



# City of Racine

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## Meeting Minutes Finance and Personnel Committee

*Chairman Alderman Q.A. Shakoor, II*  
*Vice Chairman Terry McCarthy*  
*Dennis Wiser*  
*Ronald D. Hart*  
*O. Keith Fair*

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Monday, February 13, 2012

5:00 PM

City Hall, Room 301

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### Call to Order and Roll Call

**PRESENT:** 4 - Q.A. Shakoor, II, Dennis Wiser, Ronald D. Hart and O. Keith Fair

**EXCUSED:** 1 - Terry McCarthy

### Approval of minutes for the January 23, 2012 meeting.

to Approve the Minutes

1. [12-7311](#)

**Subject:** Communication from the Purchasing Agent requesting to discuss the results of Official Notice #1, Request for Proposal, Billing for Emergency Medical Services.

#### **Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on**

**2-13-12:** Official Notice #1, Request for Proposal, Billing for Emergency Medical Services be awarded to LifeQuest Services for a three-year term to begin on March 1, 2012 with the option of one two-year extension.

#### **Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee**

**on 2-13-12:** That the Request for Proposal, for Official Notice #1, Billing for Emergency Medical Services be awarded to LifeQuest Services for a three-year term to begin on March 1, 2012 with the option of one two-year extension.

**Fiscal Note:** Funding is available in account 101.300.7280, Rescue Service Billings.

**Attachments:** [Official Notice 1 - Billing Emergency Medical Services](#)

*Fire Chief Steve Hansen appeared before the Committee to discuss the item.*

**A motion was made by Ronald D. Hart, seconded by Dennis Wiser, that this be Recommended For Approval. The motion PASSED by a Voice Vote.**

2. [12-7338](#)

**Subject:** Communication from Diana Valencia, member of Cesar

Chavez Celebration Committee, requesting the deposit fee of \$550.00 be waived for the rental of the Cesar Chavez Community Center on March 31, 2012.

**Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on**

**2-13-12:** Deny the request of waiving the \$550 deposit fee for the rental of the Cesar Chavez Community Center on March 31, 2012.

**Fiscal Note:** N/A

**Attachments:** [12-7338](#)

*Diana Valencia, Committee member with the Caesar Chavez celebration, requested to disregard the communication because they will be utilizing the Civic Center.*

**A motion was made by Ronald D. Hart, seconded by Dennis Wiser , that this be Recommended For Denial. The motion PASSED by a Voice Vote.**

3. [12-7346](#)

**Subject:** (Direct Referral) Communication from the Racine County Economic Development Corporation providing specific metrics for its 2012 Entrepreneurship Initiative (Launch Box) program.

**Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on**

**2-13-12:** Receive and file.

**Fiscal Note:** N/A

**Attachments:** [2012.Metrics](#)

*Kristin Niemiec, Launch Box Manager with the Racine County Economic Development Corporation, appeared before the Committee to discuss the item.*

**A motion was made by Ronald D. Hart, seconded by Dennis Wiser , that this be Recommended to be Received and Filed. The motion PASSED by a Voice Vote.**

4. [12-7333](#)

**Subject:** Communication from the Fire Chief requesting to waive formal bidding for the acquisition of radio infrastructure equipment.

**Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on**

**2-13-12:** Formal bidding procedures be waived and the Purchasing Agent be authorized and directed to purchase radio infrastructure equipment from TX/RX Systems of Angola, New York with the stipulation that the equipment be competitively priced.

**Fiscal Note:** Funds are available in account # 991.300.5020 Fire Radio Upgrades.

**Attachments:** [request to waive formal bidding of radio infrastructure equipment 2 2 12](#)

*Fire Chief Steve Hansen appeared before the Committee to discuss the item.*

**A motion was made by Ronald D. Hart, seconded by Dennis Wiser , that this be**

**Recommended For Approval. The motion PASSED by a Voice Vote.**

5. [12-7360](#)

**Subject:** (Direct referral.) Communication from the Fire Chief requesting the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign the Fire Protection and EMS contracts with Wind Point, North Bay and Elmwood Park.

(Also refer to Public Safety and Licensing Committee)

**Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on**

**2-13-12:** The Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to renew a one year Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Services contract with the Village of Wind Point, Village of North Bay and the Village of Elmwood Park.

**Fiscal Note:** The contracts will have no increase throughout the year. The revenue estimate for Wind Point is \$263,035, North Bay \$33,334 and Elmwood Park \$44,655.

**Attachments:** [authorization for mayor and city clerk sign fire protection and EMS contracts](#)

*Fire Chief Steve Hansen appeared before the Committee to discuss the item.*

**A motion was made by Ronald D. Hart, seconded by Dennis Wiser , that this be Recommended For Approval. The motion PASSED by a Voice Vote.**

6. [12-7274](#)

**Subject:** Communication from the Police Chief, requesting authorization to enter into a Wisconsin Homeland Security Grant Program Agreement with Racine County for the ownership transfer of a Wanco Mobile Video Surveillance Trailer System.

**Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on**

**2-13-12:** The City Clerk and Treasurer be authorized and directed to enter into a Wisconsin Homeland Security Grant Program agreement with Racine County for the ownership transfer of a Wanco Mobile Video Surveillance Trailer System to the City of Racine Police Department.

**Fiscal Note:** There will be no charge or cost on the part of the City for the transfer. \$49,610.00 is the estimated value of the surveillance trailer.

**Attachments:** [WANCO MOBILE VIDEO TRAIL 001](#)

*Lt. Chuck Weitzel appeared before the Committee to discuss the item.*

**A motion was made by Ronald D. Hart, seconded by Dennis Wiser , that this be Recommended For Approval. The motion PASSED by a Voice Vote.**

7. [12-7319](#)

**Subject:** Agreement with the Village of Sturtevant Relating to Water Main Construction in the Village

**Recommendation of the Water Works Commission on 1-31-12:**

That Mayor Dickert and the City Clerk be authorized to enter into an agreement with the Village of Sturtevant relating to water main construction in the Village. Further recommends that the item be referred to the Finance & Personnel Committee.

**Fiscal Note:** N/A

**Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on**

**2-13-12:** The Racine Water Utility be authorized to enter into an agreement with the Village of Sturtevant to construct a storm sewer in conjunction with a water main construction project within the Village.

**Fiscal Note:** The Village of Sturtevant will pay for any and all expenses associated with construction of a storm sewer on the Racine Water Utilities Water main construction contract.

**Attachments:** [racine sturtevant joint pavement hulda drive agreement.pdf](#)

*Keith Haas, Director of the Water & Wastewater Utilities, appeared before the Committee to discuss the item.*

**A motion was made by Ronald D. Hart, seconded by Dennis Wiser , that this be Recommended For Approval. The motion PASSED by a Voice Vote.**

8. [12-7306](#)

**Subject:** Communication from the Interim Director of Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Services requesting to amend the fiscal note indicated in Resolution 11-2731, dated September 20, 2011, authorizing the application for a Tree Inventory Grant through the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources.

**Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on**

**2-13-12:** Resolution No. 11-2731 of September 20, 2011 be amended and that the fiscal note "There is no match required of the City" be replaced with "100% match is required on the part of the City" and further recommends that Res 11-2731 be adopted as amended.

**Fiscal Note:** Funding will be available in Account 992.700.5150, 2012 CIP Budget

**Attachments:** [12-7306](#)

*Tom Molbeck, Interim Director of the Park & Recreation & Cultural Services Department, appeared before the Committee to discuss the item.*

**A motion was made by Ronald D. Hart, seconded by Dennis Wiser , that this be Recommended For Approval. The motion PASSED by a Voice Vote.**

9. [12-7287](#)

**Subject:** Communication from the City Attorney submitting the claim of Racine Joint Venture II LLC for consideration.

**Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on**

**2-13-12:** The claim of Racine Joint Venture II LLC is requesting a reimbursement of \$496,635.75 for alleged excessive real estate assessment for 2011 tax year be denied.

**Fiscal Note:** N/A

**Attachments:** [racine joint venture II\\_001](#)

*Scott Letteney, Deputy City Attorney, appeared before the Committee to discuss the item.*

**A motion was made by Ronald D. Hart, seconded by Dennis Wiser , that this be Recommended For Denial. The motion PASSED by a Voice Vote.**

10. [12-7300](#)

**Subject:** Communication from the City Attorney submitting the claim of Rosalie's LLC for consideration.

**Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on**

**2-13-12:** The claim of Rosalie's LLC, 2704 Newman Road, requesting reimbursement of \$1,835.34 for expenses allegedly qualifying for payment through a facade grant dated May 17,2010 be denied.

**Fiscal Note:** N/A

**Attachments:** [rosalies\\_001](#)

*Scott Letteney, Deputy City Attorney, appeared before the Committee to discuss the item.*

**A motion was made by Ronald D. Hart, seconded by Dennis Wiser , that this be Recommended For Denial. The motion PASSED by a Voice Vote.**

11. [12-7339](#)

**Subject:** (Direct Referral) Communication from the City Attorney requesting authorization to represent employee Andrew Matson in the lawsuit, Michael Washington v Andrew Matson, US District Court Eastern District Case No. 12-C-00033.

**Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on**

**2-13-12:** Permission be granted to represent a City employee, Andrew Matson, for utilizing a taser against Michael Washington on April 1, 2011, US District Court Eastern District Case No. 12-C-00033.

**Fiscal Note:** There are sufficient funds available in Account 101.160.5910 Judgments and Claims.

**Attachments:** [washington\\_001](#)

*Scott Letteney, Deputy City Attorney, appeared before the Committee to discuss the*

*item.*

**A motion was made by Ronald D. Hart, seconded by Dennis Wiser , that this be Recommended For Approval. The motion PASSED by a Voice Vote.**

12. [12-7267](#)

**Subject:** Communication to the Mayor and City Council from the Alderpersons of the 5th and 15th districts requesting to discuss having the city provide the same health insurance benefits to State-registered domestic partners and their dependants, that is now provided to married couples.

**Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on**

**1-23-12:** Defer the item until the next scheduled Finance & Personnel Committee meeting pending legal review and financial impact.

**Fiscal Note:** N/A

**Recommendatio of the Finance & Personnel Committee on**

**2-13-12:** Item to be referred to the Committee of the Whole.

**Fiscal Note:** N/A

*Scott Letteney, Deputy City Attorney, and Albert Herron, 719 Villa St., appeared before the Committee to discuss the item.*

**A motion was made by Ronald D. Hart, seconded by Dennis Wiser , that this be Recommended For Further Consideration. The motion PASSED by a Voice Vote.**

13. [12-7308](#)

**Subject:** Communication from the City Attorney requesting authorization for the continuation of the self-insured workers compensation program in compliance with Wisconsin Administrative Code DWD 80.60(3).

**Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on**

**2-13-12:** Permission be granted for the City Attorney to continue the self-insured workers compensation program currently in effect and further recommends to submit a certified copy of the resolution to the Workers Compensation Division, Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development.

**Fiscal Note:** N/A

**Attachments:** [wc self insurance 001](#)

*Scott Letteney, Deputy City Attorney, appeared before the Committee to discuss the item.*

**A motion was made by Dennis Wiser , seconded by Dennis Wiser , that this be Recommended For Approval. The motion PASSED by a Voice Vote.**

## CLOSED SESSION

A motion was made by Alderman Hart and seconded by Alderman Wiser that the Committee be convened in closed session pursuant to Section 19.85(1)(g) conferring with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved regarding the case of Rebecca Turk, et al v City of Racine, et al, Racine County Case No. 11-CV-0778.

Roll call taken: Ayes: Aldermen Shakoor II, Wiser, Hart and Fair.  
Noes: None

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

Also present: David Brown, Scott Letteney, Alderman Shields and Ken Rush

14. [12-7358](#)      **Subject:** (Direct Referral) Communication from the City Attorney requesting to meet in closed session per Wis. Stat. §19.85(g) concerning strategy and/or possible settlement with respect to litigation in the matter of Rebecca Turk, et al v City of Racine, et al, Racine County Case No. 11-CV-0778.
- Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on 2-13-12:** Recommend that Racine County Case No. 11-CV-0778, Rebecca Turk, et al v City of Racine, et al be settled in for \$220,000 on the condition that CVMIC, our insurer, also approve the settlement, and that \$40,000 be transferred from account 101.990.5970, Contingency, to account 101.990.5910, Judgments and Claims.
- Fiscal Note:** The \$220,000 settlement will be paid by the City and our insurer, CVMIC. The City's deductible in this case is \$175,000 with CVMIC funding the remaining \$45,000. Account 101.990.5910, Judgments and Claims currently has a remaining available balance of \$136,789 of the original 2012 appropriation of \$150,000. There are sufficient funds available in account 101.990.5970, Contingency, to be transferred to account 101.990.5910, Judgments and Claims, to fully fund the City's portion of the settlement.
- Attachments:** [turk\\_001](#)
- A motion was made by Ronald D. Hart, seconded by Dennis Wiser, that this be Recommended For Approval. The motion PASSED by a Voice Vote.**

**Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m. The next scheduled meeting of this Committee is at 5:00 p.m. on Monday, February 27, 2012 at City Hall, Room 301.

Respectfully submitted,

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