

BOARD OF FINANCE
REGULAR MEETING
MAY 19, 2014

The Board of Finance held their Regular Meeting on Monday, May 19, 2014, in Conference Room B of the Parsons Complex. Chairman Lema called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Board Members Present

Brian Lema
Joseph L. Castignoli
Joseph J. Fitzpatrick, Jr.
Scott Marlow
Mickel Montano

Also Present

Peter Erodici, Jr., Finance Director
James L. Richetelli, Jr., Chief Operations Officer
Christopher Saley, Public Works Director
Christine Angeli, Library Director
Suzanne Paul, Assistant City Clerk
Gary Wassmer, City Engineer

Consideration of Minutes of March 31, 2014

Mr. Marlow and Mr. Fitzpatrick made and seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held March 31, 2014 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Correspondence

None.

New Business

Chairman Lema asked to amend the agenda to add new items.

Mr. Marlow and Mr. Castignoli made and seconded a motion to amend the agenda to add additional transfers to Items A and B, Budget Memo Transfers #9 and #10. Motion carried unanimously.

- A. Mr. Castignoli and Mr. Fitzpatrick made and seconded a motion to approve Budget Memo Transfer #9, Funds 10 & 12 (FY14). Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Fitzpatrick asked about the \$165,000 transfer from Highway-Parks regular wage account to General Garage equipment, supply & upkeep account and Solid Waste city removal costs. He also questioned the overtime in Solid Waste. Mr. Erodici explained that there were Public Works retirements which left unfilled positions, creating savings in regular wages. Mr. Saley added that there is a lag time in filling those positions. He said that it was the same in the Building Maintenance Department.

Mr. Castignoli asked about the City waste removal costs and overtime. Mr. Saley explained that the employees contractually punch in and out for their regular jobs and then punch back in for the bulk pick up which results in overtime. Mr. Fitzpatrick asked why the City doesn't budget for this overtime. Mr. Erodici stated that the cost of the bulk pick up is included in this transfer request. Mr. Saley explained that there is a shortage of trucks and that if one is out of service for maintenance that it slows everything down. Mr. Castignoli suggested the City budget more for the Garage and be aggressive with preventative maintenance.

- B. Mr. Marlow and Mr. Fitzpatrick made and seconded a motion to approve Budget Memo Transfer #10, Funds 10 & 12 (FY14). Motion carried unanimously.
- C. Mr. Marlow and Ms. Montano made and seconded a motion for consideration of approval for the Board of Finance to deposit \$300,000 into the existing dedicated nonlapsing account or dedicated special revenue fund; which is the amount of unexpended Board of Education funds from fiscal year 2013-2014 in accordance with CGS Sec. 10-248a, provided that such annual amount does not exceed one percent of the total budgeted appropriation for education for the fiscal year.

Mr. Richetelli spoke about the Board of Education long-range planning committee and how the current grade configurations took place in the 2010-2011 school year. He said this was done to save money. There was then some discussion as to how the Board of Education decides to spend the money. Mr. Richetelli spoke about how the \$300,000 being voted on will help offset the cost of the future grade reconfigurations which are now being discussed. He also added that the \$450,000 currently in the special account is being used for artificial turf fields at the high schools.

Motion carried unanimously.

Staff Report

None.

There being no further business to discuss, Mr. Marlow and Mr. Fitzpatrick made and seconded a motion to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. The Board adjourned at 7 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Marianne Winters-Croffy
Acting Recording Secretary