



LEGISLATIVE BRANCH ▪ CITY OF BINGHAMTON

Hadassah Mativetsky, City Council President

Sarah Dinhofer, City Clerk

COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BINGHAMTON

Committee Meeting Agenda: Finance

Work Session Room, 38 Hawley Street, Binghamton, NY 13901

11 AM Tuesday, March 5, 2024

I. CALL TO ORDER

Called to order at 11:02AM

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Robert Cavanaugh, Nate Hotchkiss

Also Present: Sarah Dinhofer (City Clerk), Hadassah Mativetsky (City Council President, Member Ex-Officio)

III. DISCUSSION

Introductory Ordinance 24-28 Considered in Finance: Cavanaugh

An ordinance to amend the BCJSB 2023 Budget to increase Village of Johnson City Local System Costs

- Goodson: Local systems costs are budgeted and provided by Village of Johnson City. Costs are passed along in August, as their calendar year ends in July. Estimates are provided at the beginning of year – CoB's estimate was higher than actual, Johnson City's estimate was lower than actual (80,000 lower than actual, originally estimated 1.1mil)
- Shager: Binghamton system users pay only for Binghamton's portion of costs, Johnson City's user's pay only for Johnson City's portion of costs

Introductory Ordinance 24-33 Considered in Finance: Cavanaugh

An ordinance to amend the Water and Sewer Fund 2023 Budget for retroactive pay for 5 employees due to grievance decision on 12/15/23

- Kruger: In 2022 during contract negotiations, additional responsibility was created of CDL requirement and passed NYS civil service process. Intent was to grant raise at start of prior year to certain employees that had been given title changes to create upward mobility for laborers. NYS process took until June to finalize, so grievance process was undertaken to grant owed salary during processing period.

Introductory Ordinance 24-36 Considered in Finance: Cavanaugh

An ordinance to amend the 2023 General Fund to adjust for Assistant Corporation Counsel (CODE-ARPA) salary unused at year end

- Shager: Code Counsel position was created at start of last year and funds were allocated from ARPA originally, however position was not filled until partially through the year, therefore unused ARPA funds will be reabsorbed into ARPA fund balance. Shager agrees to send over ARPA fund balance totals at request of CM Cavanaugh, CM Mativetsky

Introductory Ordinance 24-37 Considered in Finance: Cavanaugh

An ordinance to amend the 2023 Police ARPA budget to decrease accounts for incentive funds not used

- Shager: By time of payout, multiple positions expected to be filled were not filled and therefore incentives were not paid out. Unused ARPA funds will be reabsorbed into ARPA fund balance. CM Hotchkiss asks if incentive funds were successful, Shager answers it is hard to determine as there are

multiple issues with retaining police: job safety, salary, etc. CM Hotchkiss asks when the allocation period ends, Shager answers he believes it must be allocated by end of this year, as it must be spent by 2026.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned at 11:28AM

- a.** Motion: Hotchkiss
- b.** Second: Cavanaugh
- c.** All in favor