

City of Woonsocket Budget Commission

City Hall

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Working Session Minutes

June 25, 2012 10:00AM

City Hall, Third Floor - Harris Hall

**Agenda Item #1 - Cash Flow Summary, Account Payables Summary,
Timelines**

Purchases/Payments for Review

Finance Director Thomas Bruce discussed cash flow and account payables reports and discussed the timing of the printing and mailing of tax bills.

Agenda Item #2 - Public Comment (3 Min. Max – 15 Min. Total)

No members of the public addressed the Commission.

Agenda Item #3 - School Layoff Notices Update and Summer Stipend Positions

After discussion with Schools Superintendent Giovanna Donoyan, the Commission continued this matter to the meeting of June 28.

Agenda Item #4 - Resolution of Advanced Education State Aid

The clerk read Resolution No. 5 requesting the advancement of payments under the State's Basic Education Program into the record.

Motion was made by Commissioner Dutremble and seconded by Commissioner Schaefer to approve the resolution, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

Motion was made by Commissioner Dutremble and seconded by Mayor Fontaine to give the Finance Director the authority to make payment of \$1.5 million to Blue Cross on June 26, 2012, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

Agenda Item #5 - Notice of Special Public Meeting: Wednesday, June 27, 2012 at 4:30pm at City Hall, Third Floor, Harris Hall: Award of Wastewater Contract

The Commission noted the scheduling of a special meeting to be held on June 27, 2012.

Agenda Item #6 - Hire of Budget Commission Legal Counsel

The Commission announced that it wished to hire Edmund Alves, Esq., as legal Counsel

Agenda Item #7 - Other Commission Items

The Commission discussed the hiring of Edmund Alves Jr., Esq., as legal counsel to the Commission.

The Commission discussed a School Committee resolution that proposed to reorganize the School Committee by selecting a new chairperson.

President Ward asked Dr. Donoyan for a report on the costs associated with full-day kindergarten and stated that he wanted to see a report showing the current year grades per building report before approving recalls.

Commissioner Schaefer stated that he would like to have the Commissioner of Education or a representative of the State Department of Education attend a Budget Commission meeting. He also stated that he wanted to see financial data pertaining to the Synagro PILOT agreement before approving it.

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Agenda Item #8 – Adjourn

Upon motion of Mayor Fontaine seconded by President Ward it is voted that meeting be adjourned at 11:18 A.M.

Attest: Andrea M. Bicki City Clerk