

**BOARD OF ALDERMEN  
BUDGET DELIBERATIONS SESSION  
MAY 2, 2018**

The Board of Aldermen resumed their budget deliberation session on Wednesday, May 2, 2018 in the aldermanic chambers of City Hall. Chairman Vetro welcomed everyone and asked those present to join in saluting our flag and reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

**1. Roll Call**

**Board Members Present**

B. Anderson  
E. Beatty  
K. Fortunati  
C. Gaynor  
D. German  
A. Giannattasio  
J. Grant  
F. Smith  
A. Sutton  
J. Tranquilli  
N. Veccharelli  
P. Vetro  
R. Vitali

**Also Present**

Mayor Benjamin G. Blake  
P. Erodici, Finance Director  
S. Fournier, Mayor's Admin Asst.  
J. Rohrig, City Clerk

**Excused**

J. Golden  
M. Hardiman

Chairman Vetro reconvened the budget proceedings in public session at 7:34 p.m.

**4819 Milford Progress, Inc.**

Mayor Blake stated he received an email from Mr. Knuff, President of Milford Progress, Inc., was unable to attend this evening. He stated if the Board had any questions he would get a response from Mr. Knuff.

**4219 Human Resources Department** – Tania Barnes, Director was present for questions/comments. She stated her budget is relatively flat, which the exception of contractual wage increases. Ms. Barnes stated it has been a busy year and provided the Board with an overview of the work.

Ald. Giannattasio asked for a description of the generalist position.

Ms. Barnes explained the work and role of the generalist within her department. She also spoke of the anticipated opening for that position.

**4145 Pension & Retirement Board** – Tania Barnes, Director was present for question/comments.

No questions.

**4151 Civil Service Commission** – Tania Barnes, Director was present for questions/comments.

No questions.

**4813 Bridges** – Barbara DiMauro, CEO and Jennifer Fiorello, who oversees the Fiscal Department, were present for questions/comments. Ms. DiMauro stated he would be happy to answer any questions the Board may have.

Mayor Blake pointed out Ms. DiMauro would be retiring at the end of June and thanked her for her service and wished her well.

Ald. Vitali also wished Ms. DiMauro well in her retirement.

**4807 Regional Mental Health Board**

Mayor Blake stated Milford recently appointed someone to this Board. He stated the budget is status quo.

**4801 Council on Aging** – Janice M. Jackson, Executive Director and Phyllis Leggett were present for questions/comments. Ms. Jackson provided overall statistics for services provided by the center.

Ald. German asked the amount for a membership.

Ms. Jackson stated it is \$15.00 per year.

**4320 Fire Department** – Chief Doug Chief Edo, Assistant Chief Baker and Battalion Chief Wassmer were present for questions/comments.

**4360 Lights, Hydrants, Water** – Chief Edo, Assistant Chief Baker and Battalion Chief Wassmer were present for questions/comments. Chief Edo pointed to a slight increase in water charges.

**4331 Emergency Management** - Chief Edo, Assistant Chief Baker and Battalion Chief Wassmer were present for questions/comments. Chief Edo stated the budget is identical to last year.

**4805 C-Med** – Chief Edo, Assistant Chief Baker and Battalion Chief Wassmer were present for questions/comments. Chief Edo explained this budget is the connection between the paramedic and the hospital/doctor for trauma calls.

**4818 Historic District Commission** – Mayor Blake stated the vast majority of the budget is for secretarial fees.

- 4820 **Historic District II** - No questions.
- 4503 **Public Debt Service** – No questions.
- 4710 **Employee Benefits** – No questions.
- 4720 **Insurance and Bonds** – No questions.
- 4740 **Claims and Refunds** – No questions.
- 4790 **Benefit and Salary Reserve** – No questions.
- 4992 **Private School Textbook**

Ald. Vitali commented the \$20,000 that continues to be the same each year even though there remains only one school left after two closed.

Mayor Blake stated although the population of the schools may have changed, the monies are still requested and necessary.

- 4779 **Unallocated Contingency** – No questions.
- 4994 **Education Audit Fees** – No questions.
- 4994 **School Debt** – No questions.
- 4995 **Employee Benefits – Non-Teaching** – No questions.
- 4997 **Education – Health Insurance Contribution** – No questions.

Chairman Vetro announced the Board would stand in recess until Wednesday, May 9, 2018.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen A. Kennedy  
Recording Secretary