

Common Council
October 24, 2023
Finance Committee Meeting
Common Council Chambers

Committee Members:
Christopher Briggs, Chairperson
Donald Russell
Adam Biggs

All Committee Members present

Christopher Briggs called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. Chair Briggs mentioned he had asked Steve Hennessey to attend the meeting and the focus of the meeting was to discuss the Public Works (DPW) budget and answer any questions regarding the budget and department.

Mr. Hennessey did not have any concerns regarding the Annual Estimate/budget that was passed by the Board of Managers that was currently being review by the Finance Committee. Mr. Hennessey mentioned that the department was currently fully staffed however hiring new personnel continues to be challenging. There was a discussion regarding water main breaks and that 2023 seemed to be inline or fewer than previous years. Mr. Hennessey mentioned the Water Department was getting pace with testing requirements and building maintenance at the main building and pumping station were challenging due to pump maintenance and age of the buildings.

Chair Briggs thanked Mr. Hennessey for his time and directed the conversation to the Library and its budget. Both Mayor Keeler and Mr. Durocher discussed the current budget as being status quo as it readies for the move to the new building. Discussed timeline for moving the Library to the soon to be purchased Cohoes Saving Bank building. Also the use of DRI funds for construction costs to convert the building

Chairman Briggs thanks everyone for their time and ask for a motion to adjourn at 6:40 PM.