Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance
Alderman Stanley Kudej, Chairman, called the meeting to order at approximately 5:32 p.m. All those present rose and pledged allegiance to the flag.

Roll Call - Finance Committee
Alderman Stanley Kudej, Chairman, present
Aldermanic President John F. Anglace, Jr., present
Alderman Anthony Simonetti, present

Also in attendance: Louis Marusic, Finance Director,
Debbie Onderko, Tax Collector
Alderman John “Jack” Finn

There was a quorum of 3 present, 0 absent

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
Alderman Anglace MOVED to waive the reading and approve the following meeting minutes of the Regular Finance Meeting of June 30, 2008 and Special Finance Meeting of September 2, 2008. SECONDED by Alderman Simonetti.

A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED 3-0.

2. JANUARY STATUTORY REFUNDS
Alderman Anglace MOVED to recommend to the Full Board that the report of the Tax Collector relative to the refund of taxes for a total amount of $3,885.91 be approved and that the Finance Director be directed to make
payments in accordance with the certified list received from the tax collector with funds to come from the Statutory Refunds Account 001-0000-311.13.00. SECONDED by Alderman Simonetti.

A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED 3-0.

3. REMOVAL OF WEBSTER BANK FROM LIST OF CITY DEPOSITORIES

Alderman Anglace MOVED to recommend to the Full Board to remove Webster Bank from the list of City Depositories. SECONDED by Alderman Simonetti.

Alderman Kudej asked if anyone would like to discuss the item?

Alderman Anglace responded, yes. I invited the Finance Director, the City Treasurer and the Tax Collector to come and share with us their views. The City Treasurer could not make it tonight, but he did share with me, and I share with you, his comments. There’s a letter, and I don’t have it here with me. The Finance Director is supposed to come and bring the letter. If I can paraphrase the letter, in effect, the City Treasurer is empowered by State Law to say who is going to be a depository, who is going to hold the funds for the city and his letter indicates that he has already taken the action to transfer the monies from Webster Bank to Peoples United Bank. So that kind of deflates my balloon, so to speak. But nevertheless, Debbie Onderko, the tax collector is here and there’s a couple of tax collecting issues between Webster Bank and the tax collector’s department that I asked her to come share with us.

Ms. Onderko stated, we have an account, it’s a tax collecting account with Webster Bank. Their customers can pay their taxes at Webster Bank in July or in January. What we have a problem with is that they are supposed to mail us a copy of a tax bill with the deposit ticket showing that they put the money into our tax collecting account at that branch. Every single collection we are missing some of these. This one I happened to save), it’s an old one, it’s from December of 2006 and it was mailed to us in November of 2007. Now what this means is if we hadn’t of found out who this person was, you know they are getting delinquent notices and they are very angry, I hear from a lot of angry people every time the late notices go out. Over the years every one of these entries, these are all missing deposits after every collection.
What happens is I get a statement and these are all missing. When I get the statement and that’s another problem, they don’t do monthly statements, they do quarterly, every three months, so I have 52 pages. This is July, August, September. These people have already gotten late notices because these go out at the beginning of September. So by the time I get the statement we are already getting complaints. It’s just very cumbersome to go through all this to find out where we are off.

Alderman Kudej stated, people pay on time and then get late notices and are being charged interest.

Ms. Onderko replied, yes. As soon as we know who it is, if they paid Webster on July 16, we credit them with that date and they don’t have to pay interest but in the meantime there’s a lot of angry tax payers. This last one, what we ran into on July 28th, Webster made a deposit into our account of $838. They don’t know what it’s from. I have nothing for it. I’ve gotten nothing from any taxpayer saying I paid the bank and you are sending me a late notice. They don’t have any idea what it’s from. We were able to nail down which branch it’s from but not what it’s supposed to go to. When I went to Webster they told me that they didn’t have anymore of that information. They could only tell me that the person was the Contes. So I called them a couple of times and Mrs. Conti is telling me that her records seem to be ok. That she doesn’t think it’s her money.

Alderman Simonetti stated, let me play devil’s advocate here. Does this happen at all at any other banks that you deal with?

Ms. Onderko stated, no, that’s the odd thing

Alderman Simonetti stated, even if it happened once or twice, it does happen, but here you have a big problem. Do the other banks give a monthly statement?

Ms. Onderko states, a monthly statement yes. And we deal with TB Bank, HSBC, Naugatuck Valley and Wachovia.

Alderman Simonetti stated, you don’t use Bank of America at all?
Ms. Onderko stated, no we don’t use Bank of America anymore, we did use them when they were Fleet. The odd thing with them is that they wouldn’t take cash. It’s a strange thing.

Alderman Simonetti asked, so you are in favor of dropping Webster Bank?

Ms. Onderko stated, well, they have a lot of problems. If they can straighten out their problems, that would be terrific. I don’t know if they can provide us with a monthly statement, whatever they can do would be great. They do get a lot of people who walk in and pay their taxes there. I think because they were originally Shelton Savings and Derby Savings, so the people in this area use those banks.

Mr. Marusic stated, I would just like to add a footnote to this. We just don’t know who is in charge. I was asked to go down to talk with someone and you go down and the person I know isn’t there, they let her go, and she works for another bank and there was no one who could tell me who the replacement was. You could go to three different branches and get three different people but no one has a central idea of what’s taking place.

Alderman Simonetti stated, it’s too bad they aren’t giving their customers good service.

Ms. Onderko replied, and they move a lot. The manager might be there for a year and then she’s on to a different bank. You always have a big turnover.

Alderman Simonetti asked Alderman Anglace if he would like Mr. Marusic to make a report to them?

Mr. Marusic replied, that was my report. That’s the big report. We are trying to go from the bottom up. We should have access from the top and then down. That’s a big thing.

Ms. Onderko stated, I know when we transfer the funds after a collection it’s always a big thing with Webster. The other banks will do either email or fax but Webster you have to go down there. Last time you had to draw a check. They didn’t want to wire it.

Mr. Marusic stated, it took an hour or two to find out who could authorize it.
Alderman Anglace added, I have to go back and correct something that I said earlier in the meeting. He brought the letter from Frank Pagliaro. The letter says that the City Treasurer of the City of Shelton is most pleased to transfer the account to Peoples United Bank and I also understand that you met with Mayor Mark A. Lauretti and the City’s Financial Director Louis Marusic to discuss the process of the transfer which should take place in about two to four months. This was written to Mr. Armando Goncalves and Mr. Weber of People’s United Bank and I interpreted it to be that they were taking the funds from Webster. The letter doesn’t specifically say where the funds are coming from but I thought it was the Webster Bank, it is not. It is the Wachovia Bank. So, I stand corrected on that. But this is the letter and I will hand it to the clerk for the record.

Alderman Kudej asked, does People have branches here in Shelton?

There is discussion on where the People’s bank branches are located.

Mr. Marusic stated, the thing with them is that they are probably the most financially sound bank that we have in New England.

Alderman Anglace stated, I contacted one of the managers down at Webster here in Shelton on Howe Avenue and I went into see him before the Board of Aldermen meeting and related to him some of the things I thought were going to come up. He asked if we would be kind enough to send him a letter following the meeting regarding the deficiencies that we perceive and they would like an opportunity to address it. So, my main concern, and continues to be, is that they aren’t holding our money and that we’ve got to get correction to these issues and they’ve got to give us proper reporting. He said he’d like an opportunity to address the problems. He also said that Webster has a presence in Shelton, a big presence, and it’s a convenience to a lot of people to use their facility to deposit. I told him that I can understand that. I don’t think anyone is out to put a noose around their neck but I think what we’d like to do if we have some problems is that we’d like to get them straightened out, and straightened out fast. He said that if we give them an opportunity they’d be glad to address the issues. I told him that we’d have our meeting and it will be inserted into the record. I’d be glad to supply you with a copy of the record and give any other documentation you need to give to address the issues at hand. Then we can see where we go from there.
Alderman Kudej stated, the problem is that it’s been going on for quite a while.

Ms. Onderko stated, it’s been going on quite a while and you don’t want to stop using them. If it can be straightened out that would be wonderful but we’ve tried so many times.

Alderman Anglace stated, I mentioned to him that one of the issues that I perceive was that there is a communication issue. They don’t talk to us and we don’t talk to them. In fact, when I opened up this whole thing I said where do I go, who do I go to? It’s ok once a year when we make up the list of depositories. We don’t need to talk to everybody. I’m assuming the Treasurer and the Finance Director who recommend the depositories are in touch with these people. But if we have issues, then we have to address them and we can’t look the other way. If we can’t address them and they can’t correct them satisfactorily, then I’m sure that the Board would not look favorably on continuing their relationship with the City.

Alderman Anglace MOVED to table the item at this time. We’ll carry on with the information and I’ll do what I said. We’ll send them the information we need, a copy of the record, and they’ll have time to address and we’ll come back and look at this.

Alderman Simonetti stated, my comments are that a strong letter should come from the your offices outlining the specific problems. Everything needs to be completely accurate. If that can’t be given to us, then by all means, come to us again and recommend that we stop using them as a depository. I can understand that someone would be very displeased getting a tax delinquency bill from us when they’ve already paid. It’s very unfair to the public.

A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED 3-0.
4. REIMBURSEMENT FOR REGISTRAR OF VOTER'S OFFICE FOR DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY OF AUGUST 12, 2008; MANDATED AUDIT BY THE STATE ON AUGUST 28, 2008; AND MANDATED AUDIT OF PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION ON NOV. 19, 2008

Alderman Anglace MOVED to recommend to the Full Board to transfer a total of $19,186.62 from Contingency General Account #001-9900-900.99-00 to the following accounts: $855 to the Commissary Account #001-0500-413.80-41; $72.21 to the Mileage Account #001-0500-413.11-01; $4,213.13 to the Printing/Advertisement Account #001-0500-413.30-07; $5,024.00 to the Poll Worker Account #001-0500-413.10-04 and $200 to the State Inspection Account #001-0500-413.50-05; $3,100 to the Part time Employees Account 001-0500-413.10.02; $5,000 to Poll Worker Account #001-0500-413.10-04 for Presidential Mandated Audit; $496 to Part time Employees Account 001-0500-413.10.02 for Presidential Mandated Audit; $226.28 to Commissary Account #001-0500-413.80-41 for Presidential Mandated Audit for expenditures incurred by the Registrar of Voter’s Office for the Primary held on August 12, 2008 and the Audit held on August 28, 2008 and the audit on November 19, 2008. SECONDED by Alderman Simonetti.

Alderman Kudej asked if anyone would like to discuss?

Alderman Anglace stated that the Democratic Registrar of Voters’ Jack Finn is here and I’d like to invite him to come up and discuss this with us.

Registrar Finn stated, Pete Pavone would have been here tonight but he had a prior engagement.

Alderman Anglace stated, the committee should note that Registrar Finn did give me some information prior to the meeting. It consisted of a copy of the budget run-off dated October 8, 2008 and a copy of the same motion that I just read plus some additional back up information that I won’t get into the details but there’s a lot of it there. I want to share with you what I did between the time of when he provided me with this and today. Just so I could try and understand and put it into perspective. Since this was prepared on October 8, there’s been a couple of budget runs and the latest
one is December 11th. So, I took the December 11th one and the balance in the accounts column as of October 8th had to be upgraded to December 11th. We had to reflect the balance in the accounts as of December 11th. That’s what I did. This is not a lot of accounts. The whole department has maybe 12 accounts, so it all fits on one page, as you can see. I updated the accounts and then based on the information in the motion what is being asked of us to transfer into each account, I reflected that here under the adjustment column. There are some account that no adjustment is being made so that stays the same such as $24,431, but as you get down into the other accounts, there are some accounts that are two separate adjustments, example, poll workers. The Poll Worker’s account is being asked to adjust $5,024 and you see that right here, and then it’s being asked to be adjusted another $5,000 because of the presidential mandate audit. That’s reflected here also. So, the Poll Worker’s account starts out with a deficit of $14,275 as of December 11, 2008. If we adjust the account as we requested with the $5,024 and the $5,000, we still have an account with a deficit balance of $4,251. So, I just need to raise these questions. I just need to show you the status of each account once it’s readjusted as requested.

Alderman Simonetti stated, so once it’s readjusted there’s still going to be a deficit.

Alderman Anglace stated, let me just go down here. The Part-time Employees account as of December 11 is $11,749 and two adjustments are being made to that, $3,100 and $496. That leaves that account which started off with $11,749 and now has $15,345.

Alderman Simonetti asked, have we paid these bills yet Jack?

Registrar Finn replied, let’s start off with part-time employees. What we did is that we sat down and separated it so that the accountant, when they are doing the audit, they can follow where the money was spent. Because we were told that they want to be more accountable as to how the money is spent and where the money is coming from for all the line items. The Democratic Primary is put in separately, that’s why you can see Poll Worker’s twice and Part-time Employees is there twice. The number of hours that our office staff put in preparing for the Democratic Primary before and after. We also put in there the amount of hours that they put in for the Presidential Audit, making phone calls, getting the people down
there, etc. Those are all calculated, that’s why you see the money coming in reimbursing that. Without reimbursing that line item account we would probably have to close the office in February for a period of time. I know in the future we are also going to be having our canvass, which is required by the State, and they have to be in the office for canvassing. There is also a possibility we are going to have a referendum question during this same period of time. That’s replenishing that account so we can keep the office open in the event we do have the referendum.

Alderman Anglace stated, the questions that this raises is that if we go down them as separate accounts, take the Part-time Employees account, it starts out as of December 11, 2008 with $11,749. We are being asked to adjust that by $3,100 and $496 which ends up with a balance of $15,345. So we are putting more into that account.

Registrar Finn stated, we only had $30,553 for the whole fiscal year and with the additional hours we had to spend on the Primary and the Presidential Audit and with the additional hours that they really had to put in for the Presidential because the office was really buried in work reduced our Part-time Employees balance down to the $11,749 that you see here. What we are doing is calculating those hours into what we want to be reimbursed.

Alderman Simonetti asked, who are the part-time employees?

Registrar Finn replied, that would be Bob Lally and Arlene Connelly would be part-time clerks.

Alderman Anglace asked, I guess the question is that if we bring this account up to $15,345 as requested is this the amount that you need to finish the year? Is this too much, is it enough?

Registrar Finn replied, it’s probably not enough John, but what we are going to have to do is cut back on the hours in the office and probably have to end up closing it. Pete and I get paid a yearly salary and we can fill in the hours in the office when our staff is not there.

Alderman Anglace stated, what I would look for is part-time employees from now until the end of the year, $15,345 is available for that. Now, how
is it going to be spent? I mean, you have Bob Lally part-time and Arlene Connelly part-time, anybody else?

Registrar Finn stated, we have a part-time individual that’s only allotted $2,000.

Alderman Anglase asked, and what do they get and many weeks and so forth?

Registrar Finn stated, in the budget this is considered summer help and is only budgeted at $2,000. We already used that $2,000 to get that part time person in there to help us out during the Presidential election. The remainder of the year that individual can’t come in.

Alderman Simonetti stated, if I may Mr. Chairman. What Jack is saying, they went down and figured out what it cost them to do all these special events and they said this is what we are going to be over budget by if we don’t have this money in there at the end of the year. To replenish that money that they’ve already spent now so that it’s there. At the end of the year if they have extra funds, if they don’t spend it, then they go back into the kitty.

Registrar Finn stated, that $11,000 that’s being increased to $15,000. We have the canvassing coming up which is required by the State.

Alderman Anglase stated, I don’t have a problem with that, don’t get me wrong. I understand that. But you take the next account down which is the Poll Workers Account, after making the adjustments of some $10,024 you are still left with a deficit of $4,251. Now, if the Part-time Employees account has too much could that be put into the Poll Workers account? We’re not getting you out of a problem, that’s what I’m saying. There’s not only one account, there’s one, two, three, four accounts that after giving you what you are asking for that still are in deficit.

Registrar Finn replied, yes, that’s a point well brought out, $10,000 that we are asking to be reimbursed in there for Poll Workers, there would still be a deficit of $4,275 and with the possible referendum coming up we are going to need additional monies for Poll Workers.
Alderman Anglase replied, yes, but what I’m saying now is that we have four accounts that we are not getting you out of a deficit. So, we’ve got some other accounts that are going over. Here’s one here, the State Inspection Account is going from $1,800 with another $200 it will bring it up to $2,000. Here’s another one here, the Commissary Account, is $50 and whatever we reimburse $855 and $226 brings it up to $1,131.28. I know you need some money, especially if you have a referendum coming up, which we all anticipate. I’m just saying realistically how we should we view this?

Registrar Finn replied, you have some good points there because what we did was look at where the monies were spent for the auditors and we asked to have it reimbursed into those accounts as it’s easier way to track the funds. But you are right. If you, in this committee, wishes to move that toward the Poll Workers to take care of that deficit there and as well as the deficit remaining in the Mini-travel and Conference that resulted because six people went to the last convention, three Republicans and three Democrats went and we didn’t have money in that account to fund that because it was cut during the Board of A&T budget process. We also used that for our mileage account for our workers on election day.

Alderman Simonetti asked, if the money isn’t in the account, how do you make the decision to go to the conference anyways? Why do you send three instead of one?

Registrar Finn replied, at that time we didn’t know all six of us were going and didn’t know there wouldn’t be enough funds in that account. One person puts in for three and another person puts in for three. I knew I had three going, I didn’t know three were going from the Republican side. One of the things you can look at as well John is reimbursements to us. The only reimbursements we are going to be seeing are going to be Printing and Advertising and that’s for the Presidential. We have $7,000 coming back and according to Sharon…

Alderman Simonetti asked, you are going to get $7,000 back for what?

Registrar Finn replied, for the ballots.

Registrar Finn stated, to better understand this, when we have elections, primaries, you have the opportunity to utilize the state reimbursement. The
Democratic Primary we were looking at $633 let’s say for ballots, for example, just to give you a figure. When you look at the presidential, the presidential we ordered a 110 percent of all the ballots $7,333, which one are you going to take the freebie from the state of CT. You are going to take it for the larger election. So we have somewhere over $7,000 coming back into the Printing and Advertising Account. According to Sharon, instead of going into the General Surplus this time, it’s going to go into our account. The same thing with the state inspection. That’s also a reimbursement from the State of Connecticut because that was mandated. That was a reimbursement for the state mandated audit. We are going to reimbursed $5,000 for Poll Workers. This picks up that deficit you are looking at. There’s supposed to be $5,000 coming back for Poll Workers that we utilized for the audit on the 19th.

Alderman Anglace stated, they list what they reimburse municipalities for in the audit. The cost of the ballots printed, the cost of the absentee ballots, the cost of telephone lines used for the IVS phone, which is the fax system at each polling place, the cost associated with conducting the statutory required audit of the optical scan voting machines. I think that’s the revenue side of this thing the reimbursements, we have to spend the money and then they reimburse us, so, on these four items that enumerated here we should know what the reimbursement was.

Alderman Kudej stated, we’re asking for $5,000, does that total $5,000, the four items?

Registrar Finn stated, I just remembered on the $4,275, in the past it used to go into the General Fund Surplus but she indicated to Mr. Pavone and I when we were speaking to her last week that this will go towards that line item. So that will take care of that deficit with the poll workers.

Alderman Kudej asked, my question is you have an application for $5,000? The four items that John is talking about, does that come out to $5,000 or is there more?

Registrar Finn replied, no there’s more.

Alderman Anglace stated, I just want to identify that that money came into the general fund. That money will not come into the Registrars’ budget, it will come into the general fund.
Alderman Simonetti stated, Jack just said the opposite.

Registrar Finn stated, I always thought it went into the General Fund until the Assistant Finance Director told me it was going to be put against our account.

Alderman Simonetti stated, Sharon Scanlon said it’s going to be directly put into their account.

Registrar Finn stated, I have to agree with you. I always thought it went into the General Fund Surplus.

Alderman Anglace stated, let me read from the Secretary of State’s memo. “Reminder, this reimbursement must be sent directly to each municipality and can’t be sent directly to the Registrar of Voters.” Now they could send it to the municipality and the accounting office could then credit the account, that’s possible. That’s not normally the way we work.

Registrar Finn stated, this is just so you can see it. This is what I do I fill out this town reimbursement form and I send it up to Hartford. That form I just gave you is for the ballots for the presidential election for 7,000 some odd dollars.

Alderman Anglace stated, you’ve got to understand that they do not reimburse the municipality for ballot programming. The cost of the ballot but not the programming. That’s significant. In looking at the list I don’t see any charges for ballot programming. Maybe that’s called something else.

Registrar Finn stated, that falls under LHS. He does the programming of the memory cards.

Alderman Anglace stated, yes, here it is, LHS Associates, $790.80.

Registrar Finn replied, correct. Normally that would be paid by the state of CT, but since it was a primary, instead of the state picking up the cost, the city picks it up.

Alderman Anglace stated, what I think we should do, I think we should take the motion as I put it on the floor. I think we should take this updated chart,
give it to the clerk and have her type it up in a format that’s presented here to be given to everybody and made available and part of the record. I think I gave you also this copy here which is all the background to the motion and I think you all have it so that would be part of the record also. And make sure that every alderman gets all this information prior to the next meeting. We can send it the board with or without a recommendation but with the appropriate information. Look, I understand the nature of the expenses, I understand the requirements and I don’t have a problem with recommending this, but I think everybody should be aware of where we are because it leaves us with four accounts with a deficit. I think we have to ask those questions and I think that Jack and Pete need the opportunity to look at this also before the meeting.

Alderman Finn stated, as I said before we were told that the money was coming back into our line item account because it’s reimbursable to the City of Shelton for that purpose. Last year it was not reimbursed to our accounts, it went into the General Fund Surplus but this year I was told by the Assistant Finance Director with Mr. Pavone present that it was going back into those line item accounts.

Alderman Anglace stated, the normal procedure for it to come back and go into the General Fund. I don’t think that there has been any time that I can remember that the accounting department has credited an individual department because we would have to approve the moving of money out of the (inaudible) account into that account to cover the deficit which is understandable. We aren’t arguing it. It’s the mechanics of it is that I don’t think they should be transferring into that account.

Registrar Finn stated, it should go to the General Fund Surplus.

Alderman Anglace stated, that’s right, that’s where it should go. So I mean, there’s some unanswered questions here. I just have to question if we make the adjustment and leave you with four accounts that are in deficit that’s not really straightening it out.

Registrar Finn asked, which accounts are you referring to?

The clerk pointed out the numbers on the list for Registrar Finn.
Alderman Kudej asked, poll workers, what’s the going rate? I see everyone’s got different numbers here.

Registrar Finn stated, that’s correct. Poll workers for the registrar is $500, assistant registrar if $300, checkers are $250, head moderator is $700, clerk is $500.

Alderman Kudej asked, this is just for the one election?

Registrar Finn replied, no. This is the total just for the audit. It was $5,000 in salary just for the audit. That does not include commissary. You see on the next page there we also send to the State of CT reimbursement for $5,000. Lunch came to $204.90 and dinner was $91.90.

Alderman Simonetti asked, how many days did you do it, two days, a day and a half?

Alderman Finn replied, it started at 8:30 in the morning and went until 7:30 at night.

Alderman Anglace stated, to be honest with you, I think we should keep this moving because very shortly we are going to be deciding to hold another referendum and I think I’d like to see your accounts straightened out before that point. Because we are going to have to make another judgment as to how much money you are going to need for that referendum.

Registrar Finn stated, Pete has a rough idea on that. We sat down and I really don’t want to say what the figure is. See, when you look at your primaries and your general elections you are required to follow the state requirements for staffing and poll workers. When you have a referendum it’s a whole new ballgame. It has the hometown rule. We can run the referendum question from one polling station but that’s going to upset the voters because the voters are used to going to the four different wards. You can run a polling station with one moderator. It’s required by state statute that assistant registrars have to be there. They are the only ones at the site who can reactivate any voter who is inactive back to the voter status. The moderator can’t do that. And the other person we were looking at on site is a clerk and given the clerk the same salary as a clerk ballot individual increasing them by $250. Based on the information you have in front of you
here we were looking at $250 for the ballot clerk person, you would have to have a moderator…

Alderman Simonetti stated, we’re getting off the subject.

Alderman Anglance stated, that’s ok. We’ll look at all this. We probably can look at what’s needed for the referendum and for this we can put together an exact amount.

(Aldermen talking at once).

Registrar Finn asked, do you want to table this for another month?

Alderman Anglance stated, I don’t think we should table it because if we table it we have to wait until the next Finance Committee meeting. If we don’t table it and we make the recommendation it goes to the Full Board. If we should decide at the Full Board that more study is necessary then we can always take the time but then it won’t have to come back to this group for another meeting. I like to know where we are before we proceed with the next step of the referendum.

Registrar Finn asked, my only question would be is we documented our exact expenses for all three, the primary, the mandated audit for the primary and the mandated audit for the presidential primary. All those figures are solid, so what additional information would you want from us to bring it to try and get everything back in there?

Alderman Anglance stated, I know that what you have done is that you have given us numbers asking for readjustments given what you have spent and what I’m looking at is the status of the accounts as of December 11 and when you make those adjustments that have been requested, some accounts are going to have extra money in them and some accounts, which may be necessary between now and the end of the year, but others are going to have deficits remaining which I don’t think is going to straighten it out.

Alderman Simonetti asked, why would you want to have a deficit? I mean, you want to move down to zero.
Registrar Finn stated, there’s very little money after the fact where we can go in front of the Board of A&T and ask for transfers. I can tell you that. I looked at that.

Alderman Anglace asked, so the question that was raised earlier is should we move this onto the full board and try and to get everything ready and then give the information to you and Pete as well and you guys can alert us to what you think needs to be done. Should we erase those deficits or otherwise you’ll end the year up with a deficit?

Alderman Simonetti called the question.

A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED 3-0.

**Adjournment**

At approximately 5:25 p.m. Alderman Anglace MOVED to adjourn; SECONDED by Alderman Simonetti. A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Theresa Adcox
Clerk, Board of Aldermen