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Finance Committee Minutes 1-30-2020

The meeting was called to order at 6:00PM with committee members Figy, Sullivan, and Allie present. Also, in attendance was Councilors Harris and Adams. Department heads Matt Barnes, Chris Caputo, Fire Chief Egloff, Police Chief Valliere and Captions McCabe and Pitoniak.

No one was recording the meeting.

- 1) A motion by Councilor Flaherty on 1-8-18, for an updated Capitol plan excel spreadsheet to be delivered to the City Council on or before the City Council Meeting on March 18, 2018.

Discussion: Councilor Figy spoke with Councilor Flaherty and he had no issue with this item coming out of committee with no action. The date the report was requested by has passed.

Councilor Allie made a motion to have this item to come out of committee without action, Councilor Sullivan seconded the motion. The motion was passed by a 3-0 vote.

- 2) A motion by Councilor Surprise that the City of Westfield investigate procedures for joining the Municipal Open Checkbook System administrated by the Commonwealth of Ma.

Councilor Figy reported that the Mayor does not like this system and is investigating a different option. Auditor Caputo added that the proposed system is to cumbersome for people to use. Another city is testing a different system that is more user friendly.

Councilor Sullivan made a motion to remove from committee with no action, Councilor Allie seconded. The vote was 3-0 in favor.

- 3) An appropriation of \$200,00.00 from the Fire Department Ambulance Designated Account within the Fire Department Reserved Fund account to the Fire Department Ambulance overtime account.

Chief Egloff informed the Committee that due to several factors, the Fire Department is running out of money in the overtime account. The Ambulance Designated account has a healthy balance and that this fund does not have taxpayer monies. Auditor Caputo reports

- 7) A resolution authorizing a funding agreement with the Westfield Redevelopment Authority to allow the WRA to access funds budgeted to access funds for the F Y 2020 to advance the Elm Street Urban Renewal Project.

Councilor Figy reported that Community Development Director stated that this is required as a result of a Scribner's error that omitted the authorization to access funds. This is a procedural matter only as the funds were already budgeted.

Councilor Sullivan made a motion and Councilor Allie seconded to approve this item. The vote was 3-0 in favor. Meeting adjourned at 6:32PM

The next Finance meeting will be held on 2-11-2020 at 6PM.

Councilor Sullivan made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Councilor Allie. The vote was 3-0 to adjourn

*minutes approved
2/11/2020 by A 3-0
vote.*