

CALL TO ORDER

Special Meeting of the Mayor and Borough Council held on June 15, 2026 was called to order by Mayor O’Brien at 6:02 P.M. followed by a salute to the flag.

STATEMENT OF NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Municipal Clerk Morelos announced that this Budget Workshop has been advertised and posted in accordance with Open Public Meetings Act Chapter 231, P.L. 2025.

ROLL CALL

Roll Call:	Councilpersons Blemur, Colaci, Novak, Rios, Synarski, Zebrowski
Absent:	None
Others Present:	Mayor Kennedy O’Brien Jessica Morelos, Municipal Clerk Business Admin. Glenn Skarzynski Nicole Waranowicz, Asst. Municipal Clerk C.F.O./Treasurer Danielle Maiorana
Others Absent:	Borough Engineer (not required to be in attendance) Borough Attorney Joseph Sordillo (not required to be in attendance)

BUDGET DISCUSSION

Councilwoman Novak stated that the budget was at \$.164 and the council requested it be lowered. She stated that they were able to get it below \$.15 with anticipated revenue. Councilwoman Novak stated that everyone should have received an email detailing where the money was coming over. She asked if they needed to go over it. There was no response.

Councilwoman Novak stated that some of the changes were from police salaries due to not having to account for a full year of new hires.

CFO Maiorana stated that they looked at the reserve for debt service and took another \$100,000 and \$100,000 from delinquent taxes.

Councilwoman Novak stated that it came down another \$.02 without affecting services in the town.

Councilwoman Novak asked if anyone had any questions or suggestions. She stated it is on the agenda for tonight.

Councilman Synarski stated that a lot was cut out and seems to be working. He said hopefully they can agree on something.

Councilwoman Novak stated she is extremely happy where it is at and does not want to cut any services. She questioned where the new ordinance for sewer rate fees.

Business Administrator Skarzynski responded that it’s being worked on and everything involves a complicated set of mathematics. He stated they are trying to figure out what the needs are moving forward and the length of increases should be. Business Administrator Skarzynski stated it is a work in progress.

Councilwoman Novak stated that anyone that has a pilot will not have to absorb the \$800,000 shortfall. She stated that she’s happy that the budget was cut down in half without cutting services.

Business Administrator Skarzynski stated that the CFO and he have done everything that they can and any additional cuts will require the scale back of services and personnel.

Councilman Rios questioned if there are any new positions that are waiting to be approved.

Business Administrator Skarzynski responded they are going to be hiring four new police officers that will be replacing retirements. He stated that at the next meeting a new dispatcher will be listed but that is a replacement.

Councilman Rios questioned if there are new management positions being created.

Business Administrator Skarzynski responded that there is a compliance position that they would like to add but that depends on the budget. He stated that the pay scale for the management specialist needs to be approved.

Councilman Colaci questioned the changes made.

Councilwoman Novak responded that it went from \$.164 to \$.147.

Councilman Colaci questioned if more can be cut.

Business Administrator Skarzynski stated that you can cut but now it will be positions and programs.

Councilwoman Novak stated she will be making a motion at the regular meeting and if it doesn't pass then they will have to start layoffs.

Councilwoman Novak asked if there was a number they would like to be at.

There was no response.

Councilman Rios stated that if it doesn't pass tonight that they need to have a meeting before the next council meeting since it's a month away.

Mayor O'Brien suggested the finance committee meet to see if there is more that can be done with the budget. He stated that the budget requires four affirmative votes from the council.

PUBLIC PORTION

Mayor O'Brien opened the meeting to the public.

There were no comments.

Councilwoman Novak made a motion to close the public portion. Seconded by Councilman Blemur.

Roll Call: Voice Vote, all Ayes.

Councilwoman Novak requested to set up a date for a committee meeting. They agreed on Thursday at 5:30pm.

No Further business. Councilwoman Novak made a motion to adjourn. Motion seconded by Councilman Rios.

Roll Call: Voice Vote, all Ayes. Carried.

Time 6:54 PM

SIGNED:

Jessica Morelos, RMC
Municipal Clerk

Date Approved