

**MINUTES**  
**Administrative Committee-Finance Committee**  
**February 26, 2019**

- I. Administrative-Finance Committee Co-chair George Smiley convened the Administrative-Finance Committee meeting at 1:30 p.m. on 1/22/19 in the 8th Floor Council Conference Room.
- II. Council members present were: Mr. Bell, Mr. Carter, Mr. Cartier, Ms. Diller, Ms. Durham, Mr. Hollins, Ms. Kilpatrick, Mr. Sheldon, Mr. Smiley, Mr. Street, Mr. Woods, Ms. Hartley-Nagle and Mr. Tackett
- Mr. Smiley announced that Mr. Woods and Mr. Sheldon would be absent for all committee meetings.
- III. Ms. Kilpatrick made a motion to accept the minutes from the 2/12/19 Finance Committee Meeting. The motion was seconded by Ms. Diller and the minutes were unanimously approved.
- IV. Resolutions: None
- V. Ordinances:

**19-014: TO ABATE OUTSTANDING NEW CASTLE COUNTY REAL PROPERTY TAXES AND PENALTY ON THE PROPERTY OF THE UNITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH, INC. LOCATED AT 2101 LANCASTER AVENUE, WILMINGTON, DE, PARCEL NO. 26-026.30-058. Introduced by: Mr. Street**

- Mr. Smiley read the title.
- Mr. Street explained the ordinance.
- The floor was opened to the public for comment and there was none.

**19-013: TO PROVIDE FOR THE INSTALLATION OF ARLINGTON STREET LIGHTS IN THE CROOKED BILLET SUBDIVISION LOCATED IN CHRISTIANA HUNDRED AND FOR A LIGHT TAX BASED ON THE COST OF STREET LIGHTS. Introduced by: Ms. Durham**

- Mr. Smiley read the title.
- Ms. Durham stated as per title.
- The floor was opened to the public for comment and there was none.

**19-015: TO AMEND NEW CASTLE COUNTY CODE CHAPTER 2 (“ADMINISTRATION”), SECTION 2.03.004 (“FEES FOR RECORDER OF DEEDS”) RELATING TO CERTAIN CHANGES TO FEES OF THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER OF DEEDS. Introduced by: Mr. Smiley, Mr. Cartier**

- Mr. Smiley read the title and invited the Recorder of Deeds, Mike Kozikowski, to address the committee.
- Mike Kozikowski, Recorder of Deeds, explained the ordinance and responded to Council Members’ questions.
- The floor was opened to the public for comment and there was none.

**18-124: TO AMEND *NEW CASTLE COUNTY CODE* CHAPTER 26 (“HUMAN RESOURCES”), ARTICLE 3 (“MERIT SYSTEM”), SECTION 26.03.206. (“DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN”) REGARDING DISTRIBUTION OF PLAN PROCEEDS. Introduced by: Mr. Smiley, Mr. Cartier and All of Council**

- Mr. Smiley read the title and explained the legislation. He noted that he would introduce a Floor Amendment this evening to change the effective date to March 15, 2018.
- Public Comment: John Spence, Local 459, spoke on the ordinance and thanked Council.

VI. Other:

- **Council Chamber Improvements**
  - Leon Tucker – Wilmington City Council – discussed the technology improvements to City/County Council Chambers and responded to Council Members’ questions.
  - Ms. Kilpatrick moved that Council reimburse the City of Wilmington up to \$5200 from County Council’s Contingency fund for technology improvements to Council Chambers. The motion was seconded by Mr. Tackett and approved.

- **City/County Building Contract**
  - Mr. Smiley noted that the County is entering into building contract negotiations with the City of Wilmington for the City/County Building and that the administration would like to include 2 Members of Council.
  - Tracy Surles, Public Works General Manager, provided additional details.
  - Mr. Carter moved to appoint Mr. Woods and Mr. Smiley to represent Council in the City/County Building negotiations and to keep all of Council informed. The motion was seconded by Mr. Cartier and approved.

- **New Castle County Council Grant Requests/Community Events:**

<b>Grant Applicant</b>	<b>Sponsor</b>	<b>Amount Approved</b>	<b>Council Member Motion/Second</b>	<b>Vote</b>
Delaware Academy of Science/Iron Hill Museum	Diller	\$1500	Diller/Kilpatrick	Yes –11, No – 0 Not Voting – 1 (Smiley)
Midway Little League	Sheldon	<b>\$1500</b>	Sheldon/Kilpatrick	Yes –11, No – 0 Not Voting – 1 (Smiley)

- **Expense & Revenue Round Table**
  - Mr. Smiley noted that there is an Item J on tonight’s agenda regarding Paramedic Reimbursement.
    - Chief Tan address Council on this issue.
- **Comments by the Executive Office**
  - Susan Moore, Executive Office, noted that the Sudden Cardiac Survivors Reunion would take place Wednesday, February 27. 2018 from 6:30-8:30 PM at Tatnall School.
    - Chief Tan spoke about this event.
    - Mike Hojnicky, Acting Public Safety Director, informed Council that NCCTV released a social media video about this event with one of the survivors.
- **Approval to Hire a Legislative Aide for the 6<sup>th</sup> District**
  - Mr. Carter moved to hire Rachel Zara as the 6<sup>th</sup> District Legislative Aide at Pay Grade 22, Step 2 and to start on March 11, 2019 with the work hours of 8-4. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bell and approved.
- **Other –**
  - Mr. Smiley noted that he attended the 911 Call Center’s Public Training Event last evening.
  - Mr. Street expressed concern about the Social Media Video of an NCCPD Officer and excessive use of force. Several Members of Councils expressed similar concerns.
    - Mike Hojnicky, Acting Public Safety Director, noted that an investigation has been launched.

VIII. Public Comment – None

IX. Ms. Diller made a motion to adjourn, it was seconded by Ms. Kilpatrick and unanimously approved. The meeting was adjourned at 2:56 PM.

*A recording of the meeting is available upon request. Respectfully submitted by Tara Finnigan, Legislative Aide to Administrative-Finance Committee Co-Chair George Smiley.*