

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF
THE CITY OF WATERVLIET
THURSDAY, JANUARY 6TH, 6:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Patricelli at 6:03 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, Brian Kremer of Goldberger & Kremer, Director of Finance Amanda Austin, and Deputy City Clerk Dave Wheatley

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Patricelli.

Councilwoman Diamond made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the 12-16-2021 Council Meeting which was seconded by Councilman Torncello. A vote was taken to approve the meeting minutes which passed 3-0.

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Before the meeting began a swearing in ceremony was held as Mayor Patricelli swore in Councilwoman Diamond

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REPORT OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

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

- LaBella Associates will hold a workshop with city administration on February 3rd to discuss the feasibility study for the Watervliet Community Center located at 1501 1st Avenue
- The catch basin has been installed at Mr. Lewis' property and worked without issue during the last rain event.
- Engineers will be on site at 1000 25th Street to meet with Guardian Asset Management to review the building and provide a status update.
- The city will meet to review the applications received for the lead line replacement grant and discuss the next steps.
- The city will hold a kick-off meeting on February 10th to discuss the combined sewer outlet issues. The city is under consent order issues to complete this project.
- Updated the council on the progress of the work done on the new Splash Pad being installed in the pool area of Veteran's Park.

- Advised the council that to-date the city has only had to salt the streets and avenues twice during the winter season.
- The Mayor and the Council will distribute Covid-19 test kits and masks to residents on Friday, January 7th in the municipal parking lot across from City Hall.

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OLD BUSINESS

NONE

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NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION NO. 1 for 2022 – A Resolution accepting a grant award from the Housing Trust Fund Corporation represented by the Office of Community Renewal and authorizing and directing Mayor Charles V. Patricelli to execute an agreement and related documents regarding same.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2 for 2022 – A Resolution designating Pioneer Bank as the official depository for funds for the City of Watervliet.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 3 for 2022 – A Resolution approving City of Watervliet employee travel to various meeting locations and conferences throughout New York State and further delegating the Director of Finance the responsibility to establish milage disbursement.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 4 for 2022 – A Resolution approving an agreement between the City of Watervliet and Joanna P. Gleason commencing on January 1, 2022, and ending December 31, 2022, and directing Mayor Charles V. Patricelli to execute same.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 5 for 2022 – A Resolution designating an official newspaper for the City of Watervliet in accordance with Article IV Section 33 of the city code.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 6 for 2022 – A Resolution approving an amendment to an agreement between the City of Watervliet and Gomez & Sullivan Engineers, D.P.C. and further authorizing and directing Mayor Charles V. Patricelli to execute same.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 7 for 2022 – A Resolution awarding a contract for the installation of security fencing at the Watervliet Filtration Plant and authorizing Mayor Charles V. Patricelli to execute all required documents regarding same.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 8 for 2022 – A Resolution awarding a contract for the concrete pad and infrastructure for spray pool and authorizing Mayor Charles V. Patricelli to execute all required documents regarding same.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 9 for 2022 – A Resolution directing the Assessor to grant certain exemptions on the 2022 Assessment Roll to property owners that received the exemption on the 2021 Assessment Roll.

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

ORDINANCE 1 for 2022 – An Ordinance establishing the amount to be collected for State and County taxes for the Fiscal Year beginning January 1, 2022.

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

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APPROPRIATIONS AND ACCOUTING

NONE

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PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

NONE

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Mayor Patricelli spoke to the council on the following items:

- Reminded the council that as Mr. LaCivita spoke about earlier in the meeting the city will hand out test kits and masks tomorrow to residents of Watervliet in the Library/Senior Center parking lot from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM until supplies last.
- The city is finalizing the results of the Senior Citizen's survey that was sent out in December and the results will be presented at the next council meeting.

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

The council meeting was adjourned at 6:35 PM

**Next Meeting: Thursday, January 20th, 2022, 6:00 P.M.
This meeting will be held at the Watervliet Senior Center**

Respectfully Submitted,
David C. Wheatley
Deputy City Clerk