



# City of Annapolis

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## Standing Committee Minutes - Final Finance Committee

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Tuesday, May 6, 2014

5:00 PM

Mayor John T. Chambers, Jr.  
City Council Chambers

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### 1. Call To Order

The Chair called the Meeting to order at 5:47 p.m.

Alderman Budge and Kirby, Alderwoman Finlayson were also in attendance.

### Rollcall

**Present:** 3 - Alderman Pfeiffer, Alderman Arnett and Alderman Paone

### 2. General Discussion

#### ID-164-14

#### Budget Discussions

*Finance Director Miller discussed personal property tax. The committee reviewed comparative data for Maryland Municipalities (attached). The committee requested historical information on how the rates were set in the past.*

**Alderman Arnett moved to to recommend favorably on an increase of the Personal Property tax from .01666 to .01940 increasing revenue by \$500,000. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.**

**Aye:** 1 - Alderman Arnett

**Abstain:** 2 - Alderman Pfeiffer and Alderman Paone

*The committee discussed complimentary services in Transportation and parking.*

*Alderman Budge reviewed the discussions in the Transportation Committee.*

*Acting City Manager Woodward discussed the proposed changes to the Recreation Center Fees.*

*Alderman Budge discussed the proposed fee changes in the Transportation section*

**Alderman Paone moved to recommend the budge reccomendations on Transportation fees. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.**

**Aye:** 3 - Alderman Pfeiffer, Alderman Arnett and Alderman Paone

*The committee discussed Water and Sewer connection fees. Alderman Paone discussed his concerns about these changes.*

**Alderman Arnett moved to recommend favorably on the modified fee schedule with the exception of the Recreation and Parks section. Seconded. A roll call**

vote was taken. The motion **CARRIED** by the following vote:

**Aye:** 3 - Alderman Pfeiffer, Alderman Arnett and Alderman Paone

*The committee discussed Water and Sewer reconnection fees. Mr. Miller reviewed the fees and recommended changes.*

**Alderman Arnett moved to recommend the suggested changes to water/sewer reinstatement fees with amendments to charge higher fees to check or reinstate water/sewer service on the second and any subsequent time in each calendar year. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.**

**Aye:** 3 - Alderman Pfeiffer, Alderman Arnett and Alderman Paone

*The committee discussed Water and Sewer quarterly fees. Mr. Miller reviewed the fees and recommended changes.*

**Alderman Arnett moved to recommend raising the water/sewer quarterly rates by 2%. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.**

**Aye:** 3 - Alderman Pfeiffer, Alderman Arnett and Alderman Paone

**Alderman Arnett moved to recommend favorably the suggested changes to water/sewer review fees with an amendment to charge higher fees to review their bill on the second and any subsequent time in each calendar year. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.**

**Aye:** 2 - Alderman Pfeiffer and Alderman Arnett

**Nay:** 1 - Alderman Paone

*The committee discussed the property transfer inquiries for water/sewer charges. Mr. Miller recommended charging a fee for this service.*

**Alderman Arnett moved to recommend favorably to add a fee for property transfer inquiries for water/sewer charges.. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.**

**Aye:** 3 - Alderman Pfeiffer, Alderman Arnett and Alderman Paone

### 3. Adjournment

Upon motion duly made, seconded and adopted, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM.