

FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES
March 21, 2011
City Hall – First Floor Hearing Room West

Chairperson Scott McMeans called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM

Present: Alderpersons, Scott McMeans, Christopher Able, Allan Schema, Matt Kadow and Alex Olson.

Absent: None

Also Present: Alderperson Jill Hennessey, Interim Finance Director/Treasurer Tony Scherer, DPW Business Manager Mike Huck and two members of the public.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Alderperson Kadow and second by Alderperson Schema to approve the minutes of the March 07, 2011 Finance Committee Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion and Action – Reallocation of Budget Funds

Alderperson McMeans requested that Alderperson Able provide the Committee with an explanation for the request. Councilman Able explained that the Personnel Committee wanted to make sure that Council Members and others were aware of the expenditures for outside legal council as it related to human resources. He stated that other than accounting properly for the expenditures, the intent was to keep everyone informed and up-to-date which would in turn provide the opportunity to better maintain control over the expenditures in this area. Committee members agreed that to this point the services received were worth the expenditure, but that they needed to closely monitor them as well.

Alderperson Olson brought up the concern that by the end of March the invoices for services could very well exceed the amount originally budgeted as well as the reallocation. The other Alders were in general agreement.

Motion by Alderperson Kadow and second by Alderperson Able to reallocate \$16,000 from the Personnel Office labor accounts to the Other Professional Services account in that department. The Committee then discussed the probability that they may have to revisit this issue again prior to the anticipated July hiring of the Human Resource Director. Motion carried unanimously.

This action was followed with a motion by Alderperson Kadow and second by Alderperson Olson to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairperson McMeans declared the meeting adjourned at 6:13 PM.

Alderperson Scott McMeans
Chairperson
Finance Committee

By: Anthony J. Scherer
Interim Finance Director

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