

Town of Odessa

**MINUTES FROM BUDGET WORKSHOP
MONDAY, JUNE 2, 2025 - 6:45 PM
OLD ACADEMY BUILDING
315 MAIN STREET
ODESSA, DE 19730**

Those present at 6:45 PM:

Mayor: Harvey C. Smith Jr.
Council Member: Leonard Aguilar
Council Member: Yeni Ocampo
Treasurer: David Sheats
Secretary: Amy Marie Ottinger
(0) community members

- I. Call to Order - The meeting was called to order at 6:45 PM.
- II. Roll Call – Council Members John Freeman and Lionel Hynson were not in attendance.
- III. 2025-2026 Budget
 - Mayor Smith presented the proposed 2025-2026 budget spreadsheets, attached hereto as Attachment A (*3-page document*). Discussion involved the draft proposal.
 - Budget timeline is from July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026.
 - As approved by Mayor and Council at the May 5, 2025 regular monthly meeting, the town will be using the 1983 New Castle County Assessment values for one additional year to calculate tax bills.
 - The tax rate per \$100.00 of assessed value will not increase, so there will not be a tax increase for fiscal year 2025-2026 for the Town of Odessa.
 - Mayor Smith reviewed the income and expenses for fiscal year 2025-2026.
 - Total income and expenses will be approximately \$186,901.00.
 - Council was in agreement to move the proposed budget to the regular meeting of Mayor and Council for approval.
 - No additional budget meetings are necessary.

MOTION BY LENNY AGUILAR, SECONDED BY YENI OCAMPO, TO MOVE THE PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026 BUDGET TO THE REGULAR MEETING OF MAYOR & COUNCIL FOR APPROVAL.

MOTION CARRIED. VOTE: 3 AYES, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTAIN

- IV. Public Comment – There was no public in attendance.

V. Adjournment

MOTION BY LENNY AGUILAR, SECONDED BY YENI OCAMPO, TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 6:49 PM.

MOTION CARRIED. VOTE: 3 AYES, 0 NAYS

Minutes Submitted: 6/3/25

By: Amy Marie Ottinger
Town Secretary

Approved: _____