

City of Biddeford
Finance Committee Meeting Minutes
April 19, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Mayor Casavant.

Present: Mayor Alan Casavant; Councilor Marc Lessard; City Manager, James Bennett; City Clerk, Carmen Bernier; and Finance Director, Nichole Wood.

Excused: Councilor Norman Belanger and Councilor William Emhiser.

Adjustment to the Agenda
No adjustment to the agenda.

With no quorum, Mayor Casavant and Councilor Lessard will not take formal votes; however, they will give general recommendations to City Council on the items included on this agenda.

Expenditure Warrants:
The Warrants were available for review.

Discussion/Approval

Approval: Aeration Basin Concrete Epoxy Injection at Wastewater Treatment Plan
Public Works Director, Jeff Demers, presented this item. As part of the Aeration Basin Project previously approved, the need for injecting epoxy into the concrete has been identified. The item simply asks for the concrete filling.

Mayor Casavant and Councilor Lessard agreed to send this along to the full City Council for approval. This item will be included on tonight's City Council agenda.

Recommendation: Purchase of F150 Lightning Electric Pickup Truck for Engineering Department

Public Works Director, Jeff Demers, presented this item. Staff did look at maintenance costs of electric vehicle/truck in comparison with a regular vehicle and it made sense to go with the Lightning EV Pickup Truck. This truck will be used by the Engineering Department.

This item will be considered by the full City Council at tonight's meeting.

Recommendation: FEMA & MEMA Consultant for Disaster Recovery Services/October 2021 River Wall Repair & Other River Wall Projects

Code Enforcement Officer, Roby Fecteau, presented this item. Roby explained this project is not the typical FEMA project that the City has dealt with in the past. It involves infrastructure damage, which is new to the City. Due to the complexity of the project, it has been decided that it would be best to bring in a Consultant. The City went out to bid for a Consultant, and two bids were received. The Committee formed to review the bids has recommended Meridian Strategic Services, Inc.

The cost for the Consultant is 100% reimbursed by FEMA. Consulting cost for the other Projects outside of the River Wall collapse will be covered under mitigation grants.

Mayor Casavant and Councilor Lessard recommended forwarding Meridian Strategic Services, Inc. as the Consultant for the River Wall Project to the full City Council.

Other Business

No other business.

The meeting ended at 5:20 p.m.