

**CITY OF BRIDGEPORT
BUDGET & APPROPRIATION
REGULAR MEETING
JULY 14, 2014**

ATTENDANCE: Michael Marella, Co-Chair; Susan Brannelly, Co-Chair; Denese Taylor-Moye; AmyMarie Vizzo-Paniccia; Trish Swain (6:07 P.M.)

OTHER: Anne Kelly-Lenz, Finance Director

CALL TO ORDER

Council Member Brannelly called the meeting to order at 6:04 P.M.

APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE MINUTES

**APRIL 26, 2014; APRIL 28, 2014; APRIL 29, 2014; APRIL 30, 2014; MAY 1, 2014;
MAY 2, 2014; MAY 3, 2014; (SPECIAL BUDGET HEARINGS); MAY 6, 2014
(PUBLIC HEARINGS); MAY 7, 2014; MAY 8 2014; (SPECIAL BUDGET
HEARINGS); MAY 9, 2014 AND MAY 10, 2014 (SPECIAL BUDGET
HEARINGS)**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER TAYLOR-MOYE MOVED TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING MEETING MINUTES:**

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**** COUNCIL MEMBER MARELLA SECONDED.**

**** THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AS LISTED ABOVE PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**GENERAL DISCUSSION REGARDING THE REVIEW OF THE MONTHLY
FINANCIAL REPORT**

Ms. Kelly-Lenz came forward to discuss the review of the monthly financial report.

Council Member Swain joined the meeting at 6:07 P.M.

Ms. Kelly-Lenz stated that the budget review being presented was for May through June of 2014 and that they were currently ahead of budget. She then gave an overview of the budgetary process. She stated that the invoices are being tracked by the journal entry.

A review of the cut-off date for purchases was discussed and it was made clear that June 30th was the cut-off date with applications needing to be submitted one week prior.

Council Member Swain asked for an update on whether or not it would be possible to have excess stipend funding carried over into the next fiscal year. Ms. Kelly-Lenz said it was an accounting issue and could not be approved until the event happened. Council Member said that it was not clear if the council members could legally do this under the council rules. Discussion followed about the details.

Council Member Brannelly said that she and Council Member Marella had written a letter to Andy Nunn and a resolution to have another standing agenda item being departments coming to them on a regular basis. A discussion followed on how the budget was controlled.

Council Member Vizzo-Paniccia had several detailed concerns about the police department including concerned about upcoming retirements and overtime.

Council Member Vizzo-Paniccia stated that she wanted to see a breakdown of how they determined the outside overtime for the police department.

ADJOURNMENT

**** COUNCIL MEMBER VIZZO-PANICCIA MOVED TO ADJOURN**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER MARELLA SECONDED.**

**** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

The meeting adjourned at 6:29 P.M.

Respectfully submitted

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