00 TO INCLUDE A WALKWAY AND TO MAKE DOWN PAYMENT BY END OF WEEK FOR \$36,929.99, SECOND BY GRAUPMAN, MOTION CARRIED.

OTHER NEW PURCHASES THAT WERE INCLUDED IN THE BUDGET WAS AN ESTIMATED COST FROM HABERLI AFTER HOURS SERVICE DOORS FOR ROLL-UP DOORS IN THE PAVILION AND REPLACING THE CHAIRS IN THE TOWN HALL.

GRAUPMAN MOVED TO SET THE LEVY FOR 2026 AT \$772,291.29, SECOND GAUGER, MOTION CARRIED.

7. ADJOURNMENT.

GRAUPMAN MOVED TO ADJOURN, SECOND BY GAUGER, MOTION CARRIED. 5:00PM

RESPECTFULLY

PAM KRAUEL

CLERK-TREASURER