



TOWN COUNCIL
Retreat
April 18, 2008
American Legion Post 56
8:00 a.m.

At approximately 8:00 a.m. in the Social Hall of American Legion Post 56, Mayor Dora Sullivan called to order day three of the Town Council Retreat. In addition to Mayor Sullivan present were Councilmen Burdiss, Brown, Dudley, Elliott, Evans and Bannon and Councilmen-elect Bennett and Veber. Also in attendance were Town Manager Joe Vaccaro, Assistant Town Manager Heather Arcos, Treasurer Paul Skolnick and Town Clerk Joy Pelletier. Several other staff members and members of the public were also present.

Treasurer Paul Skolnick presented the proposed FY 2009 Budget. Paul Skolnick explained that with the state of the economy, rising costs of gas and food, he foresees the delinquency rate increasing with people having to choose between buying food and paying bills and possibly, the Town can allow more time for payments, etc.

Paul Skolnick stated that the budget will be reviewed by department. There was much discussion regarding the tax rates, payroll, etc. Several noted action items were a 4% COLA increase and an increase in payments for the Town Council and Mayor.

Each department head reviewed various operational items and capital projects within their budget. There was much discussion with the Council asking a variety of questions of the department heads.

There was general discussion and a recap of the last three days' meetings. Overall, the consensus of the Council was positive in regards to the meetings.

Motion made by Councilman Brown, seconded by Councilman Burdiss and unanimously approved to adjourn day three of the Town Council.

Mayor Sullivan

Town Clerk