

President John W. Hoffert called the November 16, 2023 Budget Workshop meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., as advertised. Councilmen Alec M. Ernst and Ronald R. Klee were absent. Council members in attendance were: Elizabeth M. Bentz, John W. Hoffert, Michael A. Hoffert, Edward B. Michalik and Conrad Vanino. Present in addition to the Council members were Mayor Andrew R. Hivner, Police Chief Brett A. Hivner Borough Manager Scott D. Brossman and Secretary Jan M. Boyd. Newly elected council member Mark Grounard was also in attendance.

President Hoffert turned the meeting over to Mr. Brossman who reviewed with Council the various components of the 2024 Budget. Also discussed were the significant changes over last year's budget, including proposed capital purchases, health care expenditures and proposed salary changes. Mr. Brossman also apprised Council of any proposed rate increases including the refuse/recycling annual fee, water rates and sewer rates.

Chief Hivner then presented documentation to support his request for the hiring of a ninth officer for the Police Department.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned on a motion by Mr. Vanino, and duly carried at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan M. Boyd
Borough Secretary