

City of Biddeford
Finance Committee Meeting Minutes
July 19, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Councilor Norman Belanger.

Present: Mayor Alan Casavant; Councilor Norman Belanger; Councilor Marc Lessard; City Manager James Bennett; Chief Operating Officer Brian Phinney; and Finance Director Nichole Wood.

Excused: Councilor William Emhiser.

Adjustment to the Agenda

No adjustment to the agenda.

Approval of Minutes of June 21, 2022

Motion by Councilor Lessard, seconded Mayor Casavant to accept the minutes as printed.

Vote: unanimous.

Motion carries.

Expenditure Warrants:

The Warrants were available for review.

Discussion/Approval

Approval/Request for Appropriation from Grant Match Fund for Historic Preservation Architectural Survey of Downtown

Motion by Councilor Lessard, seconded by Mayor Casavant to approve the request for Appropriation from Grant Match Fund for Historic Preservation Architectural Survey of Downtown.

Economic Development Coordinator for Planning & Development Brad Favreau presented this item. Last Spring the City sought and was granted Certified Local Government Status by the Department of the Interior to open us up for greater Grant opportunities through the Maine Historic Preservation Commission. We did so applying for a Grant to update the Architectural Survey dated from 1998. We won the Grant for \$22,750.00 from the Department of the Interior and tonight we are asking for a Grant match of \$20,000.00 to cover the total cost of \$42,750.00.

Vote: unanimous.

Motion carries.

Approval/Expenditure for Climate Action Plan

Motion by Mayor Casavant, seconded by Councilor Lessard to recommend the approval of expenditure for the Climate Action Plan.

Brad Favreau presented this item also. Last Spring Brad explained to the full Council that we were

joining other communities with Southern Maine Planning and Development Commission to work on a Climate Action Plan together which would lower the cost to the City. It will cost the City \$25,184.00 costing only 1/3 of what we thought it would be.

Vote: unanimous.
Motion carries.

Recommendation: Purchase of CCTV Sewer Camera/A-200 Crawler from Deep Trekker

Motion by Councilor Lessard, seconded by Mayor Casavant to recommend the purchase of CCTV Sewer Camera/A-200 Crawler from Deep Trekker.

Public Works Director Jeff Demers presented this item. We are sharing a camera with the Cities of Saco and Old Orchard. It will help up with a couple of issues, one it will help with the abatement program, help with radar, and help us initiate where the issues are. Looking for \$46,714.00 for the Deep Trekker coming out of Code 417.

Vote: unanimous.
Motion carries.

Recommendation: Purchase of Grit Classifiers for Wastewater Treatment Plant/Wescor Associates - Wemco Classifiers

Motion by Councilor Lessard, seconded by Mayor Casavant to recommend the purchase of Grit Classifiers for Wastewater Treatment Plant/Wescor Associates - Wemco Classifiers.

Jeff Demers presented this item also. This is the last piece of the 1998 upgrade. He is asking for the 2 year warrantee which is a good investment. Total amount requested is \$143,320.00 from ARP Wastewater Funds.

Vote: unanimous.
Motion carries.

Recommendation: Purchase of Pickup Trucks for Wastewater Treatment Plant and Public Works Department/Bill Dodge

Motion by Councilor Lessard, seconded by Mayor Casavant to recommend the purchase of Pickup Trucks for Wastewater Treatment Plant and Public Works Department/Bill Dodge.

Garage Forman at PW Jerry Court presented this item.

Vote: unanimous.
Motion carries.

Recommendation: Purchase of (2) Police Cruisers/McGovern Municipal HQ

Motion by Councilor Lessard, seconded by Mayor Casavant to recommend the purchase of (2) Police Cruisers/McGovern Municipal HQ.

Garage Forman Jerry Court presented this item also. He noted that two bids came in, one from McGovern and one from Quirk. The bid from McGovern meets specs and the vehicles are on the

lot.

Vote: unanimous.

Motion carries.

Other Business

No other business.

Motion by Mayor Casavant, seconded by Councilor Lessard to adjourn.

Vote: unanimous.

Motions carries.

Adjourned at 5:30 pm