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Meeting Minutes Finance and Personnel Committee

Chairman Q.A. Shakoor, II
Vice Chair Terry McCarthy
Alderman Dennis Wiser
Alderman Ronald Hart
Alderman Melissa Lemke

Monday, July 27, 2015

5:00 PM

City Hall, Room 307

Vice Chairman Terry McCarthy called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

PRESENT: 4 - Vice Chair Terry McCarthy, Dennis Wiser, Ronald Hart and Melissa Lemke

EXCUSED: 1 - Chairman Q.A. Shakoor II

Approval of Minutes for the July 13, 2015 Meeting.

A motion was made by Alderman Hart, seconded by Alderman Wiser, that this file be to Approve the Minutes

1. [15-00552](#)

Subject: Communication from the General Manager Presenting a Refinancing Opportunity for a 2007 Bond Issue - Brad Viegut from R. W. Baird Invited to the Meeting

Recommendation of the Racine Waterworks Commission on 6/30/15: To approve

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on 7-27-15: To approve the refinancing for a 2007 Bond Issue for the Water Department

Fiscal Note: Refinancing of this bond issue has the potential of saving \$110,000.00 per year over the remaining life of the loan

Attachments: [hypothetical refinancing june wa agenda](#)
[prs financing plan_racine finance committee_072715](#)

Keith Haas, Wastewater General Manager, and Brad Viegut, Director from Robert W. Baird, appeared before the committee to speak on the item.

A motion was made by Alderman Hart, seconded by Alderman Wiser, that this file be Recommended For Approval

2. [15-00682](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Communication from the Finance Director requesting to have a representative from Robert W. Baird & Co. to appear to discuss a bond issue funding our budgeted capital projects and possible refunding of prior issues.

Recommendation to the Finance & Personnel Committee on 7-27-15: Borrowing for the 2015 Capital Improvements Equipment replacement and refunding selected prior issues for interest savings.

Fiscal Note: CIP borrowing of approximately 9,200,000 and equipment replacement of \$2,000,000

Attachments: [baird-cor 20150723112706](#)
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Brad Viegut, Director from Robert W. Baird, appeared before the committee to speak on the item.

A motion was made by Alderman Hart, seconded by Alderman Wisner, that this file be Recommended For Approval

3. [15-00608](#)

Subject: Communication from Julie Westphal, CVT, Animal Wellness Center of Oak Creek, requesting all park permitting fees be waived for a future one day rental of a City of Racine park area with pavilion to support the local animal rescue and the Racine Police K-9 unit.

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on 7-27-15: That this item be received and filed due to no representation

Fiscal Note: N/A

Attachments: [Julie Westphal, K-9 Unit Fundraiser](#)

No Representation

A motion was made by Alderman Hart, seconded by Alderman Wisner, that this file be Recommended to be Received and Filed

4. [15-00637](#)

Subject: Communication from Tour Co-Chair of Preservation Racine, Inc. requesting the park permit fee of \$150.00 be waived for use of the North Beach Gazebo for the 40th Annual Tour of Historic Places on Sunday, September 27, 2015.

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on 7-27-15: That the request to waive the park permit fee be denied.

Fiscal Note: Park permit fee of \$150.00 contingent upon rental agreement

Attachments: [North Beach Gazebo waiver letter 2015](#)

Bev Schumacher, Tour Co-Chair of Preservation Racine, appeared before the committee to speak on the item.

A motion was made by Alderman Hart, seconded by Alderman Wisner, that this file be Recommended For Denial

5. [15-00671](#) **Subject:** (Direct Referral) Communication from the City Attorney requesting authorization to represent Off. R. Rasmussen, A. Matson, C. Brush and A. Wassil in the lawsuit, Miguel Veguilla v City of Racine, et al, Eastern District of Wisconsin Case No. 15-CV-0861.

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on 7-27-15: Authorization be granted to the City Attorney to represent Off. R. Rasmussen, A. Matson, C. Brush and A. Wassil in the lawsuit, Miguel Veguilla v City of Racine, et al, Eastern District of Wisconsin Case No. 15-CV-0861.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Attachments: [veguilla_001](#)

Scott Letteney, Deputy City Attorney, appeared before the committee to speak on the item.

A motion was made by Alderman Hart, seconded by Alderman Wiser, that this file be Recommended For Approval

CLOSED SESSION

It is intended that the Finance & Personnel Committee convene in closed session pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes sec. 19.85 (1)(e) to consider two matters, which, for competitive and bargaining reasons, requires a closed session.

Roll Call Taken:

Ayes: Vice Chairman Alderman McCarthy, Alderman, Hart, Wiser, Lemke

Noes: None

Excused: Chairman Alderman Q.A. Shakoor, II

The Vice Chairman then announced that the Committee would convene in closed session for the reason stated in the motion and pursuant to Wisconsin State Statute Sec. 19.85 (1)(e)

Also present: Tom Friedel, City Administrator, David Brown, Finance Director, Scott Letteney, Deputy City Attorney, Alderman Weidner, Mark Olsen, Kevin Pollard

6. [15-00679](#) **Subject:** (Direct Referral) Communication from the City Administrator desiring to discuss a matter, which, for competitive and bargaining reasons, requires a closed session, and which, if publicly noticed, would compromise such competitive and bargaining reasons.

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on 7-27-15: That this item be received and filed

Fiscal Note: Unknown at this time

A motion was made by Alderman Hart, seconded by Alderman Wisner, that this file be Recommended to be Received and Filed

7. [15-00680](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Communication from the Deputy City Attorney desiring to discuss a matter, which, for bargaining reasons, requires a closed session, and which, if publicly noticed, would compromise such bargaining reasons.

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on 7-27-15: That this item be received and filed.

Fiscal Note: Unknown at this time

Mark Olsen appeared before the committee to speak on the item.

A motion was made by Alderman Hart, seconded by Alderman Wisner, that this file be Recommended to be Received and Filed

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 6:27 p.m. The next scheduled meeting of this committee is at 5:00 p.m. on Monday, August 10, 2015 at City Hall Room 307.

Respectfully submitted,
Ald. Q.A. Shakoor II, Chairman
Finance & Personnel Committee