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## Finance Committee Agenda

City of Newton

In City Council

Monday, September 27, 2021

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### Item scheduled for discussions:

**#318-21 Appointment of David Micley to the Other Post-Employment Benefits Trust Fund**  
HER HONOR THE MAYOR appointing David Micley, 90 Mill Street, Newton as a trustee of the Other Post-Employment Benefits Trust for a term of office to expire September 20, 2024. (60 days: 10/08/21)

#### Referred to Public Facilities and Finance Committees

**#321-21 Appropriate \$138,620 for the rehabilitation of the Bullough's Pond Dam**  
HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate and expend one hundred thirty-eight thousand six hundred and twenty dollars (\$138,620) for the purpose of funding engineering design services for the rehabilitation of the Bullough's Pond Dam  
**Public Facilities Approved 7-0 (Councilor Laredo not voting)**

#### Referred to Programs & Services and Finance Committees

**#281-21 CPC Recommendation to appropriate \$1,440,344 in CPA funding**  
COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE recommending appropriation of one million four hundred forty thousand three hundred and forty-four dollars (\$1,440,344) in Community Preservation Act funds, with \$288,068.80 to come from the Open Space Prior Year Reserve (Act# 5840-3599) and \$1,152,275.20 to come from the Prior Year Undesignated Fund (Acct# 5800-3599), to the control of the Planning & Development Department for the implementation of the approved and permitted designs for Levingston Cove including the construction of new erosion controls, plantings, accessibility improvements and the installation of new public amenities including new pathways, benches and decks.  
**Programs & Services Approved 6-0-1 (Councilor Wright abstaining) on 09/22/2021**

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**Referred to Programs & Services and Finance Committees**

#347-21

**CPC Recommendation to appropriate \$420,000 in CPA funding**

COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE recommending appropriation of four hundred twenty thousand dollars (\$420,000) in Community Preservation Act funds from the FY22 Budget Reserve (Account# 58R10498-579000) to the control of the Planning & Development Department for the completion of the Athletic Fields Capital Improvements Plan Design FY2022-2025 Project which includes the hiring of on-call consultants to complete the studies, plans, and design work necessary to construct new fields and restore four to six existing sites.

**Programs & Services Approved 7-0 on 09/22/2021**

**Chair's Note:** *It is the Chair's intent to entertain a motion of no action necessary on the following four items.*

**Referred to Programs & Services and Finance Committees**

#99-21

**Discussion regarding resources needed for a safe return to in-person learning**

COUNCILORS KRINTZMAN, GROSSMAN, LAREDO, WRIGHT, KALIS, MALAKIE, GREENBERG, LEARY, RYAN, BAKER, ALBRIGHT, MARKIEWICZ AND NOEL Requesting a discussion about the resources necessary for a speedy and safe return to in person learning, in compliance with the March 9, 2021 guidance from the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education and in anticipation of more than \$48 million in Federal Aid from the American Rescue Plan

**Finance Held on 03/29/21**

**Programs & Services Held on 03/29/21**

**Programs & Services voted No Action Necessary 7-0 on 09/22/2021**

**Referred to Programs & Services and Finance Committees**

#156-20

**Request for comparison of dog license fines**

COUNCILOR ALBRIGHT requesting a comparison of Newton's fine for failure to license a dog to other communities. In addition, requesting an increase in the fine for failure to license a dog.

**Programs & Services Held 8-0 on 04/21/2021**

**Programs & Services voted No Action Necessary 7-0 on 09/22/2021**

**Referred to Programs & Services and Finance Committees**

#157-20

**Request for review and changes to off-leash dog ordinance**

COUNCILOR ALBRIGHT requesting a review and possible changes to the off-leash dog ordinance to include:

- a) raising fees required by dog walking companies in order to better maintain sites heavily used by dog walkers; and
- b) requiring background checks on dog walkers to assure safety of dog owners and dogs; and
- c) requesting the development of regulations for dog walking and dog daycare companies to assure appropriate care for dogs.

**Programs & Services Held 8-0 on 04/21/2021**

**Programs & Services voted No Action Necessary 7-0 on 09/22/2021**

**Referred to Public Facilities and Finance Committees**

**#366-20**

**Appropriate \$150,000 for the rehabilitation of the Bullough's Pond Dam**

HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate and expend one hundred and fifty thousand (\$150,000) from Acct # 6200-3240 Stormwater Management Fund Surplus for the purpose of funding engineering design services and permitting fees for the rehabilitation of the Bullough's Pond Dam.

**Public Facilities Approved 8-0 on 09/09/2020**

**Finance Approved 4-0-2 (Councilors Kalis and Malakie abstaining)**

**City Council recommitted on 10/05/2020**

**#358-21**

**Authorizing funds to settle claims against the City**

HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to transfer funds from several different departments to the Law Department Judgements and Settlements Account in full and final settlement of *Carresi et al v. City of Newton*, 20-cv-11538-DJC and associated grievances.

**Note: A motion for Executive Session may be entertained**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Rebecca Walker Grossman, Chair**