

GREENFIELD CITY COUNCIL
Regular & Annual Budget Meeting Minutes (Continuation from May 17, 2023)
May 18, 2023

John Zon Community Center/Zoom Hybrid

6:30 pm

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting from May 17, 2023 resumed at 6:31 p.m. by President Guin.

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS: Roll Call was taken. All Councilors were present.

ALSO PRESENT: Chief of Staff Danielle Letourneau; City Clerk Kathryn J. Scott; Assistant City Clerk Quinn Jacquins; Finance Director/City Auditor/City Accountant Diana Schindler; Greenfield School Superintendent Dr. Christine DeBarge; School Committee Chairperson Amy Proietti; Business Manager for the Schools Andy Paquette; IT Director Fernando Fleury; Council on Aging Director Hope Macary; Fire Chief Robert Strahan; GCET General Manager John Lunt; GCET Fern Smith; Parliamentarian Wilson Roberts; GCTV-17 staff; Mary Byrne, *the Recorder*; Nicole Moore, *West Mass News* and members of the public.

MOTIONS, ORDERS, AND RESOLUTIONS

President Guin resumed the FY2024 Operating Budget discussion on Order FY 23-145 with Debt Service.

DISCUSSION: Councilor Desorgher reported the Ways & Means Committee forwarded a majority positive recommendation, 4 yes, 1 no, to reduce \$200,000 from the Short Term Interest Line Item.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Terounzo, second by Councilor Gilmour, it was,

MOVED: TO AMEND THE SHORT TERM INTEREST LINE ITEM BY \$200,000, REDUCING THE TOTAL FROM \$555,000 TO \$355,000.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Forgey, second by Councilor Ricketts, it was,

MOVED: TO AMEND THE SHORT TERM INTEREST LINE ITEM BY \$50,000, REDUCING THE TOTAL FROM \$555,000 TO \$505,000.

DISCUSSION:

- All short term interest would need to be paid before the City took a bonded debt piece, which would occur in Fiscal Year 2024. The inability to not pay the short term interest could have consequences to the City with future borrowings and possible default.
- Greenfield possessed the funding through their Stabilization Accounts to pay the City's debt and well as Employees' Health Insurance, which Ways & Means also recommended to reduce. The money housed in these accounts was well over the required percentage of the operating budget.
- Inquiry as to why a \$50,000 reduction was any significant from the \$200,000 proposed reduction.
- A supplemental budget could be brought forward to transfer funds to cover any reductions made by the Council.
- The City may not be able to rely on Free Cash or other accounts if a future event prompted a major cost in which the money would be used for.
- Finance Director Schindler provided further information in regards to the percentage the (General) Stabilization Account at a minimum was for the Operating Budget.

It was by roll call, 5 yes, 8 no,

VOTED: TO AMEND THE SHORT TERM INTEREST LINE ITEM BY \$200,000, REDUCING THE TOTAL FROM \$555,000 TO \$355,000.

Amendment to reduce Short Term Interest Line Item by \$200,000 was now on the floor.

DISCUSSION:

- Inquiry as to why the proposed reduction was for \$200,000 and not \$500,000, if the City had the money to replenish the Short Term Interest Line Item.
- Inquiry was made to the Finance Director on if the reduction was passed by the Council did the City have the funding to replenish the account.
- Superintendent of Schools DeBarge explained her statement from an April 27 School meeting regarding the school's ability to reduce their budget by \$675,000 without significant consequences.
- Additional funding for the schools should not be based on what they need at the moment, but what can be used to continue to bring resources to give school children a better education, including teaching staff and extra-curricular activities.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Gilmour, second by Councilor Terounzo, it was by roll call, 11 yes, 2 no,

VOTED: TO CALL THE QUESTION.

Motion to Amend Short Term Interest Line Item by \$200,000 was now on the floor for a vote.

It was by roll call, 9 yes, 4 no,

VOTED: TO AMEND THE SHORT TERM INTEREST LINE ITEM BY \$200,000, REDUCING THE TOTAL FROM \$555,000 TO \$355,000.

Total Debt Service Line Item was amended by \$200,000, reducing total from \$3,212,213 to \$3,012,213.

DISCUSSION: Councilor Desorgher reported the Ways & Means Committee forwarded a unanimous positive recommendation to reduce \$25,000 from the Worker's Compensation Line Item.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Terounzo, second by Councilor Bullock, it was,

MOVED: TO AMEND THE WORKER'S COMPENSATION LINE ITEM BY \$25,000, REDUCING THE TOTAL FROM \$395,000 TO \$370,000.

DISCUSSION:

- It was noted funds had previously been taken out for the schools and adequate funds would remain in the account for claims coming forward.
- Inquiry was made as to the rationale for the same amount being presented each budget season if funds were reduced to fund the schools.

It was unanimously,

VOTED: TO AMEND THE WORKER'S COMPENSATION LINE ITEM BY \$25,000, REDUCING THE TOTAL FROM \$395,000 TO \$370,000.

DISCUSSION: Councilor Forgey recused herself from the Council vote on Employees' Health Insurance due to her receiving benefits from this line item and left the rail at 7:58 pm. Councilor Desorgher reported the Ways & Means Committee forwarded a unanimous positive recommendation with 4 yes (Councilor Forgey recused herself from the vote at Ways & Means), to reduce \$600,000 from the Employees' Health Insurance Line Item. She noted in previous budgets a significant balance had been left in the account and Greenfield had increased their insurance rates higher than other municipalities.

- Inquiry was made if funds in the Capital Stabilization account could be used for school supplies and materials.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Bottomley, second by Councilor Terounzo, it was,

MOVED: TO AMEND THE EMPLOYEES' HEALTH INSURANCE LINE ITEM BY \$600,000, REDUCING THE TOTAL FROM \$8,920,183 TO \$8,320,183.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Lapienski, second by Councilor Mayo, it was,

MOVED: TO AMEND THE EMPLOYEES' HEALTH INSURANCE LINE ITEM BY \$750,000, REDUCING THE TOTAL FROM \$8,920,183 TO \$8,170,183.

DISCUSSION: Councilors discuss the amount appropriated for the schools voted on so far, \$556,594, plus the 2 appropriations for the schools submitted by the Mayor for \$365,000. It was determined in order to bring the school budget to the amount requested; the Council would need to appropriate an additional \$619,519.

- Councilors who spoke noted that was too exorbitant an amount to reduce the Health Insurance Line by.
- The rationale for the amendment was to provide the schools with an amount that would exceed the bare minimum of the amount requested, which was what some Councilors had voiced.
- It would be unlawful to increase a budget for any department over what they originally requested.

Councilor Lapienski withdrew his motion to reduce \$750,000, Councilor Mayo withdrew his second.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Lapienski, second by Councilor Mayo, it was,

MOVED: TO AMEND THE EMPLOYEES' HEALTH INSURANCE LINE ITEM BY \$619,000, REDUCING THE TOTAL FROM \$8,920,183 TO \$8,301,183.

DISCUSSION:

- The Health Insurance Line Item was a mandated fund and 58% of the Health Insurance Budget was designated for the schools' health insurance, including the teachers.
- The proposed reduction would not affect the schools as it was a City responsibility to carry the Health Insurance for City employees, not the schools.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Helie, second by Councilor Lapienski, it was unanimously,

VOTED: TO CALL THE QUESTION.

Motion to amend the Employees' Health Insurance Line Item by \$619,000 was now on the floor for vote.

It was by roll call, 11 yes, 1 no,

VOTED: TO AMEND THE EMPLOYEES' HEALTH INSURANCE LINE ITEM BY \$619,000, REDUCING THE TOTAL FROM \$8,920,183 TO \$8,301,183.

Main motion to amend the Employees' Health Insurance Line Item by \$619,000 was now on the floor for vote.

DISCUSSION:

- Finance Director Schindler explained there were many vacancies for positions within the City, including teachers and retirees, any overage provided by the Health Insurance line item was designated for any new hires.
- Money could be moved from OPEB (Other Postemployment Benefits) to offset retirees supplemental.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Bottomley, second by Councilor Lapienski, it was by majority,

VOTED: TO CALL THE QUESTION.

Main motion to amend the Employees' Health Insurance Line Item by \$619,000 continued to be on the floor for vote.

It was by roll call, 10 yes, 2 no,

VOTED: TO AMEND THE EMPLOYEES' HEALTH INSURANCE LINE ITEM BY \$619,000, REDUCING THE TOTAL FROM \$8,920,183 TO \$8,301,183.

President Guin called a 5 minutes recess at 9:03 pm

President Guin resumed meeting at 9:10 pm. Councilor Forgey had returned to the rail.

Total Miscellaneous Line Item was amended by \$644,000, reducing total from \$16,797,755 to \$16,153,755.

Councilors returned to the Education Line Item.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Terounzo, second by Councilor Lapienski, it was,

MOVED: TO AMEND THE GREENFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS LINE ITEM BY \$1,175,594, INCREASING THE TOTAL FROM \$21,610,511 TO \$22,786,105.

DISCUSSION:

- The request made by the Greenfield Public Schools initially was \$23,151,624.
- Councilors voiced their concerns on rising costs, state and federal funding, and other issues that would need to be addressed to better fund the schools.

It was by roll call, 13 yes, 0 no,

VOTED: TO AMEND THE GREENFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS LINE ITEM BY \$1,175,594, INCREASING THE TOTAL FROM \$21,610,511 TO \$22,786,105.

Total Education Line Item was amended by \$1,175,594, increasing total from \$22,858,588 to \$24,034,182.

Order no. FY 23-145 was now on the floor for vote: THAT IT BE ORDERED THE CITY COUNCIL, UPON RECOMMENDATION OF MAYOR WEDEGARTNER, THE SUM OF \$61,627,584, WHICH IS THE FULL AMOUNT NECESSARY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2024 GENERAL FUND BUDGET (JULY 1, 2023 TO JUNE 30, 2024), BE APPROPRIATED FOR THE PURPOSES STATED. TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATION, \$250,000 WILL BE TRANSFERRED FROM THE PARKING METER RECEIPTS RESERVED AND \$50,000 FROM FREE CASH; \$61,327,584 WILL BE FROM RAISE AND APPROPRIATE, AS AMENDED.

CITY OF GREENFIELD FY24 General Fund Operating Budget

| | As originally submitted by the Mayor | Reductions voted by City Council at their May 17 & May 18 ABMs | |
|-----------------------------|--|--|---------------------------|
| | FISCAL YEAR 2024 MAYOR | FISCAL YEAR 2024 COUNCIL | |
| LEGISLATIVE | | | |
| CITY COUNCIL | | | |
| SALARY & WAGES | 69,150 | 69,150 | |
| EXPENDITURES | 23,000 | 19,000 | Reduced by \$4,000 |
| TOTAL CITY COUNCIL | 92,150 | 88,150 | |
| TOTAL LEGISLATIVE | 92,150 | 88,150 | |
| EXECUTIVE | | | |
| MAYOR | | | |
| SALARY & WAGES | 236,843 | 232,501 | Reduce by \$4,342 |
| EXPENDITURES | 22,900 | 21,722 | Reduce by \$1,178 |
| TOTAL MAYOR | 259,743 | 254,223 | |
| EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATION | | | |
| SALARY & WAGES | 84,000 | 84,000 | |
| EXPENDITURES | 600 | 600 | |
| TOTAL EXECUT ADMINISTRATION | 84,600 | 84,600 | |
| ECON. DEVELOP. & MARKET. | | | |
| SALARY & WAGES | 107,044 | 72,710 | Reduce by \$34,334 |
| EXPENDITURES | 40,880 | 25,000 | Reduce by \$15,880 |
| TOTAL ASSIST TO THE MAYOR | 147,924 | 97,710 | |
| TOTAL EXECUTIVE | 492,267 | 436,533 | |

FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION

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| RESERVE FUND | 75,000 | 75,000 |
| ACCOUNTING | | |
| SALARY & WAGES | 264,099 | 264,099 |
| EXPENDITURES | 154,110 | 154,110 |
| TOTAL ACCOUNTING | 418,209 | 418,209 |
| INDEPENDENT CITY AUDIT | 60,000 | 60,000 |
| ASSESSORS | | |
| SALARY & WAGES | 136,384 | 136,384 |
| EXPENDITURES | 85,560 | 85,560 |
| TOTAL ASSESSORS | 221,944 | 221,944 |
| TREASURER/COLLECTOR | | |
| SALARY & WAGES | 198,069 | 198,069 |
| EXPENDITURES | 55,105 | 55,105 |
| TOTAL TREASURER/COLL | 253,174 | 253,174 |
| TAX TITLE | 67,500 | 67,500 |
| TOTAL FIN ADMIN | 1,095,827 | 1,095,827 |

OPERATIONS SUPPORT

LEGAL

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| LABOR LEGAL SVCS | 95,000 | 65,000 | Reduce by \$30,000 |
| CITY ATTY SVCS | 100,000 | 90,000 | Reduce by \$10,000 |
| TOTAL LEGAL | 195,000 | 155,000 | |

HUMAN RESOURCES OFFICE

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| SALARY & WAGES | 239,400 | 239,400 |
| EXPENDITURES | 21,887 | 21,887 |
| TOTAL HUMAN RESOURCES | 261,287 | 261,287 |

GREENFIELD TECHNOLOGY DEPT

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| SALARY & WAGES | 313,000 | 313,000 |
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| EXPENDITURES | 321,050 | 321,050 |
| TOTAL GREENFIELD TECHNOLOGY | 634,050 | 634,050 |
| TOTAL OP SUPP | 1,090,337 | 1,050,337 |
| LICENSING & REGISTRATION | | |
| CITY CLERK | | |
| SALARY & WAGES | 169,393 | 169,393 |
| EXPENDITURES | 12,775 | 12,775 |
| TOTAL CITY CLERK | 182,168 | 182,168 |
| ELECTIONS | | |
| SALARY & WAGES | 38,500 | 38,500 |
| EXPENDITURES | 18,500 | 18,500 |
| TOTAL ELECTIONS | 57,000 | 57,000 |
| BOARD OF REGISTRARS | | |
| SALARY & WAGES | 3,500 | 3,500 |
| EXPENDITURES | 14,000 | 14,000 |
| TOTAL BOARD OF REGISTRARS | 17,500 | 17,500 |
| LICENSING COMMISSION | | |
| SALARY & WAGES | 39,543 | 39,543 |
| EXPENDITURES | 950 | 950 |
| TOTAL LICENSING COMMISSION | 40,493 | 40,493 |
| TOTAL LIC & REG | 297,161 | 297,161 |
| LAND USE & DEVELOPMENT | | |
| CONSERVATION COMM | | |
| | 500 | 500 |
| PLANNING BOARD | | |
| | 500 | 500 |
| ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS | | |
| | 600 | 600 |
| PLANNING & COMM. DEVELOPMENT | | |
| SALARY & WAGES | 110,911 | 110,911 |
| EXPENDITURES | 6,250 | 6,250 |

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| TOTAL PLAN. & COMM. DEVELOP. | 117,161 | 117,161 | |
| TOTAL LAND USE & DEV | 118,761 | 118,761 | |
| OTHER GENERAL GOVT | | | |
| CENTRAL SERVICES | | | |
| SALARY & WAGES | 73,241 | 73,241 | |
| EXPENDITURES | 306,870 | 306,870 | |
| TOTAL CENTRAL SERVICES | 380,111 | 380,111 | |
| CENTRAL MAINT | | | |
| SALARY & WAGES | 518,858 | 518,858 | |
| EXPENDITURES | 207,520 | 202,660 | Reduce by \$4,860 |
| TOTAL CENTRAL MAINTENANCE | 726,378 | 721,518 | |
| ENERGY DEPT | | | |
| SALARY & WAGES | 107,841 | 107,841 | |
| EXPENDITURES | 837,663 | 824,663 | Reduce by \$13,000 |
| TOTAL ENERGY | 945,504 | 932,504 | |
| TOTAL OTHER GENERAL GOV'T | 2,051,993 | 2,034,133 | |
| PUBLIC SAFETY | | | |
| POLICE | | | |
| SALARY & WAGES | 3,533,109 | 3,408,109 | Reduce by \$125,000 |
| EXPENDITURES | 278,800 | 278,800 | |
| TOTAL POLICE | 3,811,909 | 3,686,909 | |
| PARKING ENFORCEMENT | | | |
| SALARY & WAGES | 41,600 | 41,600 | |
| EXPENDITURES | 105,600 | 105,600 | |
| | 147,200 | 147,200 | |
| DISPATCH CENTER | | | |
| SALARY & WAGES | 714,698 | 627,198 | Reduce by \$87,500 |

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| EXPENDITURES | 4,000 | 4,000 | |
| TOTAL DISPATCH CENTER | 718,698 | 631,198 | |
| FIRE | | | |
| SALARY & WAGES | 2,957,860 | 2,957,860 | |
| EXPENDITURES | 281,386 | 281,386 | |
| TOTAL FIRE | 3,239,246 | 3,239,246 | |
| BUILDING INSPECTOR | | | |
| SALARY & WAGES | 225,466 | 225,466 | |
| EXPENDITURES | 8,300 | 8,300 | |
| TOTAL BUILDING INSPECTOR | 233,766 | 233,766 | |
| PLUMBING & WIRE INSPECTIONS | 101,400 | 101,400 | |
| SEALER OF WGHTS & MSRS | 25,000 | 25,000 | |
| ANIMAL INSPECTOR | 3,000 | 3,000 | |
| EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT | | | |
| SALARY & WAGES | 7,500 | 7,500 | |
| EXPENDITURES | 15,600 | 15,600 | |
| TOTAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT | 23,100 | 23,100 | |
| ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICE | | | |
| SALARY & WAGES | 29,424 | 29,424 | |
| EXPENDITURES | 1,700 | 1,700 | |
| TOTAL ANIMAL CONTROL | 31,124 | 31,124 | |
| TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY | 8,334,443 | 8,121,943 | |
| EDUCATION | | | |
| GREENFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS | 21,610,511 | 22,786,105 | Increase by \$1,175,594 |
| FRANKLIN TECH | 1,228,077 | 1,228,077 | |
| SMITH VOCATIONAL | 20,000 | 20,000 | |
| TOTAL REGIONAL SCHOOLS | 1,248,077 | 1,248,077 | |
| TOTAL EDUCATION | 22,858,588 | 24,034,182 | |
| PUBLIC WORKS | | | |

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| OPERATING BUDGET | | |
| SALARY & WAGES | 1,786,714 | 1,786,714 |
| EXPENDITURES | 711,050 | 711,050 |
| TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET | 2,497,764 | 2,497,764 |
| SNOW & ICE REMOVAL | | |
| SALARY & WAGES | 73,000 | 73,000 |
| EXPENDITURES | 144,800 | 144,800 |
| TOTAL SNOW REMOVAL | 217,800 | 217,800 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS | 2,715,564 | 2,715,564 |
| OTHER D. P. W. RELATED EXPENSES | | |
| STREET CLEANING | 40,000 | 40,000 |
| TRASH DISPOSAL FEES | 433,000 | 433,000 |
| CEMETERIES | | |
| SALARY & WAGES | | |
| EXPENDITURES | 8,000 | 8,000 |
| TOTAL CEMETERIES | 8,000 | 8,000 |
| TOTAL OTHER D. P. W. | 481,000 | 481,000 |
| HUMAN SERVICES | | |
| HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE | | |
| SALARY & WAGES | 225,910 | 225,910 |
| EXPENDITURES | 29,700 | 29,700 |
| TOTAL HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE | 255,610 | 255,610 |
| COUNCIL ON AGING | | |
| SALARY & WAGES | 165,220 | 165,220 |
| EXPENDITURES | 4,400 | 4,400 |
| TOTAL COUNCIL ON AGING | 169,620 | 169,620 |
| VETERANS' SERVICES | | |
| SALARY & WAGES | 238,199 | 238,199 |
| EXPENDITURES | 292,410 | 292,410 |

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| TOTAL VETERANS' SVCS | 530,609 | 530,609 | |
| DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PREV | 500 | 500 | |
| HUMAN RIGHTS COMM | 500 | 500 | |
| DISABILITY ACCESS COMM | 500 | 500 | |
| YOUTH COMMISSION | 1,500 | 0 | Reduce by \$1,500 |
| TOTAL HUMAN SERVICES | 958,839 | 957,339 | |
| CULTURE & RECREATION | | | |
| LIBRARY | | | |
| SALARY & WAGES | 661,471 | 661,471 | |
| EXPENDITURES | 131,000 | 131,000 | |
| TOTAL LIBRARY | 792,471 | 792,471 | |
| RECREATION | | | |
| SALARY & WAGES | 232,515 | 232,515 | |
| EXPENDITURES | 4,600 | 4,600 | |
| TOTAL RECREATION | 237,115 | 237,115 | |
| HISTORICAL COMMISSION | 1,100 | 1,100 | |
| TOTAL CULTURE & REC | 1,030,686 | 1,030,686 | |
| DEBT SERVICE | | | |
| BONDED DEBT PRINCIPAL | 1,783,000 | 1,783,000 | |
| BONDED DEBT INTEREST | 874,213 | 874,213 | |
| SHORT TERM INTEREST | 555,000 | 355,000 | Reduce by \$200,000 |
| TOTAL DEBT SERVICE | 3,212,213 | 3,012,213 | |
| MISCELLANEOUS | | | |

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| FRCOG CORE ASSESSMENTS | 90,814 | 90,814 | |
| CONTRIBUTORY RETIREMENT | 6,055,418 | 6,055,418 | |
| WORKER'S COMPENSATION | 395,000 | 370,000 | Reduce by \$25,000 |
| UNEMPLOYMENT COMP | 120,000 | 120,000 | |
| EMPLOYEES' HEALTH INS | 8,920,183 | 8,301,183 | Reduce by \$619,000 |
| EMPLOYEES' LIFE INS | 128,000 | 128,000 | |
| MEDICARE MATCH | 455,000 | 455,000 | |
| LIABILITY INSURANCES | 633,340 | 633,340 | |
| TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS | 16,797,755 | 16,153,755 | |
| TOTAL OPERATING | 61,627,584 | 61,627,584 | |

It was unanimously,

VOTED: TO APPROVE ORDER NO. FY 23-145, AS AMENDED.

Councilor Forgey recused herself from Order No. FY23-146 due to the OPEB account being for retirees of the City.

Order no. FY 23-146

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Desorgher, second by Councilor Terounzo, it was unanimously, (1 Recusal),

VOTED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THE CITY COUNCIL, UPON RECOMMENDATION OF MAYOR WEDEGARTNER, THE SUM OF \$100,000 BE TRANSFERRED FROM FUND 8406 - OPEB STABILIZATION, TO REDUCE THE FISCAL YEAR 2024 GENERAL FUND OPERATING BUDGET RAISE AND APPROPRIATE AMOUNT FROM \$61,327,584 TO \$61,227,584.

Order no. FY 23-147

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Desorgher, second by Councilor Ricketts, it was unanimously,

VOTED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THE CITY COUNCIL, UPON RECOMMENDATION OF MAYOR WEDEGARTNER, THE SUM OF \$2,231,889 BE APPROPRIATED FOR THE FY24 WATER ENTERPRISE FUND AND THAT \$405,663 BE INCLUDED IN APPROPRIATION FROM THE GENERAL FUND FOR WATER ENTERPRISE INDIRECT COSTS TO BE ALLOCATED TO THE WATER ENTERPRISE FUND FOR FUNDING AND THAT \$2,231,889 BE RAISED FROM WATER USER RATE RECEIPTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR STARTING JULY 1, 2023 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2024.

Order no. FY 23-148

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Desorgher, second by Councilor Terounzo, it was,

MOVED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THE CITY COUNCIL, UPON RECOMMENDATION OF MAYOR WEDEGARTNER, THE SUM OF ~~\$3,404,557~~ **\$3,389,557** BE APPROPRIATED FOR THE FY24 SEWER ENTERPRISE FUND AND THAT \$571,963 BE INCLUDED IN APPROPRIATION FROM THE GENERAL FUND FOR SEWER INDIRECT COSTS TO BE ALLOCATED TO THE SEWER ENTERPRISE FUND FOR FUNDING AND THAT ~~\$3,404,557~~ **\$3,389,557** BE RAISED FROM SEWER USER RATE RECEIPTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR STARTING JULY 1, 2023 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2024.

DISCUSSION: Due to a scrivener's error, the amount was incorrect on the order.

It was unanimously,

VOTED: TO APPROVE ORDER NO. FY 23-148.

Order no. FY 23-149

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Desorgher, second by Councilor Ricketts, it was,

MOVED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THE CITY COUNCIL, UPON RECOMMENDATION OF MAYOR WEDEGARTNER, THE SUM OF \$ 2,431,535 BE APPROPRIATED FOR THE FY24 GCET ENTERPRISE FUND AND THE AMOUNT TO BE RAISED FROM GCET USER RATE RECEIPTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR STARTING JULY 1, 2023 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2024.

DISCUSSION: The user rates were designated for GCET expenditures. Councilor Desorgher reported the Ways & Means Committee forwarded a unanimous positive recommendation.

It was unanimously,

VOTED: TO APPROVE ORDER NO. FY 23-149.

Order no. FY 23-150

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Desorgher, second by Councilor Ricketts, it was unanimously,

VOTED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THE CITY COUNCIL, UPON RECOMMENDATION OF MAYOR WEDEGARTNER, THE CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZE THE FOLLOWING REVOLVING FUNDS SPENDING LIMITS IN ACCORDANCE WITH M.G.L. CHAPTER 44, SECTION 53 E-½ FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2024. RECEIPTS RECEIVED BUT NOT EXPENDED IN FISCAL YEAR 2024 SHALL BE CARRIED OVER TO FISCAL YEAR 2025 UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED IN THE ATTACHED. NO FURTHER APPROPRIATION SHALL BE MADE IN EXCESS OF THE BALANCE OF THE FUND NOR SHALL TOTAL EXPENDITURES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR EXCEED THE ANNUAL SPENDING LIMIT AS NOTED. THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT OF ALL REVOLVING FUNDS SPENDING LIMITS IS NOT TO EXCEED \$695,967.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND SIMILAR PAPERS - President Guin noted an email was received by some Councilors regarding a possible violation of an individual who should have recused themselves. After an investigation along with Clerk Scott, it was determined that no violation occurred.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES – None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: Councilor Ricketts requested to dedicate a page to Donna Woodcock.

Councilor Desorgher held the following first reading:

City Council – First Reading- May 17, 2023 (Read on May 18, 2023)

- Appropriate \$200,000 from the General Stabilization Fund to fund Greenfield Public Schools' supplemental amount for FY24 Budget.
- Appropriate \$165,000 from Free Cash to fund Greenfield Public Schools' supplemental amount for FY24 Budget.

MOTIONS FOR RECONSIDERATION: None.

ADJOURNMENT: On a motion by Councilor Ricketts, second by Councilor Gilmour, it was unanimously,

VOTED: TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 9:53 P.M.

A true copy,

Attest: _____
 Kathryn J. Scott, City Clerk

GREENFIELD CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

John Zon Community Center
 Regular & ABM Meeting (Continuation from May 17, 2023)
 May 18, 2023

| | Attendance | Reduce \$50K Short Term Interest | Call the Question | Reduce 200K Short Term Interest | Reduce 619K Employees Health Ins | Reduce 619K EHI Main | Increase GPS \$1,175,594 |
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| 1. Golub, Katherine | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y |
| 2. Guin, Daniel President | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | N | Y |
| 3. Desorgher, Virginia | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y |
| 4. Bottomley, John | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y |
| 5. Bullock, Marianne | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y |
| 6. Gilmour, Sheila | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y |
| 7. Lapienski, Jasper | Y | N | N | N | Y | Y | Y |
| 8. Mayo, Douglas | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y |
| 9. Helie, Derek | Y | Y | N | N | Y | Y | Y |
| 10. Elmer, Philip | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y |
| 11. Forgey, Christine Vice - President | Y | Y | Y | N | Rec | Rec | Y |
| 12. Ricketts, Penny | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | N | Y |
| 13. Terounzo, Michael | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y |
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**Donna Woodcock
May 5, 1958 – May 8, 2023**

She began her education work for Greenfield in 1982. During her tenure she held positions as Middle School PE Teacher, High School PE & Health Teacher, Athletic Director, Assistant Principal and Principal. She coached the Greenfield girls' field hockey, softball and basketball teams for 25 years.

She was also a member of the School Building and Franklin County Technical School Committees.



I have come to believe that a great teacher is a great artist and that there are as few as there are any other great artists. Teaching might even be the greatest of the arts since the medium is the human mind and spirit.

- John Steinbeck, American Author