

BUDGET REVIEW COMMITTEE

NOVEMBER 22, 2021

A meeting of the Budget Review Committee was held Monday, November 22, 2021, at 7:48 p.m. in the Aldermanic Chamber and via Zoom which meeting link can be found on the agenda.

Alderman Richard A. Dowd, Chairman, presided.

Let's start the meeting by taking a roll call attendance. If you are participating via Zoom, please state your presence, reason for not attending the meeting in person, and whether there is anyone in the room with you during this meeting, which is required under the Right-To-Know Law.

Members of Committee present: Alderman Richard A. Dowd, Chairman
Alderman-at-Large Ben Clemons, Vice Chair (via Zoom)
Alderman-at-Large Lori Wilshire
Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien
Alderman Jan Schmidt
Alderman Ernest Jette

Members not in Attendance: Alderwoman-at-Large Shoshanna Kelly

Also in Attendance: Alderman Linda Harriott-Gathright
Steve Buxton, Assistant Fire Chief
John Griffin, CFO
Dave Fredette, Treasurer/Tax Collector
Tim Cummings, Economic Development Director
Lisa Fauteux, Public Works Director

ROLL CALL

Chairman Dowd

We will note that Alderman Clemons was at the public hearing starting at 7:15 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

COMMUNICATIONS

From: David Fredette, Treasurer/Tax Collector
Re: Resolution R-21-186

There being no objection, Chairman Dowd accepted the communication and placed it on file.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS – RESOLUTIONS

R-21-180

Endorsers: Alderman-at-Large David C. Tencza
Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien, Sr.
Alderman Patricia Klee
Alderman Richard A. Dowd
Alderman June M. Caron
Alderman Thomas Lopez
Alderman Linda Harriott-Gathright
Alderman Skip Cleaver
Alderman-at-Large Lori Wilshire

APPROVING THE COST ITEMS OF A SIDEBAR (MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT) BETWEEN THE CITY OF

NASHUA BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS AND THE NASHUA FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION I.A.F.F. LOCAL 789 REGARDING MILITARY DUTY PAY

MOTION BY ALDERMAN O'BRIEN TO RECOMMEND FINAL PASSAGE BY ROLL CALL

ON THE QUESTION

Chairman Dowd

Treasurer Fredette do you want to add information on this? This is the sidebar. I'm sorry. I'm sorry, wrong one. Chief, don't panic. Alright, so, Assistant Chief Buxton.

Steve Buxton, Assistant Fire Chief

Good evening. Steve Buxton, Nashua Fire Rescue, Assistant Fire Chief. So what we have before us this evening is a Resolution to a grievance that was filed by Local 789. As any mature document in labor agreement has very dated language, this became a little bit challenging as both the armed services utilized our reserve members more frequently. This is just kind of modernizing the language as was directed. It was basically a settlement that we reached before having to go to arbitration. Both parties are acceptable to the terms and it has a minimal impact on our budget.

Chairman Dowd

Yeah and any costs associated with this is going to be absorbed in your budget?

Steve Buxton, Assistant Fire Chief

That is correct.

Chairman Dowd

Okay. Are there any questions?

Alderman Jette

Yeah, I understand that a grievance was filed and that the union and the Fire Department worked at resolving it and this is the result of the Resolution. I have no desire to negate the good work that was done to reach this conclusion. But could you just explain to us what the difference is between what the firefighters were getting paid when they went on active duty and you know, what this change was making? Can you just tell us what the change is?

Steve Buxton, Assistant Fire Chief

Yes. So it's kind of a deep in the weeds but I'll try to give you a little high level view of it. Basically before the agreement, this agreement was reached the members would get 17 shifts, I believe. So 17 days and it became a debate about is it a day, is it a shift, and that's important to understand because when this agreement was first reached way back in the 80s, the members were on a 24 hour shift and a 56 hour work week. They then transitioned to two 10 hour days, two 14 hour nights which put them on a 42 hour work week. So the debate started back then about a day, a shift because now you had a shift being a 10 hour day or a 14 hour night as opposed to a 24 hour period.

About 10 years ago, we transitioned back to a 24 hour work period to 10 hour day followed by a 14 hour night. But those can be taken in shifts. It's on a 42 hour average. So we began to debate back and forth as younger generations came into the Fire Department, their interpretation of the contract language was maybe different than more mature people on the Fire Department that had been around for a few days. So we engaged in that debate back and forth and quite honestly, this isn't language that's referenced very frequently until, you know, we went in a period of time where I don't think we had any members utilizing it. If they were utilizing it, they were using it for their weekend away each month or their two week training period per year, which is what initial design was for. But now we have three people total who engage in this and the services seem to utilize them much differently than they then they did under the previous model. So they tend to engage in training, evolutions, and stuff on a more frequent business. So we found it beneficial on both sides instead of debating about what a shift was boiling it down to hours in defining the way that they could utilize those hours. So 17 shifts before might have been 17 24 hour periods. It might have been 17 10 hour days, 17 14 hour nights. That's what the whole debate was. Now we landed somewhere in the middle. We gave them 10 24 hour periods, 240 hours, and to utilize those

240 hours in a 10 hour increments or 14 hour increments. Does that answer your question, Sir?

Alderman Jette

Yes it does. Thank you.

Chairman Dowd

Okay. Are there any other questions on this?

Alderman O'Brien

Yeah, just a statement. When my former had a helmet when I was on the Fire Department as a Deputy Chief, this was brought up in the past. So I gotta commend you Chief, and to the Board of Fire Commissioners, and to the union in working together on this to support our members who by their choice have an added degree of patriotism to go out and do the extra thing. But yet that doesn't mean that they should go poor. So therefore, I like to say in support of their patriotism, thank you for doing such and coming to an agreement that they will be compensated. Thank you, Chief.

Steve Buxton, Assistant Fire Chief

Thank you.

Chairman Dowd

Any other questions? See none with the clerk please call the roll.

A viva voce roll call was taken which resulted as follows:

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| Yea: Alderman Clemons, Alderman Schmidt, Alderman Jette, Alderman Wilshire, Alderman O'Brien, Alderman Dowd | 6 |
| Nay: | 0 |

MOTION CARRIED

R-21-182

- Endorsers: Mayor Jim Donchess
- Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien, Sr.
- Alderman Patricia Klee
- Alderman Thomas Lopez
- Alderman-at-Large David C. Tencza
- Alderman Linda Harriott-Gathright
- Alderman Skip Cleaver
- Alderwoman-at-Large Shoshanna Kelly
- Alderman-at-Large Brandon Michael Laws
- Alderman-at-Large Lori Wilshire

RELATIVE TO THE ACCEPTANCE OF A GRANITE BENCH DONATED TO THE CITY BY THE MEMORIAL FUND FOR SYLVIA GALE

MOTION BY ALDERMAN O'BRIEN TO RECOMMEND FINAL PASSAGE BY ROLL CALL

ON THE QUESTION

Alderman Schmidt

Thank you very much. I wanted to thank Public Works for being willing to participate in this. A lot of donations big and small went into getting this together. Once we get it in place, we'll do something big to celebrate. Thank you.

Chairman Dowd

Okay. Any other questions on this motion?

Alderman O'Brien

Thank you. It's just that I've had the pleasure of working with Miss Gale in the past up at the Statehouse. I knew her when she first worked within the office environment and being a committee chairman and everything, I found her to be of great help. Later she decided to become a Representative herself and I think this is a good befitting memorial to her. Unfortunately, she has passed. So therefore our support this Resolution. Thank you.

Chairman Dowd

Thank you. Any other questions?

Alderman Clemons

Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I just wanted to state for the record that Representative Gale was one of the finest people I've ever known. While it may be a small token to her memory, I think it's a befitting one as well because she always represented the people who the rest of society forgot about. That's the thing that I will always remember about Representative Gale and I so to have that little bench there, I just look forward to going there and remembering her and I hope other others will do that as well. Thank you.

Chairman Dowd

Thank you. Anyone else?

Alderman Wilshire

Thank you. I agree with Alderman Clemons. I knew Sylvia Gale for probably 30 years. She was a child advocate when I first started working for the Children's Home and was very devoted to what she did. So I think this is a fitting memory for her.

Chairman Dowd

Thank you. Anyone else? This is no cost to the city. It's being donated and anytime something is given to the city it has to go through the Board of Aldermen for approval. So with that being said, would the Clerk, please call the roll.

A viva voce roll call was taken which resulted as follows:

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| Yea: Alderman Clemons, Alderman Schmidt, Alderman Jette, Alderman Wilshire, Alderman O'Brien, Alderman Dowd | 6 |
| Nay: | 0 |

MOTION CARRIED

R-21-186

Endorsers: Mayor Jim Donchess
Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien, Sr.
Alderman Patricia Klee
Alderman Richard A. Dowd
Alderman Thomas Lopez
Alderman-at-Large David C. Tencza
Alderman-at-Large Lori Wilshire

RELATIVE TO THE RESCINDING OF AUTHORIZED UNISSUED DEBT

MOTION BY ALDERMAN O'BRIEN TO RECOMMEND FINAL PASSAGE BY ROLL CALL

ON THE QUESTION

Chairman Dowd

Treasurer Fredette do you want to speak on this?

David Fredette, Treasurer

Yes, Mr. Chair. I did submit an informal email that explains this. Some of you have seen this before. As I mentioned, most of the reason why there is leftover debt is because of premium - the cash that we received for each bond. The only one that's different on this Resolution is R-16-059. That was a loan to the State and there was some principal forgiveness on that. That's why there is some money left there. This is something that should be done yearly if possible. I think the last year was about the time we had done it.

Chairman Dowd

I think the total amount was...

David Fredette, Treasurer

\$5,540,451. Any questions on this? Seeing none.

A viva voce roll call was taken which resulted as follows:

Yea: Alderman Clemons, Alderman Schmidt, Alderman Jette,
Alderman Wilshire, Alderman O'Brien, Alderman Dowd 6

Nay: 0

MOTION CARRIED

R-21-188

Endorsers: Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien, Sr.
Alderman Richard A. Dowd
Alderman Thomas Lopez
Alderman Linda Harriott-Gathright
Alderman-at-Large Lori Wilshire

AUTHORIZING A ONE-TIME STIPEND TO BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS RETIREMENT SYSTEM RETIREES AS REQUESTED BY THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS RETIREMENT SYSTEM BOARD OF TRUSTEES

MOTION BY ALDERMAN O'BRIEN TO RECOMMEND FINAL PASSAGE BY ROLL CALL

ON THE QUESTION

Alderman O'Brien

Currently right now being the Liaison and Trustee on the Board of Public Works Retirement System, there are approximately 108 retirees, 160 active employees. The pension fund has a balance of approximately \$53,315,130 as of June 30, 2021. The last pension adjustment of like this type of what's coming before us this evening was granted in 2017. The current funding ratio for the pension fund is approximately 88%. A solid level within the New England Municipal Pension Plan Peer Group. Actually if you notice, the number is better than what the State of New Hampshire is doing with our pension system. Just had to get that in there.

The Board of Public Works Pension Board of Trustees at their October 26, 2021 approved the granting of a one-time payment to all retirees that retire before July 1, 2020. The estimated one-time cost to the pension fund is approximately \$75,350 or approximately .14%. This one-time payment will have an immaterial impact on the current funding ratio of 88%. It's also to be noted, it is not the same for everybody, it will be tiered into the amount of time of service that the person has been out. Very similar to what we did and 2017. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

Chairman Dowd

This is the one that Treasurer Fredette would like to speak to.

David Fredette, Treasurer

Mr. Chairman, I'd like to ask the Committee to table this. It was brought to my attention today that when we met in October, I think it was October, October 26th, they actually never took a vote by roll call. What happened was, and I should have caught that, the Chairman just asked if – it seemed like everybody was in favor. There was discussion and you know, there was no actual vote taken. So I would ask that this be tabled so we can take an actual vote at the next meeting and then we'll have to probably amend the Resolution. Sorry about that but it was brought to my attention today and I did double check on it and that's exactly what happened.

Alderman O'Brien

Thank you, Mr. Chairman. With the information brought forward by Mr. Fredette, I would like to change my motion if I may, to table and recommended by roll call.

MOTION BY ALDERMAN O'BRIEN TO TABLE R-21-188 BY ROLL CALL

ON THE QUESTION

Chairman Dowd

All right. The motion on the floor is to table R-21-188 until the formal approval is submitted to us from the retirement system for the Board of Public Works. Any questions?

A viva voce roll call was taken which resulted as follows:

Yea: Alderman Clemons, Alderman Schmidt, Alderman Jette,
Alderman Wilshire, Alderman O'Brien, Alderman Dowd 6

Nay: 0

MOTION CARRIED

R-21-190

- Endorsers: Mayor Jim Donchess
- Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien, Sr.
- Alderman Richard A. Dowd
- Alderman Thomas Lopez
- Alderman Linda Harriott-Gathright
- Alderman Skip Cleaver
- Alderwoman Elizabeth Lu
- Alderman Patricia Klee

RELATIVE TO THE SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION OF \$3,650,000 OF FY2021 UNANTICIPATED REVENUE INTO THE DIVISION OF PUBLIC WORKS OFFICE FACILITY CAPITAL PROJECT

Alderman O'Brien

Mr. Chairman should that read Fiscal Year 2022?

Chairman Dowd

It should but we'll need a motion.

MOTION BY ALDERMAN O'BRIEN TO RECOMMEND FINAL PASSAGE BY ROLL CALL

ON THE QUESTION

Chairman Dowd

Do I hear a motion to make a change to R-21-190?

Alderman O'Brien

Yes you do Mr. Chairman. I would like to make a change due to an error on the agenda that it should read Relative to the Supplemental Appropriation of \$3,650,000 of Fiscal Year 2022 - changing to 21 to 22 -Unanticipated Revenue into the Division of Public Works Office Facility Capital Project

MOTION BY ALDERMAN O'BRIEN TO AMEND R-21-190 TO CHANGE IN ALL AREAS OF THE LEGISLATION FY2021 TO FY2022 UNANTICIPATED REVENUE

Chairman Dowd

So the motion on the floor now is to amend R-21-192 to change in all areas of the legislation the FY 2021 to FY2022 Unanticipated Revenue. Are any questions on this? Seeing none the clerk please call the roll.

A viva voce roll call was taken which resulted as follows:

Yea: Alderman Clemons, Alderman Schmidt, Alderman Jette,
Alderman Wilshire, Alderman O'Brien, Alderman Dowd 6

Nay: 0

MOTION CARRIED**MOTION BY ALDERMAN O'BRIEN TO RECOMMEND FINAL PASSAGE AS AMENDED BY ROLL CALL**ON THE QUESTIONAlderman Jette

Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I just want to point out that this \$3,650,000 is proceeds from the sale of the Burke Street property. The Burke Street property was originally purchased for the purpose of building a Public Works building and we've heard many times for various reasons that didn't work out. The city did subdivide that property. It has kept a portion of that property for future expansion of the wastewater treatment plant. The leftover property was sold and this is the proceeds from that sale which are just going to be reapplied to building the Public Works building that this was originally intended for. So it's just using the money for the same purpose that was originally intended for.

Chairman Dowd

Yes the original intent of buying the property was to allow us to be able to expand the wastewater facility because there were requirements coming down the stream and going in any other direction other than the one we picked would be far more expensive. We did accomplish that in that we had over two acres that we set aside for the wastewater facility.

Also, we set aside the all of the wetlands that are there as well which are not part of the sales. So I'm not sure exactly how big that was. So the price we ended up getting was very reasonable and this is the - we looked at using that building and facilitating with as was stated it was just not possible. So this would be taking that money and applying it to the Public Works building.

All right. Any other questions? Concerns? No. All right.

A viva voce roll call was taken which resulted as follows:

Yea: Alderman Clemons, Alderman Schmidt, Alderman Jette,
Alderman Wilshire, Alderman O'Brien, Alderman Dowd 6

Nay: 0

MOTION CARRIED AS AMENDED

R-21-191

Endorsers: Mayor Jim Donchess
Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien, Sr.
Alderman Patricia Klee
Alderman Richard A. Dowd
Alderman Thomas Lopez
Alderman Linda Harriott-Gathright
Alderman Skip Cleaver

CHANGING THE PURPOSE OF TWO MILLION DOLLARS (\$2,000,000) OF UNEXPENDED BOND PROCEEDS FROM THE BROAD STREET PARKWAY PROJECT TO THE DIVISION OF PUBLIC WORKS OFFICE FACILITY PROJECT

MOTION BY ALDERMAN O'BRIEN TO RECOMMEND FINAL PASSAGE BY ROLL CALL

ON THE QUESTION

Alderman Clemons

Mr. Chairman I did have a comment. I apologize.

Thank you. I wanted to state with this and the previous legislation as well as what's coming up, that I'm supporting this project because I am afraid that the city is going to go through what many municipalities are going to go through very soon, which is inflationary costs. The fact of the matter is that we have a set price for this project which is which is pretty reasonable considering what the end result is going to be is the reason why I'm going to support this. It would be hard to do if, you know, we didn't have a reputable contractor that we've done business with in the past that know we can count on their estimates and things of that nature. So I'm comfortable supporting this.

But I would hope that in the future when we're looking at different projects and things that we have to take that inflation into account. I am on the fence as to whether or not it makes sense to go forward with my rate of projects or to rather use some of the COVID money that we got to help stabilize the tax rate. But in this case and in this particular project, I'm going to support it because the end result is going to be better for our employees and I think the city is going to get a nice building for a reasonable cost. Thank you.

Chairman Dowd

Anyone else?

A viva voce roll call was taken which resulted as follows:

Yea: Alderman Clemons, Alderman Schmidt, Alderman Jette,
Alderman Wilshire, Alderman O'Brien, Alderman Dowd 6

Nay: 0

MOTION CARRIED

R-21-192

Endorsers: Mayor Jim Donchess
Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien, Sr.
Alderman Patricia Klee
Alderman Richard A. Dowd
Alderman Thomas Lopez
Alderman Linda Harriott-Gathright
Alderman Skip Cleaver
Alderwoman Elizabeth Lu
Alderman-at-Large Lori Wilshire

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY TREASURER TO ISSUE BONDS NOT TO EXCEED THE AMOUNT OF THREE MILLION DOLLARS (\$3,000,000) FOR ADDITIONAL COST FOR THE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF A DIVISION OF PUBLIC WORKS OFFICE FACILITY

MOTION BY ALDERMAN O'BRIEN TO RECOMMEND FINAL PASSAGE BY ROLL CALL

A viva voce roll call was taken which resulted as follows:

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| Yea: Alderman Clemons, Alderman Schmidt, Alderman Jette, Alderman Wilshire, Alderman O'Brien, Alderman Dowd | 6 |
| Nay: | 0 |

MOTION CARRIED

R-21-194

Endorsers: Mayor Jim Donchess
Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien, Sr.
Alderman-at-Large Ben Clemons
Alderman Skip Cleaver
Alderman Linda Harriott-Gathright
Alderman-at-Large Brandon Michael Laws
Alderwoman-at-Large Lori Wilshire

RELATIVE TO THE ACCEPTANCE OF \$30,000 FROM NASHUA ROTARY WEST INTO PUBLIC WORKS GRANT ACTIVITY "DISC GOLF COURSE"

MOTION BY ALDERMAN O'BRIEN TO RECOMMEND FINAL PASSAGE BY ROLL CALL

ON THE QUESTION

Alderman Jette

I hate to look a gift horse in the mouth but I have no problem with accepting \$30,000 from Nashua Rotary West and I thank them very much. I'm wondering the disc golf park, will this \$30,000 pay for the entire thing or will there be additional cost to doing the disc golf park?

Lisa Fauteux, Public Works Director

So the Rotary donation will pay for the entire cost. Public Works we'll be doing a little bit of the clearing with our own staff but beyond that, that will pay for the full amount.

Alderman Jette

Thank you.

Chairman Dowd

Any other questions or concerns? Seeing none.

A viva voce roll call was taken which resulted as follows:

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| Yea: Alderman Clemons, Alderman Schmidt, Alderman Jette, Alderman Wilshire, Alderman O'Brien, Alderman Dowd | 6 |
| Nay: | 0 |

MOTION CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS – ORDINANCES - None

TABLED IN COMMITTEE - None

GENERAL DISCUSSION

Alderman O'Brien

Yeah it's kind of sad. I think many of the Public Works employees, particularly when I'm talking not the active employees, but the ones that are retired. They did not know that they were going to be receiving this one-time gift that is similar to what we did in 2017. As Trustee, I was at that meeting. I can assure you that everybody kind of nodded their head and was in full agreement. But go to the letter of the law, okay maybe. So that's why I agree with tabling it. The intention was, you know, to get that out there. If we did it traditionally around Christmas time, it's one of the nice things that if the money is available that we could do to a system. You got to understand that this particular pension Board does not get any COLAs. So therefore, they are totally relying when we do have some monies available to relieve on this. I think at this particular point, I think we could probably clear up the little snafu. I want to say money is in the bank but hopefully we might be able to get it done to kind of help our people who used to plow our streets, pave them, and everything else, collect our trash, and make the holidays a little brighter in the future. So apologize for that but I think everybody on the Board was in agreement but it doesn't fit the letter of the law. So thank you.

Chairman Dowd

If we're able to get a formal vote from that committee, I would be willing to call a short budget in connection with another one of our meetings and see if we can get it on the December 14th agenda. We'll have to get that that group to give us a formal vote.

David Fredette, Treasurer

That could still be too late to get it out before the holiday, but I'll see what I can do.

Alderman Clemons

Thank you. I was wondering is it because it has to originate from the Board or could we could amend the legislation - could we reconsider and amend the legislation to be contingent upon final approval of the Board and then that way when the Board of Public Works make the final approval, it'll already have the approval of the Board of Aldermen and when they go and vote, it can be done?

David Fredette, Treasurer

I'd have to ask Legal.

Chairman Dowd

Yeah we'd have to ask legal. It's possible that we could pass approval with the final vote coming back to us. I'm not sure that speeds things up any.

Alderman Clemons

Thank you. I guess I would make a motion to reconsider. My purpose in doing so would be to reconsider, put that contingency on there, move it to the full Board of Aldermen, get an opinion from Legal whether we can do that or not, and then if we can do it, we'll hopefully pass it at the Board of Aldermen, and if not, we can always table it there.

MOTION BY ALDERMAN CLEMONS TO RECONSIDER R-21-188 BY ROLL CALLChairman Dowd

I believe it's on the agenda for tomorrow evening.

Alderman Clemons

My motion is to reconsider.

A viva voce roll call was taken which resulted as follows:

Yea: Alderman Clemons, Alderman Schmidt, Alderman Jette,
Alderman Wilshire, Alderman O'Brien, Alderman Dowd

Nay:

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MOTION CARRIED

MOTION BY ALDERMAN CLEMONS RECOMMENDS AMENDING R-21-188 CONTINGENT UPON RECEIVING APPROVAL FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES PUBLIC WORKS PENSION BY ROLL CALL

ON THE QUESTION

Alderman Wilshire

I don't see any reason we couldn't do that. I mean it makes sense to me. We've done such things before. So I'm okay with this. I'm going to support it.

Alderman O'Brien

Thank you. I would like to say I do support this as being a Trustee. If you do look at the legislation in the analysis portion, and I quote, "The ordinances specify the system's service retirement benefits, and do not provide the Board of Trustees with the discretion to pay any additional benefits, leading to this legislation for the Board of Aldermen approval". So in reading that, it means that this board or recommendation to the Board of Aldermen does stipulate and can supersede what the intent was of the Board of Trustees of the pension system.

Chairman Dowd

Okay. I'm fine with this. I just want to make sure that it's done legally. So they own the money. We don't. So if we can get that, and I will talk to Corporation Counsel tomorrow morning find out what we need to do to make this happen and the timing. I don't know when they could get together for a meeting.

David Fredette, Treasurer

They own the money but there is nothing in the pension ordinance that allows them to do a stipend. So that's why it has to go through the Board of Aldermen because you control the money even though it's a trust.

Chairman Dowd

Any other questions or concerns? Seeing none, clerk please call roll.

Alderman Clemons

Just a point of clarification. Is this for final passage are we amending?

Chairman Dowd

The amendment.

Alderman O'Brien

Oh, excuse me. Yes, thank you. It's R-21-188 as amended. Thank you Alderman Clemons.

Alderman Wilshire

We're just voting on the amendment not final passage as amended.

Alderman O'Brien

Right. I was ahead of the game.

A viva voce roll call was taken which resulted as follows:

Yea: Alderman Clemons, Alderman Schmidt, Alderman Jette,

Alderman Wilshire, Alderman O'Brien, Alderman Dowd 6

Nay: 0

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION BY ALDERMAN CLEMONS RECOMMENDS FINAL PASSAGE AS AMENDED BY ROLL CALL

A viva voce roll call was taken which resulted as follows:

Yea: Alderman Clemons, Alderman Schmidt, Alderman Jette,
Alderman Wilshire, Alderman O'Brien, Alderman Dowd 6

Nay: 0

MOTION CARRIED AS AMENDED

PUBLIC COMMENT

Laurie Ortolano

Hi. Laurie Ortolano, 41. Berkeley Street. You missed the first public comment and maybe and I was going to just say a quick statement hoping you would address it. But you received and accepted the \$30,000 from the Rotary for the disc golf course. I believe you allocated money prior to that \$30,000 from another account, because I'm not certain that you knew if you were going to get this money. I might be wrong but I'm just going back in my mind to what I thought happened. If that money was allocated from another account, I'm just wondering if it can be returned to the taxpayers or to where it rightfully belongs.

And also, there was a conversation or discussion, I think, where Director Fauteux mentioned that there would be a little bit of work done on clearing. And does anyone know how many trees are going to be cut down in that forested area in that park down there for that amount of land? I'm curious at how much cutting we're going to do. We never did a real walk through. It's an 18 hole course and I'm just curious. There's probably a lot of old trees in there and I'm wondering how we're going to be handling that. Those are my only comments and thank you.

Chairman Dowd

I'm sorry I missed that first public comment. I just noticed. But anyway. Any anything else? No other public comment?

REMARKS BY THE ALDERMEN - None

POSSIBLE NON-PUBLIC SESSION - None

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION BY ALDERMAN O'BRIEN TO ADJOURN, BY ROLL CALL

A viva voce roll call was taken which resulted as follows:

Yea: Alderman Clemons, Alderman Schmidt, Alderman Jette,
Alderman Wilshire, Alderman O'Brien, Alderman Dowd 6

Nay: 0

MOTION CARRIED

The meeting was declared closed at 8:29 p.m.