Town of Branchville Budget Work Session November 17, 2014

A budget work session for the Town of Branchville was held on November 17, 2014 at 6pm at the Town Hall. A notice was placed on the door of the Town Hall with the place, time, and date of the meeting at least 24 hours before the meeting.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Glenn Miller. Mayor, Council, along with all those present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance followed by prayer.

Roll call indicated that Councilman Michael Blankenship and Councilman Chris Ott were absent.

Mayor Miller welcomed the guests.

**Budget:** Councilman Whisenhunt asked if an increase was expected for rental income. Council discussed Upstart Ministries' rent. It was decided that they should come in and discuss what work has been done. (Upstart Ministries' rent was \$300 minus the repairs to the building). Council discuss the other renters: The Eatery \$600, HealthPlex \$300, D&R Music \$100, and Willie Benjamin \$50 per month totaling \$1050 per month. Council decided rental income would be \$15,000.

Council decided that General Fund's expenses would be: Advertising \$1,000, Bank Charges \$500, Building and Grounds \$5,500, Computers and Software \$3,500, Custodial Services \$600, Dues and Subscriptions \$500, Insurance \$26,000, Misc. Expense \$3,000, Office Supplies \$2,500, Operational Supplies \$1,000, Outside Labor \$1,200, Payroll Tax Expense \$3,200, Postage \$250, Professional Fees \$20,000, Repairs and Maintenance \$1,500, Schools and Seminars \$1,200, Retirement \$2719.55, Travel and Registration \$1,000, Uniforms \$500, and Utilities and Telephone \$54,000.

Councilman Whisenhunt made the motion to pursue a 40 hour work week for office personnel and maintenance workers. Mayor Pro-Tem Jennings seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Council discussed increasing employee's salaries by a maximum of \$1.50 an hour.

Council decided that Municipal Fines income would be \$75,000.

Council decided Municipal Court's expenses would be: Advertising \$500, Bank Charges \$500, Communications \$3000, Computers and Software \$3000, Police Fines Expense \$46,125, Gas, Oil and Tires \$16,900, Misc. Expenses \$300, Operational Supplies \$1000, Postage \$300, Professional Fees \$6,600 and Schools and Seminars \$1,000.

Councilman Whisenhunt made the motion to adjourn. Councilman Oliver seconded the motion. The motion carried.

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Jenny Elliott

Town Clerk