# CITY OF LOCKPORT CORPORATION PROCEEDINGS

Lockport Municipal Building

Regular Meeting Official Record

March 4, 2015 6:00 P.M.

Mayor Anne E. McCaffrey called the meeting to order.

# **ROLL CALL**

The following Common Council members answered the roll call:

Aldermen Kibler, Lombardi, Mullane, Fogle, Schrader, and Genewick.

#### INVOCATION

# **MAYOR'S UPDATE**

# **RECESS**

Recess for public input.

Minutes correction – December 17, 2014

Common Council resolution 121714.6

Resolved, that the bid proposal of Lock City Supply Inc., Lockport, NY, received on December 16, 2014 for water meters, being the only bid received, be accepted in the amount as reported in a communication from the City Clerk – report of bid proposals. Cost of same to be charged to **account** #002-8340-0270 004-0004-0520-4127 Water Meters.

#### 030415.1 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Alderman Kibler, seconded by Alderman Lombardi, the minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 18, 2015 and the Special Meeting of February 25, 2015 are hereby approved as printed in the Journal of Proceedings. Ayes 6. Carried.

#### FROM THE MAYOR

# **Appointments:**

2/25/15 John Lombardi III, 329 Chestnut Street, Lockport, NY – appointed as a Commissioner of Deeds. Said term expires December 15, 2015. Received and filed.

2/25/15 Rick Hamilton, 7068 Akron Road, Lockport, NY – appointed as a member of the Plumbing Board to fill the unexpired term of Matt Adams who resigned. Said term expires December 31, 2016.

Received and filed.

3/3/15 Maria Updegraph, 150 Spalding Street, Lockport, NY – appointed as a Commissioner of Deeds. Said term expires December 31, 2016. Received and filed.

3/3/15 Vince Sandonato, 824 91<sup>st</sup> Street Niagara Falls, NY – appointed as a Commissioner of Deeds. Said term expires December 31, 2016. Received and filed.

#### FROM THE CITY CLERK

The Clerk submitted payrolls, bills for services and expenses, and reported that the Department Heads submitted reports of labor performed in their departments. Referred to the Finance Committee.

**Communications** (which have been referred to the appropriate City officials)

2/19/15 Frank Movalli, Principal, Lockport High School – request permission to conduct a 5K road race on May 30, 2015.

Referred to the Committee of the Whole

2/25/15 Major Jose Santiago, Commanding Officer, Lockport NY Corps, Salvation Army, 50 Cottage Street, Lockport, NY – request permission to use the Youth Center at Altro Park for their "Bridging the Gap" program.

Referred to the Committee of the Whole

2/27/15 Elizabeth Taylor, President, B. Leo Dolan American Legion Auxiliary, Unit 410, 42 Niagara Street, Lockport, NY – request permission to conduct a walk/run a-thon on Saturday, May 2, 2015.

Referred to the Committee of the Whole

#### **Notice of Defect:**

2/17/15
142 Waterman Street, Lockport, NY – tree
2/20/15
342 Michigan Street, Lockport, NY – trees
2/25/15
68 Regent Street, Lockport, NY – tree
Referred to the Assistant Director of Engineering.

# **Notice of Claim:**

1/22/15 New York State Division of Human Rights, 65 Court Street, Buffalo, NY 14202 Re: Melissa Junke vs. City of Lockport

Referred to the Corporation Counsel.

# **MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS**

#### 030415.2

By Alderman Genewick:

Resolved, that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to issue orders in favor of the claimants for payrolls, bills, and services to be paid on March 6, 2015 as follows:

General Fund	Account #001	\$ 125,741.82
Water Fund	Account #002	\$ 32,506.98
Sewer Fund	Account #003	\$ 11,146.86
Trust Fund	Account #005	\$ 100.00
Refuse Fund	Account #012	\$ 989.45
Payroll	Pay Date 2/19/15	\$ 460,294.03

Seconded by Alderman Kibler and adopted. Ayes 6.

# 030415.3

By Alderman Kibler:

Resolved, that the Mayor and Common Council do hereby extend congratulations and appreciation to the following City employees for their years of dedicated service to the City of Lockport:

Employee	Years of Service	<u>Title</u>
Kevin J. McDonou	gh 25	Rehab Coordinator
Dale W. Lawson Jr	25	Water Distribution Maintenance Supervisor
Charles J. Morello	Jr. 20	Firefighter
Todd A. Chenez	15	Police Lieutenant Detective
Yvonne M. Prica	15	Senior Account Clerk
David P. Pytlik Jr.	5	Police Officer

Seconded by Alderman Mullane and adopted. Ayes 6.

# 030415.4

By Alderman Schrader:

Resolved, that pursuant to their request, The Salvation Army is hereby granted permission to use the Youth Center at Altro Park for curriculum classes, meeting and recreation space for their "Bridging the Gap" program. Said permission is subject to the Salvation Army filing a certificate of insurance with the City Clerk naming the City of Lockport as additional insured.

Seconded by Alderman Fogle and adopted. Ayes 6.

# 030415.5

By Alderman Schrader:

Whereas, the City of Lockport terminated a leaking water service at 85 Beattie Avenue, and

Whereas, the Water Department has billed and received a check for \$1,219.90 for the termination, now therefore be it

Resolved, that the City Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to amend the 2015 budget as follows:

Increase:

002-0002-2144 Water Misc Billing \$1,219.90

Increase:

002-8340-4568 Resurfacing Materials \$1,219.90

Seconded by Alderman Genewick and adopted. Ayes 6.

# 030415.6

By Alderman Schrader:

Resolved, that pursuant to their request, Lockport High School is hereby granted permission to conduct a 5K Road Race on Saturday, May 30, 2015, subject to approval of the race route by the Police Chief and subject to filing a certificate of insurance with the City Clerk naming the City of Lockport as additional insured, and be it further

Resolved, that the Director of Streets and Parks is hereby authorized and directed to arrange for delivery of barricades and cones as required, and be it further

Resolved, that the Traffic Captain is hereby directed to arrange for police support for said event.

Seconded by Alderman Lombardi and adopted. Ayes 6.

# 030415.7 WITHDRAWN – (Grant permission for Sweet Sweet Summer 2015)

# 030415.8

By Alderman Schrader:

Resolved, that the City Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to transfer funds in the amount of \$911.90 from Revenue Account #001-0001-2665 to Public Safety Equipment Account #001-3410-0260 to make repairs at the Outwater Park Building.

Seconded by Aldermen Genewick and adopted. Ayes 6.

# 030415.9

By Alderman Kibler:

Resolved, that the Mayor, subject to Corporation Counsel approval, be and the same is hereby authorized and directed to execute a contract with Joe Cassenti for IT Services for a period of six months in accordance with an hourly rate proposal not to exceed \$20,000.

Seconded by Alderman Fogle and adopted. Ayes 6.

#### 030415.9A

By Alderman Kibler:

WHEREAS, the Niagara Frontier Transportation Authority (NFTA) is the public transit and aviation service provider for the Buffalo Niagara region; and

WHEREAS, the NFTA provides over 30 million rides on public transit each year, supports close to 100 non-stop flights per day, employs 1,500 Western New Yorker's and provides transportation to and throughout the region for residents and tourists; and

WHEREAS, the public transit and aviation services provided by the NFTA enable Western New York's counties, cities, towns, and villages to achieve the mobility and quality of

life goals and objectives collectively embraced and adopted in local and regional comprehensive plans; and

WHEREAS, the NFTA is faced with a multi-million dollar deficit in the fiscal year set to begin on March 31, 2015 and increasing deficits in future fiscal years because New York State public transit operating and capital assistance has not been provided at a level that is required to meet the public transit needs of Western New York's municipalities;

WHEREAS, a 2013 financial assessment of the NFTA by the federal government concluded that the "NFTA has managed its operations efficiently and effectively, but has been hampered by zero growth in the revenue sources used to provide operating assistance;" and

WHEREAS, New York State public transit operating assistance to Downstate systems has increased over 8.5 percent since 2008 while the NFTA's state transit operating assistance has increased by only 2.5 percent over that same 6 year time period;

WHEREAS, New York State public transit capital assistance is essential to the effective and efficient operation of the NFTA's public transit assets and frequently been budgeted for the NFTA, but not released; and

WHEREAS, the NFTA does not have taxing ability and therefore is reliant upon user fees and federal, state, and local operating and capital assistance to provide services;

WHEREAS, additional New York State public transit operating and capital assistance is required to prevent further deterioration in the availability of public transit service that Western New Yorkers rely on to get to work, school or health care; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Lockport relies on the public transit and aviation services provided by the NFTA to improve its economy and quality of life; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Lockport calls on New York State to provide the additional capital and operating assistance necessary to prevent further negative impacts on public transit and aviation services that are critical to the economy and quality of life in Western New York.

Seconded by Alderman Mullane and adopted. Ayes 6.

# 030415.10

# **ADJOURNMENT**

At 6:36 P.M. Alderman Kibler moved the Common Council be adjourned until 6:00 P.M., Wednesday, March 18, 2015.

Seconded by Alderman Lombardi and adopted. Ayes 6.

RICHELLE J. PASCERI City Clerk