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The Committee on Finance meets this day at 12:10 o'clock P.M. Present: Messrs. Moakler, Laudati and Loughran. Also present are Budget Officer Moran and City Controller Keegan. (W. E. McWilliams, Assistant Clerk)

In the absence of Chairman Mariani, Vice-Chairman Moakler takes the Chair.

Budget Officer Moran outlines the following Ordinances:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE, CHAPTER 533, BY ADDING THE SUM OF FIFTEEN HUNDRED (\$1500) DOLLARS TO THE APPROPRIATION CONTAINED THEREIN FOR CITY SERGEANT, ITEM 5. (In City Council February 7, 1952. Read and passed the first time)

This Ordinance amends Chapter 533 by transferring \$1500.00 from Municipal Dock, Item 5 to City Sergeant, Item 5, for the purchase of one low priced automobile to replace a 1946 automobile that was transferred from Municipal Dock to City Sergeant's Department for use by any department when the need for an automobile occurs.

On motion of Mr. Laudati, seconded by Mr. Loughran, it is voted to return this Ordinance to the City Council with recommendation of passage a second time.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE, CHAPTER 533, BY APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF THIRTY-FIVE HUNDRED (\$3500) DOLLARS TO PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT-CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE DIVISION-HIGHWAYS SECTION, ITEM 6. (In City Council February 7, 1952. Read and passed the first time)

This Ordinance amends Chapter 533 by appropriating \$3500.00 to Highways, Item 6, for the purchase of lot of land at the end of Mink Road and also pay any other expenses that may be incurred. This will eliminate a dead end street and allow the grading and curbing of Mink Road through to Enfield Avenue. This money is obtained from increased receipts from Reserve for Extraordinary Expenditures.

On motion of Mr. Loughran, seconded by Mr. Laudati, it is voted to return this Ordinance to the City Council with recommendation of passage a second time.

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AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 534, SECTION 21, OF THE ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE APPROVED SEPTEMBER 21, 1951. (In City Council February 7, 1952. Read and passed the first time)

This Ordinance amends Chapter 534, Section 21, Fire Department by eliminating Deputy Chief. The Fourth District Battalion Chief would act as head of the department during the Chief's absence. This would also eliminate one Maintenance Man II at \$3,068.00 a year and substitute one Assistant Fire Alarm Superintendent at \$4,264.00 a year. The man whose salary would be increased is S. Clifford Leighton who has had twenty-six years experience in the Police and Fire Signal Service and is the only man in the department to hold a 1st class radio-telephone license from the U. S. Government. He also holds an electrician's license. This Ordinance would also change the Classification of the two men who repair fire hose from Laborer I at \$1.05 an hour to Mechanic I at \$1.11 an hour.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 1209 OF THE ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE ESTABLISHING A CLASSIFICATION PLAN FOR THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE. (In City Council February 7, 1952. Read and passed the first time)

This Ordinance amends Chapter 1209 to set up the specifications of new position of Assistant Fire Alarm Superintendent. This also deletes specifications for Fire Chief.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 535 OF THE ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE AS APPROVED SEPTEMBER 21, 1951. (In City Council February 7, 1952. Read and passed the first time.)

This Ordinance amends Chapter 535 which establishes the salary of the Assistant Fire Alarm Superintendent at \$4,264.00 per year, and deletes salary of Fire Chief.

A brief discussion ensues on the above Ordinances, Mr. Loughran objecting on the grounds he doesn't believe it would be in the best interest of the morale of the Fire Department.

On motion of Mr. Laudati, seconded by Mr. Moakler, it is voted to return the above three Ordinances to the City Council with recommendation of passage a second time.

The following vote "Ave": Mr. Moakler and Mr. Laudati.

Mr. Loughran votes "No".

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 535 OF THE ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE AS APPROVED SEPTEMBER 21, 1951. (In City Council February 7, 1952. Referred back to Committee on Finance)

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On motion of Mr. Laudati, seconded by Mr. Loughran, it is voted to postpone the above Ordinance indefinitely.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CANCELLATION OF CONTRACT WITH UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

Resolved, that His Honor the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute an agreement substantially in accordance with the accompanying draft instrument, cancelling Contract No. H(100) 17-50, dated June 14, 1950, between City of Providence and United States of America, under which contract the City of Providence received advance planning funds for proposed school in Fox Point Section of the City of Providence.

On motion of Mr. Laudati, seconded by Mr. Loughran, it is voted to return the above Resolution to the City Council for passage.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CITY CONTROLLER.

The Clerk reads the following communication:

February 14, 1952.

Valentine H. Mariani, Chairman
Finance Committee of the City of Providence
Providence, Rhode Island

Gentlemen:

It is requested that the Finance Committee grant its authority for the establishment of an imprest petty cash fund in the Bureau of Licenses in the amount of \$25.00.

The express purpose of this fund is to refund cash to former special constables in order that they be reimbursed for the cost of their badges, when properly returned. It has been recently ruled by the Public Safety Commissioner that the licenses of special constables be discontinued, therefore, such men are entitled to reimbursement for the cost of their badges. Each constable will be notified to return his badge within a specified number of days. After this time has elapsed necessary reimbursement to the imprest fund will be made at which time such fund will be turned over to "General Fund" - Cash".

Very truly yours,

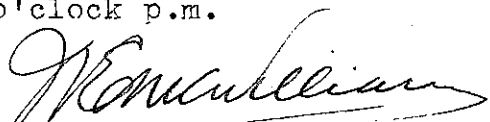
JCK/CD /s/ Joseph C. Keegan,
City Controller

Mr. Keegan states that he would like to set this fund up so that when refunding fifty cents (50¢) for badges to Special Constables to which they are entitled when their licenses are discontinued, it will not be necessary to make out a check each time for the fifty cents.

On motion of Mr. Laudati, seconded by Mr. Loughran, it is voted to set up a \$25.00 imprest fund in the Bureau of Licenses to handle the above.

Adjournment is taken at 12:40 o'clock p.m.

Copied D.K.M.
Compared R.M.C.


Assistant Clerk.