

**COMMITTEE ON FINANCE  
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2021, at 6:00 p.m.  
VIRTUAL MEETING**

Voting Members participating remotely: Chairman Edward Tedesco, Alderman Michael Concannon, Alderman Richard Gately, Alderman Robert Ferullo, and Alderman Joseph Demers

Non-Voting Members participating remotely: President Lindsay Higgins, Alderman Jeffrey Dillon, Alderman Darlene Mercer-Bruen, and Alderman Joanne Campbell

Also participating remotely: Mayor Scott Galvin and Fire Chief Donald Kenton

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**MOTION** made by Alderman Gately and seconded by Alderman Concannon to dispense with the reading of the previous meeting’s minutes and to approve - Roll call: Alderman Concannon, aye; Alderman Demers, aye; Alderman Ferullo, aye; Alderman Gately, aye; Chairman Tedesco, aye; approved, 5-0.

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**Order to appropriate the sum of \$375,000 from Unreserved Fund Balance Acct to Planning Roadway Study Woburn Center Acct:** Mayor Galvin said the money in the transfer will be used for design fees for a project in Woburn Center that has been well-received by the City Council. He said World Tech will be doing the design. Chairman Tedesco asked if anyone on the committee has questions for the mayor. Alderman Concannon said he has no questions. Chairman Tedesco asked if any member of the council not on the committee has questions. There were no respondents. Motion made by Alderman Gately and seconded by Alderman Demers that the transfer “ought to pass.” Roll call: Alderman Concannon, aye; Alderman Demers, aye; Alderman Ferullo, aye; Alderman Gately, aye; Chairman Tedesco, aye; approved, 5-0.

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**MOTION** made by Alderman Gately and seconded by Alderman Concannon to take collectively the two financial matters involving the Woburn Fire Dept. - Roll call: Alderman Concannon, aye; Alderman Demers, aye; Alderman Ferullo, aye; Alderman Gately, aye; Chairman Tedesco, aye; approved, 5-0.

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**Order to Transfer the sum of \$920,000 from Fire/BLS Ambulance Acct to various Fire Dept Accts:** Mayor Galvin said the first of the two transfers is a standard transfer from the ambulance receipts accounts to fund ambulance-related and other expenses. Mayor Galvin said the second transfer is for a federal grant and he wanted to congratulate the Woburn Fire Dept. for being aggressive in its pursuit of the grant. Chief Kenton said the acquisition of a federal grant is a big deal. He praised WFD grant writer Mark Robishaw and head mechanic Ben Duran for their efforts in obtaining the grant. He said the grant will be used to purchase a new piece of

equipment. He said the new vehicle will be used for rescues. He said it has a boat for water rescues. He said the vehicle has multiple extraction tools. He said the department is thrilled to be getting a truck with so many features. Alderman Gately said the new truck sounds good. He asked if the vehicle will be equipped with the Jaws of Life. Chief Kenton said the vehicle has multiple extraction tools. He said the extraction equipment is state-of-the-art. He said they are replacing a 35-year-old vehicle with this new vehicle. Alderman Gately said he is happy the fire department is getting a new vehicle. Alderman Concannon praised the department for its acquisition of the grant said he is looking forward to seeing the new vehicle in action. Motion made by Alderman Gately and seconded by Alderman Concannon that the transfers “ought to pass.” Roll call: Alderman Concannon, aye; Alderman Demers, aye; Alderman Ferullo, aye; Alderman Gately, aye; Chairman Tedesco, aye; approved, 5-0.

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**Order to transfer the sum of \$61,000 from Fire/BLS Ambulance Acct to Assistance to Firefighter Grant Acct:** See preceding item.

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**MOTION** made by Alderman Concannon and seconded by Alderman Gately to adjourn - Roll call: Alderman Concannon, aye; Alderman Demers, aye; Alderman Ferullo, aye; Alderman Gately, aye; Chairman Tedesco, aye; approved, 5-0. Chairman Tedesco adjourned the meeting at 6:08 p.m.

A TRUE RECORD ATTEST

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Gordon Vincent  
Clerk of Committees