

**ROCKY MOUNT TOWN COUNCIL
FISCAL YEAR 2017 BUDGET
AND
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN
PUBLIC HEARING
APRIL 25, 2016**

The April 25, 2016 Budget and Capital Improvement Plan public hearing of the Rocky Mount Town Council (hereafter referred to as "Council") was held in the Council Chambers of the Rocky Mount Municipal Building located at 345 Donald Avenue, Rocky Mount, Virginia, at 7:00 p.m. with Mayor Steven C. Angle presiding.

The following members of Council were present:

- Mayor Steven C. Angle
- Vice Mayor Gregory B. Walker
- Bobby M. Cundiff
- P. Ann Love
- Robert L. Moyer
- Jon W. Snead
- Billie W. Stockton

The following staff members were also present:

- Rebecca Dillon, Executive Administrative Assistant
- C. James Ervin, Town Manager
- Matt Hankins, Assistant Town Manager
- Linda Woody, Finance Director

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Steven C. Angle.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: To approve the agenda

Motion By: Vice Mayor Walker

Second: Council Member Snead

Motion Discussion: None

Ayes: Cundiff, Love, Moyer, Snead, Stockton, Walker

Nays: None

Action: Approved Agenda by a unanimous vote

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Received by Council in their packet for the Public Hearing were draft minutes for review and consideration of approval:

- April 12, 2016
- April 14, 2016

Motion: To approve the draft minutes

Motion By: Council Member Love

Second: Vice Mayor Walker

Motion Discussion: None

Ayes: Cundiff, Love, Moyer, Snead, Stockton, Walker

Nays: None

Action: The draft minutes were approved unanimously

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Mayor Angle recessed the meeting to go into public hearing.

- A. Public hearing on proposed tax rates Fiscal Year 2017.
(Note: No consideration of motion needed until June 13, 2016 Regular Council meeting.)
- B. Public hearing on proposed Fiscal Year 2017 Transient Occupancy Tax
(Note: No consideration of motions needed until June 13, 2016 Regular Council meeting.)
- C. Public hearing on proposed Fiscal Year 2017 Budget and FY 17-21 CIP
(Note: No consideration of motions needed until June 13, 2016 Regular Council Meeting.)

A brief synopsis was given by the Town Manager, who informed Council that per the State Code, the proposed Fiscal Year 2017 Budget had been advertised; all proposed tax rates are the same with the exception of the Transient Occupancy Tax which is proposed at 7.5%. The 2017 budget is 7.9 million dollars of General Fund revenues and 7.9 million dollars of General Fund Expenditures going to the Utility Fund that is 2.8 million respectfully revenues and expenditures. The Utility Capital Fund showed revenues of \$600,000 and expenditures of \$362,000. The Harvester Performance Center shows \$331,000 and the Capital Improvement Plan for 2017 is 2.2 million dollars. The Utility Capital Fund is pooling funds for future capital expenses one of which is potentially a new refuse collection truck.

The Mayor opened the floor and asked if there was anyone in attendance that wished to address Council regarding those budget items.

Anthony Leete, 185 Claiborne Avenue, Rocky Mount, VA spoke representing the Claiborne House Bed & Breakfast regarding the Transient Occupancy Tax. Mr. Leete stated that he and his wife, as owners of The Claiborne House Bed & Breakfast, were opposed to the increase and felt it wasn't the way to be spending the money of the people that come to stay in Rocky Mount.

Doreen McElwee, 125 Montview Avenue, Rocky Mount, VA spoke regarding the new refuse truck that was proposed, relayed that she is hopeful that the employees get an increase in the 2017 budget and asked what happened to the money that was appropriated from refuse fines. The Town Manager explained.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: To adjourn the meeting

Motion: Council Member Stockton

Second: Council Member Love

Motion Discussion: None

Ayes: Cundiff, Moyer, Stockton, Love, Walker, Snead

Nays: None

Action: Meeting convened

Steven C. Angle, Mayor

ATTEST:

Rebecca H. Dillon, Acting Town Clerk