



LEGISLATIVE BRANCH ▪ CITY OF BINGHAMTON

*Phil Strawn, City Council President
Leighton Rogers, City Clerk*

**COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BINGHAMTON
Budget Hearing Minutes
City Hall, 38 Hawley Street, Binghamton, NY 13901
5:00pm Thursday, October 13, 2022**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Finance Vice Chairman Scanlon called to order at 5:00pm

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Vice Chairman Scanlon

III. ROLL CALL

Present: Scaringi (7:25pm), Resciniti, Riley (5:11pm), Friedman, Scanlon, Strawn

Absent: Burns

Also Present: Leighton Rogers (City Clerk), Janine Faulkner (Deputy City Clerk), Brian Seachrist (Corporation Counsel), Lori Clift (IT Director), Chuck Shager (Comptroller)

IV. Building, Construction & Code Enforcement Budget Presented by Supervisor of Building Construction & Code Enforcement

Vice Chairman Scanlon opened page(s) 67, 97-98

Motion to approve page(s): Resciniti

Second: Strawn

Vote: 4-0-0-3

Absent: Scaringi, Riley, Burns

V. Purchasing Budget Presented by Purchasing Agent Bernice Griffiths

Vice Chairman Scanlon opened page(s) 21, 41-42

Motion to approve page(s): Resciniti

Second: Strawn

Vote: 4-0-0-3

Absent: Scaringi, Riley, Burns

VI. DPW Budget Presented by Commissioner of Public Works Dan Maerkl

Vice Chairman Scanlon opened page(s) 33-40, 71-74, 219

Motion to approve page(s): Resciniti

Second: Strawn

Vote: 5-0-0-2

Absent: Scaringi, Burns



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Vice Chairman Scanlon opened page(s) 115-131

Motion to approve page(s): Resciniti

Second: Strawn

Vote: 5-0-0-2

Absent: Scaringi, Burns

Vice Chairman Scanlon opened page(s) 224

Motion to approve page(s): Resciniti

Second: Strawn

Vote: 5-0-0-2

Absent: Scaringi, Burns

VII. Water/Sewer Budget Presented by Water/Sewer Superintendent Jeff Kruger

Vice Chairman Scanlon opened page(s) 159, 161-176

Motion to modify budget line FX834.51000 *Water Meter Reader @20.31 (NEW)* from 1 @ \$42,245 to 0 @ \$0, moving \$42,245 to budget line FX1990.55000 Contingency

Motion: Resciniti

Second: Riley

Vote: 5-0-0-2

Absent: Scaringi, Burns

Motion to modify budget line FX8340.51000 *Water Meter Repair @21.98 (Eliminated)* 1 @ \$0 to *Water Meter Repairer @19.87* 1 @ \$41,330 moving \$41,330 from budget line FX1990.55000 Contingency

Motion: Resciniti

Second: Friedman

Vote: 5-0-0-2

Absent: Scaringi, Burns

Motion to approve page(s) as amended: Resciniti

Second: Strawn

Vote: 5-0-0-2

Absent: Scaringi, Burns

Vice Chairman Scanlon opened page(s) 155-158, 160, 177, 219-220

Motion to approve page(s): Riley

Second: Friedman

Vote: 5-0-0-2



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Absent: Scaringi, Burns

Vice Chairman Scanlon opened page(s) 183, 185-202

Motion to approve page(s): Resciniti

Second: Friedman

Vote: 5-0-0-2

Absent: Scaringi, Burns

Vice Chairman Scanlon opened page(s) 178-182, 184, 203, 219-220

Motion to approve page(s): Resciniti

Second: Strawn

Vote: 5-0-0-2

Absent: Scaringi, Burns

Motion to reopened page(s) 155 (Contingency)

Motion: Friedman

Second: Riley

Vote: 5-0-0-2

Absent: Scaringi, Burns

Motion to approve page(s) as amended: Resciniti

Second: Strawn

Vote: 5-0-0-2

Absent: Scaringi, Burns

VIII. Break 6:44pm

Resume 6:54pm

Present: Scaringi (7:25pm), Resciniti, Riley, Friedman, Scanlon, Strawn

Absent: Burns

Also Present: Leighton Rogers (City Clerk), Janine Faulkner (Deputy City Clerk), Brian Seachrist (Corporation Counsel), Lori Clift (IT Director), Chuck Shager (Comptroller)

IX. Parking budget Presented by Carl Petro

Vice Chairman Scanlon opened page(s) 132-145, 226-228

Motion to amend page 133 *Night Parking Fee* from 2am-7am Tuesday-Thursday to 2am-7am Monday-Thursday

Motion: Resciniti

Second: Strawn

Vote: 5-0-0-2



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Absent: Scaringi, Burns

Motion to approve page(s) as amended: Resciniti

Second: Friedman

Vote: 5-0-0-2

Absent: Scaringi, Burns

X. Police Budget Presented by Chief Zikuski

Vice Chairman Scanlon opened page(s) 48-60, 68, 219, 223

Motion to approve page(s): Resciniti

Second: Strawn

Vote: 5-0-0-2

Absent: Scaringi, Burns

XI. Information Management & Technology Budget Presented by IT Manager Lori Clift

Vice Chairman Scanlon opened page(s) 32, 43-44, 220

*Scaringi arrives 7:25pm

Motion to approve page(s): Resciniti

Second: Friedman

Vote: 6-0-0-1

Absent: Burns

XII. City Council, City Clerk & Animal Control Budget Presented by City Clerk Leighton Rogers

Chairman Scaringi opened page(s): 14, 24-25, 31, 66, 222-223

Motion to reopen page 74 (Street Lighting)

Motion: Friedman

Second: Scanlon

Vote: 6-0-0-1

Absent: Burns

Motion to move \$3,492 from budget line A5182.54202 to Contingency

Motion: Friedman

Second: Riley

Vote: 6-0-0-1

Absent: Burns



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Motion to move \$3,492 from Contingency to budget line A1410.51000. City Clerk salary will be increased from \$63,005 to \$64,895.15 and the Deputy City Clerk salary will be increased from \$53,389 to \$54,990.67

Motion: Friedman

Second: Riley

Vote: 6-0-0-1

Absent: Burns

Motion to change the 3% raise for City Clerk and Deputy City Clerk to 2%

Motion: Scanlon

Motion did not receive a second and could not be advanced for a vote

Motion to move \$0.18 from A1410.51000 to Contingency due to overage moved

Motion: Friedman

Second: Riley

Vote: 5-1-0-1

Nay: Scanlon

Absent: Burns

Motion to accept page(s) including 74 as amended: Riley

Second: Friedman

Vote: 5-1-0-1

Nay: Scanlon

Absent: Burns

XIII. Finance Budget Presented by Comptroller Chuck Shager

Chairman Scaringi opened page(s): 17-18, 23, 45, 70, 75, 76, 96

Motion to approve page(s): Resciniti

Second: Scanlon

Vote: 6-0-0-1

Absent: Burns

Chairman Scaringi opened page(s): 219-220

Motion to approve page(s): Strawn

Second: Scanlon

Vote: 6-0-0-1

Absent: Burns

Chairman Scaringi opened page(s): 111-113, 6



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Motion to approve page(s): 111-113: Scanlon
Second: Strawn
Vote: 6-0-0-1
Absent: Burns

Motion to approve page(s): 6: Friedman
Second: Resciniti
Vote: 6-0-0-1
Absent: Burns

Chairman Scaringi opened page(s): 205-206, 219-220

Motion to approve page(s): 219-220: Riley
Second: Scanlon
Vote: 6-0-0-1
Absent: Burns

Motion to approve page(s): 205-206: Resciniti
Second: Scanlon
Vote: 6-0-0-1
Absent: Burns

Chairman Scaringi opened page(s): 114

Motion to approve page(s): Strawn
Second: Scanlon
Vote: 6-0-0-1
Absent: Burns

Chairman Scaringi opened page(s): 102-110

Motion to approve page(s): Scanlon
Second: Resciniti
Vote: 6-0-0-1
Absent: Burns

Chairman Scaringi opened page(s): 7-13

Motion to approve page(s): Scanlon
Second: Resciniti
Vote: 6-0-0-1
Absent: Burns



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Chairman Scaringi opened page(s): 47

Motion to approve page(s) as amended: Scanlon

Second: Resciniti

Vote: 6-0-0-1

Absent: Burns

Chairman Scaringi opened page(s): 2-5

Motion to approve page(s): Scanlon

Second: Resciniti

Vote: 6-0-0-1

Absent: Burns

Chairman Scaringi opened page(s): 214-222

Motion to approve page(s): Scanlon

Second: Strawn

Vote: 6-0-0-1

Absent: Burns

Motion to approve the proposed 2023 budget as amended: Scanlon

Second: Resciniti

Vote: 6-0-0-1

Absent: Burns

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 8:39pm: Riley

Second: Scanlon

All in favor