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CITY OF WARWICK  
DOCKET OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
SPECIAL BUDGET MEETING  
May 28, 2019  
@ 4:00 P.M.  
CITY HALL  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
3275 POST ROAD  
WARWICK, R.I. 02886

STEVE MEROLLA, PRESIDENT PRESIDING

**Roll Call: 9/0**  
**Time: 4:16 PM**  
**Salute to the Flag: Howe**

**Tuesday, May 28, 2019 @ 4:00 P.M. – Public Hearing - Council Chambers**

Purpose of Meeting: Public hearing on the Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2019/2020

Order of Agenda:

(Please note: Time constraints may force a change in the department order and departments not considered tonight will be continued to May 29, 2019 and May 31, 2019, if necessary)

**Remarks by Council President**

Merolla – First item is the School Department – last year was a unique year in which a Carrulo action was filed. Does not remember a Carulo Action being filed – Council and city faced w/ a unique issue which is what is the outcome of the Carulo action – did we fund according w/ state law.

Met w/ a mediator and talked w/ School Department in the fall went into mediation in the spring.

All agreed binding mediator/arbitration. A lot of talk pension plans and one in particular as if that was the only subject on table. Also not one member of the council is an accountant and no one is an auditor

We all thought best to hire outside help and to look at this in an objective manner to give us opinion

On to what is what is not accurate. Calls on Kyle Connors, Director at Marco LLP, he is an accountant in

both RI and MA has done audits in the past for other city/towns – works w/ other municipalities.

Merolla asks questions of Mr. Connors.

Presenting the Budget: Mayor Solomon

~~Motion to Open Public Hearing:~~

~~Seconded by:~~

~~Vote:~~

Time: **4:45 PM – School Department Presentation**

- School Department

**Motion to Recess: Howe**  
**Seconded by: Ladouceur**

vv

7:21 PM – 7:35 PM

**Motion to Open Public Hearing: Howe**

**Seconded** by: Ladouceur, McAllister

Vote: vv

- School Committee

**Rob Cote – Ward 7 Resident**

**Bridget Almon – Resident**

**Dave Testa – School Committee Member – Resident**

**Mary Townsend – Resident – WISE Union President**

**Tracy McDermott – Resident WISE Union Employee**

**Nathan Cornell – School Committee Member**

**Mike McDougal – Warwick Resident**

**John Simoneau – Ward 6 Resident**

**Joanne Schofield – Mentor RI**

**Gene Nadeau – Former School Committee Member**

**Dan Pisaturo – Resident**

**Jay Buongiovani – Warwick Financial Committee**

**Stacia Huyler**

Patrick Maloney – Ward 1

Michael Penta – Resident

- Board of Canvassers
  - Patty Aylesworth**
  - John Simoneau – Ward 6 Resident**
- City Clerk
  - Lynn D’Abrosca**
- Probate Court
  - Lynn D’Abrosca**
- Municipal Court
  - Lynn D’Abrosca**
- Postage
  - Brian Silvia**
- Executive
  - Bill DePasquale**
  - John Simoneau – Ward 6 Resident**
- Legislative
  - Councilman Ladouceur**
- Council Claims
  - Councilman Ladouceur**
- Treasury
  - Lynne Prodger**
- Community Development

- **Bill Facente**
- Legal  
**Bill DePasquale**  
**John Simoneau – Ward 6 Resident**
- Water  
**Dan O'Rourke**  
**Scott Phillips - Ward 1**
- Building Inspectors  
**Al DeCorte**
- Police  
**Col. Rick Rathbun**  
**Deputy Chief Ullucci**  
**John Simoneau – Ward 6 Resident**
- Police Grants  
**Col. Rick Rathbun**  
**Deputy Chief Ullucci**
- Board of Public Safety  
**Col. Rick Rathbun**
- Alcohol & Highway Enforcement  
**Col. Rick Rathbun**
- Organized Crime & Drug Enforcement  
**Col. Rick Rathbun**
- Animal Shelter  
**Ann Corvin**
- Human Services  
**Meg Underwood**
- Senior Centers  
**Meg Underwood**  
**John Simoneau – Ward 6 Resident**
- Senior Transportation  
**Meg Underwood**  
**John Simoneau – Ward 6 Resident**
- Tourism, Culture & Development  
**Karen Jedson**
- Pensions  
**Bill DePasquale**  
**Brian Silvia**  
**John Simoneau – Ward 6 Resident**
- Employee Benefits  
**Jean Bouchard**  
**John Simoneau – Ward 6 Resident**
- Debt Service  
**Brian Silvia**
- Fixed Cost  
**Brian Silvia**

**Jean Bouchard**

Motion to Continue P.H. to May 29, 2019 at 4:00 PM for consideration of the other City

Departments: **Ladouceur**

Seconded by: **McAllister, Howe McElroy**

Vote: **vv**

Time: **11:58 PM**

Attest,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lynn D'Abrosca". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "L".

Lynn D'Abrosca  
Deputy City Clerk

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