

MINUTES
WARSAW TOWN COUNCIL
BUDGET WORKSESSION
JANUARY 30, 2024, 5:30PM

The budget work session meeting of the Warsaw Town Council was held on Tuesday, January 30, 2024, at 5:30 p.m. in Council Chambers at 78 Belle Ville Lane, Warsaw, VA. Council Members Present: Mayor Randall L. Phelps, Vice-Mayor Paul G. Yackel, Ralph Self, Jonathan English, Rebecca Hubert, and Mary Beth Bryant. Councilmembers Faron Hamblin and Ogle Forrest, Sr. were absent.

Town staff present: Town Manager Joseph Quesenberry, Assistant Town Manager Melissa Coates, and Treasurer Julia Blackley- Rice.

No others were present.

Mayor Phelps called the work session to order at 5:30 p.m.

Mayor Phelps gave an introduction of the process and outlined the purpose of the work session before turning the meeting over to Town Manager Mr. Quesenberry.

Mr. Quesenberry reviewed the proposed budget.

- Discussed trash pickup service
- Commercial \$180 per month for 2 pickups a week. Increase from \$30 to \$75.
- Proposing increase from \$10 to \$25 for Residential
- Proposing 5% raise for employees
- Part Time Police Officer- does the Town need?

Councilmembers reviewed and discussed grant opportunities.

Councilmembers discussed water revenues and the need for an increase in rates.

Councilmembers also reviewed Wastewater fund revenues and expenses.

Mr. Quesenberry reported the budget as proposed is balanced.

Mr. Quesenberry reviewed proposed fee schedule updates.

There was discussion among Councilmembers regarding proposed Water/Trash rates. Town Council then instructed Mr. Quesenberry to explore options on trash collection.

Mr. Quesenberry reviewed the proposed business license charges. During discussion, Mayor Phelps would like to adjust the restaurants and breweries retail/general to 10 cents for the first million instead of the first \$500,000. Mr. Quesenberry will research businesses with gross receipts of over \$500,000.

The Town Council set the next budget work session for Thursday, February 8, 2024 at 5:30pm prior to the regular Town Council meeting.

Mayor Phelps closed the work session at 7:01PM.

Submitted by: Julia Blackley- Rice, Clerk