

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WATERVLIET
THURSDAY, AUGUST 4TH, 6:00 P.M.**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Patricelli 6:00 P.M.

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

Also present from City Administration were General Manager Joe LaCivita, Brian Kremer of Goldberger & Kremer, and Director of Finance Amanda Austin

Mayor Patricelli led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilwoman Diamond made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the 07-7-2022 Council Meeting which was seconded by Councilman Daus. A vote was taken to approve the meeting minutes which passed 3-0.

REPORT OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

General Manager Joe LaCivita updated the council on the following items:

- The city has hired Steve Golding for the Planners position. He will start in September.
- The fencing and electric gates have been installed at the water department.
- Updated the council on the RFP that will be released on Monday for repairs needed at the reservoir.
- Update on the issues with the ambulances at the fire department. The city is currently renting an ambulance from the Town of Colonie while the issues are fixed.
- Phase 2 of the Lead Line Replacement grant has begun with work being completed on a property in the Port Schuyler area.
- CBDG Housing Rehabilitation grant program information will be sent out to interested residents on Monday.
- Variance has been received regarding the completion of the demolition of 1000 25th Street.
- Work will begin in September on the window replacement project at city hall.
- Work will begin on the soffit and fascia of city hall as well.
- New boiler for city hall has been received and the city is accepting bids to install a new concrete pad. Once completed the new boiler will be installed on the pad. The AC system will be installed in the spring of next year.
- Crosswalk striping will begin on August 8th. Work will be done by the city highway department along with assistance from Albany County.
- Updated the council on the sealcoating and paving projects.

- Training for city staff on the Wee Do boat will begin on August 11th.
- Updated the council on the 8th Avenue paving project.
- Leaf pick-up has been cancelled for tomorrow so the highway department can work on filling potholes in the city.

OLD BUSINESS

NONE

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION No. 54 for 2022 - A Resolution authorizing and approving the purchase of a 2023 Demers MX-170, Ford E-450 gas engine ambulance and authorizing the transfer of an amount not to exceed \$350,000.00 from the Equipment Reserve (HRA) to be used for purchase of same.

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

RESOLUTION No. 55 for 2022 - A Resolution amending the annual budget for the Fiscal Year 2022.

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

RESOLUTION No. 56 for 2022 – A Resolution authorizing Mayor Charles V. Patricelli to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with the Town of Colonie.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 57 for 2022 – A Resolution approving change orders to the contract for repairs to the City Hall soffit and fascia system and authorizing Mayor Charles V. Patricelli to execute all required documents regarding same.

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

APPROPRIATIONS AND ACCOUTING

NONE

Mayor Patricelli updated the council on the following items:

- Discussed an incident which occurred in the 7th Street Park in which basketball court was damaged.
- Plans are in place to install cameras in the 7th Street Park. The city has installed cameras in Brotherhood and Clinton Parks.
- Reviewed the proposed plan to redistrict the Albany County Legislator which would remove a legislator for the City of Watervliet. The city has submitted a letter of objection against this plan.
- Updated the council on pool operations.
- The Car Show will be held on 3rd and 4th Avenues on Saturday, August 13th.
- There will be a concert in the park on Thursday, August 11th.
- The end of the season pool party will be held on Friday, August 19th.
- At the council meeting on Thursday, September 15th the city will place a sign on the west side of the municipal parking lot across from City Hall dedicating it as Butch Byrd Way. Mr. Byrd played for the Buffalo Bills from 1964 to 1970 and the Denver Broncos before retiring after the 1971 season. He lived on 1st Avenue between 15th and 16th Streets.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

- Ginny Jakubics – 223 2nd Avenue
- Dave VanDyke – 300 2nd Avenue
- Colleen Ruck – 118 3rd Street
- Scott Ruck – 118 3rd Street

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

The meeting was adjourned to executive session at 7:07 PM

**Next Meeting: Thursday, September 1st, 2022, 6:00 P.M.
The meeting will be held at the Watervliet Senior Center**

Respectfully Submitted,
David C. Wheatley
Deputy City Clerk