

**TOWN OF INTERLACHEN  
TOWN COUNCIL BUDGET WORKSHOP MINUTES  
TUESDAY, JUNE 22, 2021 – 5:05 P.M.  
DICKERMAN BUILDING**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson Conner called the meeting to order at 5:06pm and dispensed with the formalities.

**ROLL CALL**

Council Members present were Chairperson Joni Conner, Vice-Chairperson Judi Costanzo, Beverly Bakker, Carolyn Bennett, Carolyn Meadows. Mayor Larsen was present also.

**COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON: JONI CONNER**

Chairperson Conner had no comments.

**COUNCIL DISCUSSION:**

Discussion and Consideration of the Proposed 2021/2022 Budget for all Departments.

The following was discussed:

- 1) Salaries for Mayor & Council will move to \$350.00 per month.
- 2) Approved a fifty-cent raise for employees, except for Police Officer #3 Position which will receive a seventy-five-cent raise. This position is currently vacant, however the Chief requested to bring the salary up to \$16.00 per hour.
- 3) Mr. Larry Paper came to represent the Interlachen Fire Department Station #4. Mr. Paper stated that a few years ago the Putnam County budget for the Interlachen Fire Department was \$34,000.00, but after the fire tax was voted down their budget decreased. Their budget for 2021/2022 will be \$28,000.00. He thanked the Council for their support.
- 4) Kathy Tillman, Director of Animal Control gave an account for how the monies received from the Town were spent for the current budget. She thanked the Town for their financial support.
- 5) During the budget workshop the Council decided to use the estimated rollback rate of 7.9577%.
- 6) Unrestricted and restricted revenues.
- 7) Council would like for the Clerk to get estimates from Florida Power and Light to add streetlights on State Road 20 from CR315 to Commonwealth Avenue.
- 8) Expenditures for Mayor/Council, Town Clerk, Police, Public Works, Non-Departmental, Capital Projects, Water, and Cemetery Departments.
- 9) Council would like to see better street signs throughout the town.

- 10) Council would like to see IT Services as a standalone line item in Non-Departmental.
- 11) Council Member Costanzo would like a new line item for \$2,000.00 to help town residents with a spay/neuter program.
- 12) Council Member Bennett would like to know what our options are for investing some of the cemetery funds.
- 13) Council would like IT Services to go out for bid.
- 14) Council discussed community projects for the upcoming year.

The next budget workshop is set for 5:05pm on July 6, 2021.

**CLOSE WORKSHOP:**

Meeting adjourned at 7:33pm.