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FINANCE AND PROPERTY / CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES

Monday, April 10, 2023 6:30PM

City Council Committee Room, 3rd Floor, Beverly City Hall, 191 Cabot St.

Houseman called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

Members present: Julie Flowers, Matthew St. Hilaire, Scott Houseman

Members absent: None

Other Councilors present: Estelle Rand

Also present: Finance Director Bryant Ayles, Appointees Frank Golden and Nate Cramer

Order Number	Date to Committee	Description	Action Taken
#315	12/20/2022	Earmark from the Economic Development Legislation signed by Governor Baker \$200,000 for the installation of solar panels at Beverly High School	Held
#073	3/20/2023	Councilor Houseman-City Streets, National Grid Gas Installations, and Order 287	Received and placed on file (3-0)
#082	4/3/2023	Appointment of Nathaniel Cramer, 33 Pine St., Stoneham, MA to serve on Board of Assessors	Approved (3-0)
#083	4/3/2023	Appointment of Francis Golden, 5 Wells Rd., Reading, MA to serve as Chief Assessor and Chairman of Board of Assessors	Approved (3-0)
#085	4/3/2023	Reappointment of Bryant Ayles, Director of Municipal Finance, to serve on the Beverly Retirement Board	Approved (3-0)

Order #085

Councilors expressed their appreciation for Bryant Ayles' work.

The motion to approve was made and seconded. A vote was taken, and the motion passed (3-0).

Orders #082 and #083

Ayles gave an introduction to the two Board of Assessors appointees.

Cramer started working as an appraiser at 20, has worked for the Department of Revenue and Town of Newbury, and since 2020 has been the chief assessor in Malden.

There was some general discussion of the time commitment and assessing process.

The motion to approve Order #082 was made and seconded. A vote was taken, and the motion passed (3-0).

The motion to approve Order #083 was made and seconded. A vote was taken, and the motion passed (3-0).

Cramer, Golden, and Ayles left the meeting.

Order #073

Houseman noted that the National Grid petition this letter was regarding had been withdrawn. He spoke briefly about the limitations and options for the Council when it comes to petitions like this one.

The motion to receive Order #073 and place it on file was made and seconded. A vote was taken, and the motion passed (3-0).

The motion to adjourn Committee on Finance and Property was made and seconded. A vote was taken, and the motion passed (3-0). The meeting adjourned at 6:55pm.