The Budget Workshop Meeting of the West Milford Township Council was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Mayor Joseph DiDonato.

Mayor DiDonato advised that in accordance with Chapter 231, Public Laws of 1975 of New Jersey, adequate advance notice of this Workshop meeting was advertised in the Aim Community News in its issue of May 23, 2004; copies were posted continuously on the bulletin board in the main corridor of the Town Hall and on file in the Office of the Township Clerk.

Roll Call

Present: Township Councilmembers Paul S. Bailey, Joseph Elcavage, William Gervens, Dennis Kirwan, Patricia Lotz-Moore, Carmelo Scangarello and Mayor DiDonato

Also Present: Acting Township Administrator Kevin J. Byrnes, and Chief Financial Officer Arthur Magnotti.

Purpose

To review the proposed 2004 Municipal Budget.

Formal action may be taken at this meeting.

Budget Review

The Mayor and Township Council reviewed the proposed 2004 Municipal Budget, and commented as follows:

* Emergency line items
* Department of Public Works
* Tax rate increase
* "Profit and loss statements" are to be provided for all departments
* Council request to have the DPW department actively participate in the bid process on certain projects, in order to possibly facilitate those projects "in house"
* Target an increase in total appropriation to a total of 1.5% (excluding solid waste).
* Investigate if software provider, Edmunds and Associates can interface Excel with a special report to provide departmental profit and loss statements.
* Request periodical "permit" reports from the Building Department which will categorize the type of permits issued.

Formal action was not taken at this meeting.

Adjournment

There being no further business to discuss Councilman Bailey moved to adjourn the Budget Workshop meeting at 10:30 a.m.
Moved: Bailey Seconded: Lotz-Moore
Voted Aye: Bailey, Elcavage, Gervens, Kirwan, Lotz-Moore, Scangarello, and Mayor DiDonato.
Voted Nay: None.
Meeting adjourned.

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MAYOR JOSEPH DIDONATO
PRESIDING OFFICER

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KEVIN J. BYRNES
TOWNSHIP CLERK