

**GLOUCESTER CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING**

Tuesday, June 16, 2015 – 7:00 p.m.

Kyrouz Auditorium – City Hall

**-MINUTES-**

**Present:** Chair, Councilor Paul McGeary; Vice Chair, Councilor Robert Whynott; Councilor Melissa Cox; Councilor Steve LeBlanc; Councilor Greg Verga; Councilor William Fonvielle; Councilor Paul Lundberg; Councilor Bob Stewart

**Absent:** None.

**Also Present:** Mayor Sefatia Theken; Jim Destino; Linda T. Lowe; Kenny Costa; John Dunn; James Pope; Fire Chief Eric Smith; Jonathan Pope; Kathy Clancy; Dr. Richard Safier

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m.

**Flag Salute & Moment of Silence.** The Moment of Silence was dedicated by Council President McGeary in the memory of Richard Bell, developer of the Mighty-Mac iconic line of men's outerwear who died June 9 at the age of 102.

**Oral Communications:** None.

**Consent Agenda:**

- **Unanimous Consent Calendar:**
  1. Special Event Permit Application: Request to hold the Magnolia Farmer's Market, Mondays, June 15 to Sept. 21 (Refer P&D)
- **Approval of Minutes from Previous Council & Standing Committee Meetings**
  1. City Council Meeting: 06/09/15 (under separate cover) (Approve/File)
  2. Fiscal Year 2016 Budget Review meetings 05/06/15, 05/13/15, 05/20/15, 05/21/15, 05/27/15, 05/28/15, 05/29/15, 06/01/15, 06/03/15, 06/05/15, 06/10/15 (Approve/File)
  3. Fiscal Year15 Budget Review Meeting 06/16/15 (under separate cover) (Approve/File)
- **Consent Agenda & Unanimous Consent Calendar Acceptance:**

By unanimous consent, the Council accepted its Consent Agenda and Unanimous Consent Calendar as presented.

- **For Council Vote**

1. **Fiscal Year2016 City of Gloucester Budget**

**Council President McGeary** recognized the Chair of the Budget & Finance Committee, **Councilor Cox**, who made the following remarks:

"It is my pleasure to present to the City Council the recommendations of the Budget & Finance Committee for the city's budget for the Fiscal Year 2016, which begins July 1, 2015. The General Fund amounts to **\$103,130,408** of which **\$39,188,748** is set aside for the schools' operating budget. In addition to General Fund spending, Enterprise Fund spending (Water, Sewer, Waterways and Talbot Rink) amounts to **\$13,443,597**.

The budget for the Community Preservation Fund is **\$625,000**, for a grand total of all spending of **\$117,199,005** an increase of **\$3,152,068** or **2.76** percent over last year's total of **\$114,046,937**.

The budget represents a considerable effort on the part of the Council, the Administration, the School Committee and the Auditor's office to wring value out of every taxpayer's dollar. I commend all of those who participated in this process for their long hours and careful attention to detail. I would like to thank the Clerk of Committees, Dana Jorgensson, who has shared this long journey and provided us with a wealth of support and, most of all, good cheer.

All of the motions to be put forward this evening were unanimously recommended by the members of the Budget & Finance Committee - Councilors Fonvielle, McGeary and I, and with the support of Councilor Lundberg as alternate during a period when Councilor Fonvielle was unable to attend."

**Council President McGeary** announced the following procedures for passage of the budget:

- The budget amounts for each city department other than the School Department will be part of one overall motion.
- The departmental amounts for personal service, ordinary maintenance, capital outlay (if appropriate) and

- any special transfers will be read.
- After the total appropriation is read for each department, the Council will vote for that department and the result of that vote will be announced.
  - The vote will apply separately to the personal service, ordinary maintenance, capital outlay and special transfers as if they were individually voted.
  - The bottom line total for each department is for reference only and is not voted.
  - The roll will be called for each line item only if there is a dissenting vote.
  - The School Department Budget will be voted by a Roll Call, as it is a bottom-line budget and must be passed by a majority vote of the Council.
  - Motions related to Revenues, Free Cash, Enterprise Funds, Community Preservation Act Funds, and Revolving Funds will be voted separately from the departmental budget motion.

With that, **Council President McGeary** recognized Councilor Cox in order for her to propose the first motion for the City's Fiscal Year 2016 budget.

**For Council Vote – Fiscal Year 2016 Free Cash Appropriation related to the Fiscal Year 2016 Budget:**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: On a motion by Councilor Fonvielle, seconded by Councilor McGeary, the Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend to the City Council the appropriation in the amount of \$1,441,669 (One Million Four Hundred Forty One Thousand Six Hundred Sixty-Nine Dollars) from General Fund Unreserved Fund Balance - Free Cash, Account #101000.10.000.35900.0000.00.000.00.000 to General Fund - Fund Balance Reserved for Special Purposes, Account #101000.10.000.32800.0000.00.000.00.000. The purpose of this appropriation from General Fund Unreserved Fund Balance – Free Cash is to reduce the Fiscal Year 2016 Tax Levy.

**DISCUSSION:**

**Councilor Cox** explained that this first vote is not part of the budget, but is a Free Cash appropriation related to the budget. By law the city is required to have a balanced budget. In order to balance that budget some of last year's Free Cash has to be transferred into the money that can be spent. This motion places the Free Cash into the overall Fiscal Year 2016 budget.

**MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, the appropriation in the amount of \$1,441,669 (One Million Four Hundred Forty One Thousand Six Hundred Sixty-Nine Dollars) from General Fund - Unreserved Fund Balance - Free Cash, Account #101000.10.000.35900.0000.00.000.00.000 to General Fund - Fund Balance Reserved for Special Purposes, Account #101000.10.000.32800.0000.00.000.00.000. The purpose of this appropriation from General Fund Unreserved Fund Balance – Free Cash is to reduce the Fiscal Year 2016 Tax Levy.**

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor McGeary, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the Budget & Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed, to recommend that the City Council appropriate in the amount of \$38,233 (Thirty Eight Thousand Two Hundred Thirty-Three Dollars) from Talbot Rink Enterprise Fund – Retained Earnings (“Free Cash”), Account #620000.10.000.35900.0000.00.000.00.000 to Talbot Rink Enterprise Fund – Fund Balance Reserved for Special Purposes, Account #620000.10.000.32800.0000.00.000.00.000. The purpose of this appropriation from Talbot Rink Enterprise Fund – Retained Earnings (“Free Cash”) is to stabilize the Talbot Rink Enterprise Fund user fees for Fiscal Year 2016.

**DISCUSSION:**

**Councilor Cox** said as for the General Fund, with the Talbot Rink Enterprise Fund free cash needs to be transferred in order that it may be spent.

**MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to appropriate in the amount of \$38,233 (Thirty Eight Thousand Two Hundred Thirty-**

**Three Dollars) from Talbot Rink Enterprise Fund – Retained Earnings (“Free Cash”), Account #620000.10.000.35900.0000.00.000.00.000 to Talbot Rink Enterprise Fund – Fund Balance Reserved for Special Purposes, Account #620000.10.000.32800.0000.00.000.00.000. The purpose of this appropriation from Talbot Rink Enterprise Fund – Retained Earnings (“Free Cash”) is to stabilize the Talbot Rink Enterprise Fund user fees for Fiscal Year 2016.**

**For Council Vote – Adoption of City of Gloucester Fiscal Year 2016 Budget:**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: On a motion by Councilor McGeary, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the Budget & Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend that the City Council approve the total Fiscal Year 2016 General Fund revenue including other financing sources in the amount of \$103,510,408.

DISCUSSION: None.

**MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to approve the total Fiscal Year 2016 General Fund revenue including other financing sources in the amount of \$103,510,408.**

**GENERAL FUND REVENUES: \$103,510,408**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: On a motion by Councilor McGeary, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor 0 opposed to recommend that the City Council approve the Overlay – Reserve for Abatement and Exemptions in the amount of \$380,000.

DISCUSSION: None.

**MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the City Council voted 9 in favor 0 opposed, to approve the Overlay – Reserve for Abatement and Exemptions in the amount of \$380,000.**

**TOTAL NET AVAILABLE FUNDS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016: \$ 103,130,408**

**FISCAL YEAR 2016 BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS BY DEPARTMENT**

**Dept. 111 - CITY COUNCIL**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend that the City Council approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriations for Dept. 111 - CITY COUNCIL as follows:

Personal Services	\$103,500
Ordinary Maintenance	<u>\$ 1,100</u>
TOTAL:	\$104,600

**MOTION: On motion of Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriation for Dept. 111 - CITY COUNCIL as follows:**

Personal Services	<b>\$103,500</b>
Ordinary Maintenance	<b><u>\$ 1,100</u></b>
TOTAL:	<b>\$104,600</b>

**Dept. 121 – MAYOR**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend that the City Council approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriations for the Dept. 121 – MAYOR as follows:

Personal Services	\$278,541
Ordinary Maintenance	<u>\$ 23,000</u>
TOTAL:	\$301,541

**MOTION: On motion of Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriations for Dept. 121 – MAYOR as follows:**

Personal Services	<b>\$278,541</b>
Ordinary Maintenance	<b><u>\$ 23,000</u></b>
TOTAL:	<b>\$301,541</b>

**Dept. 135 – AUDITOR**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend that City Council approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriations for Dept. 135 – AUDITOR as follows:

Personal Services	\$297,334
Ordinary Maintenance	<u>\$145,673</u>
TOTAL:	\$443,007

**MOTION: On motion by Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriations for Dept. 135 – AUDITOR as follows:**

Personal Services	<b>\$297,334</b>
Ordinary Maintenance	<b><u>\$145,673</u></b>
TOTAL:	<b>\$443,007</b>

**Dept. 138 – PURCHASING**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend that the City Council approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriations for Dept. 138 – PURCHASING as follows:

Personal Services	\$143,101
Ordinary Maintenance	<u>\$167,073</u>
TOTAL:	\$310,174

**MOTION: On motion by Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, , to approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriations for Dept. 138 – PURCHASING as follows:**

Personal Services	<b>\$143,101</b>
Ordinary Maintenance	<b><u>\$167,073</u></b>
TOTAL:	<b>\$310,174</b>

**Dept. 141 – ASSESSORS**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend that the City Council approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriations for Dept. 141 – ASSESSORS as follows:

Personal Services	\$373,890
Ordinary Maintenance	<u>\$151,308</u>
TOTAL	\$525,198

**MOTION: On motion of Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriations for Dept. 141 – ASSESSORS as follows:**

<b>Personal Services</b>	<b>\$373,890</b>
<b>Ordinary Maintenance</b>	<b><u>\$151,308</u></b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$525,198</b>

**Dept. 145 - TREASURER/COLLECTOR**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend that the City Council approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriations for Dept. 145 - TREASURER/COLLECTOR as follows:

Personal Services	\$ 584,194
Ordinary Maintenance	\$13,528,168
Capital Outlay	<u>\$ 2,500</u>
TOTAL	\$14,114,862

**MOTION: On motion of Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriations for Dept. 145 - TREASURER/COLLECTOR as follows:**

<b>Personal Services</b>	<b>\$ 584,194</b>
<b>Ordinary Maintenance</b>	<b>\$13,528,168</b>
<b>Capital Outlay</b>	<b><u>\$ 2,500</u></b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$14,114,862</b>

**Dept. 151 – LEGAL**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend that the City Council approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriations for Dept. 151 – LEGAL as follows:

Personal Services	\$ 234,823
Ordinary Maintenance	<u>\$ 100,000</u>
TOTAL	\$ 334,823

**MOTION: On motion of Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriations for Dept. 151 – LEGAL as follows:**

<b>Personal Services</b>	<b>\$ 234,823</b>
<b>Ordinary Maintenance</b>	<b><u>\$ 100,000</u></b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 334,823</b>

**Dept. 152 – PERSONNEL**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend that the City Council approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriations for Dept. 152 – PERSONNEL as follows:

Personal Services	\$8,322,754
Ordinary Maintenance	<u>\$ 49,090</u>
TOTAL:	\$8,371,844

**MOTION: On motion of Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriations for Dept. 152 – PERSONNEL as follows:**

Personal Services	<b>\$8,322,754</b>
Ordinary Maintenance	<b><u>\$ 49,090</u></b>
TOTAL:	<b>\$8,371,844</b>

**Dept. 155 - MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend that the City Council approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriations for Dept. 155 - MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS as follows:

Personal Services	\$210,913
Ordinary Maintenance	\$282,791
Capital Outlay	<u>\$ 35,000</u>
TOTAL:	\$528,704

**MOTION: On motion of Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriations for Dept. 155 - MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS as follows:**

Personal Services	<b>\$210,913</b>
Ordinary Maintenance	<b>\$282,791</b>
Capital Outlay	<b><u>\$ 35,000</u></b>
TOTAL:	<b>\$528,704</b>

**Dept. 161 - CITY CLERK**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend that the City Council approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriations for Dept. 161 - CITY CLERK as follows:

Personal Services	\$285,086
Ordinary Maintenance	<u>\$ 6,550</u>
TOTAL:	\$291,636

**MOTION: On motion of Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriations for Dept. 161 - CITY CLERK as follows:**

Personal Services	<b>\$285,086</b>
Ordinary Maintenance	<b><u>\$ 6,550</u></b>
TOTAL:	<b>\$291,636</b>

**Dept. 163 – REGISTRATION**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend that the City Council approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriations for Dept. 163 – REGISTRATION as follows:

Personal Services	\$ 53,230
Ordinary Maintenance	<u>\$ 62,550</u>
TOTAL:	\$115,780

**MOTION: On motion of Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriations for Dept. 163 – REGISTRATION as follows:**

Personal Services	<b>\$ 53,230</b>
Ordinary Maintenance	<b><u>\$ 62,550</u></b>
TOTAL:	<b>\$115,780</b>

**Dept. 165 - LICENSING BOARD**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend that the City Council approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriation for Dept. 165 - LICENSING BOARD as follows:

Personal Services	\$ 15,617
Ordinary Maintenance	<u>\$ 1,175</u>
TOTAL:	\$ 16,792

**MOTION: On motion of Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriations for Dept. 165 - LICENSING BOARD as follows:**

Personal Services	<b>\$ 15,617</b>
Ordinary Maintenance	<b><u>\$ 1,175</u></b>
TOTAL:	<b>\$ 16,792</b>

**Dept. 176 - ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend that the City Council approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriation for Dept. 176 - ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS as follows:

Personal Services	\$7,500
Ordinary Maintenance	<u>\$ 250</u>
TOTAL:	\$7,750

**MOTION: On motion of Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriations for Dept. 176 - ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS as follows:**

Personal Services	<b>\$7,500</b>
Ordinary Maintenance	<b><u>\$ 250</u></b>
TOTAL:	<b>\$7,750</b>

**Dept. 181 - COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend that the City Council approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriations for Dept. 181 - COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT as follows:

Personal Services	\$520,652
Ordinary Maintenance	<u>\$ 86,941</u>
TOTAL:	\$607,593

**MOTION: On motion of Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriations for Dept. 181 -- COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT as follows:**

<b>Personal Services</b>	<b>\$520,652</b>
<b>Ordinary Maintenance</b>	<b><u>\$ 86,941</u></b>
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$607,593</b>

**Dept. 210 - POLICE ADMINISTRATION**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend that the City Council approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriations for Dept. 210 - POLICE ADMINISTRATION as follows:

Personal Services	\$517,481
Ordinary Maintenance	<u>\$ 52,499</u>
TOTAL:	\$569,980

**DISCUSSION:**

**Councilor Stewart** said he wished to raise the issue of the cost of a second Animal Control Officer whom he said was not necessary when the School Department was laying off teachers. At this time it was pointed out by **Councilor Fonvielle** through the Chair that Councilor Stewart was out of order as his remarks were unrelated to the Police Administration budget. **Councilor Stewart** then asked that his remarks, those of other Councilors and James Destino, CAO, be moved to Dept. 292 Animal Control to which **Council President McGeary** assented.

**MOTION: On motion of Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriations for Dept. 210 - POLICE ADMINISTRATION as follows:**

<b>Personal Services</b>	<b>\$517,481</b>
<b>Ordinary Maintenance</b>	<b><u>\$ 52,499</u></b>
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$569,980</b>

**Dept. 211 - POLICE UNIFORM**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend that the City Council approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriations for Dept. 211 - POLICE UNIFORM as follows:

Personal Services	\$4,877,822
Ordinary Maintenance	\$ 123,808
Capital Outlay	<u>\$ 69,285</u>
TOTAL:	\$5,070,915



**MOTION: On motion of Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriations for Dept. 211 - POLICE UNIFORM as follows:**

Personal Services	\$4,877,822
Ordinary Maintenance	\$ 123,808
Capital Outlay	<u>\$ 69,285</u>
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$5,070,915</b>

**Dept. 212 - POLICE INVESTIGATIONS**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend that the City Council approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriations for Dept. 212 - POLICE INVESTIGATIONS as follows:

Personal Services	\$446,720
Ordinary Maintenance	<u>\$ 2,450</u>
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$449,170</b>

**MOTION: On motion of Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriations for Dept. 212 - POLICE INVESTIGATIONS as follows:**

Personal Services	\$446,720
Ordinary Maintenance	<u>\$ 2,450</u>
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$449,170</b>

**Dept. 216 - POLICE HARBOR PATROL**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend that the City Council approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriations for Dept. 216 - POLICE HARBOR PATROL as follows:

Personal Services	\$ 16,320
Ordinary Maintenance	<u>\$ 13,000</u>
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$ 29,320</b>

**MOTION: On motion of Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriations for Dept. 216 - POLICE HARBOR PATROL as follows:**

Personal Services	\$ 16,320
Ordinary Maintenance	<u>\$ 13,000</u>
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$ 29,320</b>

**Dept. 218 - POLICE PARKING**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend that the City Council approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriations for Dept. 218 - POLICE PARKING as follows:

Personal Services	\$ 74,378
Ordinary Maintenance	<u>\$ 7,700</u>
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$ 82,078</b>

**MOTION: On motion of Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriations for Dept. 218 - POLICE PARKING as follows:**

<b>Personal Services</b>	<b>\$ 74,378</b>
<b>Ordinary Maintenance</b>	<b>\$ 7,700</b>
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$ 82,078</b>

**Dept. 220 - FIRE PREVENTION AND SUPPRESSION**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend to the City Council approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriations for FIRE PREVENTION & SUPPRESSION as follows:

Personal Services	\$7,966,658
Ordinary Maintenance	\$ 530,660
Capital Outlay	\$ 54,000
TOTAL:	\$8,551,318

**MOTION: On motion of Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriations for FIRE PREVENTION & SUPPRESSION as follows:**

<b>Personal Services</b>	<b>\$7,966,658</b>
<b>Ordinary Maintenance</b>	<b>\$ 530,660</b>
<b>Capital Outlay</b>	<b>\$ 54,000</b>
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$8,551,318</b>

**Dept. 241 - INSPECTIONAL SERVICES**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend that the City Council approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriation for Dept. 241 - INSPECTIONAL SERVICES as follows:

Personal Services	\$ 425,270
Ordinary Maintenance	\$ 17,975
Capital Outlay	\$ 25,300
TOTAL:	\$ 468,545

**DISCUSSION:**

**Councilor Stewart** questioned whether the Building Inspector was reviewing the fees for his department in order to provide additional revenue. **Councilor Cox** said it was one of the ideas the Building Inspector presented during his department’s budget review. She said it would come to the full City Council via the Mayor’s Report if and when the Building Inspector decides there is a justified need to change his department’s fee structure.

**MOTION: On motion of Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriation for Dept. 241 - INSPECTIONAL SERVICES as follows:**

<b>Personal Services</b>	<b>\$ 425,270</b>
<b>Ordinary Maintenance</b>	<b>\$ 17,975</b>
<b>Capital Outlay</b>	<b>\$ 25,300</b>
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$ 468,545</b>

**Dept. 291 – CIVIL DEFENSE**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed, to recommend that the City Council approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriation for Dept. 291 – CIVIL DEFENSE as follows:

Ordinary Maintenance	\$33,170
Capital Outlay	<u>\$ 1,800</u>
TOTAL:	\$34,970

**MOTION: On motion of Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriation for Dept. 291 – CIVIL DEFENSE as follows:**

<b>Ordinary Maintenance</b>	<b>\$33,170</b>
<b>Capital Outlay</b>	<b><u>\$ 1,800</u></b>
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$34,970</b>

**Dept. 292 - ANIMAL CONTROL**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed, to recommend that the City Council approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriations for Dept. 292 - ANIMAL CONTROL as follows:

Personal Services	\$102,267
Ordinary Maintenance	<u>\$ 8,000</u>
TOTAL	\$110,267

**DISCUSSION:**

**Councilor Stewart** said he continued to question the hiring of a second police officer for what he deemed the chasing of visitors who don't know about the city's leash law when the city cut the School Department's budget request by \$800,000. **Councilor Cox** pointed out that the city didn't hire a second police officer as police officers are not required to deal with matters related to animals, but those matters are handled by the Animal Control Officers. **Councilor Stewart** said he stood corrected and added that the principal role of an Animal Control Officer should be the safety of the animals, but that his own observations and those reported by constituents indicated the Animal Control Officers are sitting at beaches hoping to catch people who mistakenly violate the changes to the city's leash law. He said the city is becoming known as a city unfriendly to dogs and their owners.

**Councilor Whyntott** said that the Animal Control Officers' duties are also to protect people from being bitten by animals, and ensure that dog owners clean up after their pets to keep city beaches and other public areas clean as a matter of health. He said it is an important enough matter as it was when the first dog ordinance was passed in 1977 and still is today. It is a good thing to do -- to keep the beaches and city clean and protect people from unwanted attention from dogs.

**Councilor Verga** said it is important to remember that Animal Control Officers are not just on duty to ticket leash law violators, but that there are issues with rabid raccoons and other animal matters that must be addressed. He said the addition of a second Animal Control Officer shortened response times for animal issues. He added while he was not sure if there has been an improvement in response times, it could not help but be better to have two Animal Control Officers. He noted that the city area is 28 square miles and there is lots of wildlife.

**Councilor Fonvielle** said it was unfortunate that Councilor Stewart was unable to attend the Police Department's budget review. He pointed out this issue was discussed with the Police Chief and the CAO which he indicated may have given Councilor Stewart a fuller picture on the matter. **Councilor Whyntott** said not every Councilor has the opportunity or is able to make each of the budget meetings, but they can and should comment on any part of the budget.

**Council President McGeary** said there is a good deal of work that the both Animal Control Officers perform, citing issues such as coyote problems.

**Councilor Stewart** noted he was out of the country during some budget review sessions, but that he had read the minutes of every budget meeting. He said he thought it is not a lot of money compared to the whole budget but

it is the principle -- that there is an \$800,000 budget gap in the School Department, which is being met by laying off teachers and increasing the number of students in classrooms to accommodate that loss of instructors. He said it is unfortunate these kinds of choices have to be made, and in this particular case he said he thought they were made incorrectly.

**Councilor Cox** said there is a misconception about the laying off of school teachers and pointed out that the School Department had already planned to cut the teachers they did. She said she didn't think that because of one \$30,000 position that teacher layoffs could be avoided. She reminded the Council that there had been public demand for a second Animal Control Officer. She also pointed out that it was the Police Department budget review meeting that elicited the most public attendance among all 14 budget meetings and those members of the public who attended favored the second Animal Control Officer.

**Jim Destino**, CAO, said that it was a difficult decision for him to keep the second Animal Control Officer in the budget, but in the end he felt the position was warranted. Responding to Councilor Stewart's comments about the School Department budget, he said the schools weren't shorted \$800,000 -- they received \$1,150,000, which was \$632,000 less than their appropriation request. He pointed out that at the same time the department's health care costs were reduced by \$325,000, so the statement that there was an \$800,000 reduction in the request is inaccurate. He said they everyone wants to give more money to the schools including himself and the Mayor, and the administration supports the schools. He pointed out that in comparing the increase in Gloucester's School Department budget with other comparable North Shore communities, Beverly schools got a 2 percent increase; Salem a 2.4 percent increase; Peabody a 2.6 percent increase. The Gloucester schools received a 3.02 percent increase, not including the \$325,000 savings from healthcare costs, bringing their increase to essentially 4 percent. He said that the schools did better than they had in a decade in terms of their annual budget. Having another dog officer for this year will be a trial, he said, but added that there has been a lot of support for retaining the position.

**Councilor LeBlanc** said he was in favor of the second Animal Control Officer. He indicated that the first Animal Control Officer was stretched to his limit trying to cover every single animal call within the city limits. He said even with two Animal Control Officers it remains difficult to cover the city.

**MOTION: On motion of Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriations for Dept. 292 - ANIMAL CONTROL as follows:**

<b>Personal Services</b>	<b>\$102,267</b>
<b>Ordinary Maintenance</b>	<b>\$ 8,000</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$110,267</b>

**NOTE:** When the vote for this department was called, Councilor Stewart initially voiced his opposition. When the Council President indicated a Roll Call vote was necessary due to the dissenting vote, Councilor Stewart changed his vote in favor of the Animal Control budget.

**Dept. 296 - SHELLFISH CONTROL**

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:** The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed, to recommend that the City Council approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriation for Dept. 296 - SHELLFISH CONTROL as follows:

Personal Services	\$ 77,131
Ordinary	\$ 2,150
TOTAL	\$ 79,281

**MOTION: On motion of Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriations for Dept. 296 - SHELLFISH CONTROL as follows:**

<b>Personal Services</b>	<b>\$ 77,131</b>
<b>Ordinary</b>	<b>\$ 2,150</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 79,281</b>

**Dept. 403 – DPW SOLID WASTE/RECYCLING**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend that the City Council approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriation for Dept. 403 – DPW SOLID WASTE/RECYCLING as follows:

Personal Services	\$ 20,000
Ordinary Maintenance	<u>\$1,615,536</u>
TOTAL:	\$1,635,536

**MOTION: On motion of Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriation for Dept. 403 – DPW SOLID WASTE/RECYCLING as follows:**

Personal Services	\$ 20,000
Ordinary Maintenance	<u>\$1,615,536</u>
TOTAL:	\$1,635,536

**Dept. 411 – DPW ENGINEERING**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend that the City Council approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriation for Dept. 411 – DPW ENGINEERING as follows:

Personal Services	\$ 49,791
Ordinary Maintenance	<u>\$ 19,200</u>
TOTAL:	\$ 68,991

**MOTION: On motion of Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriation for Dept. 411 – DPW ENGINEERING as follows:**

Personal Services	\$ 49,791
Ordinary Maintenance	<u>\$ 19,200</u>
TOTAL:	\$ 68,991

**Dept. 421 - DPW HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend that the City Council approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriation for Dept. 421 - DPW HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION as follows:

Personal Services	\$100,804
Ordinary Maintenance	<u>\$ 16,000</u>
TOTAL:	\$116,804

**MOTION: On motion of Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriation for Dept. 421 - DPW HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION as follows:**

Personal Services	\$100,804
Ordinary Maintenance	<u>\$ 16,000</u>
TOTAL:	\$116,804

**Dept. 423 – DPW SNOW AND ICE**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Budget and Finance Committee voted in favor, 0 opposed to recommend that the City Council approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriation for Dept. 423 – DPW SNOW AND ICE as follows:

Personal Services	\$141,500
Ordinary Maintenance	\$590,100
Capital Outlay	<u>\$ 35,000</u>
TOTAL:	\$766,600

**Councilor Cox** noted that the Administration has raised the ceiling for Snow and Ice moving forward. In Fiscal Year 2015, the ceiling was \$650,000. The baseline will now be \$766,600

**Council President McGeary** noted that based on the information the Budget & Finance Committee received, \$766,600 is still under the city’s historic average which is over \$1 million per year over the last five years. It is a modest increase, which he said was warranted.

**MOTION: On motion of Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriation for Dept. 423 – DPW SNOW AND ICE as follows:**

<b>Personal Services</b>	<b>\$141,500</b>
<b>Ordinary Maintenance</b>	<b>\$590,100</b>
<b>Capital Outlay</b>	<b><u>\$ 35,000</u></b>
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$766,600</b>

**Dept. 470 – DPW PUBLIC PROPERTIES – MAINTENANCE**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend that the City Council approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriation for Dept. 470 – DPW PUBLIC PROPERTIES MAINTENANCE as follows:

Personal Services	\$1,446,840
Ordinary Maintenance	\$ 301,970
Capital Outlay	<u>\$ 88,699</u>
TOTAL:	\$1,837,509

**MOTION: On motion of Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriation for Dept. 470 – DPW PUBLIC PROPERTIES MAINTENANCE as follows:**

<b>Personal Services</b>	<b>\$1,446,840</b>
<b>Ordinary Maintenance</b>	<b>\$ 301,970</b>
<b>Capital Outlay</b>	<b><u>\$ 88,699</u></b>
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$1,837,509</b>

**Dept. 472 – DPW PUBLIC PROPERTIES-FACILITIES**

**Councilor Verga** announced under MGL c. 268A he would recuse himself from voting on this department’s budget as his brother is a custodian in the Gloucester Public Schools and left the dais.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend that the City Council approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriation for Dept. 472 – DPW PUBLIC PROPERTIES FACILITIES as follows:

Personal Services	\$1,899,981
Ordinary Maintenance	<u>\$2,758,941</u>
TOTAL:	\$4,658,922

**MOTION: On motion of Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the City Council voted 8 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 (Verga) recused, to approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriation for Dept. 472 – DPW PUBLIC PROPERTIES FACILITIES as follows:**

Personal Services	\$1,899,981
Ordinary Maintenance	<u>\$2,758,941</u>
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$4,658,922</b>

Councilor Verga returned to the dais.

**Dept. 499 – DPW - OTHER**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend that the City Council approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriation for Dept. 499 – DPW OTHER as follows:

Personal Services	\$130,440
Ordinary Maintenance	<u>\$795,049</u>
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$925,489</b>

**MOTION: : On motion of Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriation for Dept. 499 – DPW OTHER as follows:**

Personal Services	\$130,440
Ordinary Maintenance	<u>\$795,049</u>
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$925,489</b>

**Dept. 510 - PUBLIC HEALTH**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed, to recommend that the City Council approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriation for Dept. 510 - PUBLIC HEALTH as follows:

Personal Services	\$442,942
Ordinary Maintenance	<u>\$ 6,768</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$449,710</b>

**MOTION: On motion of Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriations for Dept. 510 - PUBLIC HEALTH as follows:**

Personal Services	\$442,942
Ordinary Maintenance	<u>\$ 6,768</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$449,710</b>

**Dept. 541 - COUNCIL ON AGING**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend that the City Council approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriations for Dept. 541 - COUNCIL ON AGING as follows:

Personal Services	\$114,003
Ordinary Maintenance	<u>\$ 5,833</u>
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$119,836</b>

**MOTION: On motion of Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriations for Dept. 541 - COUNCIL ON AGING as follows:**

Personal Services	\$114,003
Ordinary Maintenance	<u>\$ 5,833</u>
TOTAL:	\$119,836

**Dept. 543 - VETERANS SERVICES**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed, to recommend that the City Council approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriations for Dept. 543 - VETERANS SERVICES as follows:

Personal Services	\$113,120
Ordinary Maintenance	<u>\$287,500</u>
TOTAL:	\$400,620

**Councilor Cox** explained that Ordinary Maintenance for this department is used for medical bills and fuel subsidies for the city's veterans, which costs are reimbursed by the state. She noted that the city recently signed an Inter-Municipal Agreement with Rockport and Manchester-by-the-Sea, to oversee benefits for all of Cape Ann's veterans.

**MOTION: On motion of Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriations for Dept. 543 - VETERANS SERVICES as follows:**

Personal Services	\$113,120
Ordinary Maintenance	<u>\$287,500</u>
TOTAL:	\$400,620

**Dept. 563 - TOURISM**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend that the City Council approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriations for Dept. 563 - TOURISM as follows:

Personal Services	\$ 77,696
Ordinary Maintenance	<u>\$ 76,685</u>
TOTAL:	\$154,381

**MOTION: On motion of Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriations for Dept. 563 - TOURISM as follows:**

Personal Services	\$ 77,696
Ordinary Maintenance	<u>\$ 76,685</u>
TOTAL:	\$154,381

**Dept. 610 - SAWYER FREE LIBRARY ADMINISTRATION**

**Councilor Fonvielle** disclosed he is an incorporator of the Library and on the Board of Directors. This would not affect his vote, he said, as he has no financial interest in the Library. **Councilor Ciolino** acknowledged that his wife is on the Library Board of Directors and that he is an Incorporator but it will not affect his vote as he has no financial interest in the Library. **Councilor Cox** said she, too, is an incorporator of the Library and it will not affect her vote.



COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed, to recommend that the City Council approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriation for Dept. 610 - SAWYER FREE LIBRARY ADMINISTRATION as follows:

Personal Services	\$777,187
Ordinary Maintenance	<u>\$116,805</u>
Total	\$893,992

**MOTION: On motion of Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriation for Dept. 610 - SAWYER FREE LIBRARY ADMINISTRATION as follows:**

<b>Personal Services</b>	<b>\$777,187</b>
<b>Ordinary Maintenance</b>	<b><u>\$116,805</u></b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$893,992</b>

**Dept. 820 - CHERRY SHEET ASSESSMENTS**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend that the City Council approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriation for Dept. 820 - CHERRY SHEET ASSESSMENTS as follows:

Ordinary Maintenance	<u>\$2,077,000</u>
TOTAL:	\$2,077,000

**MOTION: On motion of Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriation for Dept. 820 - CHERRY SHEET ASSESSMENTS as follows:**

<b>Ordinary Maintenance</b>	<b><u>\$2,077,000</u></b>
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$2,077,000</b>

**Dept. 900 - SPECIAL RESERVE FOR CONTINGENCY**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed, to recommend that the City Council approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriation for Dept. 900 -SPECIAL RESERVE FOR CONTINGENCY as follows:

Ordinary Maintenance	<u>\$ 4,829</u>
TOTAL:	\$ 4,829

**MOTION: On motion of Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriation for Dept. 900 - SPECIAL RESERVE FOR CONTINGENCY as follows:**

<b>Ordinary Maintenance</b>	<b><u>\$ 4,829</u></b>
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$ 4,829</b>

**Dept. 911 - PENSION SERVICES**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend that the City Council approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriations for Dept. 911 - PENSION SERVICES as follows:

Personal Services	<u>\$6,639,956</u>
TOTAL:	\$6,639,956

**MOTION: On motion of Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to approve the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriations for Dept. 911 - PENSION SERVICES as follows:**

Personal Services	<u>\$6,639,956</u>
TOTAL:	\$6,639,956

**Dept. 942 – REGIONAL SCHOOL ASSESSMENT**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend that the City Council accept the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriation for Dept. 942 – REGIONAL SCHOOL ASSESSMENT for the North Shore Regional Vocational School as follows:

Ordinary Maintenance	<u>\$1,543,337</u>
TOTAL:	\$1,543,337

**MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to accept the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriation for Dept. 942 – REGIONAL SCHOOL ASSESSMENT for the North Shore Regional Vocational School as follows:**

Ordinary Maintenance	<u>\$1,543,337</u>
TOTAL:	\$1,543,337

**Dept. 992 – SPECIAL REVENUE FUND**

**Note: This line is comprised of three items:**

- 1) \$75,000 – Athletic Revolving Fund
- 2) \$25,000 – Maintenance of City Hall
- 3) \$28,000 – ADA Reparation Issues for City Hall-Chair Lift Installation

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend that the City Council accept the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriation for Dept. 992 – SPECIAL REVENUE FUND as follows:

Transfer to Other Funds	<u>\$128,000</u>
TOTAL:	\$128,000

**Councilor Ciolino** questioned if the \$28,000 added to pay for the City Hall chair lift would be sufficient. **Councilor Cox** confirmed it was the full amount needed for the purchase and installation of the chair lift.

**MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to accept the Fiscal Year 2016 appropriation for Dept. 992 – SPECIAL REVENUE FUND as follows:**

Transfer to Other Funds	<u>\$128,000</u>
TOTAL:	\$128,000

**SCHOOL DEPARTMENT**

**Councilor Verga** disclosed he has another brother who is a teacher at Gloucester High School but as this is a bottom line budget it will not impact his vote or his ability to vote.

**Councilor LeBlanc** disclosed his wife works for the School Department but this would not affect his vote either.

**Council President McGeary** reminded the Council this was a roll call vote.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend that the City Council accept of the Fiscal Year 2016 SCHOOL DEPARTMENT budget in the amount of \$39,188,748.

**MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the City Council voted by ROLL CALL 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to accept of the Fiscal Year 2016 SCHOOL DEPARTMENT budget in the amount of \$39,188,748.**

**TOTAL GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS: \$103,130,408**

**COMMUNITY PRESERVATION FUND**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend that the City Council approve the Community Preservation Fund Revenues in the amount of \$625,000.

**MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to approve the Community Preservation Fund Revenues in the amount of \$625,000.**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend that the City Council approve the Community Preservation Fund expenditures in the amount of \$625,000 as follows:

Open Space Reserve	\$ 62,500
Community Housing Reserve	\$ 62,500
Historic Preservation Reserve	\$ 0
Administration	\$ 31,250
Debt Service–Historic Preservat.	\$ 207,650
General Remainder	<u>\$ 261,100</u>
Total	\$ 625,000

**Councilor Cox** said that the City’s voters voted to impose this additional percentage on the real estate tax to fund certain public goods that were difficult to find funding for within the City’s ordinary budget and so each year the Council votes the Community Preservation Fund. She said that the Council thanks the voters for the foresight to use these monies for the common good.

**Council President McGeary** explained that the Historic Preservation Reserve is stated as zero dollars because the State Department of Revenue allows the money used for the debt service on City Hall repairs towards the City’s spending on historical preservation.

**MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, , to approve the Community Preservation Fund expenditures in the amount of \$625,000 as follows:**

Open Space Reserve	\$ 62,500
Community Housing Reserve	\$ 62,500
Historic Preservation Reserve	\$ 0
Administration	\$ 31,250
Debt Service–Historic Preservat.	\$ 207,650
General Remainder	<u>\$ 261,100</u>
Total	\$ 625,000

**ENTERPRISE FUNDS****WATER ENTERPRISE REVENUES**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend that the City Council approve the Fiscal Year 2016 WATER ENTERPRISE REVENUES as follows:

TOTAL REVENUES: \$5,288,042

**MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to approve the Fiscal Year 2016 WATER ENTERPRISE REVENUES as follows:**

**TOTAL REVENUES: \$5,288,042**

**WATER ENTERPRISE APPROPRIATIONS****Dept. 450 – WATER**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed, to recommend that the City Council approve the total Fiscal Year 2016 WATER ENTERPRISE APPROPRIATIONS - Dept. 450 - as follows:

Personal Services	\$1,641,862
Ordinary Maintenance	\$3,275,016
Capital Outlay	\$ 179,894
Transfer to Other Funds	<u>\$ 191,270</u>
<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS:</b>	<b>\$5,288,042</b>

**MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to approve the total Fiscal Year 2016 WATER ENTERPRISE APPROPRIATIONS - Dept. 450 - as follows:**

Personal Services	\$1,641,862
Ordinary Maintenance	\$3,275,016
Capital Outlay	\$ 179,894
Transfer to Other Funds	<u>\$ 191,270</u>
<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS:</b>	<b>\$5,288,042</b>

**TOTAL REVENUES – Water Enterprise: \$5,288,042**  
**TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS – Water Enterprise \$5,288,042**

**WATER RATE:**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed, to recommend that the City Council approve the Fiscal Year 2016 Water Rate of \$7.00 per thousand gallons for a twelve month billing period effective July 1, 2015 retroactive to APRIL 1, 2015.

**DISCUSSION:**

**Councilor Ciolino** asked why there was an increase in the Fiscal Year 2016 water rate. **Council President McGeary** said there are increases for the Water Enterprise Fund's Personal Services and Ordinary in the budget. Additionally, he said last year the Council voted to take the water debt at its then current level and move it to the General Fund. Subsequent to that action, the city has incurred additional debt in the Water Enterprise Fund, which did not automatically roll into the General Fund. That would have to have been voted separately. He indicated that had the Council last year not voted the water debt shift, the water rate for Fiscal Year 2015 would have been over \$11 per thousand gallons.

**MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to approve the Fiscal Year 2016 Water Rate of \$7.00 per thousand gallons for a twelve-month billing period effective July 1, 2015 retroactive to APRIL 1, 2015.**

(This is a 17.25 % increase over Fiscal Year15 water rate of \$5.97 per thousand gallons or \$1.03)

**SEWER ENTERPRISE REVENUES**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed, to recommend that the City Council approve the Fiscal Year 2016 SEWER ENTERPRISE REVENUES as follow:

TOTAL REVENUES: \$7,471,391

**MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to approve the Fiscal Year 2016 SEWER ENTERPRISE REVENUES as follow:**

TOTAL REVENUES: \$7,471,391

**SEWER ENTERPRISE APPROPRIATIONS**

**Dept. 440 - SEWER**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed, to recommend that the City Council approve the Fiscal Year 2016 SEWER ENTERPRISE APPROPRIATIONS - Dept. 440 - as follows:

Personal Services	\$1,549,925
Ordinary Maintenance	\$5,565,301
Capital Outlay	\$ 164,895
Transfer to Other Funds	<u>\$ 191,270</u>
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS:	\$7,471,391

**MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to approve the Fiscal Year 2016 SEWER ENTERPRISE APPROPRIATIONS - Dept. 440 - as follows:**

Personal Services	\$1,549,925
Ordinary Maintenance	\$5,565,301
Capital Outlay	\$ 164,895
Transfer to Other Funds	<u>\$ 191,270</u>
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS:	\$7,471,391

**TOTAL SEWER ENTERPRISE APPROPRIATIONS:**

**TOTAL REVENUES – Sewer Enterprise \$ 7,471,391**  
**TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS – Sewer Enterprise \$ 7,471,391**

**SEWER RATE:**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed, to recommend that the City Council approve the Fiscal Year 2016 sewer rate of \$13.80 per thousand gallons for a twelve-month billing period effective July 1, 2015 retroactive to APRIL 1, 2015.

**Councilor Cox** noted this sewer rate represents a zero percent increase over the Fiscal Year15 sewer rate.

**MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to approve the Fiscal Year 2016 sewer rate of \$13.80 per thousand gallons for a twelve-month billing period effective July 1, 2015 retroactive to APRIL 1, 2015.**

(This is a 0 % increase over Fiscal Year 15 sewer rate of \$13.80 per thousand gallons)

**Dept. 492 – WATERWAYS ENTERPRISE REVENUES**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed, to recommend that the City Council approve the total Fiscal Year 2016 WATERWAYS ENTERPRISE REVENUES in the amount of \$343,316.

**Councilor Stewart** asked if the total for this department includes the recent increase in the transient mooring fees which was confirmed by **Council President McGeary** as part of the department's revenues.

**MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to approve the total Fiscal Year 2016 WATERWAYS ENTERPRISE REVENUES in the amount of \$343,316.**

**WATERWAYS ENTERPRISE APPROPRIATIONS**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed, to recommend that the City Council approve the Fiscal Year 2016 WATERWAYS ENTERPRISE APPROPRIATIONS - DEPT. 492 - as follows:

Personal Services	\$239,341
Ordinary Maintenance	\$ 98,115
Capital Outlay	<u>\$ 5,860</u>
TOTAL APPROPRIATION:	\$343,316

**MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to approve the Fiscal Year 2016 WATERWAYS ENTERPRISE APPROPRIATIONS - DEPT. 492 - as follows:**

Personal Services	\$239,341
Ordinary Maintenance	\$ 98,115
Capital Outlay	<u>\$ 5,860</u>
TOTAL APPROPRIATION:	\$343,316

**TOTAL REVENUES – Waterways Enterprise \$343,316**

**TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS –Waterways Enterprise \$343,316**

**DEPT. 475 – TALBOT RINK ENTERPRISE REVENUES**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed, to recommend that City Council accept the total Fiscal Year 2016 TALBOT RINK ENTERPRISE REVENUES in the amount of \$340,848

**MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to accept the total Fiscal Year 2016 TALBOT RINK ENTERPRISE REVENUES in the amount of \$340,848.**

**TALBOT RINK APPROPRIATIONS**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend that the City Council accept the Fiscal Year 2016 TALBOT RINK APPROPRIATIONS - Dept. 475 - as follows:

Personal Services	\$173,510
Ordinary Maintenance	\$136,838
Capital Outlay	<u>\$ 30,500</u>
TOTAL APPROPRIATION:	\$ 340,848

**MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to accept the Fiscal Year 2016 TALBOT RINK APPROPRIATIONS - Dept. 475 - as follows:**

Personal Services	<b>\$173,510</b>
Ordinary Maintenance	<b>\$136,838</b>
Capital Outlay	<b><u>\$ 30,500</u></b>
TOTAL APPROPRIATION:	<b>\$ 340,848</b>

TOTAL REVENUES – Talbot Rink	<b>\$ 340,848</b>
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS – Talbot Rink	<b>\$ 340,848</b>

**REVOLVING FUNDS**

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:** The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed, to recommend that the City Council continue acceptance of Statute MGL, Chapter 44, §53E ½, School Department Revolving Funds as specified:

Fund	Description	Authorized	Revenue Source	Use of Fund	Spending Limit	Fund Balance	Restrictions
283002	Summer School Program	School	Fees	Salary/Expense	\$10,000.00	Available Balance	None
283008	Transportation	School	Contracts/Charters	Transportation Services	\$200,000.00	Available Balance	None
283010	ROTC	School	Fees/Charges	Salary/Expenses	\$85,000.00	Available Balance	None
283012	Preschool	School	Fees/Charges	Salary/Expenses	\$45,000.00	Available Balance	None
283013	Professional Development	School	Fees/Charges	Training	\$30,000.00	Available Balance	None
283019	Non Resident Student Tuition	School	Fees/Charges	Salary/Expense	\$50,000.00	Available Balance	None

**Councilor Cox** explained that all these revolving funds have no restrictions and the fund balance is the available balance. She added that the Revolving Funds are those funds that are a special class of funds which can anticipate revenue coming in and expenditures going out that are reserved for specific purposes under State law which the Council has to reauthorize each year and say how much can be spent and who can do the spending.

**MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to continue acceptance of Statute MGL, Chapter 44, §53E ½, School Department Revolving Funds as specified:**

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283010	ROTC	School	Fees/Charges	Salary/Expenses	\$85,000.00	Available Balance	None
283012	Preschool	School	Fees/Charges	Salary/Expenses	\$45,000.00	Available Balance	None
283013	Professional Development	School	Fees/Charges	Training	\$30,000.00	Available Balance	None
283019	Non Resident Student Tuition	School	Fees/Charges	Salary/Expense	\$50,000.00	Available Balance	None



**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:** The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed, to recommend the City Council to authorize the City to establish revolving funds for certain City Departments under MGL, Chapter 44, §53E ½ for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2015, with specific receipts credited to each fund, the purposes for which each fund may be spent and the maximum amount that may be spent from each fund for the Fiscal Year as specified:

Fund	Description	Authorized	Revenue Source	Use of Fund	Spending Limit	Fund Balance	Restrictions
283007	Building Use	Michael Hale - DPW	Fees/Charges	Expenses	\$85,000.00	Available Balance	None
293004	City Hall User	Michael Hale - DPW	Fees	Janitorial/Maintenance	\$4,500.00	Available Balance	None
293005	Court Repairs	Michael Hale - DPW	State Reimb	Repairs	\$2,900.00	Available Balance	None
293006	Septic Loan - BOH	John Dunn - CFO	Fees	Salary/Expenses	\$10,000.00	Available Balance	None
293008	Vaccine - BOH	Noreen Burke - BOH	Fees	Vaccinations	\$45,000.00	Available Balance	None
293012	Fire Training	Eric Smith - Fire Chief	Fees	High Angle Training	\$45,000.00	Available Balance	None
293013	RFR Study	Tom Daniel - Comm Development Director	Fees	Radio Frequency	\$7,000.00	Available Balance	None
293014	Dental - BOH	Noreen Burke - BOH	Fees	Child Dental Services	\$275,000.00	Available Balance	None
293016	Solid Waste/Recycling	Michael Hale - DPW	Fees	Materials/Supplies	\$10,000.00	Available Balance	None
293017	City Clerk	Linda Lowe - City Clerk	Fees	Archival Preservation	\$15,000.00	Available Balance	None
293019	Vacant Building	Bill Sanborn - IS	Fees	Secure Vacant Buildings	\$70,000.00	Available Balance	None
293020	Fire Decon. Drill Training	Eric Smith - Fire Chief	State Reimb	Training	\$2,000.00	Available Balance	None
293021	Lanes Cove Fish Shack	Michael Hale - DPW	Fees	Repairs	\$4,500.00	Available Balance	None
293023	Various Fire Trainings	Eric Smith - Fire Chief	Reimbursements	Training	\$10,000.00	Available Balance	None
293025	Newell Stadium Maintenance	Mike Hale - DPW	Fees	Maintenance	\$15,000.00	Available Balance	None
293026	Stage Fort Park Maintenance	Mike Hale - DPW	Fees	Maintenance	\$10,000.00	Available Balance	None
293027	Police Student Officer Training & Equipment	Leonard Campanello - Police Chief	Reimbursements	Training	\$30,000.00	Available Balance	None

**Councilor Cox** explained that all these revolving funds have no restrictions and the fund balance is the available balance.

**Councilor Verga** asked if the “Authorized User” changes through the Fiscal Year in the case a person leaves their position how it would affect the revolving fund. **Kenny Costa**, City Auditor said that Mass. General Law states there has to be a designated Authorized User for a Revolving Fund, if there is a change he said he would recommend that the Council revote the particular revolving fund to make that change. He said he would check to see if only a title of a department head could be used rather than an individual name at the request of the Council President.

**MOTION:** On a motion by Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to authorize the City to establish revolving funds for certain City Departments under MGL, Chapter 44, §53E ½ for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2015, with specific receipts credited to each fund, the purposes for which each fund may be spent and the maximum amount that may be spent from each fund

**for the Fiscal Year as specified:**

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293006	Septic Loan - BOH	John Dunn - CFO	Fees	Salary/Expenses	\$10,000.00	Available Balance	None
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**SCHOOL FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM REVOLVING FUND**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Budget and Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed, to recommend that the City Council appropriate \$1,368,746 for the Fiscal Year 2016 operating costs of the Gloucester School Food Service Program and \$1,368,746 for estimated receipts from fees charged to users of the services provided by the Gloucester Food Service Program in accordance with MGL c44, §53E.

**Mr. Costa**, City Auditor explained that this revolving fund allows the Schools Food Services to open purchase orders on July 1 in anticipation of revenues in order to be ready for the start of the school year.

**MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Cox, seconded by Councilor Fonvielle, the City Council voted 9 in favor, 0 opposed, to appropriate \$1,368,746 for the Fiscal Year 2016 operating costs of the Gloucester School Food Service Program and \$1,368,746 for estimated receipts from fees charged to users of the services provided by the Gloucester Food Service Program in accordance with MGL c44, §53E.**

**Councilor Cox** announced with this vote the Fiscal Year 2016 votes are concluded.

**Mayor Sefatia Theken** said this has been a difficult budget to develop given the difficult winter that affected the Fiscal Year 2016 budget. She thanked the Budget & Finance Committee, Councilor Cox in particular for their efforts on behalf of the city, and that this budget's passage was accomplished by a team, which included her staff. She expressed her thanks for the Council's support.

**Council President McGeary** thanked everyone who participated in the process who committed many long hours starting back in December when the budget process began. He also commended the Council, in particular Councilor Cox, and Councilor Fonvielle, his colleagues on the B&F Committee along with their Committee alternate Councilor Lundberg. He lauded the work of City Auditor, Kenny Costa; CFO John Dunn, and CAO Jim Destino. He observed that this was a difficult process – that there are many good things to do and not enough money to do them. All of them working together to craft a road map for the Fiscal Year which begins July 1 to bring the critical services -- education, fire and police protection, public health, public works, environmental protection and many others -- to the people of Gloucester and that will ensure citizens get maximum benefit for every dollar they pay in taxes. He commended everyone on this effort, which culminated in the Fiscal Year 2016 budget passage.

**Councilors Request Other than to the Mayor:**

**Councilor Whynott** noted former Councilor Gus Foote has been in the hospital and his home now that he said would be happy to receive visitors and well wishes by phone.

**Councilor Cox** reminded the public that the Relay for Life takes place Saturday, June 20 starting at noon with a kick-off ceremony and continues until 10:00 p.m. She highlighted that at 2:20 p.m. Councilor Verga will be in the dunk tank; at 3 p.m. she will be in the dunk tank; at 5:40 p.m. Council President McGeary will be in the dunk tank; at 6:20 p.m. Councilor LeBlanc will be in the dunk tank; and that at 9 p.m. the day culminates with the luminaria ceremony. She thanked all the teams that have come together for this event.

**Councilor Ciolino** said that Sat., June 20 in the morning the international dory races will take place, and at 6:00 p.m. is the first downtown Block Party of the summer on Main Street.

**Councilor Fonvielle** reminded all that from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. there will be an open forum for improving access to several trails at the West Gloucester Congregational Church sponsored in part by the city's Open Space & Recreation Committee, and he would be present as one of the hosts.

**Council President McGeary** said that Saturday, June 20, is Medication Disposal Day from 9 a.m. to noon run by the Healthily Gloucester Collaborative at the Rose Baker Senior Center. He reminded the Council they had heard last month at their special joint meeting with the Board of Health that many times unused medications is a route in to opioid use. He also noted he will be representing the city at a city of Salem forum at the Salem High School at 5:30 p.m. on the issue of opioid addiction and its ramifications.

**A motion was made, seconded and voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 8:23 p.m.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Dana C. Jorgensson  
Clerk of Committees**

**DOCUMENTS/ITEMS SUBMITTED AT MEETING: None.**