



# Budget Meeting

## Thursday, April 11, 2019

### Mayor and City Council

### Town of Ocean City, Maryland

#### CALL TO ORDER

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#### THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL PRESIDING

Attendee Name	Organization	Title	Status	Arrived
Lloyd Martin	Ocean City	Council President	Present	
Mary Knight	Ocean City	Council Secretary	Present	
Dennis Dare	Ocean City	Council Member	Present	
Tony DeLuca	Ocean City	Council Member	Present	
John Gehrig Jr.	Ocean City	Council Member	Present	1:15 PM
Matthew James	Ocean City	Council Member	Present	
Mark L. Paddack	Ocean City	Council Member	Present	
Richard W. Meehan	Ocean City	Mayor	Absent	

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE: City Manager Doug Miller, Budget Manager Jennie Knapp, Finance Director Chuck Bireley, Deputy City Clerk Pamela Peters, Police Chief Ross Buzzuro, Police Fiscal Account Clerk Megan Sneeringer, Emergency Services Director Joseph Theobald, Communications Manager Janet Guiton, Beach Patrol Captain Butch Arbin, Interim Fire Chief David Hartley, Interim Fire Marshall Josh Bunting, Volunteer Fire Company Assistant Chief Connor Brainiff, Fire/EMS Deputy Chief Chris Shaffer, Fire/EMS Captain Eric Peterson, Members of the Press and Interested Parties.

Council President Lloyd Martin called this Budget Meeting to order at 1:00 PM in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 301 N. Baltimore Avenue, Ocean City, Maryland 21842.

#### POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Chief Ross Buzzuro and Fiscal Account Clerk Megan Sneeringer presented FY20 proposed budget. Reviewed staffing, grants, revenues, auxiliary office programs, expenses, vehicles, and challenges. Council requested overtime [regular and premium], radios, replacement vehicles, and take home vehicles be discussed further during budget wrap-up.

#### EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT / COMMUNICATIONS / ELECTRONIC SERVICES

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Emergency Services Director Joseph Theobald and Communications Manager Janet Guiton presented Emergency Management, Communications and Electronic Services FY20 proposed budget. Reviewed staffing, call process statistics, budget increases, and reduction in accounts such as salaries, benefits, repairs, rentals and general supplies. New computer radio system and disengaging 800 system are near completion. Percentage of 911 calls dispatched to Worcester County and recommendations to route 911 calls directly to Ocean City to be presented during wrap-up.

## BEACH PATROL

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Emergency Services Director Joseph Theobald and Beach Patrol Captain Butch Arbin presented FY20 proposed budget. Discussed hours of operation, staffing salaries, housing, vehicles and recruitment efforts.

## OCEAN CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT / FIRE MARSHAL / EMS / VOLUNTEERS

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Interim Fire Chief David Hartley, Interim Fire Marshal Josh Bunting, Volunteer Fire Company Assistant Chief Connor Braniff, Fire/EMS Deputy Chief Chris Shaffer and Fire/EMS Captain Eric Peterson presented FY20 proposed department budgets for Ocean City Fire, Fire Marshal, EMS and Volunteers. Discussed current staffing, operations, challenges and success of on-line bonfire permit application. Consideration to purchase 10 new radios at a cost of \$35,000 will be discussed during wrap-up.

## ADJOURN

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### Motion to adjourn at 2:45 PM.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Matthew James, Council Member
<b>SECONDER:</b>	John Gehrig Jr., Council Member
<b>AYES:</b>	Martin, Knight, Dare, DeLuca, Gehrig Jr., James, Paddack

Approved by Mayor and Council this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2019.

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Diana L. Chavis, CMC  
City Clerk