



CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS  
CLERK OF COMMITTEES

July 13, 2011

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Maryann M. Heuston	Chair	Present	
William A. White Jr.	Vice Chair	Present	
John M Connolly	Alderman At Large	Absent	
Rebekah Gewirtz	Ward Six Alderman	Present	
Thomas F. Taylor	Ward Three Alderman	Absent	
Omar Boukili	Administrative Assistant	Present	
Corey Mashburn	Somerville Cares About Prevention	Present	
Leo Martini	Somerville Police	Present	
Stephen Mackey	Chamber of Commerce	Present	

**189723 - That the Director of Purchasing, the Director of Traffic and Parking and the City Solicitor Appear at the Next Meeting of the Finance Committee to Discuss the Kiosk Contracts.:**

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

**190146 - That the Director of SPCD provide the Committee on Finance with a current copy of the amended MaxPak covenant.:**

The requested information was received. Alderman Gewirtz's motion that OSPCD provide the committee with an update on the MaxPak project, was approved.

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

**190649 - Requesting approval to establish the position of Youth & Volunteer Coordinator.:**

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**190700 - That this Board requests that the Administration provide a mid-year report on the FY 2011 city budget, including an analysis of departmental spending, health insurance and overtime expenditures.:**

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

**190744 - That the Director of Finance appear before the Committee on Finance with the meals tax receipts (adjusted for the increase in the rate) over the past five years and discuss their impact, especially on the state of the restaurant business in Somerville.:**

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

**191011 - That the City Treasurer inform this Board of residents' complaints about the timeliness of their receipt of excise tax bills, and that if the responsibility for the bills' tardiness lies with the City, that the City make restitution to those residents facing fines because their excise tax bills were not received in a timely manner.:**

**RESULT: WORK COMPLETED**

**191601 - Requesting approval of a \$9,000 grant from the Carl and Ruth Shapiro Family Foundation to support the Arts Council's Books of Hope program.:**

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**191697 - Requesting authorization to pay a prior year invoice of \$272 in the Council on Aging.:**

**RESULT: KEPT IN COMMITTEE**

**191698 - Requesting the acceptance of a \$100,000 grant from the MA Dept. of Public Health for the Health Dept.'s Tobacco Control Program.:**

Mr. Mashburn discussed the compliance activities related to tobacco and youth and explained how the funds would be used to support those activities.

**RESULT: APPROVED**