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Meeting Minutes Finance and Personnel Committee

*Chairman James T. Spangenberg
Vice Chair Q.A. Shakoor, II
Alderman Robert Anderson
Alderman Michael Shields
Alderman Terry McCarthy*

Monday, February 22, 2010

5:00 PM

City Hall, Room 301

Call To Order and Roll Call

*PRESENT: 5 - Aldermen James Spangenberg, Q.A. Shakoor, II, Robert Anderson,
Michael Shields and Terry McCarthy*

Approval of Minutes for the February 8, 2010 Meeting. to Approve the Minutes

1. [10-4752](#) **Subject:** Communication from the General Manager of the Wastewater Utility wishing to discuss the Financial Assistance Agreement for Clean Water Fund Program, Project No. 4285-15, Ohio St. Interceptor and Michigan Blvd. Collection Sewers.

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on 02-22-10: The Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to enter into a Financial Assistance agreement with the State of Wisconsin Department of Administration for a Clean Water Fund Loan in the amount of \$2,657,592.00.

Fiscal Note: No City funds are involved with the Clean Water Fund Loan from the State of Wisconsin Department of Administration. The loan rate will be 2.2%. The loan will be repaid with Wastewater Utility funds.

Recommendation of the Wastewater Commission on 2/23/10: The Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to enter into a Financial Assistance Agreement with the Wisconsin Department of Administration for a Clean Water Fund Loan for the purpose of funding the Ohio Street Interceptor and Michigan Boulevard Collection Sewers projects in the amount of \$2,657,592.00. Further recommends that \$2,657,592.00 in Wastewater revenue bonds be issued to the State of Wisconsin Clean Water Fund Program in exchange for a Clean Water Fund Loan in the same amount.

Fiscal Note: Funding will be provided by the Wastewater Utility.

Attachments: [cwfp project 4285-15 ltr.pdf](#)

City Administrator, Tom Friedel, spoke on behalf of Keith Haas in favor of the financial assistance agreement for the clean water fund program.

Recommended For Approval

2. [10-4737](#)

Subject: Communication from the Fire Chief requesting permission to apply for, and if awarded, accept, the 2010 DHS Port Security Grant as a sub-grantee host of the Milwaukee Fire Department. Grant Control Number 2010-006.

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on

02-22-10: The Fire Chief be allowed to apply for the 2010 DHS Port Security Grant with the understanding that if awarded, it will come back before the Finance & Personnel Committee.

Fiscal Note: There is no match required on the part of the City. Approval for the final grant will be requested under a new communication at the appropriate time.

Attachments: [2010 DHS Port Security Grant 2 4 10](#)

Steve Hansen, Fire Chief, appeared before the Committee requesting permission to apply for the 2010 DHS Port Security Grant as a sub-grantee of the Milwaukee Fire Department.

Recommended For Approval

3. [10-4738](#)

Subject: Communication from the Fire Chief requesting permission to carry forward \$33,000 from 2009 to 2010, for the acquisition of the Lucas Chest Compression (CPR) System for the Paramedic Rescue Squads.

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on

02-22-10: \$33,000 of 2009 General Fund Budget be transferred from account 101.300.5030, Fire Department Overtime, to account 101.300.5770, Fire Department Machinery and Equipment, to acquire three (3), Physio Lucas Chest Compression Systems. Further recommend that \$33,000 in account 101.300.5770, Fire Department Machinery and Equipment, be added to the 2009-2010 carry-forward list currently being compiled for consideration in the near future.

Fiscal Note: There are sufficient funds for the transfer.

Attachments: [2010 Lucas Chest Compression System 2 4 10](#)

Steve Hansen, Fire Chief, appeared before the committee to explain that the Lucas Chest Compression (CPR) System for Paramedic Rescue Squads would increase paramedic safety and possibly save lives.

Recommended For Approval

4. [10-4739](#)

Subject: Communications from the Fire Chief requesting permission to carry forward \$25,000 from 2009 to 2010, for fitness equipment as part of City's commitment to Peer Fitness Training.

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on

02-22-10: The item be received and filed at the request of the Fire Chief.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Attachments: [carry forward for physical fitness equipment 2 4 10](#)

Steve Hansen, Fire Chief, appeared before the Committee and asked that the item be received and filed.

Recommended to be Received and Filed

5. [10-4740](#)

Subject: Communication from the Fire Chief requesting permission to carry forward \$72,262 from 2009 to 2010, for City's match to the 2009 DHS Port Security Grant and the 2008 FEMA Fire Act Grant for SCBA.

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on

02-22-10: The match amount of \$15,000 in account 101.300.5770, Fire Department Machinery and Equipment, for the 2009 DHS Port Security Grant be added to the 2009-2010 carry-forward list currently being compiled for consideration in the near future.

Fiscal Note: The 2008 FEMA Fire Act Grant was closed out as of December 31, 2009 and does not require a carry-forward. The 2009 DHS Port Security Grant has a required match of \$15,000. There are sufficient funds available for the carry-forward.

Attachments: [carry forward for match to 2009 DHS Port Security Grant 2 4 10](#)

Steve Hansen, Fire Chief, appeared before the Committee and explained that the \$15,000 is a match that is required in order to move forward with the grant.

Recommended For Approval

6. [10-4783](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Communication from the Deputy City Attorney, Scott Letteney, and the Human Resources Manager, Terry Parker, requesting to appear before the Personnel/Finance Committee to submit a collective bargaining agreement between the City of Racine and Local 67A (Crossing Guards) AFSCME, AFL-CIO for consideration, covering the years 2009-2010.

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on

02-22-10: To approve the collective bargaining agreement between the City of Racine and Local 67A (Crossing Guards) AFSCME, AFL-CIO covering the years 2009-2010.

Fiscal Note: The pay adjustment is 1% for 2009 and 0% for 2010 for a total increase of \$2,032.40.

Attachments: [Local 67 A Crossing Guards.pdf](#)
 [Local67AContractSummary.pdf](#)

Scott Letteney, Deputy City Attorney, appeared before the Committee and asked for approval of the collective bargaining agreement between the City of Racine and Local 67A (Crossing Guards) AFSCME, AFL-CIO covering the years 2009-2010.

Recommended For Approval

7. [10-4753](#)

Subject: Communication from the City Attorney submitting the claim of Merchants Moving & Storage Company's claim for consideration.

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on 02-22-10: The claim of Merchants Moving & Storage Company, 1207 State Street requesting reimbursement in the amount of \$6,904.02 for damage to a storm water drain connection that they suspect allegedly occurred during the City's street lighting project in 1991 but wasn't discovered until October, 2009 be denied.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Attachments: [Merchants_001](#)

Scott Letteney, Deputy City Attorney, appeared before the Committee to discuss the claim of Merchants Moving & Storage Company and recommend it for denial.
Recommended For Denial

Miscellaneous Business

The Committee discussed the possibility of having a policy regarding money being carried forward from the prior year.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m. The next scheduled meeting of this Committee is at 5:00 p.m. on Monday, March 8, 2010 at City Hall, Room 301.

Respectfully submitted,

**Ald. Jim Spangenberg, Chairman
Finance & Personnel Committee**