

**Beatty Town Advisory Board
FY21 Budget Workshop
100 A Avenue South
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**Minutes
04/24/20**

**THE BEATTY TOWN ADVISORY BOARD MET IN REGULAR SESSION AT 3:30 PM IN THE BEATTY COMMUNITY CENTER.
THE BEATTY TOWN ADVISORY BOARD HEREAFTER WILL BE REFERRED TO AS THE (BTAB)
THE BEATTY TOWN ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS HEREAFTER WILL BE REFERRED TO AS THEIR RESPECTIVE INITIALS.**

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**Dick Gardner (DG) – Chair
Randy Reed (RR) – Vice Chair
Erika Gerling (EG) – Treasurer
Perry Forsyth (PF) – Member
Rob Shirley (RS) – Member**

1 Pledge of Allegiance

Meeting called to order 3:30 pm

2 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT (Three-minute time limit per person.) Action will not be taken on the matters considered during this period until specifically included on an agenda as an action item.

None

3 Approval of the Agenda for the BTAB meeting of April 24, 2020

Pulled item 4 emergency item

4 Board Member's Comments (This item limited to announcements or topics/issues proposed for future workshops/agendas)

RR – None; EG – None; PF – None; RS – None; DG- None

5 Discussion only – All Town Departments fiscal year 2020 status and fiscal year 2021 budget planning

Carrie Radomski; Town Secretary – Stated because of COVID-19 there has been a pretty big reduction in revenue projections, that being said we are going to use last year's budget exactly as it was. So, Admin will be budgeting \$1,050,000.00 and that is for all Admin expenses; Fire, Translators, Community Center and Cemetery. That will leave us with approximately 1.7 million that will go into our ending fund balance, so that will be available to us next year. On the Room Tax side, we've carbon copied last year's budget, it looks like all of you will come in within those numbers and Patti, thank you for sending yours (Chamber) over for this year. That is budgeting to spend all available funds this year. The last major category is PSST and again we budget all available funds. On all of our Capital lines we will be budgeting out all of our available funds as well. A couple of things to note in the General fund which is Admin, Fire, all of those other categories because of COVID-19 and because of the revenue adjustments that we've made the projections are significantly less than they have been in the past. This is one of those categories where we've always tried to be very frugal and in our actual expenditures not our budgeted amounts because we budget a ton but we don't spend it all every year. Our actual expenditures have the potential to exceed our revenues this year in the General fund. That would be the first time that we would see that happen and hopefully we won't have that happen and we will return to normal. We are going to do our best to spend what we receive and not any more. The same holds true for the Room Tax line. When you look at the Room Tax line what we've been doing over the years is, the ordinance split is different than what we're allocating in budget and we've been using the Town portion of the allocation to augment the Chamber and Museum annual budget. With this shortfall in revenue this year, our projected shortfall in revenue this year, that's going to make that fund get tighter and tighter over time. So, it's another thing that we have to pay attention to. I don't want people to take away from that, that if there is a worthwhile project that will help further the towns eco-tourism financial goals, that doesn't mean that we don't want to pursue those and it also doesn't mean that if there is a need that we can't support that, we can. On the Public Safety Sales Tax we budget the entire fund in those as well. The Sheriff pretty much handles theirs and then the Fire Department we're going to roll over about \$130,000.00 that will be available to them for use next year.

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EG – Stated we reduced our revenues by 30% but we used our actual 2019 we took that reduced it by 30% to get our FY20 projection, reduced that by 30% to get our FY21, the year that will be coming up July 1st. So that will be like a 60% reduction but I just want to reiterate this point, what we have always done, is the money we have and the money we budget is not the money we ever spend. The revenue we take in, that's our paycheck, and we try not to spend more than our paycheck. This year, as Carrie said, it's going to be really close. We want to keep doing what we've always done, we'll zero balance so all of our money is available, we will do our transfer to the Capital which is one of our savings funds, we'll have our 3% contingency which is required by law. I just want to reiterate this point, we have enough money with the revenues to do what we always do, not spend more than what we make. I know there are a lot of projects that I personally wanted to do and I know there are ongoing things. If there are things that we don't have to do, let's not do those. If there are things that must be done, we're going to do those. One more thing, I don't want us to miss good opportunities either, if something is happening and that might be the only opportunity we'll ever have to do something we need to really look at doing that regardless. Back to the Chamber and the Museum and the Room Tax, for this year the upcoming FY21, you guys will be funded close to the \$50,000.00 which is not the split according to the ordinance but we can do that for this year. We all need to be watching ourselves and cutting corners where we can without hurting ourselves; Discussion followed.

EG – Stated the County takes money and invests it but we can't count on it so anything that we can't count on we are zeroing it out on our budget; Discussion followed.

Ms. Radomski – Stated the smaller amounts in the revenues we have zeroed out for our purposes. The County will include them when they submit their budget to us; Discussion followed.

EG – One last point the reason we as Beatty will be okay right now is because we've been really responsible, frugal and creative with our budgets and with our spending, for many years, all of our departments, so we'll be okay. If the bottom fell out absolutely we have money to back us up.

6 General Public Comment

None

7 Adjournment

RR – Motion to adjourn at 3:47pm; Second PS; 5-0