

# CITY OF PORT JERVIS

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Finance Committee Meeting  
**September 20, 2023 6:00 pm**

**Attendance:** E. Miller, M. Fuller, M. Mann, D. Livingston, T. Simmons, M. Newhauser  
L. Quick, K. Brown  
**Public:** J. Smith, J. Rhoades

**Pledge of Allegiance** – Meeting was called to order at 6:02pm.

**Public Comment:** None

**Approval of the Minutes:** August 16, 2023 Finance Committee Minutes  
Approved with a motion by D. Livingston, second by E. Miller

**Executive Session:** None

## **New Business**

### 1. Capital Plan

A capital plan was put together by the City Clerk Treasurer and presented at the meeting – it detailed a 10+ year schedule of larger purchases, including equipment and its lifespan. K. Brown provided the committee with information about the cost of fire trucks, and other expenses that needed to be included in the plan.

### 2. Special Common Council Meeting – Auditors, Sept. 26 @6pm

This was announced.

### 3. Budget Workshop – Set Schedule

There was an initial discussion of the budget workshop schedule and it will be finalized at the next Finance meeting.

### 4. Volunteer Fireman Exemption

The assessor provided E. Miller with information about a tax exemption for volunteer fireman and ambulance members for the City of Port Jervis. If approved, it would provide a 10% savings on their city tax bill. Several other municipalities within the county have approved this.

### 5. Tax Lien Sale

It was discussed that there was a new Supreme Court ruling that would impact how the city could possibly conduct our tax lien sale. To date, the city retained excess bid amounts. That is no longer allowed. The council will discuss how to move forward further at the next meeting after consulting with corporationn counsel.

## **Old Business:**

### 1. Surplus – Engine 1 and Emergency Boat

*We needed to double check where surplus funds can be allocated and spent. The plan was to follow up with our corporation counsel. All surplus vehicles will be put on the same auction site.*

2. City Cell Phone Update

*The council was exploring and inquiring about the need for department head cell phones – this is no longer an issue and it was discussed that it was not needed.*

**Public Comment:**

**Adjournment:**