

*Long Term Debt Committee
March 3, 2014
Minutes the of Meeting*

Attendance

Councillor Fowler	Present
Councillor McLaughlin	Present
Councillor McMenimen	Present
Councillor O'Brien	Present
Chairman Stanley	Present

Chairman Stanley called the meeting to order. – 6:00 P.M.

Councilor Fowler motioned approval of the February 18, 2014 minutes. Motion was approved on a voice vote.

1. Community Preservation Committee recommends approval of \$125,000. to amend City Council Order 32075 for Arrigo Farm.

Councillor McMenimen moved to hear from all off committee members. Motion was approved on a voice vote.

CPC Chairperson Diana Young informed the committee that this project was in need of an additional appropriation of \$ 125,000 due to a math error in the original appropriation request. Councillor McMenimen asked Ms. Young if the project was proceeding forward. Ms. Young said yes. Councillor McMenimen made a motion for approval. Motion was approved on a voice vote.

2. Resolution - Waltham High School CIP Plan.

Chairman Stanley turned the chair over to Councillor O'Brien.

Councillor Stanley made a motion to hear from off committee members. Motion was approved on a voice vote.

Councillor Stanley asked Mayor McCarthy for a status update on the punch list items that the State had previously told the School Department needed to be updated. Mayor McCarthy indicated that the School Committee was aware of those items. The Mayor and the Superintendent had previously been advised from the Department of Education that they would get money this year. Councillor Stanley said his concern was that if the School Department waits too long they take a risk of losing accreditation. Mayor McCarthy indicated that they currently have a consultant on board reviewing the different schools and they continue to have discussions with State officials. Councillor Stanley mentioned that capital funds previously approved for these items have not been spent to date. Mayor McCarthy said she would prefer not to spent tax payers money if State funding was going to be granted.

Councillor Stanley made a request that the City Auditor and the Superintendent provide all capital expenditure requests from the Superintendent to the School Committee, and from the School Committee to the Mayor for the last ten years. Councillor McMenimen amended the request that the information be provided electronically. Motion was approved on a voice vote. Councillor Fowler asked if there was a cutoff date. The Mayor said the next report is 2016. Councillor McLaughlin asks when will we know about the money, this year? Mayor McCarthy said she didn't know. Councillor McMenimen noted the eight new schools had previously been built under this State program. Councillor Stanley made a motion to lay the matter back on the table. Motion was approved on a voice vote.

Councillor Fowler made a motion to adjourn. Motion was approved on a voice vote.

Chairman Stanley adjourned the meeting at 7:20 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Thomas J Magno - Clerk