

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF
THE CITY OF WATERVLIET
THURSDAY, APRIL 2ND, 2020 AT 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 7:02 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, Chief of Police Anthony Geraci and Corporation Counsel Yorden Huban.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Charles Patricelli.

Councilwoman Diamond made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the 3-5-20 meeting which Councilman Torncello seconded. A vote was taken to dispense with the reading of the minutes which passed unanimously.

Councilman Torncello made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the 3-26-20 meeting which Councilwoman Diamond seconded. A vote was taken to dispense with the reading of the minutes which passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

REPORT OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

- City Manager Joe LaCivita spoke about the work being done at 617 19th Street by the Department of Environmental Conservation
- Deputy City Manager Mark Spain discussed 9th Avenue lead lateral grant program and the potential delays that could arise due to the COVID-19 pandemic. He also updated the council on the FERC relicensing project.

NEW BUSINESS

ORDINANCE NO. 2025 – An Ordinance of the City of Watervliet, New York providing that Chapter 209. Parks and Recreation of the Code of the City of Watervliet be amended.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 9741 – The Council of the City of Watervliet hereby approves a New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) Equitable Business Opportunities (EBO) System User Agreement between the New York State Department of Transportation and the City of Watervliet and further authorizes and directs General Manager Joseph LaCivita to execute same.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 9742 - The Council of the City of Watervliet hereby awards the contract for a financial and administrative data processing system to Edmunds GovTech, with an address of 301 Tilton Road, Northfield, NJ 08225, a responsive and responsible offeror on the basis of “Best Value”, in the amount of \$189,488.00 and Mayor Charles V. Patricelli is hereby authorized and empowered to execute a contract between the City of Watervliet and Edmunds GovTech.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 9743 - The Council of the City of Watervliet hereby adopts the City of Watervliet Procurement Policy.

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

APPROPRIATIONS AND ACCOUNTING

- Director of Finance Amanda Austin advised the Council that the Annual Update Document (AUD) was due on April 30th and not April 1st as previously reported. She also advised that due to the COVID-19 pandemic this date was subject to change.

Prior to the Public Comment period:

- Mayor Charles Patricelli inquired as to the status of the resolutions for the CCA program.
- City Manager LaCivita advised that the City would be receiving 19 pallets of food from the Northeastern New York Food Bank and would be repacking the food into smaller boxes to distribute to families in need in Watervliet.
- Mayor Patricelli stated that the food delivery would fill the void of the Immaculate Heart of Mary food pantry which was closed due to the pandemic. The Mayor thanked everyone for their help and support on this project. He also recognized “Vliet Never Gives Up” for all of their work and support for the residents of the City during this time.
- The Mayor announced that he signed a proclamation making the recognizing Arbor Day in the month of April

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

- Becky Williams – 1525 5th Avenue
- Paul Hughes – 108 15th Street

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

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 P.M.

A video of this meeting is available on the City’s website: www.watervliet.com

Next Meeting: Thursday, April 30, 2020 7:00 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

David C. Wheatley
City Clerk & Clerk to the Council