

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WATERVLIET
THURSDAY, MAY 15, 2014 AT 7:00 P.M.**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Michael P. Manning at 7:00P.M.

Roll call showed that Mayor Michael P. Manning and Councilwoman Ellen R. Fogarty and Councilman Nicholas Foglia were present.

Also present from City Administration were: Mark Gleason, General Manager, Jeremy A. Smith City Clerk and Clerk to the Council, Yorden Huban Corporation Council, Sanitation Director Chris Daus and Fire Chief Skinner.

A motion was made and seconded to dispense with the reading of the minutes and accept the City Council minutes as written for May 1, 2014.

REPORT OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

ITEM #1 – Mark Gleason, General Manager reported on the Bulk Week pick-up that the city completed April 28-May 1. Mr. Gleason explained the bulk week standards and then showed areas where property owners exceeded the limit. Mr. Gleason and Sanitation Supervisor Chris Daus showed statistics that showed an increase in the amount of debris put out for bulk week. The amounts have increased each year which has increased the cost to the City. Mr. Gleason and Mr. Daus gave several options for future bulk weeks.

- Option 1: Eliminate Bulk Week
- Option 2: Have Bulk Week once a year instead of twice
- Option 3: Continue Bulk Week as it is
- Option 4: A Combination of what other local municipalities do.

ITEM #2 – Mark Gleason, General Manager announced that the draft MS4 Annual Report is now available on the City of Watervliet website, under the Water and Sewer department heading. Comments must be sent /delivered to City Hall no later than May 21.

OLD BUSINESS

PUBLIC HEARING – A public Hearing for the purpose of hearing those persons who wish to be heard regarding the City of Watervliet acting as the lead agency in the environmental review of the 2014 Comprehensive Capital Grant Program for the Watervliet Housing Authority. The Mayor opened the public comment period and explained that this agreement is to serve as the lead agency for the Watervliet Housing Authorities grant programs. With their being no comment from the public the Mayor closed the public hearing.

NEW BUSINESS

ORDINANCE NO. 1923 – The Council of the City of Watervliet hereby approves an amendment to Section §260-30(C) of the Code of the City of Watervliet that a Handicapped parking sign to be erected in front the residence located at 223 2nd Avenue in the City of Watervliet. Upon a motion by Councilwoman Fogarty, seconded by Councilman Foglia, this ordinance was approved and adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 1924 – The Council of the City of Watervliet hereby approves an amendment to Section §260-30 (B)(1) of the Code of the City of Watervliet that a handicapped access point sign to be erected in front of the residence located at 601 2nd Street in the City of Watervliet. Upon a motion by Councilman Foglia, seconded by councilwoman Fogarty, this ordinance was approved and adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 9066 – The Council of the City of Watervliet hereby agrees to be the lead agency in the environmental review of the 2014 Comprehensive Capital Grant Program for the Watervliet Housing Authority. The Council of the City of Watervliet is hereby authorizes and directs Mayor Michael P. Manning to complete and sign as required the determination of significance, confirming the foregoing Negative Declaration, which fully completed and signed Short EAF and determination of significance shall be incorporated by reference in this Resolution and to complete and sign the Request for Release of Funds and Certification. Prior to voting it was noted that there were no comments during the Public Hearing. Upon a motion by Councilwoman Fogarty, seconded by Councilman Foglia, this resolution was approved and adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 9067 – The Council of the City of Watervliet hereby authorizes Mayor Michael P. Manning to file an application for Microenterprise funding as part of the 2014 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Economic Development Program and authorizing Mayor Michael P. Manning to accept and receive a grant for economic development activities. Upon a motion by Councilman Foglia, seconded by Councilwoman Fogarty, this Resolution was approved and adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 9068 – The Council of the City of Watervliet hereby authorizes Mayor Michael P. Manning to file an application under the NYS Housing Trust Fund Corporation Office of Community Renewal and authorizing Mayor Michael P. Manning to accept and receive a grant for housing improvement purposes. Upon a motion by Councilwoman Fogarty, seconded by Councilman Foglia, this resolution was approved and adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 9069 – The Council of the City of Watervliet hereby authorizes Mayor Michael P. Manning to file an application under the NYS Main Street Grant Program and authorizing Mayor Michael P. Manning to accept and receive a grant for community development purposes. Upon a motion by Councilman Foglia, seconded by Councilwoman Fogarty, this Resolution was approved and adopted

RESOLUTION NO. 9070 – The Council of the City of Watervliet hereby approves a Memorandum of Agreement between the City of Watervliet and Police Reports.US, 219 Williamson Road, Mooresville, NC 28117, for the purpose of providing a more expeditious and convenient method to obtain accident reports on line, and further authorizes and directs Mayor Michael P. Manning to execute the same. Prior to voting Jeremy Smith City Clerk & Clerk to the Council as well as FOIL officer explained that this agreement followed all Freedom of Information Laws and any fees associated with this service are considered convenience fees. All reports would still be available at the clerk's office for the per page fee. Upon a motion by Councilman Foglia, seconded by Councilwoman Fogarty, this Resolution was approved and adopted

RESOLUTION NO. 9071 - The Council of the City of Watervliet hereby approves and Agreement between the City of Watervliet and Solomon Energy, Inc., located at 225 main St. #301, Westport, CT 06880, for the purpose of evaluating the potential benefits of solar photovoltaic system and energy efficiency projects and to review the City of Watervliet's current energy consumption, energy costs, and the efficiency of its energy infrastructure and further authorizes and directs Mayor Michael P. Manning to execute the same. Prior to voting, Mayor Manning explained that this agreement was to receive outside advisement on the installment and use of solar power at City locations. Upon a motion by Councilwoman Fogarty, seconded by Councilman Foglia, this resolution was approved and adopted.

RESOLUTION NO 9072 - The Council of the City of Watervliet hereby approves a professional services agreement between the City of Watervliet and SKD Environmental Systems, LLC, P.O. Box 26, Minoa, New York 13116 to provide professional consulting services for the design, specifications, assembly, installation, monitoring, and operation of an organic waste anaerobic digester for the City of Watervliet and further authorizes and directs Mayor Michael P. Manning to execute the same. Upon a motion by Councilman Foglia, seconded by Councilwoman Fogarty, this Resolution was approved and adopted

RESOLUTION NO 9073 - The Council of the City of Watervliet hereby authorizes and directs Jeremy A. Smith, City Clerk and Clerk to the Council, to advertise once in the official newspaper of the City that sealed bids will be received by the City Clerk's Office of the City of Watervliet, City Hall, Watervliet, New York until 10:30 AM on June 16, 2014 for the 25th Street Roadway and Utility Improvements Contract No. 75. Plans and specifications for the proposed work will be on file and publicly exhibited as of June 2, 2014 at the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, Watervliet, New York and at the office of Weston & Sampson, 22 High Street, Rensselaer, New York. Copies of said plans and specifications can be obtained at either of the above addresses. The Council of the City of Watervliet reserves the right to waive any informalities in or to reject any or all Bids submitted. Prior to voting Mark Gleason, General Manager explained that this was for "Mill & Fill" and infrastructure work on 25th Street and that the this job would be paid for by bond. Upon a motion by Councilwoman Fogarty, seconded by Councilman Foglia, this resolution was approved and adopted.

RESOLUTION NO 9074 - The Council of the City of Watervliet hereby authorizes and directs Jeremy A. Smith, City Clerk and Clerk to the Council, to advertise once in the official newspaper that sealed bids will be received in the City Clerk's Office, City Hall, #2 Fifteenth Street, Watervliet, New York 12189 until 10:00 AM on Friday, May 30, 2014 for Contract No. 74, Renovations to Police Department. Specifications and plans, including Addendum No. 1 Dated May 15, 2014, which forms a part of the Contract Documents and modifies the original Project Manual and Contract Drawings dated April 2014, will be on file and publicly exhibited as of May 16, 2014 at the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, #2 Fifteenth Street, Watervliet, New York 12189 and at the office of Weston & Sampson PE, LS, LA, P.C., 22 High Street, Rensselaer, New York 12144. The Council of the City of Watervliet reserves the right to waive any informalities in or to reject any or all Bids submitted. Prior to voting Jeremy Smith, City Clerk & Clerk to the Council explained that this was an extension of the previous publication due to changes in the specs of the bid. Upon a motion by Councilman Foglia, seconded by Councilwoman Fogarty, this Resolution was approved and adopted

RESOLUTION NO 9075 - the Council of the City of Watervliet hereby authorizes and directs Jeremy A. Smith, City Clerk and Clerk to the Council, to advertise in the official newspaper of the City that the City of Watervliet is publishing a Notice of Intent to Request Release of Funds in connection with the 2013 City of Watervliet Housing Rehabilitation grant program pursuant to the Community Development Block Grant Program Housing Rehabilitation Project awarded to the City. The Notice will be published on May 19th, 2014 with the Request for Release of Grant Funds to be submitted on May 28, 2014. Upon a motion by Councilwoman Fogarty, seconded by Councilman Foglia, this resolution was approved and adopted.

APPROPRIATIONS AND ACCOUNTING

NONE

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Patrick Snyder – First Avenue Watervliet NY, - Mr. Snyder went on record with a complaint of excessive late night noise due to Mr. Ding-A-Ling parking near his house during the eight o'clock hour with the music on. He explained that he had asked for the music to be turned down or for the truck to move further but was not received well by the driver. Mr. Snyder suggested that Mr. Ding-A-Ling either have a cut off time and a certain lower volume for the music or no longer be allowed in the City.

Jeremy Smith, City Clerk & Clerk to the Council explained that there were no specifics in the City code nor on the permit but that the company would be notified and asked to seek alternatives to the complaints. It would also be reviewed for the permit process in future years.

With no further comment, the Public Comment period was closed.

The next meeting of the City Council will be Thursday June 5, 2014 at 7:00pm.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 7:50P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeremy A. Smith

City Clerk and Clerk to the Council