



LEGISLATIVE BRANCH ▪ CITY OF BINGHAMTON

Teri Rennia, City Council President
Angela Holmes, City Clerk

MINUTES
City Council Finance Committee
Budget Hearing
City Council Work Room, 38 Hawley Street, Binghamton, N.Y.
Wednesday October 9, 2013

Called to Order. Called to order at 7:34pm by Councilwoman Webb, City Council Finance Chair.

Council Members Present: Jerry Motsavage (Committee Member), Joseph Mihalko, Teri Rennia, Lea Webb (Chair), Chris Papastrat, John Matzo (Committee Member), Bill Berg

Council Members Absent: None

Also in attendance: Angela Holmes, City Clerk; Gerald Kennicutt, Deputy Comptroller; Charles Pearsall, Comptroller; Jeremy Pelletier, Deputy City Clerk; Kyle Seeley, Executive Assistant to the Mayor; Allison Sosa, 2nd Assistant Corporation Counsel; Colleen Wagner, Youth Bureau Director

ITEMS CONSIDERED

Discussion. Review of new and existing debt.
Presented by: Charles Pearsall, Comptroller

Budget Item: Mayor

Presented by: Kyle Seeley, Executive Assistant to the Mayor; Colleen Wagner, Youth Bureau Director

Call pages 14-15.

Moved by Rennia, seconded by Matzo.

Motion to move pages 14-15.

Moved by Rennia, seconded by Motsavage.

Motion carried. (Vote 7-0)

Ayes: Motsavage, Mihalko, Rennia, Webb, Papastrat, Matzo, Berg

Nays: None

Budget Items: Finance, Transfer to Capital Fund

Presented by: Charles Pearsall, Comptroller

Call pages 16-17 and 113.

Moved by Rennia, seconded by Matzo.

Executive Session. Motion to enter into Executive Session at 8:03pm to discuss personnel matters.

Moved by Papastrat, seconded by Matzo.

Voice vote, none opposed.

Reconvene. Called to order at 8:16pm by Councilwoman Webb, City Council Finance Chair.



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Motion to hold page 113.

Moved by Rennia, seconded by Matzo.

Item held.

Motion to move pages 16-17.

Moved by Rennia, seconded by Berg.

Motion carried. (Vote 7-0)

Ayes: Motsavage, Mihalko, Rennia, Webb, Papastrat, Matzo, Berg

Nays: None

Budget Items: Parks & Recreation Administration, Parks, Playgrounds & Recreation Centers, Capital Improvements

Presented by: Bill Barber, Director of Parks & Recreation; Carol Quinlivan, Assistant Director of Parks & Recreation

Call pages 78-83.

Moved by Rennia, seconded by Matzo.

Motion to move pages 78-79.

Moved by Rennia, seconded by Motsavage.

Motion carried. (Vote 7-0)

Ayes: Motsavage, Mihalko, Rennia, Webb, Papastrat, Matzo, Berg

Nays: None

Motion to reduce budget line A7110.52600 (Equipment) from \$22,000 to \$20,500, eliminating \$1,500 from Miscellaneous Equipment, and moving such funds to budget line A1990.55000 (Contingency).

Moved by Matzo, seconded by Rennia.

Motion carried. (Vote 6-1)

Ayes: Motsavage, Mihalko, Rennia, Papastrat, Matzo, Berg

Nays: Webb

Motion to increase budget line A7140.51800 (Temporary Services) from \$180,000 to \$187,000, transferring \$7,000 from budget line A1990.55000 (Contingency) thereto.

Moved by Webb, seconded by Berg.

Motion carried. (Vote 7-0)

Ayes: Motsavage, Mihalko, Rennia, Webb, Papastrat, Matzo, Berg

Nays: None



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Motion to hold pages 80-82.

Moved by Rennia, seconded by Papastrat.

Item held.

Motion to move page 83.

Moved by Rennia, seconded by Motsavage.

Motion carried. (Vote 7-0)

Ayes: Motsavage, Mihalko, Rennia, Webb, Papastrat, Matzo, Berg

Nays: None

Motion to eliminate \$83,000 from Parks Equipment Capital Improvement budget, eliminating the Stump Cutter at \$50,000, the 4-Door Sedan at \$15,500, and the Pick-Up Truck at \$17,500.

Moved by Webb, seconded by Rennia.

Motion carried. (Vote 7-0)

Ayes: Motsavage, Mihalko, Rennia, Webb, Papastrat, Matzo, Berg

Nays: None

Motion to eliminate \$80,000 from Parks Construction Capital Improvement budget, reducing Upgrade 7 Park Bathroom Facilities from \$140,000 to \$60,000.

Moved by Rennia, seconded by Motsavage.

Motion carried. (Vote 7-0)

Ayes: Motsavage, Mihalko, Rennia, Webb, Papastrat, Matzo, Berg

Nays: None

Motion to eliminate \$350,000 from Parks Construction Capital Improvement budget, eliminating funds for Recreation Park Tennis Courts.

Moved by Rennia, seconded by Berg.

Motion carried. (Vote 7-0)

Ayes: Motsavage, Mihalko, Rennia, Webb, Papastrat, Matzo, Berg

Nays: None

Motion to eliminate \$750,000 from Parks Construction Capital Improvement budget, eliminating Upgrade Cheri Lindsey Bath House—Construction at \$500,000 and Upgrade Southside Pool Bath House—Construction at \$250,000.

Moved by Papastrat, seconded by Motsavage.

Motion carried. (Vote 6-1)

Ayes: Motsavage, Mihalko, Rennia, Papastrat, Matzo, Berg

Nays: Webb

Motion to eliminate \$150,000 from Parks Construction Capital Improvement budget, eliminating First Ward Pool Spray Park.

Moved by Rennia, seconded by Motsavage.

Motion carried. (Vote 7-0)

Ayes: Motsavage, Mihalko, Rennia, Webb, Papastrat, Matzo, Berg

Nays: None



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Motion to hold the Parks Construction Capital Improvement budget line for Heating/Cooling System at First Ward Senior Center, and to move all other Parks Capital Improvement budget lines.

Moved by Rennia, seconded by Webb.

Motion carried. (Vote 7-0)

Ayes: Motsavage, Mihalko, Rennia, Webb, Papastrat, Matzo, Berg

Nays: None

Adjournment. Motion to adjourn at 10:04pm.

Moved by Matzo, seconded by Papastrat.

Voice vote, none opposed.