

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF
THE CITY OF WATERVLIET
THURSDAY, APRIL 7th, 6:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Patricelli at 6:01 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 3-24-2022 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:

- The city met with representatives of Hudson Shores Plaza apartments and presented them with a bill for approximately \$16,300 which represents services and fees for alarm services and the Watervliet Fire Department responding to false alarms at the property. The city will work with management from Hudson Shores Plaza along with State Fire representatives to help revamp the alarm system in the building.
- Updated the council on the proposed two new ramps to be installed at Hudson Shores Park.
- The boat docks will be installed next Tuesday, April 12th, weather permitting.

OLD BUSINESS

NONE

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION No. 29 for 2022 – A Resolution approving the appointment of Matthew Beeble to the City of Watervliet Tree Committee.

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

RESOLUTION No. 30 for 2022 – A Resolution awarding a contract for the Water Treatment Plant SCADA improvements project at the Watervliet Filtration Plant 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 31 for 2022 – A Resolution awarding a contract for Tree and Stump removal to C&D Stump & Tree Removal, LLC> at the Watervliet Filtration Plant at 222 Watervliet-Shaker Road 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 32 for 2022 – A Resolution approving an agreement between the City of Watervliet and Weston & Sampson PE, LS, LA, PC regarding the water and sewer administration for 2022 (Task Order No. 232).

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

RESOLUTION No 33 for 2022 – A Resolution approving the purchase of two 2022 Chevrolet Silverado 3500 with dump service body, western play, and salter from Denooyer Chevrolet.

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

RESOLUTION No 34 for 2022 – A Resolution to amend agreement for the concrete pad and infrastructure for spray pool/splash pad 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 35 for 2022 – A Resolution adopting and approving ambulance billing rates for the year 2022-2023

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

RESOLUTION No 36 for 2022 – A Resolution approving the execution and delivery of the certain stipulation and order of settlement of certain RPTL Article 7 proceedings commenced by the City of Watervliet against the Town of Guilderland.

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

APPROPRIATIONS AND ACCOUTING

Director of Finance Amanda Austin provided the council with a cost analysis for ambulance revenues and expenditures from 2020 and 2021 with projections for 2022 in the anticipation of purchasing a new ambulance for the Watervliet Fire Department.

NONE

Mayor Patricelli spoke to the council on the following issues:

- Asked Mr. LaCivita to give an update on a recent incident that occurred at the water filtration plant. Mr. LaCivita explained the incident and advised that the city is working with the Albany County Department of Health to maintain the water levels. The drinking water was not affected by the incident.
- Inquired on the status of the property located on 21st Street and 7th Avenue. Mr. LaCivita explained that the city met with representatives from Weston & Sampson and a letter was sent to the property owner detailing the issues that needed to be fixed to bring the property to code. The owner will have 30-days to remedy the issues.
- Discussed the status of on-line payment portals for residents.
- “Keep Vliet Neat” day will be held on Saturday, April 23rd.

- Build-a-Bed program was held on April 2nd and 42 beds were made.
- Planning has begun for the Watervliet Memorial Day Parade
- Discussions are being held regarding rates for pool passes for the 2022 season.

At this time Mayor Patricelli announced that this was Councilman Peter Torncello's last council meeting as he is stepping down to replace retiring city court judge Susan Reinfurt

Councilman Torncello thanked the mayor for the appointment and noted that it was his pleasure serving on the council with the mayor and Councilwoman Diamond over the past 2-years. Mr. Torncello will be sworn in as judge on Thursday, April 14th.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

NONE

Councilman Torncello made a motion to adjourn the council meeting which was seconded by Councilwoman Diamond. The motion passed 3-0 and the council meeting was adjourned at 7:01 PM

**Next Meeting: Thursday, April 21st, 2022, 6:00 P.M.
The meeting will be held at the Watervliet Senior Center**

Respectfully Submitted,
David C. Wheatley
Deputy City Clerk