



Fiscal Committee - Board of Representatives

Monica Di Costanzo, Chair

Frank Cerasoli, Vice Chair

Committee Report

Date: Monday, January 25, 2016

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Place: Democratic Caucus Room, 888 Washington Boulevard, Stamford, CT 06905-2098

The Fiscal Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Chair Di Costanzo, Vice Chair Cerasoli, and Committee Member Reps. Day, Fedeli, Figueroa, Miller, Quinones and Silver. Absent or excused were Committee Member Reps. DeLuca, Coleman, and Mitchell. Also present were Jay Fountain, OPM Director; Michael Handler, Administration; David Yanik, Controller Office; Kevin Murray, Parks/Facilities; and Karen Cammarota, Grants Director.

Chair Di Costanzo called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m

Item No.	Description	Committee Action
¹ 1. F29.361	RESOLUTION; Authorizing the Mayor to sign an agreement with the State Office of Policy & Management for an Inter-Town Capital Equipment (ICE) Purchase Incentive Program to purchase \$268,000 in Tactical Personal Protective Equipment for EMS and Fire Departments (City match: \$19,200). 11/17/15 – Submitted by Mayor Martin 12/28/15 – Held in Committee	Committee approved 7-0-0

Ms. Cammarota stated that this is an OPM state grant to purchase 100 sets of personal tactical equipment and Stamford is lead agency. Stamford will receive 48 sets to cover Stamford Fire and EMS. Since first applying for this grant, Darien has decided to drop out but the Norwalk Fire Department has stepped in. A motion to approve this item was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 7-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Cerasoli, Day, Fedeli, Miller, Quinones and Silver in favor).

² 2. F29.372 \$12,000.00	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget); Overnight Warming Center at Inspirica under Severe Weather Protocols. 12/30/15 – Submitted by Mayor Martin 01/14/15 – Approved by Board of Finance	Committee approved 7-0-0
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This is to cover the Overnight Warming Center during the nights the Governor calls for a weather emergency. The center was filled to capacity 89 out of 90 nights. Inspirica provided breakfast and dinner to the occupants. A motion to approve this item was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 7-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Cerasoli, Day, Fedeli, Miller, Quinones and Silver in favor).

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- ³3. [F29.373](#) ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); Committee
 \$100,00.00 Environmental Hazard Abatement; Emergency approved 7-0-0
 Asbestos Removal at Current Police Headquarters
 on Bedford Street.
 12/30/15 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
 01/11/15 – Approved by [Planning Board](#)
 01/14/15 – Approved by Board of Finance

Mr. Murray stated the water leak underneath the youth bureau is the reason for the emergency funding for removal of asbestos. The leak cannot be repaired without cleaning this area. The appropriation is an estimate. A motion to approve this item was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 7-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Cerasoli, Day, Fedeli, Miller, Quinones and Silver in favor).

- ⁴4. [F29.371](#) ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Committee
 \$65,000.00 Budget); Funding for Stamford's 375th Anniversary approved 8-0-0
 Celebration.
 12/30/15 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
 01/14/15 – Approved by Board of Finance

Alice Knapp spoke briefly about the Anniversary Celebration. The funding will support different activities filled with history tours, including honoring famous Stamford residents, History of Stamford at Old Town Hall, oral history and a film series. This celebration is a full year of events. A motion to approve this item was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 8-0-0 (Reps. Figueroa, Di Costanzo, Cerasoli, Day, Fedeli, Miller, Quinones and Silver in favor).

- ⁵5. [F29.375](#) REVIEW; Annual Safe Debt Limit Letter. REPORT MADE
 01/06/15 – Submitted by Rep. Di Costanzo
- ⁶6. F29.376 REVIEW; FY 2015 Certified Annual Financial REPORT MADE
 Report.
 01/06/15 – Submitted by Rep. Di Costanzo

Mr. Yanik discussed the [attached documents](#) which include: Financial Reporting of the General Fund; Fund Balance; Update on Pension Liabilities; Update on OPEB Liabilities; and Business Activities including the WPCA.

Chair Di Costanzo adjourned the meeting at 8:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chair Di Costanzo

This meeting is on [video](#).

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⁴ Video time stamp 00:14:43
⁵ Video time stamp 00:24:37
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