

Edenton Town Council
Finance Committee Meeting
June 18, 2019

The Edenton Town Council Finance Committee met on June 18, 2019 at 8:00 a.m. to review the 2019/20 Proposed Budget.

Members present: Mayor Roland Vaughan, Councilman Samuel Dixon, Councilman Steve Biggs, Councilman Craig Miller,

Chairman Samuel Dixon opened the floor up for comments and questions from members present.

Councilman Biggs asked about miscellaneous in the General Fund, what is that?

Finance Officer Virginia Smith stated that it could be reimbursements from insurance claims, donations received from citizens or business that want to contribute to that department, surplus sales. She stated that she would print a detailed list and email that out to everyone.

Councilman Biggs asked for Police Revenue last year it was \$2,943, this year it is \$13,066, was the ticket revenue that much more?

Finance Officer Virginia Smith stated that she was not sure about and would report back on that.

Councilman Biggs asked why such a shortfall under the fire protection?

Finance Officer Virginia Smith stated this was showing YTD through April and monies are paid by the quarter from Chowan County.

Councilman Dixon stated that he was amazed at the revenue from sales of cemetery plots. He asked how close it was to space running out at the cemetery.

Ms. Knighton reported that it was in the last phase.

Councilman Dixon asked what happens then.

Ms. Knighton stated that was a decision that the Town Council will have to make.

Councilman Biggs stated that he would like to see the Town put a bid out for mowing and the upkeep of the cemetery.

Councilman Miller asked about the \$10,000 expense for the municipal election and what was spent for recent elections.

Ms. Knighton stated that Chowan County send the Town a detailed report for costs and that she will send that to the Town Council.

Councilman Biggs asked how many police officers are on staff currently. Police Chief King responded 16. Councilman Biggs asked if the vacant positions could be frozen and the monies could be used in other places within the budget.

Ms. Knighton stated that she would look back at the numbers that were used for salaries and report back to Council.

Ms. Knighton stated that time would be spent meeting with Chowan County to discuss the need for major capital equipment for the Fire Department.

Ms. Knighton stated that funds have been included in the General Fund for security upgrades to the lobby at Town Hall.

Each fund was reviewed by all present.

Ms. Knighton stated that she would respond to all the questions raised by the end of the week.

There be no further items for discussion, the meeting was adjourned.