



**WESTBROOK FINANCE COMMITTEE  
FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES  
MONDAY, APRIL 24, 2023 AT 6:30 PM  
WESTBROOK HIGH SCHOOL (ROOM 114)  
125 STROUDWATER ST.**



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## **I. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT**

Meeting called to order at 7:15pm by Vice President David C. Morse. City Clerk Angela Holmes read the City Council Land Acknowledgement statement into the record.

## **II. ROLL CALL**

**City Councilors Present:** Michael Shaughnessy (At-Large), David C. Morse (Ward 1, Vice President), Victor Chau (Ward 2), Gary Rairdon (Ward 4), Jennifer Munro (Ward 5), Claude Rwaganje (At-Large)

**City Councilors Absent:** Anna A. Turcotte (Ward 3, President)

**Other City Officials Present:** Rosemary Bebris (Library Director), Jerre Bryant (City Administrator), Natalie Burns (City Solicitor), Eric Dudley (Director of Engineering & Public Services), Melanie Fernald (Deputy City Clerk), Jennie Franceschi (Director of Planning & Code Enforcement), Michael T. Foley (Mayor), Greg Hamilton (Director of Emergency Communications & IT), Angela Holmes (Asst. City Administrator/City Clerk), Suzanne Knight (Finance Director), Sean Lally (Police Chief), Brian Langerman (Deputy Chief of EMS & Training), Ellis Ledoux (Executive Assistant), Lori McDonald (Deputy Director of Community Services), Joanne LePauloue (Director of Human Resources), Prosper Lohomboli (DEI Administrator), Brandon Mitchell (Student Representative), Makayla Morello (Student Representative), Greg Post (Director of Community Services), Robyn Saunders (Project Manager), Stephen Sloan (Fire Chief), Daniel Stevenson (Director of Economic Development), Gary Wagner (Assistant Fire Chief)

## **III. PROPOSED FY 2023-2024 BUDGET PRESENTATIONS**

*For reference, the Mayor's Budget Message & Tax Rate Summary can be found under Tab 1. All General Fund Revenue can be found under Tab 2.*

- **Walker Memorial Library (Tab 19)**  
Presented by Library Director Rosemary Bebris
- **Community Services, Recreation, Children's Programming, Pool & Athletic Facilities (Tab 18)**  
Presented by Director of Community Services Greg Post
- **General Assistance (Tab 17)**  
Presented by Director of General Assistance & Social Services Harrison Deah
- **Human Resources & Employee Benefits (Tab 11)**  
Presented by Human Resources Director Joanne LePauloue

- **City Clerk & Elections (Tab 7)**  
Presented by Asst. City Administrator/City Clerk Angela Holmes
- **Planning & Code Enforcement (Tab 12)**  
Presented by Director of Planning & Code Enforcement Jennie Franceschi
- **Economic Development & WEIC (Tab 5)**  
Presented by Director of Economic Development Daniel Stevenson
- **Dispatch (Tab 14)**  
**Information Technology (Tab 10)**  
Presented by Director of Emergency Communications & Information Technology Greg Hamilton
- **Fire & Rescue (Tab 15)**  
Presented by Fire Chief Steve Sloan
- **Police (Tab 13)**  
Presented by Police Chief Sean Lally

#### **LIBRARY**

Ms. Bebris was invited to the podium to present the proposed FY 2023-2024 budget for the Walker Memorial Library.

The following individuals presented comments and/or questions: Councilor Rairdon, Councilor Rwaganje, Councilor Shaughnessy, Vice President Morse, Mayor Foley

Motion to reduce the General Supplies line from \$8,000 to \$6,000.

Moved by Rairdon, no second received.

**Motion failed.**

Additional comments on the Library budget: Mayor Foley, Councilor Munro, Councilor Chau

Councilor Rairdon asked that the Library's general supplies be added to the Revisit list.

#### **COMMUNITY SERVICES**

Mr. Post was invited to the podium to present the proposed FY 2023-2024 budget for Community Services, Recreation, Children's Programming, Pool & Athletics.

The following individuals presented comments and/or questions: Mayor Foley, Councilor Rairdon, Ms. Knight, Councilor Chau, Councilor Shaughnessy, Councilor Munro, Councilor Rwaganje, Vice President Morse

#### **HUMAN RESOURCES & EMPLOYEE BENEFITS**

Ms. LePauloue was invited to the podium to present the proposed FY 2023-2024 budget for Human Resources & Employee Benefits.

The following individuals presented comments and/or questions: Councilor Chau, Mayor Foley, Ms. Knight, Councilor Rwaganje, Councilor Rairdon, Councilor Munro, Vice President Morse, Ms. Knight

#### **CITY CLERK & ELECTIONS**

Ms. Holmes was invited to the podium to present the proposed FY 2023-2024 budget for City Clerk & Elections.

The following individuals presented comments and/or questions: Mayor Foley, Councilor Chau

#### **PLANNING & CODE ENFORCEMENT**

Ms. Franceschi was invited to the podium to present the proposed FY 2023-2024 budget for Planning & Code Enforcement.

The following individuals presented comments and/or questions: Vice President Morse, Councilor Chau, Councilor Rairdon, Mayor Foley

#### **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

Mr. Stevenson was invited to the podium to present the proposed FY 2023-2024 budget for Economic Development.

The following individuals presented comments and/or questions: Councilor Rwaganje, Mayor Foley, Councilor Rairdon

#### **DISPATCH & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

Mr. Hamilton was invited to the podium to present the proposed FY 2023-2024 budgets for Emergency Communications (Dispatch) and Information Technology.

The following individuals presented comments and/or questions: Councilor Chau, Mayor Foley

#### **FIRE & RESCUE**

Chief Sloan was invited to the podium to present the proposed FY 2023-2024 budget for Fire & Rescue.

The following individuals presented comments and/or questions: Vice President Morse, Councilor Rairdon, Mayor Foley, Councilor Rwaganje, Councilor Chau, Councilor Munro

#### **POLICE**

Chief Lally was invited to the podium to present the proposed FY 2023-2024 budget for Police.

The following individuals presented comments and/or questions: Mayor Foley, Councilor Rwaganje, Councilor Rairdon, Councilor Chau, Councilor Shaughnessy, Councilor Munro, Vice President Morse

#### **IV. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn at 10:53pm

Moved by Councilor Rwaganje, seconded by Councilor Rairdon.

**Motion carried by a show of hands. None opposed.**