

A worksession of the Carrboro Board of Aldermen was held on Tuesday, May 13, 2008 at 7:30 p.m. in the Town Hall Board Room.

Present and presiding:

Mayor	Mark Chilton
Aldermen	Joal Hall Broun
	Dan Coleman
	Jacquelyn Gist
	John Herrera
	Randee Haven-O'Donnell
	Lydia Lavelle
Town Manager	Steven E. Stewart
Town Attorney	Michael B. Brough
Town Clerk	Sarah C. Williamson

PROCLAMATION ISSUED

Mayor Chilton issued a proclamation proclaiming the week of May 10-18 as National Tourism Week in the Town of Carrboro and presented that proclamation to Laurie Paolicelli, Executive Director of the Chapel Hill/Orange County Visitors Bureau.

Alderman Gist invited Ms. Paolicelli to attend a future meeting of the Carrboro Arts Committee.

PRESENTATION OF MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET FOR FISCAL 2008-2009

By state law, the Town Manager is responsible for submitting a balanced budget for the Carrboro community to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen by June 1st. Tonight, the Board was presented with the FY2008-09 Recommended Budget. The recommended budget was submitted earlier than required by law so that the Board and community could have sufficient time to discuss the initiatives proposed in the budget.

Steve Stewart, the Town Manager, presented his proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2008-09.

WORKSESSION ON THE MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET FOR FISCAL 2008-2009

The purpose of this agenda item was to begin budget discussions. A resolution with a proposed agenda was presented for board consideration.

Bing Roenigk, the town's Assistant Town Manager, introduced the revised budget document and discussed changes in the Homestead Exemption Act.

Alderman Gist asked that the town staff put forth an effort to inform residents of the changes in the Homestead Exemption Act.

Clayton Hearne, the town's Fleet Maintenance Supervisor, discussed the town's vehicle replacement policy.

Mayor Chilton asked town staff to find what Orange County was planning to do with OCHLT's request for additional funding. In addition, he asked that surplus bicycles be made available for use by town employees.

Mr. Stewart stated that a public hearing is scheduled for May 27th on the 2008-09 proposed budget, with the next budget worksession scheduled for June 3rd, followed by adoption of the budget on June 17th.

Alderman Gist asked that the Board consider adopting the budget prior to June 17th as she will be not be in attendance at that meeting.

MOTION WAS MADE BY RANDEE HAVEN-O'DONNELL AND SECONDED BY JOHN HERRERA TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 8:36 P.M. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL

Mayor

Town Clerk