

**COMMITTEE ON FINANCE  
JUNE 13, 2018 AT 8:01 p.m.  
COMMITTEE ROOM  
WOBURN CITY HALL**

Voting Members Attending: Chair Michael Concannon, Alderman Michael Anderson,  
Alderman Richard Gately, Alderman Edward Tedesco. Absent: Alderman Lindsay Higgins

Non-Voting Members:

Attending: Alderman Darlene Mercer-Bruen, President Richard Haggerty, and Alderman Joanne  
Campbell. Absent: Alderman Mark Gaffney

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**On the Order to transfer \$700,000 from the Unreserved Fund Balance Account to the Road Improvements Account:** Chairman Concannon said the item has been in committee for months awaiting a list from Mayor Scott Galvin identifying the roads that are to be improved and the mayor has told the committee the list is not ready. Alderman Gately asked when the committee will see the list. Motion made by Alderman Anderson that the transfer “ought to pass.” Alderman Gately said the mayor is withholding the list of roads on purpose and once the council approves the money the list will be shoved down the throats of the aldermen. Chairman Concannon noted Alderman Anderson’s motion to approve the transfer was not seconded. Alderman Campbell said she thinks the council needs to take a firm stand and withhold approval of the transfer until the mayor submits the list of roads to be improved. Alderman Anderson asked if the roads will still get done if the transfer is not approved. Alderman Mercer-Bruen suggested the council could make its approval conditional upon receipt of the final list from Mayor Galvin. Alderman Tedesco said he would rather keep the list in committee until the list is submitted. Alderman Mercer-Bruen said she just wants to receive a list of streets that are going to get paved. Chairman Concannon said when the matter was previously discussed, the committee wanted to see the list. Alderman Mercer-Bruen said she does not want to hold up the actual paving of the roads. Alderman Tedesco said the list was supposed to be submitted around budget time and that he doesn’t think the list of roads would be a difficult thing to come up with. Alderman Campbell said she feels like the council ought to be able to voice its opinion about which roads ought to be paved. Alderman Gately said he has talked to DPW Supt. John Duran and he hasn’t seen a list. Alderman Mercer-Bruen suggested leaving the matter in committee. Alderman Gately said there was \$600 worth of damage done to his truck due to a poorly-maintained city road. Alderman Mercer-Bruen suggested sending a communication to the mayor asking him when the streets for this paving season will be re-paved. Motion made by Alderman Tedesco and seconded by Alderman Gately that a communication be sent to Mayor Scott Galvin asking for a list of all roads scheduled for improvements with funding from either the \$700,000 transfer submitted on March 1, 2018 and/or state Ch. 90 highway funds during the 2018 construction season; approved, 4-0.

**On the Order to appropriate \$56,000 from the Cemetery Interest Fund to various Cemetery Accounts:** Motion made by Alderman Gately and seconded by Alderman Tedesco that the appropriation “ought to pass.” Chairman Concannon said he has spoken to Cemetery

Commission Chairman John Sawyer and this is a usual procedure for the Cemetery Commission. Vote to endorse the appropriation was 4-0.

**On the order to transfer \$4,000 from Outside Survey Consultants Account to the Engineering Part-Time Salary Account:** Motion made by Alderman Anderson and seconded by Alderman Gately that the transfer “ought to pass,” approved, 4-0.

**Motion made by Alderman Anderson and seconded by Alderman Gately to adjourn;** approved, 4-0. Chairman Concannon adjourned the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Gordon Vincent  
Clerk of Committees