

FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the standing committee on Finance was held on Monday May 6, 2024 at 7:00PM in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 45 School St., Brockton, MA. The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM with seven members present. With Councilor Rodrigues presiding, Councilors Asack, Derenoncourt, Minichiello, Tavares absent.

1. Acceptance of the minutes of the April 16, 2024 Finance Committee Meeting.

*Accepted and placed on file.

2. Reappointment of Mr. Miles Jackson, of 25 Stearns Avenue, Brockton, MA 02302, to the War Memorial Building Board of Trustees for a three (3) year term, ending April 2027.

Invited: Mr. Miles Jackson

*President Rodrigues stated that Mr. Jackson wasn't there but was at the last City Council Meeting and this is just a reappointment and they all know him well.

*Councilor Asack stepped in

Having considered the same, motion by Councilor Faewell to report FAVORABLE and was properly seconded. Motion carried by a hand vote.

3. Reappointment of Mr. Ryan Burke, of 81 Rockford Street, Brockton, MA 02301, to the War Memorial Building Board of Trustees for a three (3) year term, ending April 2027.

Invited: Mr. Ryan Burke

*Councilor Tavares stepped in

*President Rodrigues stated that Mr. Burke as well wasn't there but was at the last City Council Meeting and this is just a reappointment.

Having considered the same, motion by Councilor Faewell to report FAVORABLE and was properly seconded. Motion carried by a hand vote.

4. Ordered: That the following named sum be and the same is hereby transferred as the same was submitted by the Mayor as follows:

Transfer of: \$500,000

FROM: TREASURER'S DEBT -	\$500,000
INTEREST SHORT TERM NOTES	
TO: TREASURER- MEDICARE TAX	\$450,000
TREASURER PERSONAL SERVICES NON-OT	\$50,000

This transfer will be used to cover union contractual agreements.

Invited: Martin Brophy, Treasurer
Troy Clarkson, Chief Financial Officer

*Mr. Brophy introduced and explained the order and was available to answer any questions that anyone may have had.

* Questions and comments from Councilor Farwell.

Having considered the same, motion by Councilor Asack to report FAVORABLE and was properly seconded. Motion carried by a hand vote.

5. Ordered: That the following named sum be and the same is hereby transferred as the same was submitted by the Mayor as follows:

Transfer of: \$100,000

FROM: AUDITOR MAIL – POSTAGE	\$50,000
AUDITOR – FULL TIME SALARIES NON-OT	\$43,000
AUDITOR- GOODS AND SUPPLIES	\$7,000
TO: AUDITOR- PURCHASE OF SERVICE	\$100,000

This transfer will be used to cover unanticipated auditing expenditures for the remainder of FY24.

Invited: Irene Giannopoulos, Interim Auditor
Troy Clarkson, Chief Financial Officer

*Ms. Giannopoulos introduced and explained the order and was available to answer any questions that anyone may have had.

* Questions and comments from Councilor Nicastro.

Having considered the same, motion by Councilor Lally to report FAVORABLE and was properly seconded. Motion carried by a hand vote.

6. Resolve: Be it resolved by the Brockton City Council to invite Matthew Stanton, Chairperson of the Brockton Beautification Committee or his designee, to appear at a meeting of the Finance Committee to discuss “Keep Brockton Beautiful Day” which has

been scheduled by Mayor Sullivan to take place on Saturday May 18, 2024 throughout the City of Brockton.

Invited: Matthew Stanton, Chairperson

*Mr. Stanton introduced and explained the order and was available to answer any questions that anyone may have had.

* Questions and comments from Councilors Nicastro, Griffin, Tavares, Thompson, Teixeira, and asack.

Having considered the same, motion by Councilor Nicastro to report FAVORABLE and was properly seconded. Motion carried by a hand vote.

7. Resolve: Be it resolved by the Brockton City Council to invite Troy Clarkson, Chief Financial Officer of the City of Brockton, to appear at a meeting of the Finance Committee to discuss the FY 23 School deficiency balance of approximately \$9 Million dollars, after payment of \$7.9 Million Dollars from the City Stabilization Account and \$2 Million Dollars of certified free cash that was approved by the Council at a Special Meeting held on December 20, 2023. Be is further resolved to discuss the representation at the Special Meeting that these funds would be paid from FY24 Local Receipts and to discuss whether the City is on target to have adequate funds to satisfy this representation.

Invited: Troy Clarkson, Chief Financial Officer

*Mr. Clarkson introduced and explained the order and was available to answer any questions that anyone may have had.

* Questions and comments from Councilors Nicastro, Farwell, and Thompson.

Having considered the same, motion by Councilor Thompson to report FAVORABLE and was properly seconded. Motion carried by a hand vote.

8. Resolve: WHEREAS, Clean streets and sidewalks enhance the appearance of business and neighborhood areas, and,
WHEREAS, The Department of Public Works is specifically charged with maintenance and upkeep of these areas;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That Commissioner Patrick Hill be invited to a meeting of the council to discuss the maintenance and cleaning of streets and sidewalks, and programs to enhance the attractiveness of neighborhood and commercial areas in the city.

Invited: Patrick Hill, DPW Commissioner

*Mr. Hill introduced and explained the order and was available to answer any questions that anyone may have had.

* Questions and comments from Councilors Farwell, Teixeira, Tavares, Asack, Griffin, Nicastro, Thompson, and Lally.

Having considered the same, motion by Councilor Farwell to report FAVORABLE and was properly seconded. Motion carried by a hand vote.

Councilor Recognition: Councilor Farwell reminded everyone tomorrow Tuesday May 7 is the Ordinance Committee Meeting at 6:30PM in City Council Chambers. Councilor Nicastro reminded everyone about the Brockton High School Drama Club is having The Wedding Singer Musical this Saturday May 11 and Sunday May 12. President Rodrigues Reminded everyone that Budget week will be on June 17, 18, 20, and 24.

Adjourned: 8:40PM