

**BOROUGH OF DOYLESTOWN**  
**JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**FINANCE AND PENSION COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**& SECOND BUDGET WORKSESSION**  
**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2023 – 6:00 pm**  
**MINUTES**

The above meeting was held on the above date and time with the following people present:

Committee Members: Chair Amy Popkin, Curtis Cowgill, Jennifer Jarret, Wendy Margolis

Council Members: Council President Jack O'Brien, Larry Browne, Joe Frederick, Dennis Livrone

Staff: John Davis, Caroline Brinker

**Approval of Minutes**

Minutes of October 12, 2023 joint budget/finance committee meeting were approved (Frederick/O'Brien)

**2024 Preliminary Budget Presentation**

Mr. Davis presented the 2024 Budgets for the General, Water, Water Capital, and Reserve Funds. Items discussed included:

- A 3-mill tax increase to the 2024 General Fund budget, raising the millage to 13.915 mills.
- Review of General Fund revenues and expenditures, noting an expected transfer of General Fund cash surplus to the Reserve Fund in 2023.
- Increase water rates by 10.5% to cover operating deficit due to hiring of additional full-time operator.
- Capital purchases totaling \$1.4 million to be paid from the Reserve Fund.

**Consideration of 2024 CBRPD Budget**

The Committee reviewed the 2024 CBRPD Budget, noting the changes since the Preliminary Budget was submitted by the CBRPD on 9/1. It was recommended that Council approve the 2024 Central Bucks Regional Police Department budget, as submitted (Jarret/Popkin)

The Committee recommended the Preliminary budget be forwarded to Council for adoption. (Jarret/Popkin)

**Old/New Business** – none

**Executive Session – Personnel**

The meeting broke at 7:15 for Executive Session to discuss Personnel.

Upon returning, there was a motion to adjust the salary line items for 2 staff members (Jarret/Popkin).

The meeting adjourned at 7:28 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Caroline Brinker  
Finance Director