

Mayor Fernandes called the meeting to order and requested those present to join her in the Flag Salute.

Mayor Fernandes read the following statement:

"GOOD EVENING LADIES AND GENTLEMEN. THIS MEETING IS NOW CALLED TO ORDER. IN LINE WITH THE BOROUGH OF SEA BRIGHT'S LONGSTANDING POLICY OF OPEN GOVERNMENT, AND IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE "OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT", I WISH TO ADVISE YOU THAT ADEQUATE NOTICE OF THIS **BUDGET WORKSHOP MEETING** HAS BEEN SUPPLIED TO, ASBURY PARK PRESS, THE HUB, THE LINK AND TWO RIVER TIMES ON **March 18, 2010** AND POSTED ON THE BULLETIN BOARD IN THE BOROUGH OFFICE. IN EACH INSTANCE, THE DATE, TIME AND LOCATION OF THIS MEETING WERE PROVIDED IN THE NOTICE. THIS MEETING IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC."

3. ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Bills, Keeler, Kelly, Long, Murphy (arrived at 6:30 pm), Mayor Fernandes, Deputy Borough Clerk Branagan.

ABSENT: LoBiondo

4. Councilwoman Bills introduced a motion approving the request from Pastor Long to hold its annual Easter Sunrise Service on the municipal beach, Sunday, April 4th. Second by Councilman Kelly and approved upon the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Bills, Keeler, Kelly

Nays: None

Abstain: Long

Absent: LoBiondo, Murphy

5. 2010 BUDGET - CFO Bascom said that 7.7 cents was the budget as the result of the departmental budget hearings that was conducted. The Council discussed cutting back legal fees, deferring school tax and appropriations cuts. The budget was reduced to 2.3 cents as the result of lengthy discussions that included cutting back on various line items.

6. REMARKS FROM THE AUDIENCE: No one wished to be heard. Jack Kerns, reporter of The Link reviewed the budget numbers that were discussed with the Council.

There being no further business before the Governing Body. Councilman Murphy made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:18 P.M. Second by Councilwoman Bills and approved upon unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Suzanne Branagan
Deputy Borough Clerk