

# *Town of Odessa*

## **MINUTES FROM THE BUDGET WORKSHOP MONDAY, MAY 3, 2021 - 6:30 PM OLD ACADEMY BUILDING**

### **IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNOR CARNEY'S PROCLAMATION THE TOWN OF ODESSA IS HOLDING THIS MEETING AS A TELEPHONE & VIDEO CONFERENCE**

Those present at 6:30 PM:

Mayor: Harvey Smith

Council Member: John Freeman

Council Member: Betts Jackson

Council Member: Ed Pollard

Council Member: Lionel Hynson

Treasurer: Debbie Whittington

Town Secretary: Barbara Roberts

0 community members

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- I. Call to order
  - a. Meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m.
  
- II. Roll Call
  
- III. 2021-2022 Budget Workshop, attached hereto as attachment A (*3 page budget spreadsheet*)
  - Mayor Smith presented the proposed 2021-2022 Budget spreadsheets. Discussion involved the draft proposal. Attached hereto as attachment A (3 page budget document).
  - Budget timeline is from July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022.
  - The tax rate per \$100 of assessed value will not increase, so there will not be a tax increase for fiscal year 2021-2022 for the Town of Odessa.
  - Mayor Smith noted there are plans for some capital improvements on the Old Academy building, specially painting, repairs to railings, soffits and storm windows.
  - Delaware Wildlands will be moving out of the building at the end of November, the Town will need to cover expenses that they have paid until a new tenant can be found.
  - The Town has not been notified yet of what we can expect from Municipal Street Aid funding, but only a slight change is expected.
  - The Town is waiting for information on what funding we might receive from the American Rescue Plan.
  - Some slight changes on the assessments.
  - All other items remain the same, with modest increases reflected.

- Council was in agreement to move the proposed Budget to the regular meeting of Mayor & Council for approval.
- No additional Budget meetings are necessary.

**MOTION BY JOHN FREEMAN, SECONDED BY BETTS JACKSON TO MOVE THE PROPOSED 2021-2022 BUDGET TO THE REGULAR MEETING OF MAYOR & COUNCIL FOR APPROVAL**

**VOICE VOTE: 5 AYES, 0 NAYS**

**Harvey Smith, Aye**  
**Betts Jackson, Aye**  
**John Freeman, Aye**  
**Ed Pollard, Aye**  
**Lionel Hynson, Aye**

**MOTION CARRIED. VOTE 5 AYES, 0 NAYS**

IV. Adjournment

**MOTION BY BETTS JACKSON, SECONDED BY JOHN FREEMAN TO ADJOURN THE BUDGET WORKSHOP AT 6:55 PM**

**VOICE VOTE: 5 AYES, 0 NAYS**

**Harvey Smith, Aye**  
**Betts Jackson, Aye**  
**John Freeman, Aye**  
**Ed Pollard, Aye**  
**Lionel Hynson, Aye**

**MOTION CARRIED. VOTE 5 AYES, 0 NAYS**

Minutes Submitted: 5/6/21

Barbara Roberts  
Secretary

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_