

Minutes of Budget Meeting of Youghal Town Council held on 7th January, 2009 at 7.30pm in the Mall House, Youghal.

Present:

Mayor Oliver Casey presided.

Cllrs. Linehan Foley, Savage, Burke, Revins, McLellan, Hennessy and Murray. Apologies received from Cllr. Beecher.

Officials Present:

Mrs. Patricia Power, Town Manager.

Mr. Liam Ryan, Town Clerk.

Ms. Katherine Donoher, Act. Staff Officer.

Opening Prayers: The members and officials recited the opening prayers.

Budget 2009:

In accordance with the provision of the Local Government Act, 2001, The Manager presented her Budget showing the amounts which she considered necessary to meet the expenses and provide for the liabilities of the Council for the financial year ending 31/12/2009. The Town Clerk informed the meeting that the Budget for 2009 was presented in a difference format as set down by the Department of Environment, Heritage and Local Government.

The Manager's budget was summarised as follows with the sum to be raised in rates amounting to €1,368,873 which would require a rateable valuation multiplier of €65.97. The effective valuation used is €20,750.00

	Expenditure €	Income Net €	Net Expenditure €
Housing & Building	460,419	953,722	-493,303
Road transportation & Safety	576,133	335,250	24,883
Water Services	277,659	5,500	272,159
Development Management	351,304	110,250	241,054
Recreation & Amenity	449,345	70,750	428,595
Agricultural & Education	35,550	-	35,550
Miscellaneous Services	730,808	147,331	583,477
Total	3,380,245	1,636,059	1,744,186
Local Government Fund=	€1,090,968		
County Charge =	740,000		

The Manager informed the meeting that she has prepared the budget against a stark backdrop of national and international economic turmoil. This Council has been extremely proactive over the last number of years, providing major infrastructural assets such as the Mall Arts Centre, the Claycastle

Leisure Swimming Pool/Leisure Centre, St. Mary's College and Gardens and just recently the fantastic Enterprise Centre. 2009 is a year in which the Council must consolidate these successes, ensuring their long term viability during recessionary times. That National Financial climate sets an enormous challenge for Youghal Town Council and will require a unified approach in dealing with all the issues which are presenting themselves. A 0% increase in the rates and a postponement in the annual review of the Council's differential rent scheme to 01st January, 2010 has been provided for.

The members unanimously thanked the Manager, the Town Clerk and staff for all their work and help throughout the year. The Draft Budget 2009 for Youghal Town Council, including the adoption of a rate in the euro of €65.97, as presented by the Manager was adopted on the proposal of Cllr. Burke, seconded by Cllr. Linehan Foley and unanimously agreed by the members of the Council.

Cllr. Revins took this opportunity to wish Cllr. Casey the best in his retirement from Council which would be taking place in June 2009.

This concluded the business of the meeting.