

**OFFICE OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
TANEYTOWN, MARYLAND
Mayor and Council Budget Workshop
February 23, 2022**

The Mayor and City Council budget workshop was held at 7:30 PM on Wednesday, February 23, 2022.

Present: Mayor Wantz, Mayor Pro Tem Vigliotti and Councilmembers Foster, Fuller, Haines and Hand. **Also**

Present: City Manager Wieprecht, City Treasurer Avallone and Clerk Kalman. Councilmember Haines led the Pledge of Allegiance.

City Treasurer Avallone reviewed the following:

Review of Fiscal Year 2022 – 2023 - General Fund Operating Budget

Review of Fiscal Year 2022 – 2023 - Water and Sewer Fund Operating Budget

Review of Fiscal Year 2022 – 2023 - Tax Rate/Constant Yield Tax Rate

City Treasurer Avallone and City Manager Wieprecht responded to questions from council.

Councilmember Haines suggested a plan for EDU subsidies as an incentive for new businesses in the downtown district. After discussion, Mayor Wantz asked councilmember Haines to explore downtown to determine if there are suitable businesses to implement a program and to determine an appropriate criteria for granting a subsidy.

Councilmember Fuller suggested it may be appropriate to incorporate into the budget a monthly stipend for the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board. There were no objections from council and the monthly stipend, in the amount of \$20 per member, will be implemented.

Mayor Wantz clarified that the tax rate of .37 and water and sewer rates of \$ 7.25 and \$14.24 will remain unchanged for the new fiscal year.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:44 PM by Haines, 2nd by Foster – carried 5 – 0.

Respectfully Submitted by: Clara Kalman, City Clerk