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The Finance Committee meets this day at 12:00 o'clock Noon.

Present: Chairman Mariani and Messrs. Laudati and Lord. Budget Director Reynolds, Solicitor McCabe, Controller Keegan, Revenue Administrator Cardarelli and City Assessor Gallotta are also present. (James J. Kelly, Assistant Clerk)

Chairman Mariani states that he has invited Revenue Administrator Cardarelli and City Assessor Gallotta to this meeting in accordance with an Ordinance requiring that the Committee on Finance set a minimum and maximum figure for the Tax Assessment of 1947.

City Assessor Gallotta requests the Committee to set a minimum figure of \$13,300,000.00 and a maximum of \$13,800,000.00 for the June 16, 1947 assessment. Mr. Gallotta states that he has been guided by certain indications and trends and it now appears that the maximum figure as set last year will be exceeded by the 1947 levy and the reasons for the expected increase are summed up as follows:

- 1 - The number of building permits issued for new construction and for alterations indicate increased revenue from real estate.
- 2 - An increase of approximately 10% in motor vehicle registrations and little falling off of used car values indicate a gain in this respect.
- 3 - Other types of tangible personal property show little if any loss in values.

Ordinarily this would indicate a higher minimum than that requested but there are several variables that might seriously cut into the estimated gain.

- 1- The Tax Office has received only some 7500 applications from World War II Veterans for tax exemptions. There are some 35,000 other veterans who are eligible and who might claim exemption from the 1947 assessment.
- 2- The market price of stocks and bonds on June 16, 1947 cannot be forecast, therefore the amount collectible from intangible assessments is at best only a guess.

Questioned by the Committee as to what will occur if the State Legislature allows an increase to the City of Providence in the tax rate, Mr. Gallotta states that this estimate is predicated on the present tax rate of \$25.00 per thousand, and if the State allows an increase, the estimate of minimum and maximum naturally will be changed.

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Mr. Cardarelli and Mr. Gallotta are excused at this time.

On motion of Mr. Laudati, seconded by Mr. Lord, it is voted to submit to the City Council at its next meeting with recommendation of passage, a Resolution setting forth tax assessment for the year 1947 in a sum not less than \$13,300,000.00 nor more than \$13,800,000.00.

Budget Director Reynolds explains the following Ordinances to the Committee:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 1209, ESTABLISHING A CLASSIFICATION PLAN FOR THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE. (In City Council April 17, 1947. First reading, read and passed.)

This Ordinance amends the Classification Plan for positions at the Chapin Hospital, said recommendations being made by the Hospital Commissioners.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 1509, SECTIONS 46, 43 and 60 OF THE ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE AS APPROVED SEPTEMBER 6, 1946. (In City Council April 17, 1947. First reading, read and passed.)

Section 46 of Chapter 1509 provides for the increase in the number of employees at the Charles V. Chapin Hospital from 245 to 247. The positions of one Medical Laboratory Technologist, two Chemist and three Laboratory Technician are deleted and there is added one Assistant Director of Laboratories, two Chemist I, one Chemist II, one Laboratory Technician I, one Laboratory Technician II, one Laboratory Technician III and one Animal Attendant.

In conjunction with Clean-Up Week, Section 43 of the Ordinance allows the Department of Health to hire eight additional temporary laborers and two equipment operators to drive the trucks. The work will consist mainly of cleaning up lots on city owned property.

Recently Mr. Holton of the Water Supply Board has hired quite a number of laborers and Section 60 provides for one additional foreman to superintend their work.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 1510 OF THE ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE AS APPROVED SEPTEMBER 6, 1946. (In City Council April 17, 1947. First reading, read and passed.)

This Ordinance increases the compensation of the following workers at the Charles V. Chapin Hospital: Psychiatric Social Worker I, \$1,560.00-\$1,760.00 to \$1,820.00-\$2,080.00; Psychiatric Social Worker II, \$1,976.00 to \$2,080.00-\$2,600.00; Bacteriologist I, \$1,752.00-\$2,064.00 to \$2,600.00-\$3,000.00; Bacteriologist II,

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\$2,166.00-\$2,478.00 to \$3,200.00-\$3,600.00.

Section I of Chapter 1510 which reads Medical Laboratory Technologist \$3,272.00, Chemist \$1,752.00-\$2,064.00, Laboratory Technician \$1,488.00 is deleted and substituted by Assistant Director of Laboratories, \$4,000.00-\$4,500.00; Chemist I, \$2,600.00-\$3,000.00; Laboratory Technician I, \$1,600.00-\$1,900.00. There is also added to that Section, Chemist II, \$3,200.00-\$3,600.00; Laboratory Technician II, \$1,900.00-\$2,200.00; Laboratory Technician III, \$2,200.00-\$2,500.00; Animal Attendant, \$1,560.00-\$1,820.00.

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A SALARY FOR THE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TO THE MAYOR. (In City Council April 17, 1947. First reading, read and passed.)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE, CHAPTER 1513 OF 1946, BY ADDING THE SUM OF TWO THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED (\$2,500) DOLLARS TO MAYOR'S OFFICE, ITEM 0. (In City Council April 17, 1947. First reading, read and passed.)

The first Ordinance sets the salary for the Administrative Assistant to the Mayor at \$5,000.00 per year and the second, appropriates \$2,500.00 to the Mayor's Office, Item 0, to provide the salary of the Assistant to the end of the fiscal year.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE, CHAPTER 1513 OF 1946, BY ADDING THE SUM OF THREE THOUSAND (\$3,000) DOLLARS TO LAW DEPARTMENT, ITEM 1. (In City Council April 17, 1947. First reading, read and passed.)

The Law Department has a very important case in the courts at the present time and this is to provide payment for professional services of an outside expert on Real Estate.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE, CHAPTER 1513 OF 1946, BY ADDING THE SUM OF FIFTEEN HUNDRED (\$1,500) DOLLARS TO ROGER WILLIAMS PARK ITEM 2. (In City Council April 17, 1947. First reading, read and passed.)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE, CHAPTER 1513 OF 1946, BY ADDING THE SUM OF FORTY ONE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED AND SEVENTEEN (\$41,517) DOLLARS TO PARKS GENERAL. (In City Council April 17, 1947. First reading, read and passed.)

The Park Department has an extensive program improving all parks in the City and the Ordinance appropriating \$41,517.00 is to provide personal services by employing persons to be stationed permanently at the various parks, particularly to avoid vandalism and to keep up the general appearance of the parks.

The appropriation of \$1,500.00 is for the purchase of loam to be used at Roger Williams Park.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE CHAPTER 1513 OF 1946 BY ADDING THE SUM OF SEVEN HUNDRED (\$700) DOLLARS TO THE BUDGET DIVISION, ITEM 5. (In City Council April 17, 1947. First reading, read and passed.)

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The Office of the Budget Director has been obliged to borrow an adding machine from the Controller's Office and this appropriation of \$700.00 is to provide for the purchase of two adding machines. No additional appropriation is necessary as a transfer is being made from Item "0" in the Budget Division.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE CHAPTER 1513 OF 1946 BY ADDING THE SUM OF TWELVE HUNDRED AND FIFTY (\$1,250) DOLLARS TO POLICE DEPARTMENT, ITEM 2. (In City Council April 17, 1947. First reading, read and passed.)

This is to provide for the issue of new uniforms to the present graduating classes of the Police Department.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE, CHAPTER 1513 OF 1946, BY ADDING THE SUM OF THIRTY TWO THOUSAND (\$32,000) DOLLARS TO CITY SERGEANT, ITEM 1. (In City Council April 17, 1947. First reading, read and passed.)

It is apparent that the two elevators in the City Hall should be replaced and this appropriation of \$32,000.00 is to provide for the purchase of two new elevators.

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF FIVE HUNDRED (\$500) DOLLARS AS A CONTRIBUTION TO THE 1947 BOOK CAMPAIGN, SAID SUM TO BE PAYABLE TO "GRACE M. SHERWOOD - SPECIAL ACCOUNT FOR THE ARMED FORCES". (In City Council April 17, 1947. First reading, read and passed.)

This appropriation of \$500.00 to the 1947 Book Campaign which is conducted under the supervision of Miss Grace M. Sherwood, State Librarian and has been an annual appropriation since the beginning of the War.

On motion of Mr. Laudati, seconded by Mr. Lord, it is voted to recommend for passage a second time the twelve foregoing Ordinances.

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING TWENTY-FIVE HUNDRED (\$2,500.00) DOLLARS TO BE PAID TO THE NEXT-OF-KIN OF THOMAS CLIFFORD (In City Council April 17, 1947. Referred to Committee on Finance.)

Mr. Reynolds requests that he be given more time to study this Ordinance. Chairman Mariani, with the approval of the Committee, grants the request of Budget Director Reynolds.

OLD BILLS.

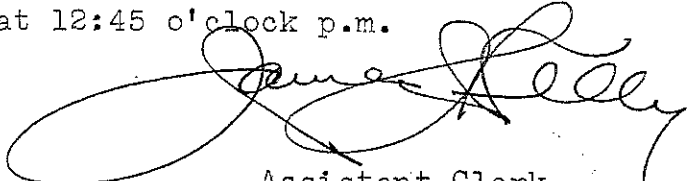
The following bills are submitted by City Controller Keegan:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Department</u>
7/17/46	Photostat Corp.	\$436.80	Recorder of Deeds
9/12/46	City of Prov., Badge & Plate Fund	332.50	Police Dept.
2/1/46	"	36.00	" "
9/21/46	New Eng. Tel. & Tel.	9.14	Public Works

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On motion of Mr. Lord, seconded by Mr. Mariani, it is voted to pay the above bills.

Adjournment is taken at 12:45 o'clock p.m.



Assistant Clerk.

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