

FINANCE COMMITTEE  
Minutes of the Meeting  
November 7, 2022

1. Chairman LaCava called the meeting to order at 9:45pm in the City Council Chamber.
2. Chairman LaCava requested that a roll call be taken to record the attendance for the meeting. The Clerk called the roll – Committee members Durkee, LaFauci, McMenimen, Vidal and LaCava were all present in-person.
3. Councillor LaFauci moved to approve the minutes of the meeting held on October 17, 2022. The motion was adopted on a voice vote and the minutes of the meeting on October 17, 2022 were approved.
4. A request was received from the Mayor to accept the donation of several historical newspapers from Justin Barrett to held in the City Archive Building. Councillor LaFauci moved to accept the donation and that a thank you note is sent to the donor. The motion was adopted on a voice vote.
5. A request was received from the Mayor to accept the donation of various office furniture from MA Health Data Consortium. Councillor LaFauci moved to accept the donation and that a thank you note is sent to the donor. The motion was adopted on a voice vote.
6. A request was received from the Mayor to accept the donation of keys for locks for the City Hall Museum Room from Robin Capello. Councillor Durkee moved to accept the donation and that a thank you note is sent to the donor. The motion was adopted on a voice vote.
7. A request was received from the Mayor to accept the donation of various artifacts found on the grounds of the Paine Estate from Michael Scichilone for display in the City Hall Museum Room. President McMenimen moved to accept the donation and that a thank you note is sent to the donor. The motion was adopted on a voice vote.
8. A request was received from the Mayor to accept the donation of Waltham scenery photographs from Jeannette A. McCarthy for display in the City Hall Museum Room. Councillor Vidal moved to accept the donation and that a thank you note is sent to the donor. The motion was adopted on a voice vote.
9. A request was received from the Mayor to approve the appropriation of \$20,000 to purchase a new air compressor for the Cemetery Division of the CPW Department.

FROM:

Cemetery – Sale of Lots & Graves	#216-420-1745-3300	\$20,000
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TO:

Cemetery – General Equipment	#216-420-1745-5206	\$20,000
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Councillor Durkee moved to hear from the CPW Director, Michael Chiasson. The motion was adopted on a voice vote. Mr. Chiasson explained the need and the intended use of the air compressor. Councillor Durkee moved to approve the appropriation of \$20,000. The motion was adopted on a voice vote.

10. A request was received from the Mayor to approve the transfer of \$80,000 to fund the first 000 to fund the first year of the collective bargaining agreement (CBA) for the period July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2025 for the Librarian's Union. Funding for the remaining two years of the contract will be included in the Mayor's Recommendation for the Library budget for FY2024 and FY2025.

FROM:

Auditor – Collective Bargaining	#001-135-5400-5111	\$80,000
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TO:

Library – Salary	#001-610-5100-5111	\$80,000
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AND

That the City Council approves the use of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds in the amount of \$11,700 to be committed for Year 2 (FY2024) of the agreement and \$11,700 to be committed for Year 3 (FY2025) of the agreement.

Upon questions from Councillors LaFauci, Vidal and Durkee, City Auditor Paul Centofanti gave a brief summary of the negotiations and the items that were included in the agreement. Councillor LaFauci moved to approve the transfer of \$80,000 and the use of the ARPA funds totaling \$23,400. The motion was adopted on a voice vote.

11. A motion by Councillor Vidal to adjourn was adopted on a voice vote and Chairman LaCava declared the meeting adjourned at 9:50PM.

Paul G. Centofanti – Clerk to the Finance Committee