

**WILLIAMSBURG CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES
BUDGET WORK SESSION OF MARCH 22, 2010**

The Williamsburg City Council held a budget work session on March 22, 2010, at 5:00 p.m., in the large conference room on the third floor of the Municipal Building, 401 Lafayette Street, Williamsburg, Virginia.

ATTENDANCE

Present were Mayor Jeanne Zeidler, Vice-Mayor Clyde Haulman and Council members Ms. Judith Knudson and Messrs. Paul Freiling and Robert Braxton. Also present were City Manager Jack Tuttle, Assistant City Manager Jodi Miller, Finance Director Phil Serra and Communication Specialist Kate Hoving.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Zeidler called the meeting to order for the purpose of hearing information on the following budget matters:

- 5:00 P.M. Colonial Williamsburg Presentation
- 5:30 P.M. Greater Williamsburg Chamber and Tourism Alliance Presentation
- 6:00 P.M. Light Supper
- 6:15 P.M. Budget Introduction – City Manager/Finance Director
- 6:30 P.M. Council Discussion of Budget and CIP

Colin Campbell, President of the Colonial Williamsburg Foundation, made the Foundation's presentation. He was accompanied by John Bacon, Vice-President of the Colonial Williamsburg Foundation.

Dick Schreiber, President and CEO of the Williamsburg Chamber and Tourism Alliance, presented the Chamber/Alliance's request. Robert Hershberger, Vice-President of the Williamsburg Chamber and Tourism Alliance, Jim Golden, Chairperson of the Williamsburg Chamber and Tourism Alliance and Bob Harris, Vice President for Marketing with the Williamsburg Chamber and Tourism Alliance, were also present.

Following a brief recess for a light supper, Mr. Tuttle presented the proposed FY11 budget recommendations (see attached presentation), followed by Mr. Serra's budget comments.

Mr. Tuttle and Mr. Serra answered questions from City Council members regarding the proposed budget. Mayor Zeidler asked Mr. Tuttle to review the recommended funding amount for the Williamsburg Chamber and Tourism Alliance and to provide options for a step-down approach to reduce the Chamber's funding over several budget years. Mr. Tuttle also informed Council members that due to a recalculation from the regional jail, the City would have some savings which could be used to add a police position to the proposed budget bringing police staffing up to FY09 levels. Council member Freiling requested that the Virginians for High Speed Rail advocacy group be fully funded in the proposed budget.

The meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Approved: April 8, 2010

Jeanne Zeidler, Mayor

Donna Scott, City Council Clerk