

**Town of Cowpens  
Special Council Meeting  
April 1, 2019**

The Town of Cowpens Town Council met at 6:00 p.m. on April 1, 2019. Present were Mayor Michael D. Hamrick, Mayor Pro-Tem Brenda J. Adair, and Council Members Roy Logan and Jarred S. Spencer. Absent: Thomas Voelker. Mayor Michael D. Hamrick called the meeting to order and Jarred S. Spencer held the opening prayer.

Teresa Carter presented budget amendments to town council. These amendments included:

- Changes in revenue for the business license contract with Data Max
- Revenue from Spartanburg School District Three for SRO's
- Grant Funds for SRO's
- Loan Proceeds for Police Vehicles
- A Body Worn Camera Grant
- Expense changes included SRO's salaries and equipment, a business license contract with Data Max, increases in legal fees for loan closing, insurance for the fitness center at Timken Community Center, police uniforms, police vehicle insurance, repairs on police vehicles, physicals, etc.

Jarred S. Spencer made a motion to approve the budget amendments for the 2018-2019 fiscal budget, second by Roy Logan and carried.

Mrs. Carter also introduced budget recommendations for 2020. The following items were reviewed:

- The current millage rate is .1014 and was reduced during the reassessment year.
- SRO's will remain in the police department budget for 2020.
- Property insurance, tort liability, vehicle insurance, etc. will possibly increase by 5%.
- Employer retirement rates will increase as follows: SCRS 14.56% to 15.56% and PORS 17.24% to 18.24%
- Medical insurance will possibly increase by 8%
- Police expenses will decrease due employee changes completed, vehicle loans in place, grant funds being utilized for Body Worn Cameras
- Street Department expenses reviewed: contract labor and repairs on equipment

Jarred S. Spencer made a motion to adjourn, second by and carried.

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Mayor Michael D. Hamrick

Mayor Pro-Tem Brenda J. Adair

Council Member Roy Logan

Attest:

Council Member Jarred S. Spencer

Teresa Carter, Clerk

Council Member Thomas Voelker