

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF  
THE CITY OF WATERVLIET  
THURSDAY, MARCH 4<sup>th</sup> 7:00 P.M.

**\*\*\*Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic this meeting was held via video conference\*\*\***

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Patricelli at 7:03 P.M.

Roll call showed that Mayor Patricelli, Councilwoman Diamond and Councilman Torncello were present.

Also present from City Administration were: City Manager Joe LaCivita, Corporation Counsel Brian Kremer and Lauren McCloskey for Goldberger & Kremer, Director of Finance Amanda Austin, and Acting Police Chief Brian Strock.

Guest presenters – Tom Baird and Dan Rourke from Barton & Loguidice

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Patricelli.

Councilwoman Diamond made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the 3-4-2021 Council Meeting which was seconded by Councilman Torncello. A vote was taken to approve the meeting minutes which passed 3-0.

## **REPORT OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES**

City Manager Joe LaCivita spoke to the council on the following issues:

- Gearing up for spring season, working on equipment having it prepped and ready for use. Assessing needs and consideration for any replacement equipped.
- Advised the Council that we are in the final round of interviews for the Chief of Police position.
- Mr. LaCivita advised that he had meetings with the Building Department and the applicants for the former Papa's Restaurant and School 9 sites within the City. He will continue to advise the council as these move forward.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

**None**

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**PRESENTATION** Tonight's Council meeting commenced with a presentation by Barton & Loguidice on the status of the Bike Path. Presentation identified specific enhancements/designs to be installed based on comments made during the public comment period from the February 18<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting. Mayor Patricelli and General Manager LaCivita had a meeting with Barton & Loguidice to discuss concerns and looked to have this presentation to inform residents as to standards followed during design and enhancements to be made to delineate the road sections and access points along the path

**RESOLUTION 9811** – The Council of the City of Watervliet hereby adopts the findings of the Watervliet Police Policy Review Committee. The report and action is required under Executive Order 203 signed by Governor Andrew Cuomo on June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2020

*Upon a motion by Councilman Torncello, which was seconded by Councilwoman Diamond this ordinance passed 3-0.*

**RESOLUTION 9812** - The Council of the City of Watervliet authorizes the submission of a grant application to the New York State Office of Community Renewal FY 2020 Community Development Block Grant Infrastructure Program

*Upon a motion by Councilwoman Diamond, which was seconded by Councilman Torncello this ordinance passed 3-0.*

**RESOLUTION 9813** – a resolution appointing Daniel McGrath to the Tree Committee

*Upon a motion by Councilman Torncello, which was seconded by Councilwoman Diamond this ordinance passed 3-0.*

## **APPROPRIATIONS AND ACCOUNTING**

NONE

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## **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

NONE

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Councilman Torncello made a motion to adjourn the meeting to Executive Session which was seconded by Councilwoman Diamond. The motion passed 3-0.

The City Council meeting was adjourned at 7:53 P.M.

**Next Meeting: Thursday, March 18, 2021 7:00 P.M.**

**\*\*\*This meeting will be held virtually\*\*\***

Respectfully Submitted,  
Joseph LaCivita, General Manager