

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WATERVLIET
THURSDAY, AUGUST 17th, 6:00 P.M.

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

Roll call showed that Mayor Patricelli and Councilman Daus were present. Councilwoman Diamond was absent from the meeting.

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.

Councilman Daus made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the 7-27-2023 Council Meeting which was seconded by Mayor Patricelli this motion passed 2-0.

*** Steve Golding from the Planning Department updated the council on the CDBG Housing Rehabilitation grant he is overseeing.

REPORT OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

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

- Work on the splash boards at reservoir has been completed.
- Mr. LaCivita spoke with the owners of the golf course that surrounds the Watervliet reservoir and will have further discussions on the possible purchase of this property by the city.
- Work being completed through public facilities grant at the Watervliet Community Center, formerly the Reformed Dutch Church.
- A Request for Proposal (RFP) is being developed for reconstruction of the roof on the pool house and the replacement of the pool filtration system.
- City is working to develop a 40-year maintenance for the Watervliet Hydro plant.

OLD BUSINESS

NONE

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION NO. 55 for 2023 - A Resolution approving an agreement between the City of Watervliet and Gomez and Sullivan Engineering for services required to apply for Department of Energy Grant funding.

Upon a motion by Councilman Daus which was seconded by Mayor Patricelli this Resolution passed 2-0

RESOLUTION NO. 56 for 2023 – A Resolution approving an agreement between CHPE, LLC and CHPE Properties, Inc., and the City of Watervliet for a Crossing Agreement for the Champlain Hudson Power Express electric transmission cable system crossing at the Watervliet reservoir.

Upon a motion by Councilman Daus which was seconded by Mayor Patricelli this Resolution passed 2-0

RESOLUTION NO. 57 for 2023 –A Resolution approving the payment for repairs to stabilize a vacant building located at 403 23rd Street in the City of Watervliet.

Upon a motion by Councilman Daus which was seconded by Mayor Patricelli this Resolution passed 2-0

RESOLUTION NO. 58 for 2023 –A Bond Resolution dated August 17, 2023 of the Council of the City of Watervliet authorizing not to exceed \$879,786 aggregate principal Serial General Obligation bonds to finance the acquisition of existing street lights throughout the city from National Grid and the conversion to and installation of energy-efficient Light-Emitting Diode (LED) fixtures, said amount to be offset by and grants received, at an estimated maximum cost of \$879,786, levy of tax in annual installments in payment thereof the expenditures of sum and such purpose and determining other matters in connection therewith.

Upon a motion by Councilman Daus which was seconded by Mayor Patricelli this Resolution passed 2-0

RESOLUTION NO. 59 for 2023 – A Resolution authorizing Mayor Charles V. Patricelli to execute an “opt-in” agreement with the Watervliet City School District regarding the School Bus Arm demonstration program.

Upon a motion by Councilman Daus which was seconded by Mayor Patricelli this Resolution passed 2-0

RESOLUTION NO. 60 for 2023 –A Resolution authorizing Mayor Charles V. Patricelli to execute a master agreement with BusPatrol, LLC regarding the School Bus Arm demonstration program.

Upon a motion by Councilman Daus which was seconded by Mayor Patricelli this Resolution passed 2-0

APPROPRIATIONS AND ACCOUTING

Director of Finance Amanda Austin updated the council on the proposed budget meeting dates for the 2024 budget.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

NONE

Mayor Patricelli discussed the following items with the council:

- A discussion held with the Building Department earlier in the day.
- End of the Year Pool Party is scheduled for tomorrow, August 18th, weather permitting.
- There will be a 9/11 Memorial Ceremony at 5:00PM at the Watervliet Elks on Monday, September 11th, 2023.
- The dedication ceremony of the bell at 23rd Street and 2nd Avenue in honor of Tom and Mary Lou Ragosta
- Thanked the Watervliet Housing Authority for the assistance of the summer help kids in painting the parking lines today at the DOME.
- The Arsenal City Run is scheduled to be held on Sunday, September 17th.

Councilman Daus made a motion to adjourn the meeting and go into Executive Session to discuss the stats of pending litigation this was seconded by Mayor Patricelli and the motion passed 2-0.

The meeting was adjourned to Executive Session at 6:51 PM.

Councilman Daus made a motion to adjourn the meeting which was seconded by Mayor Patricelli and the motion was passed 2-0. The meeting was adjourned at 6:59PM

**Next Meeting: Thursday, September 7th, 2023, 6:00 P.M.
The meeting will be held at the Watervliet Senior Center**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE SESSION
OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WATERVLIET
THURSDAY, AUGUST 17TH, 2023**

The executive session was called to Order by Mayor Patricelli at 6:52 PM.

Roll call showed that Mayor Patricelli and Councilman Daus was present.

Also present from City Administration were City Manager Joe LaCivita, Corporation Counsel Brian Kremer of Goldberger & Kremer, Director of Finance Amanda Austin and Deputy City Clerk Dave Wheatley

The Council and administration discussed the status of pending litigation.

There was no legislation voted on during this session.

The Executive Session was adjourned at 6:59 PM

Respectfully Submitted,
David C. Wheatley
Deputy City Clerk