Salem City Council Committee on Administration and Finance Wednesday May 31, 2023

The Salem City Council Committee on Administration and Finance co-posted with Committee of the Whole met in person and remotely on Wednesday May 31,2024 at 6:15 P.M, for the purpose of discussing the Fiscal Year 2024 Operating Budgets and Capital Improvement Plans.

A&F Committee Members participating: Chairman McClain, Hapworth, Merkl, Stott, Watson-Felt (remote)

Committee Members Absent:

Other Councillors present Morsillo, Cohen, Varela, Prosniewski

Invited: Superintendent of Schools Dr. Stephen Zrike

Chairman McLain addressed the Committee and reported that there has been a change in the agenda noting that the Public Services and the Engineering Departments have been rescheduled to June 6, 2024 as well as a vote on the first passage of the Water and Sewer Bond Order.

Councillor McLain also noted that the School Department Budget is also on the agenda this evening and therefore the Committee needs to recess until 7:00 p.m. He stated that he would entertain a motion to recess until 7:00 p.m.

Councillor Hapworth moved to recess until 7:00 p.m. Councillor Stott seconded the motion. Councillor McLain called for a roll call vote as follows:

Councillor Hapworth Yes
Councillor Merkl Yes
Councillor Stott Yes
Councillor Watson Felt Yes
Councillor McLain Yes

The motion carried (5-0)

FY 2024 School Department Budget

Salem Public Schools Superintendent Stephen Szrike addressed the Committee and reported on the goals and accomplishments of the Salem Public Schools. He explained the budget and the increases in the budget for the fiscal year 2024.

Councillor Hapworth moved to approve the total budget for the Salem Public Schools in the amount of \$71,154,142.00, seconded by Councillor Stott.

Councillor McLain called for a roll call vote as follows:

Councillor Hapworth Yes
Councillor Merkl Yes
Councillor Stott Yes
Councillor Watson Felt Yes
Councillor McLain Yes

The motion carried 5-0.

There being no further business to come before the Administration and Finance Committee this evening, Councillor Hapworth moved to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Eileen M Sacco Budget Cleek