

**BURNSVILLE TOWN COUNCIL  
Budget Work Session  
Monday, May 8, 2023, 10am**

On Monday, May 8, 2023, the Burnsville Town Council with Mayor Russell Fox, and members Judy Buchanan, Denise Collier, Bill Wheeler, and Randy Ollis present held a special meeting at the Burnsville Town Hall. Also in attendance were Heather Hockaday and Leslie Crowder. Mayor Fox called the meeting to order at 10:05am. These minutes are based off of notes taken by Mrs. Hockaday and Mrs. Crowder.

**Conduct a budget work session for FY 2023-2024 budget** - Town Manager Heather Hockaday began the budget work session by discussing revenues and current tax collections. Mrs. Hockaday reviewed sales tax revenue and other revenue sources.

Mrs. Hockaday and Finance Officer Leslie Crowder reviewed expenses by department. A draft of the FY 22-23 budget, reflecting projections based on previous meetings held with department heads, was reviewed in its entirety. There was a more in-depth discussion on the Community Promotions line with the Town Council discussing an inclusion in the budget of an award of \$2500 to the Yancey County Rescue Squad. Other topics discussed included a new police car, upgrades to the public restrooms, and a replacement of flooring at the Town Center

Cost of living (COLA) increases were discussed with the Council increasing employee pay by three percent. A few individual salary adjustments were discussed to reflect heavier workloads and responsibilities.

Water rates were reviewed with the Council, as recommended in the Town's Capital Improvements Plan to keep up with rising costs and infrastructure needs.

With there being no further business, Randy Ollis made a motion to adjourn at 12:05pm. Judy Buchanan seconded the motion, which carried. The meeting adjourned.

  
J. Chad Fox, Town Clerk



  
T. Russell Fox, Mayor