

**COMMITTEE ON FINANCE
MAY 8, 2017 AT 6:00 PM
COMMITTEE ROOM
WOBURN CITY HALL**

Voting Members:

Attending: Chair Michael Concannon, Alderman Michael Anderson,
Alderman Richard Gately, Alderman Lindsay Higgins,
Alderman Edward Tedesco
Absent: None

Non-Voting Members:

Attending: Alderman Joanne Campbell, Alderman Mark Gaffney, Alderman Darlene
Mercer-Bruen,
President Richard Haggerty
Absent: None

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Order to transfer \$892,028.17 from Fire/BLS Ambulance Account to Fire Regular Salary Account \$559,639.06, Fire Ambulance Salary Account \$151,114.32, Fire/Overtime Account \$119,177.36, Fire 16th Man Overtime Account \$30,363.16, Fire/Electric Account \$6,470.07, Fire Ambulance Maintenance Account \$17,334.47 and Fire Apparatus Maintenance Account \$7,929.73. Appearing was Fire Chief Timothy Ring and he stated that this transfer should cover the departmental need through the end of the fiscal year, that the ambulance salary account was underfunded by \$400,000.00 at the beginning of the fiscal year, that the ambulance salaries will total \$526,000.00 which is the same amount every year, that the regular salaries are a bit higher due to a couple of firefighters out on extended injury leave, that one of these firefighters has been out a couple of years and is moving towards retirement, that the overtime salaries are down from last fiscal year, that the overtime salaries are significant but lower than last year, that the receipts information is received from the City Auditor, that the projection is receipts of \$150,000.00 each month for April, May and June 2017, that the front line rescue vehicle has 80,000 miles, is three years old and should be the backup rescue vehicle by the Fall 2017, that the backup vehicle runs five days per week but not the 24 hour a day and seven day a week schedule of the front line vehicle, that the third ambulance will be traded in, that the information on receipts lags from month to month, that the April 2017 receipt information is not yet available, that the vehicles should be replaced in a timely manner and before the vehicle needs to be replaced, that his retirement will be effective at the end of June 2017, that the exam process has been completed for the selection of a new Fire Chief but the interview and selection process have not been completed, and that he appreciates the assistance the City Council has provided to the Fire Department over the years. President Haggerty wished Chief Ring all the best in his coming retirement. Motion made and 2nd that the Order ought to pass, all in favor, 5-0.

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Motion made and 2nd to adjourn, all in favor, 5-0. Adjourned: 6:11 pm

Attest: _____
William C. Campbell
Clerk of Committees, Pro Tem