

**MINUTES - TOWN COUNCIL BUDGET MEETING  
TOWN OF BELVIDERE  
WARREN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
691 Water Street  
MARCH 20, 2014**

Mayor Stettler opened the budget meeting of the Belvidere Town Council with the Pledge of Allegiance and read the following notice in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act:

In accordance with Chapter 231 of the Public Laws of 1975, notice of this meeting was given by way of notice filed with the Star Gazette and/or the Express-Times, filed in the Municipal Clerk's Office and posted in the Belvidere Town Hall, 691 Water Street, Belvidere NJ.

**Roll Call:**

Present - Mayor Stettler, Councilman Kennedy, Councilman Makatura, Councilwoman Miers, Councilwoman Napolitani, Councilman Sebold, Councilman Viglianco  
Absent - None

**Public Comment:**

There was no public comment at this time.

**2014 Municipal Budget Discussion:**

Christine Rolef reviewed the salary report that she had prepared for Council and stated that the projected tax increase for the 2014 municipal budget is 3.45%.

Councilman Sebold provided information on the purchase of a vehicle for the police department.

Council went on to discuss various line items within the budget.

**A motion** was made by Councilman Makatura, seconded by Councilman Viglianco and carried to eliminate the following cell phones, drop one business essential line if possible and keep one spare phone to be used by the DPW: S. Snyder, Barnes, Abbott, Stout and Metzgar.

Councilman Makatura suggested capping the amount spent on police specials patrol duty and reducing the police secretary position to part-time.

**Public Comment:**

John Snyder commented on an increase for his position.

**A motion** was made by Councilman Makatura, seconded by Councilman Sebold and carried to adjourn the budget meeting of the Belvidere Town Council at 9:04 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Teresa A. DeMont, RMC/CPM  
Municipal CLerk/Administrator