

**MINUTES OF BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SPECIAL MEETING
MARCH 10, 2021**

The Special Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of West Cape May was called to order by Mayor Sabo at 4:30pm. The Open Public Meetings Statement was read by Mayor Sabo who then led those present in the flag salute. Mayor Carol Sabo, Deputy Mayor Burke and Commissioner Francis answered roll call. Also in attendance: Municipal Clerk Suzanne Schumann and Borough Engineer Representative Dylan Skinner.

2021 BUDGET DISCUSSION

Present for this discussion were: Auditor Leon Costello, CFO Frank Donato, Deputy CFO Doris Hartman and Finance Assistant Lauren Vitelli.

Mr. Costello and Mr. Donato reviewed the draft budget which incorporated many of the same line items and amounts as in 2020. The Board of Commissioners, with input of Ms. Vitelli, discussed changes to various line items, as needed for 2021, which would result in a 3.5 cent increase.

Mr. Costello spoke of a federal stimulus package which was approved and would provide funding to State, County and Local governments. Mr. Costello mentioned that \$150,000 provided to West Cape May, along with minor changes to the proposed budget, would remove the tax increase.

The Commissioners decided to hold off on introduction until April, in hopes that a more definitive direction on federal stimulus money would be available and the budget could be amended accordingly.

PUBLIC PORTION

When no one wished to speak, the meeting was adjourned at 5:30pm on motion of Deputy Mayor Burke, seconded by Commissioner Francis.

Respectfully submitted,

Suzanne M. Schumann, RMC
Municipal Clerk