

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WATERVLIET
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19TH, 6:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Patricelli 6:01 P.M.

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

Also present from City Administration were City Manager Joe LaCivita, Director of Finance Amanda Austin, City Council Brian Kremer, 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 10-05-23 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

Director of Finance Amanda Austin reviewed the city's spending of money received through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)

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

- Work being completed at Hudson Shores Park by city employees.
- Updates on grant projects the city is working on.
- Painting of city crosswalks
- City will post "No Parking" signs on 19th Street next week as work begins on updating the streetlights.

OLD BUSINESS

NONE

NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC HEARING: 2024 Water and Sewer Budget

Mayor Patricelli opened the public hearing at 6:15 p.m. There were no residents wishing to speak and the mayor closed the hearing at 6:16 p.m.

ORDINANCE #6 for 2023 – An Ordinance of the City of Watervliet, New York, Amending Chapter 168 “Garbage, Waste, Littering and Recycling” of the Code of the City of Watervliet.

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

RESOLUTION 64 for 2023 – A Resolution approving a change order for the installation of a bathroom and ADA life and electrical upgrades at the Dutch Reformed Church and authorizing Mayor Charles V. Patricelli to execute all required documents for the project under NYS CDBG grant # 1210PF54-20

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

ORDINANCE # 7 for 2023 – An Ordinance of the City of Watervliet, New York, amending Chapter 266, Water Code of the City of Watervliet establishing and imposing water rates for the water billing periods of November 1, 2023, through April 30, 2024 and May 1, 2024 through October 31, 2024.

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

LOCAL LAW # 5 FOR 2023 – A Local Law to amend Chapter 230, Sewers of the Code of the City of Watervliet establishing and imposing Sewer Rents for the sewer billing periods of November 1, 2023, through April 30, 2024 and May 1, 2024 through October 31, 2024.

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

APPROPRIATIONS AND ACCOUTING

NONE

Mayor Patricelli discussed the following items with the council and Mr. LaCivita:

- The city lit up City Hall at night from October 1st to the 15th in honor of Domestic Violence Awareness month and from October 15th to the 31st City Hall will be lit up in pink lights in honor of Breast Cancer Awareness month.
- Updated the council on the removal and restoration of bells from the former St. Brigid's Church and the former Methodist Church in Watervliet.
- There will be a "Trunk or Treat" car show on Saturday, October 28th at Hudson Shores Park.
- City is in discussions to have another crew team use the facilities at Hudson Shores Park
- A flagpole has been donated and will be installed at Hudson Shores Park
- As Equinox has announced that they will no longer be delivering meals to those in need on Thanksgiving the city will deliver over 200 meals to residents who sign up for them.

Councilwoman Diamond discussed the following items with the council:

- Many city residents have mentioned their happiness with the city roads being paved this year.
- Commented that the Hudson Mohawk Road Runners Club recently held their annual marathon/ half marathon, and over 900 participants ran through the city as part of the route. She stated how important it is that we put our best foot forward for events like this which draw so many people from outside the city.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

NONE

Councilman Daus made a motion to adjourn the meeting which was seconded by Councilwoman Diamond and the motion was passed 3-0. The meeting was adjourned at 6:36 P.M.

**Next Meeting: Thursday, November 2nd, 2023, 6:00 P.M.
The meeting will be held at the Watervliet Senior Center**

Respectfully Submitted,
David C. Wheatley
Deputy City Clerk