

**AMENDED**  
CITY OF WARWICK  
DOCKET OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
SPECIAL BUDGET MEETING  
Wednesday, May 30, 2018  
@ 5:00 P.M.  
CITY HALL  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
3275 POST ROAD  
WARWICK, R.I. 02886

STEVE MEROLLA, PRESIDENT PRESIDING

Roll Call: 8/0  
Time: 5:29 PM  
Salute to the Flag: Rix

**Wednesday May 30, 2018 @ 5:00 P.M. – Public Hearing - Council Chambers**

Merolla – Maximum tax increase will bring in 5.7 million not 6.3 million  
School Employee raises are \$4,429,884 – not in budget presented to council;  
State aid reduction to schools 1.6 million, schools requesting additional 2 million  
on top of raises; police & city raises are 1.3 million; pension increases about 1.5  
million, healthcare increase close to 1million, \$500,000 fire arbitration due to no  
agreement on the table; other personnel increases about \$375,000, collection rate  
came in at 98.5% not 99% revenue for last year are 1.5 million short and this year  
If adopt a 99% would leave a short for next year if we came in at 98.5% of 1.5  
million; short fall in the deficit of about 14 million w/ under a maximum tax  
increase with ability to raise 5.7 million. School Department advertised for an  
attorney to possibly sue the city under maintenance of effort to get more money  
worse I've seen is an understatement –

Purpose of Meeting: Continuation of Public hearing on the Proposed Budget for Fiscal  
Year 2018/2019

1. **PCR-85-18 Resolution Adopting and Setting the Tax Rate of the City of  
Warwick for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2018 and Ending June 30,  
2019** (Councilman Ladouceur)

Action: **Hold 6-2-18**  
Moved by: **Ladouceur**  
Seconded by: **Howe, McAllister, Travis**  
Vote: **8vv**

2. **PCR-86-18 Resolution Relative to Transfers, Supplemental Appropriations  
and Emergency Appropriations** (Councilman Ladouceur)

Action: **Hold 6-2-18**  
Moved by: **Ladouceur**  
Seconded by: **Howe, Travis, McAllister**  
Vote: **8vv**

Motion to re-open the Public Hearing: **Ladouceur**  
Seconded by: **Howe, Travis, McAllister**  
Vote: **8vv**

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 31, 2018, June 1, 2018, June 2, 2018, and June  
4, 2018 if necessary.

Former Mayor Avedisian's budget presented by: Brian Silvia, Treasurer

- Personnel – Jean Bouchard
- Employee Benefits – Jean Bouchard, Brian Silvia, Bill DePasquale, Roger Durand, Bob Cushman, Stacia Huyler, Rob Cote, Roy Dempsey
- Debt Service – Brian Silvia, Roy Dempsey, Roger Durand, Stacia Huyler, Bill DePasquale, Bob Cushman
- Fixed Costs – Brian Silvia, Jean Bouchard, Stacia Huyler
- Pensions – Brian Silvia, Bill DePasquale, Jean Bouchard, Roger Durand, Bob Cushman, Stacia Huyler
- Insurance – Brian Silvia, Lynne Prodger
- MIS – Carlos Zambrano

Action: **Motion to Recess (9:05 PM – 9:24 PM)**

Moved by: **Ladouceur**

Seconded by: **Howe**

**VV**

- City Collector – Kyla Jones, Lynne Prodger
- Police – Col McCartney, Major Brad Connor, Lynne Prodger,

Action: **Motion to Continue to May 31, 2018 (10:05 PM)**

Moved by: **Ladouceur**

Seconded by: **Travis, Howe, McAllister**

**VV**

- Police Grants
- Board of Public Safety
- Alcohol & Highway Enforcement
- Organized Crime & Drug Enforcement
- Sewer Review Board
- Sewer Department
- Fire
- Fire Grants
- Emergency Management
- DPW – Administration
- DPW-Highway
- DPW – Sanitation/Recycling
- DPW - Automotive
- DPW - Building Maintenance
- DPW – Engineering
- DPW – Field Maintenance
- Parks & Recreation
- McDermott Pool
- Thayer & Warburton Arena

Motion to Continue P.H. to May 31, 2018 at 5:00 PM for consideration of the other City Departments

Moved by:

Seconded by:

Vote:

**Individuals requesting interpreter services for the hearing impaired must notify the City Clerk's Office at 738-2006 ext. 6 at least 48 hours in advance of the hearing**

Attest,

Lyn Pagliarini  
City Clerk