

**City of Somerville, Massachusetts**  
**Matters of Business of the City Council**

**SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

June 30, 2020, 6:00 PM  
Meeting by Remote Participation  
\*\*\*\*\*

*NOTICE: This is NOT the official version of the City Council's minutes. While reasonable efforts have been made to assure the accuracy of the data provided, do not rely on this information without first checking with the City Clerk.*

**OPENING CEREMONIES**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Ward One City Councilor Matthew McLaughlin.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Wilfred N. Mbah	City Councilor At Large	Present	
Mary Jo Rossetti	City Councilor At Large	Present	
Kristen Strezo	City Councilor at Large	Present	
William A. White Jr.	City Councilor At Large	Present	
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One City Councilor	Present	
Jefferson Thomas ("J.T.") Scott	Ward Two City Councilor	Present	
Ben Ewen-Campen	Ward Three City Councilor	Present	
Jesse Clingan	Ward Four City Councilor	Present	
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five City Councilor	Present	
Lance L. Davis	Ward Six City Councilor	Present	
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven City Councilor	Present	

1. Roll Call      Call of the Roll.  
210367  
(ID:23241)

<b>RESULT:</b> <b>PLACED ON FILE</b>
--------------------------------------

**CITATIONS**

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

## COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

2. Mayor's Request 210368 (ID:23235)

Requesting the appropriation of \$21,057,375 in order to fund the July 2020 General Fund Continuing Appropriations Budget.

Finance Director Ed Bean described the budget being submitted as a one-month continuing appropriation for the month of July, which is required by State law whenever an annual budget is not in place by July 1. The State has recognized that the Covid-19 pandemic has made it difficult for municipalities to develop this year's budgets in a timely manner. Without this appropriation, the City has no authority to spend funds. This budget has been developed with sufficient funds to meet all current payroll expenses with no new positions funded except for one week of a new Racial and Social Justice Director. Ordinary Maintenance accounts are based on the departments' anticipated expenditures. Once the City Council adopts a full-year FY21 budget, that budget will supersede this one. Mr. Bean noted that Department Heads were in attendance remotely to answer any questions. Councilor Scott asked for details of the Police Department's budget, and Budget Director Michael Mastrobuoni directed him to a separate file in the OpenGov platform that displays a department's detailed budget.

**RESULT:** **APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]**  
**AYES:** Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
3. Mayor's Request 210369 (ID:23240)

Requesting the appropriation of \$6,026 in order to fund the July 2020 Community Preservation Act Continuing Appropriations Budget.

**RESULT:** **APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]**  
**AYES:** Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
4. Mayor's Request 210370 (ID:23238)

Requesting the appropriation of \$64,070 in order to fund the July 2020 Kennedy School Pool Enterprise Fund Continuing Appropriations Budget.

**RESULT:** **APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]**  
**AYES:** Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
5. Mayor's Request 210371 (ID:23237)

Requesting the appropriation of \$14,700 in order to fund the July 2020 Dilboy Field Enterprise Fund Continuing Appropriations Budget.

**RESULT:** **APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]**  
**AYES:** Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne
6. Mayor's Request 210372 (ID:23236)

Requesting the appropriation of \$ 99,005 in order to fund the July 2020 Veterans Ice Rink Enterprise Fund Continuing Appropriations Budget.

**RESULT:** **APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]**  
**AYES:** Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

7. Mayor's Request 210373 (ID:23239) Requesting the appropriation of \$24,167 in order to fund the July 2020 PEG Access Fund Continuing Appropriations Budget.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

8. Mayor's Request 210374 (ID:23229) Requesting confirmation of the appointment of Robert McCarthy to the position of Deputy Fire Chief.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION</b>
<b>FOLLOWUP:</b>	Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters Committee

## **COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS**

### **NEW BUSINESS**

### **SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS**

### **LATE ITEMS**

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was Adjourned at 6:30 PM.