

TOWN OF CHEVY CHASE
COUNCIL WORK SESSION
MINUTES
January 11, 2016

Council and Staff

Al Lang, Mayor

Todd Hoffman, Town Manager

John Bickerman, Vice Mayor

Fred Cecere, Treasurer

Vicky Taplin, Secretary

Kathy Strom, Community Liaison

Residents and Guests

Fran Pitlick, 4420 Stanford Street

Council discussed estimated actual revenues and expenditures for the current fiscal year. Council also discussed the impacts of mistakes made by the State in assigning certain non-resident income tax revenue to the Town as well as the impacts of the Wynne case ruling by the Supreme Court. Mayor Lang discussed mission based budgeting and other budgeting options, including a calendar year budget cycle and advancing the budget preparation process.

Town Manager Todd Hoffman reported that the worst case scenario for FY16 income tax revenue is \$1.85 million, while the best case scenario is \$2.15 million. The Town budgeted to receive \$2.95 million in income tax revenue for FY16. According to the State Comptroller's office, the Town should anticipate a baseline of \$2.2 million in income tax revenue in future years.

The Town Manager reported that staff has been able to realize significant administrative savings over the course of the fiscal year to date and that he anticipates additional administrative savings for the remainder of the fiscal year. The Town Manager presented possible budget cuts for the remainder of FY16 in order to reduce the anticipated deficit. The Council agreed to hold a public meeting in February to hear from residents about these and other possible expenditure reductions.

Council discussed possible assistance in negotiating a payback plan for non-resident income taxes distributed to the Town. Council discussed the possibility of partnering with other municipalities for legal representation and asked the Town Manager to contact other municipalities to determine opportunities.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Vicky Taplin
Secretary

Transcribed by Todd Hoffman, Town Manager