

FINANCE COMMITTEE
Lewiston, ME
Minutes of
September 28, 2026

PRESENT: Chairman Chittim, Councilor Nagine, Mr. Bouh, Ms. McCabe, and Ms. Hoskins

ABSENT: N/A

OTHERS PRESENT: Deputy Director of Budget and Purchasing, Allen Ward, Deputy Public Works Deputy Director, Erica Kidd, City Engineer, Jeff Beaulé, Fleet Operations Manager, Phil Brienza, City Arborist, Steve Murch, Facilities Manager, Louie Turcotte, and Assistant Economic Development Manager, Jaqueline Sawyer

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

On Motion of Mr. Bouh, seconded by Councilor Nagine, it was

VOTED:

(139-2026) To approve the minutes of the previous meeting dated September 14, 2026, and to accept and place them on file by the Clerk.

VOTE: 5-0

On Motion of Mr. Bouh, seconded by Ms. Hoskins, it was

VOTED:

(140-2026) To approve the 2025-059 Main St. Pump Station Improvements, Change Order#1, adding \$33,810 for two (2) months of backup generator rental costs to the project scope with Ducas Construction, and an updated contract amount of \$1,384,810.

VOTE: 5-0

On Motion of Mr. Bouh, seconded by Ms. Hoskins, it was

VOTED:

(141-2026) To suspend the Finance Committee's rule requiring a minimum of two (2) bids on contracts in excess of \$100,000 to consider RC Group's 2026-050 bid as being in the City's best interest.

VOTE: 5-0

On Motion of Ms. Hoskins, seconded by Councilor Nagine, it was

VOTED:

(142-2026) To award bid 2026-050 for the Lead Abatement of 85 Whipple St./136 Spring St. to RC Group, Biddeford, ME, at their amended bid price of \$134,875, including the \$59,177.50 owner match.

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VOTE: 5-0**

On Motion of Mr. Bouh, seconded by Ms. Hoskins, it was

VOTED:

(143-2026) To ratify bid 2026-008, Installation of EV Chargers, Change Order #2, adding \$2,850 to dismount and relocate the left-side charger unit and cabling at the Oak St. parking garage location into the scope of the project with Maine Solar Solutions, for a revised bid amount of \$71,450, Lewiston's portion being \$14,290.

VOTE: 5-0

On Motion of Ms. Hoskins, seconded by Mr. Bouh, it was

VOTED:

(144-2026) To authorize the Waiver of Competition with United Construction and Forestry for the purchase of a loader with plow gear for Public Works at their Sourcewell contract price of \$457,731.56, including the extended warranty.

VOTE: 5-0

On Motion of Ms. Hoskins, seconded by Mr. Bouh, it was

VOTED:

(145-2026) To authorize the Waiver of Competition with Freightliner of Maine for a 6-wheel cab/chassis with a sander, rack body, and plow gear for Public Works at their Sourcewell contract price of \$285,020.

VOTE: 5-0

On Motion of Mr. Bouh, seconded by Ms. Hoskins, it was

VOTED:

(146-2026) To ratify 2026-023 Continental Penstock and Upper Canal Repairs, Change Order #2, for the additional total cubic yard cost for flowable fill for Penstock #4 to be included in the project scope with Perryman Construction for an estimated \$110/CY, totaling \$7,480, and an updated estimated bid award of \$657,875.

VOTE: 5-0

On Motion of Ms. Hoskins, seconded by Councilor Nagine, it was

VOTED:

(147-2026) To award bid 2026-053 for Contracted Tree Work to Maine Tree Guy, Auburn, ME, at their bid price of \$39,500

VOTE: 5-0

On Motion of Ms. Hoskins, seconded by Mr. Bouh, it was

VOTED:

(148-2026) To award the nine (9) locations for bid 2026-052 Snow Plowing and Removal Rentals for the 2026-27 winter season as follows at their proposed hourly rates:

1. Oak St. Parking Lots/Garage – Morin Excavating
2. Lincoln St. Garage/Lot, Mill St. – Morin Excavating
3. Southern Gateway Garage/Lots – C.H. Stevenson
4. Canal St. Parking Garage – C.H. Stevenson
5. Chestnut St. Parking Garage – C.H. Stevenson
6. Police Station, 141 Mill St. – C.H. Stevenson
7. Central Fire Station, 2 College St. – Morin Excavating
8. Fire Substation #4, 55 N. Temple – Campbell Investments
9. Fire Substation #5, Captain Bazinet Way – Campbell Investments

VOTE: 5-0

On motion of Mr. Bouh, seconded by Ms. Hoskins,

VOTED:

To adjourn at 6:29 p.m.

Allen Ward
Clerk
Finance Committee