

Waltham City Council
Minutes of the Special Meeting – Budget
June 20, 2023

President McMenimen called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Present: Councillors Bradley-MacArthur, Darcy, Dunn, Durkee, Harris, Katz, LaCava, LaFauci, LeBlanc, McLaughlin, O'Brien, Paz, Stanley, Vidal, and President McMenimen.

Absent: None

City Clerk Vizard recited the Council Prayer followed by President McMenimen leading all present in the Pledge of Allegiance. Councillor Durkee asked for a moment of silence for all military that have served past and present.

Councillor LaCava spoke on the Budget Meetings held, thanked the Finance Committee the Auditors Department and others. Councillor LaCava explained there would be 4 Budget approvals.

Councillor LaCava made a motion to approve the FY2024 Municipal Budget of \$222,052,432.00. On the motion Councillors Paz and Bradley-MacArthur explained why they would not be supporting the motion. Councillor LaFauci spoke on all the hard work done by the Finance Committee. Councillor Bradley-McArthur rose for a point of personal privilege. Councillor LeBlanc asked about any increases to the budget. Councillor LaCava provided answers. Councillor O'Brien thanked the Finance Committee for their hard work and asked what would happen if the budget did not get approved. Clerk Vizard provided answers.

Roll Call.

In favor: Darcy, Dunn, Durkee, Harris, Katz, LaCava, LaFauci, LeBlanc, McLaughlin, O'Brien, Stanley and Vidal.

Opposed: Bradley-MacArthur, Paz.

Absent: None.

Presiding: McMenimen.

The matter was approved 12-2-0.

Councillor LaCava made a motion to approve the FY2024 School Budget of \$105,709,717.00. Councillor Paz rose to speak in support of the School Budget and thanked Dr. Reagan for his time. Councillor Bradley-MacArthur spoke on being a parent, supporting the budget and her disappointment of Dr. Reagans leaving.

Roll Call.

In favor: Bradley-MacArthur, Darcy, Dunn, Durkee, Harris, Katz, LaCava, LaFauci, LeBlanc, McLaughlin, O'Brien, Paz, Stanley and Vidal.

Opposed: None.

Absent: None.

Presiding: McMenimen.

The matter was approved 14-0-0.

Councillor LaCava made a motion to approve the \$471,831.00 for the Parking Meter Account. Roll Call.

In favor: Bradley-MacArthur, Darcy, Dunn, Durkee, Harris, Katz, LaCava, LaFauci, LeBlanc, McLaughlin, O'Brien, Paz, Stanley and Vidal.

Opposed: None.

Absent: None.
Presiding: McMenimen.
The matter was approved 14-0-0.

Councillor LaCava made a motion to approve the revolving accounts for City Clerk, Council on Aging, Planning and Recreation Departments. Roll Call.

In favor: Bradley-MacArthur, Darcy, Dunn, Durkee, Harris, Katz, LaCava, LaFauci, LeBlanc, McLaughlin, O'Brien, Paz, Stanley and Vidal.

Opposed: None.

Absent: None.

Presiding: McMenimen.

The matter was approved 14-0-0.

With no further matters Councillor LaCava moved to adjourn. The motion was approved by a voice vote. President McMenimen declared the meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:
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