



## **BOARD OF ESTIMATE & CONTRACT MEETING MINUTES**

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 12, 2023**

**3:00 P.M.**

**“SPECIAL”**

**MAYOR’S CONFERENCE ROOM – 1<sup>ST</sup> FLOOR  
CITY HALL, MOUNT VERNON, NEW YORK  
& VIA FACEBOOK.COM/MOUNTVERNONNY**

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**Call to Order:** At **3:05 PM** by Chairwoman Mayor Shawyn Patterson-Howard

**Board Members Present:** Comptroller Darren Morton, City Council President Danielle Browne and Chairwoman, Mayor Shawyn Patterson-Howard (we have a quorum).

**Absent:** None

**Others:** Chief Kristen Reed, Corporation Counsel Brian Johnson, City Clerk Tanesia M. Walters, Deputy City Clerk Donna Jackson, Assistant Comptroller Condell Hamilton

**MEETING NOTICE:** Clerk Walters read the meeting notice at 3:06 PM. Noticed in the Journal News. For Special Meeting notices the City’s obligation is a 6-hour prior meeting notice, which the City has complied with.

**ROLL CALL:** Roll Call and reading of agenda items administered by City Clerk Tanesia M. Walters. There were sound tech difficulties noted in the zoom/Facebook comments. Communications team adjusts. Mayor begins meeting again for constituents who had difficulty hearing the meeting. Notice is re-read. Roll Call noted again, all members present in-person. We have a quorum (3:10 pm)

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Comptroller Morton moves to take all items together (Items 1-14 for salary resolutions). Council President Browne seconds. On the question: none. Roll Call by Clerk Walters.

#### **Passed by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Comptroller Morton, Council President Browne, Mayor Patterson Howard

**Nays:** None

**Absent:** None

## **RESOLUTIONS APPROVING ORDINANCES**

Clerk Walters reads the Salary 2023 Items 1-Item 14 (3:10 pm).

### **Moved by Browne, Seconded by Morton**

**On the Question:** Comptroller notes the changes are to the bargaining agreements. Items 1-14 establish the minimums and maximum amounts for 2023. These Items are not an increase or material change to any salaries adopted in the 2023 budget. Where there is an anomaly where the minimum is higher than what is in the budget an amendment will be forthcoming. These Items bring us into compliance for the maximum/minimum. Councilwoman Browne noted this Special meeting is happening today because payroll takes effect tomorrow (1/13/23). Comptroller Morton confirmed Councilwoman Browne's statement. Mayor Patterson-Howard noted this is the first time in years the budget is on time, and for the public record the Board of Estimate conducted this public meeting on 1/13, the City Council conducted its public hearing on December 28<sup>th</sup>, further, the City Council Conducted a Special meeting on December 30<sup>th</sup> in the morning. Comptroller Morton extended kudos to George Townsend, Chief Accountant and Dionne Lawrence, Clerk for Corporation Counsel, for their hard work in getting this done.

## **SALARIES 2023**

1. MINIMUM / MAXIMUM – Classified – CSEA
2. MINIMUM / MAXIMUM – Miscellaneous – CSEA (Supervisory Positions)
3. MINIMUM / MAXIMUM – School Crossing Guards – CSEA
4. ALL DEPARTMENTS – CSEA
5. MISCELLANEOUS – CSEA
6. BOARD OF WATER SUPPLY – (Superintendent, Assistant, etc.)
7. BOARD OF WATER SUPPLY – (Office)
8. MINIMUM / MAXIMUM – Classified – LOCAL 456
9. ALL POSITIONS – CITY – LOCAL 456
10. ALL POSITIONS – BOARD OF WATER SUPPLY – LOCAL 456
11. FIRE DEPARTMENT (Uniformed Members)
12. FIRE DEPARTMENT – (Deputy Chiefs, etc.)
13. POLICE DEPARTMENT – (Uniformed Members)
14. APPOINTEES – CITY

### **Passed by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Comptroller Morton, Council President Browne, Mayor Patterson Howard

**Nays:** None

**Absent:** None

### **FURTHER BUSINESS:**

Mayor Patterson Howard noted the City announced it will close the overpass on Fulton Avenue between 3<sup>rd</sup> Street and Beekman Avenue beginning at noon. On 3<sup>rd</sup> Street there is an overpass between Hartford

and Langdon Place that will also be closed at noon tomorrow, 1/13/2023. The City will have a presentation via Zoom to give residents more detail. This is an emergency closing after years of structural deterioration. The overpass is unsafe over a certain tonnage.

Browne moves to adjourn, comptroller seconds, Roll call, all ayes 3:21pm

**MOTION TO ADJOURN:**

A motion to adjourn was made by Councilwoman Browne. Seconded by Comptroller Morton. A Roll Call was made by Clerk Walters:

**Ayes:** Comptroller Morton, Council President Browne, and Chairwoman Patterson-Howard.

**Nays:** None

**There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:21 PM**

Donna M. Jackson, M.Ed.  
Deputy City Clerk  
Entered January 12, 2023