



MINUTES OF SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL

59 COURT STREET
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, ROOM 201
WESTFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS
APRIL 27, 2023 AT 6:00 PM

The meeting was called to order in the Room 201, Municipal Building, 59 Court Street, Westfield, MA at 6:00 PM by President Beltrandi.

The Clerk called the roll. Councilor Mello was absent.

Upon motion of President Beltrandi it was VOTED: to go into Executive Session pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, Section 21(a)(3) to discuss strategy with respect to litigation, including Civil Service order and appeal, Department of Labor Relations charges, order and appeal, and Hampden County Superior Court actions related to termination from employment of three firefighters by the Westfield Fire Commission on December 18, 2019 as an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the litigating position(s) of the public body and the chair so declares. It is intended the Council return to open session at the conclusion of the executive session.

The vote on the foregoing was as follows:

Brent Bean II	Yes
John Beltrandi III	Yes
Michael Burns	Yes
Ralph Figy	Yes
Dave Flaherty	Yes
Cindy Harris	Yes
Bridget Matthews-Kane	Yes
Kristen Mello	Absent
Nicholas Morganelli, Jr.	Yes
William Onyski	Yes
Richard Sullivan, Jr.	Yes
James Adams	Yes
Dan Allie	Yes

After the Executive Session, the meeting was called back to order at 7:00PM

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

2. Upon motion of Councilor Matthews-Kane, it was VOTED: Under immediate consideration that \$500,000.00 be appropriated from the Ambulance Receipts Reserve account #2100-340000 to the City Law Department's Law Judgements Account #11510000 576000 relating to matters which are the subject of

litigation.

The vote on the foregoing was as follows:

Brent Bean II	Yes
John Beltrandi III	Yes
Michael Burns	Yes
Ralph Figy	Yes
Dave Flaherty	No
Cindy Harris	Yes
Bridget Matthews-Kane	Yes
Kristen Mello	Absent
Nicholas Morganelli, Jr.	Yes
William Onyski	Yes
Richard Sullivan, Jr.	Yes
James Adams	Yes
Dan Allie	Yes

Councilor Flaherty stated that he was a no vote and per Section 29 of the Charter they needed unanimous consent.

Upon motion of Councilor Harris, it was
VOTED: That the rules of the City Council be SUSPENDED in order to vote on items 2., 3. and 4. under immediate consideration.
All in favor, voice vote. Councilor Flaherty was OPPOSED.

2. Upon motion of Councilor Matthews-Kane, it was
VOTED: Under immediate consideration that \$500,000.00 be appropriated from the Ambulance Receipts Reserve account #2100-340000 to the City Law Department's Law Judgements Account #11510000 576000 relating to matters which are the subject of litigation.

The vote on the foregoing was as follows:

Brent Bean II	Yes
John Beltrandi III	Yes
Michael Burns	Yes
Ralph Figy	Yes
Dave Flaherty	No
Cindy Harris	Yes
Bridget Matthews-Kane	Yes
Kristen Mello	Absent
Nicholas Morganelli, Jr.	Yes
William Onyski	Yes
Richard Sullivan, Jr.	Yes
James Adams	Yes
Dan Allie	Yes

3. Upon motion of Councilor Matthews-Kane, it was VOTED: Under immediate consideration that the sum of \$1,585,000.00 be appropriated from Free Cash (#1000 359000) to the City Law Department's Law Judgements Account #11510000 576000 relating to matters which are the subject of litigation.

The vote on the foregoing was as follows:

Brent Bean II	Yes
John Beltrandi III	Yes
Michael Burns	Yes
Ralph Figy	Yes
Dave Flaherty	No
Cindy Harris	Yes
Bridget Matthews-Kane	Yes
Kristen Mello	Absent
Nicholas Morganelli, Jr.	Yes
William Onyski	Yes
Richard Sullivan, Jr.	Yes
James Adams	Yes
Dan Allie	Yes

4. Upon motion of Councilor Matthews-Kane, it was VOTED: Under immediate consideration that the sum of \$300,000.00 be appropriated from Free Cash (#1000 359000) to Ambulance, Purchase of Services account #21002310 520000 relating to matters which are the subject of litigation.

The vote on the foregoing was as follows:

Brent Bean II	Yes
John Beltrandi III	Yes
Michael Burns	Yes
Ralph Figy	Yes
Dave Flaherty	No
Cindy Harris	Yes
Bridget Matthews-Kane	Yes
Kristen Mello	Absent
Nicholas Morganelli, Jr.	Yes
William Onyski	Yes
Richard Sullivan, Jr.	Yes
James Adams	Yes
Dan Allie	Yes

At 7:06 PM, and upon motion of Councilor Harris, it was
VOTED: To ADJOURN.

A true record, Attest:

Kaitlyn Leigh Bruce
City Clerk/Clerk of the Council

Presented to the Mayor

Approved by the Mayor

For approval June 1, 2023

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Kaitlyn Leigh Bruce
Kaitlyn Leigh Bruce, City Clerk

Michael A. McCabe
Michael A. McCabe, Mayor