

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF
THE CITY OF WATERVLIET
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2020 AT 7:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Patricelli at 7:06 P.M.

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

Also present from City Administration were: City Manager Joe LaCivita, Deputy City Manager Mark Spain, City Clerk & Clerk to the Council Dave Wheatley, Director of Finance Amanda Austin, Police Chief Anthony Geraci, and Corporation Counsel Yorden Huban.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Steve Hoffman

Councilman Torncello made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the January 22nd Special City Council meeting and from the February 6th, regular meeting, which Councilwoman Diamond seconded. A vote was then taken to dispense with the minutes as written and the motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

REPORT OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

- City Manager Joe LaCivita discussed the formation of new safety, facilities management and zombie property committees to discuss issues with work flows and improve employee safety. He also advised that department head meetings have been very productive as well.
- Mr. LaCivita also advised that his office has also looked at improving the City's GIS system along with a new City website.

NEW BUSINESS

ORDINANCE NO. 2022 – An Ordinance of the City of Watervliet amending Chapter 260 Vehicles and Traffic of the Code of the City of Watervliet

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

RESOLUTION NO. 9718 – The Council of the City of Watervliet hereby approves a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Cohoes and the City of Watervliet and further authorizes and directs Mayor Charles V. Patricelli to execute same.

Upon a motion by Councilmen Torncello which was seconded by Councilwoman Diamond this resolution passed 3-0.

RESOLUTION NO. 9719 – The Council of the City of Watervliet hereby approves the renewal of the Combined Sewer Overflow Long Term Control Plan Inter-Municipal Agreement by and among the Albany Pool Communities and Albany County Water Purification District and further authorizes and directs Mayor Charles V. Patricelli to execute same

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

RESOLUTION NO. 9720 – The Council of the City of Watervliet hereby approves the renewal of the Combined Sewer Overflow Long Term Control Plan Inter-Municipal Agreement by and among the Albany Pool Communities and Rensselaer County Sewer District and further authorizes and directs Mayor Charles V. Patricelli to execute same

Upon a motion by Councilmen Torncello which was seconded by Councilwoman Diamond this resolution passed 3-0.

RESOLUTION NO. 9721 – The Council of the City of Watervliet hereby approves an agreement between the City of Watervliet and Barclay Damon, LLP, M. Cornelia Cahill, Esq., 80 State Street, Albany, New York 12207 commencing on February 20, 2020 and ending on December 31, 2020 and further authorizes and directs Mayor Charles V. Patricelli to execute same.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 9722 – The Council of the City of Watervliet hereby approves an agreement between the City of Watervliet and Weston & Sampson, PE, LS, LA, PC, with an address of 1 Winners Circle, Albany, New York 12205, commencing on February 20, 2020 and ending on December 31, 2020 and further authorizes and directs Mayor Charles V. Patricelli to execute same.

Upon a motion by Councilmen Torncello which was seconded by Councilwoman Diamond this resolution passed 3-0.

RESOLUTION NO. 9723 – The Council of the City of Watervliet hereby accepts the bid and awards the contract for the Watervliet Bike Path Connection (PIN 1760.33) Project to Peter Luizzi & Bros. Contracting, Inc., with an address of 49 Railroad Avenue, Albany, New York 12205, in the amount of One Million Seven Hundred Forty-Three Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty Eight and 50/100 Dollars (\$1,743,838.50), the lowest responsible bidder in conformance with the specifications, and Mayor Charles V. Patricelli be and he hereby is authorized and empowered to execute all documentation required for this project and award, including but not limited to, a contract between the City of Watervliet and Peter Luizzi Bros. Contracting, Inc.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 9724 - The Council of the City of Watervliet hereby approves a Business Associate Agreement between the City of Watervliet and Jaeger & Flynn Associates, Inc. and further authorizes and directs Mayor Charles V. Patricelli to execute same.

Upon a motion by Councilmen Torncello which was seconded by Councilwoman Diamond this resolution passed 3-0.

RESOLUTION NO. 9725 - The Council of the City of Watervliet hereby approves an agreement between the City of Watervliet and the Waterford Emergency Team, Inc. DBA Tri-State Emergency Team, with an address of 122 1st Avenue, Waterford, New York 12188, to provide underwater and wildland/city wide search, rescue and recovery services to the Watervliet Police Department upon request of the Watervliet Police Department within the boundaries of the City of Watervliet and further authorizes and directs Mayor Charles V. Patricelli to execute same.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 9726 - The Council of the City of Watervliet hereby approves an Inter Municipal Agreement between the City of Watervliet and the Village of Green Island for water supply and sale, and further authorizes and directs Mayor Charles V. Patricelli to execute same.

After discussion on this item Councilman Torncello made a motion that the resolution be tabled until the next meeting. Councilwoman Diamond seconded the motion and the resolution was tabled after a 3-0 vote.

APPROPRIATIONS AND ACCOUNTING

- Director of Finance Amanda Austin advised the council that the City had received demonstrations from two different software companies for a new financial software system. These demonstrations also included software for other departments throughout the City.
- She also spoke to the council regarding the purchase of a snowplow for one of the new City trucks that were purchased last year.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

- 1) Paul Huban 1500 12th Avenue
- 2) Tatianna Moragne 2318 3rd Avenue
- 3) Don Whitehead 1921 8th Avenue

After the public comment period Councilwoman Diamond made a motion to adjourn the meeting which was seconded by Councilman Torncello and was passed 3-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40PM

An audio recording of this meeting is on file in the City Clerk's office.

Next Meeting: Thursday, March 5th, 2020 7:00 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

David C. Wheatley

City Clerk & Clerk to the Council