

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor McBride opened the meeting at 6:00 p.m.

**2. FLAG SALUTE**

**3. ROLL CALL** - Present: Matt Severino, Frank Mazza, Bruce Hirt, Michele McBride, William Bischoff.

Grace Brennan, CFO and Ella M. Ruta, Township Clerk, were also present.

Sunshine Law Announcement – I would like to announce and have placed in the Minutes that adequate notice of this special meeting of the Union Township Committee has been provided in accordance with the “Open Public Meetings Act” by electronic mail to the Hunterdon Democrat and Courier News; and by posting such notice on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building and by filing a copy of the notice with the Township Clerk.

**4. PURPOSE OF THE MEETING**

a. Discussion of 2013 Municipal Budget

– Mayor McBride stated that she is hoping the Committee will be able, as they did in the past, to have no increase in the 2013 budget.

Budget presented by CFO has a 2 cents increase due to a significant decrease in our total net valuation taxable. Some of the items discussed were: Funds moved from COAH Trust, Open Space Funds, Debt Service (Anticipation Notes and Bonds), possible grants received, cost of Sharing Services for Municipal Court and recreation fees. Capital budget will be discussed at the next budget meeting on February 20, 2013. The Committee questioned CFO Brennan about various line items in the budget. Most questions were briefly discussed. Mayor McBride commented on the 2.5 % salary increase for eligible employees and Committee members.

**5. PUBLIC COMMENTS** – None

**6. ADJOURNMENT** – There being no further business to come before the Township Committee at this time, Mr. Severino made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Hirt seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:04 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Ella Malecki Ruta, RMC  
Municipal Clerk