

**FINANCE COMMITTEE**  
**Lewiston, ME**  
**Minutes of**  
**April 27, 2020**

Due to the COVID19 pandemic, the State of Maine Legislature passed emergency legislation allowing for conducting of virtual public meetings during the period covered under the order.

The recorded meeting was conducted remotely via ZOOM and members participated electronically. The secretary took audio attendance, read the motion and second into the record and took roll call votes.

**PRESENT:** Councilor Safiya Khalid, Councilor Lee Clement, Denis Theriault, Renee Bernier and Roger Philippon

**ABSENT:**

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Purchasing Agent, Allen Ward, Finance Director, Heather Hunter and Michael Marcotte

Meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by the Chairman

On motion of Mr. Philippon, seconded by Councilor Clement it was

**VOTED:**

**(031-2020)** To approve the FY21 Municipal Budget recommendation from the Finance Committee to the City Council as follows:

*The Finance Committee has agreed upon the following recommendation of the 2021 Municipal Budget, to be ratified at the May 4, 2020 meeting:*

*As required by Lewiston City charter, the Finance Committee has reviewed the FY21 Lewiston Municipal Budget and we find the revised adjusted budget to be acceptable as presented.*

*We further understand the current challenge of Covid19, could possibly change this budget at a moment's notice and the Finance Committee is prepared to help where it can.*

*At this time, we wish to caution any spending, that is non-essential, to be reduced until we see the full effect of the Covid19 virus on Lewiston's Economy.*

*We wish to "thank" and highlight a few areas for their contribution:*

*Thank you to the Staff for their aid in this year's budget process and preparing the adjusted FY21 budget.*

*Thank you to the School Department staff for the noticeable budget decrease.*

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*Thank you for the decision to hold flat on Water and Sewer increases for the coming year.*

*Thank you to Council and staff for holding at the 80% debt limit.*

*Thank you for your consideration of the Lewiston Finance Committee's Review of the FY21 budget and accept this as the recommendation to the City Council.*

*Denis Theriault, Chairman  
Finance Committee*

**VOTE: 5-0**

On a motion made by Mr. Theriault, and seconded by Ms. Bernier it was

**VOTED:**

To adjourn at 6:00 p.m.

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Allen Ward  
Clerk  
Finance Committee