

CITY OF LOCKPORT
CORPORATION PROCEEDINGS

Lockport Municipal Building

Regular Meeting
Official Record

July 1, 2020
5:30 P.M.

Mayor Michelle M. Roman called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

The following Common Council members answered the roll call:

Aldermen Abbott, Devine, Kantor, Oates, Schratz, and Van De Mark.

MAYOR'S UPDATE

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070120.1

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Alderman Devine, seconded by Alderman Kantor, the minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 17, 2020 are hereby approved as printed in the Journal of Proceedings. Ayes 6. Carried.

FROM THE MAYOR

Appointments:

6/23/20 Kevin Clark, 10 Hi Point Drive, Lockport, NY – re-appointed as a member of the Civil Service Commission. Said term expires on May 31, 2026.

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)

6/17/20 Darryl Barrow, Pastor, Emmanuel United Methodist Church, requests permission to hold a Community drive through event on July 15, 2020.

Referred to Committee of the Whole.

6/26/20 Jessica Dittly, Lockport Main Street, Inc., requests permission for oversight of Canal Street for the 2020 Tourist season from July 4th thru October 31, 2020.

Referred to the Committee of the Whole.

Notice of Defect:

6/19/20 30 Prentice Street – trees
6/19/20 14 Woodbury Drive – tree
6/22/20 88 Vine Street - tree
Referred to the Director of Streets and Parks.

Notice of Claim:

6/22/20 Safeco Insurance Co., FBO Joan Yeager, 724 Walnut St. Lockport, NY
6/24/20 Elmer A. Granchelli, 1 Sargent Drive, Lockport, NY
Referred to the Corporation Counsel.

MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS

070120.2

By Alderman Oates:

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 July 2, 2020 as follows:

General Fund	Fund A	\$97,241.86
Water Fund	Fund FX	\$30,979.42
Sewer Fund	Fund G	\$14,836.17
Refuse Fund	Fund CL	\$101,611.50
Self Insurance	Fund MS	\$94,882.80
Worker’s Comp	Fund S	\$13,525.00
Payroll	Pay Date 6/18	\$466,647.72

Seconded by Alderman Abbott and adopted. Ayes 6.

070120.3

By Alderman Vandemark:

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:

<u>Employee</u>	<u>Years of Service</u>	<u>Title</u>
Russell J. Sprung	15	Heavy Equipment Operator
Jessica E. Stopa	15	WW Industrial Pretreatment Coordinator
Matthew T. Vosler	5	Police Officer

Seconded by Alderman Schratz and adopted. Ayes 6.

070120.4

By Alderman Schratz:

Resolved, that pursuant to their request, permission is hereby granted to Lockport Emmanuel United Methodist Church to barricade Wakeman Alley on Wednesday July 15, 2020 from 12 p.m. to 9 p.m. for a drive through event for the Community in lieu of their annual block party, and be it further

Resolved, that the Director of Streets and Parks be and the same is hereby authorized and directed to arrange for delivery of barricades and traffic cones to said area prior to said event.

Seconded by Alderman Oates and adopted. Ayes 6.

070120.5

By Alderman Devine:

Resolved, that pursuant to Corporation Counsel approval, the Chief Operator- Water Filtration Plant is authorized to enter into a cooperative purchasing group with the Niagara Falls Water Board for the purchase of chemicals.

Seconded by Alderman Vandemark and adopted. Ayes 6.

070120.6

By Alderman Oates:

Whereas, Resolution 120419.7 authorized the mayor to execute a contract with GAR Associates, LLC for an Equity Improvement Project at a total cost not to exceed \$400,000 and the FY 2019 general fund provided the initial funding in the amount of \$133,500; and

Whereas, Resolution 121819.12 encumbered \$266,500 from the surplus funds for future installment dates; now therefore, be it

Resolved, to follow resolution 121819.12, the FY 2020 General Fund and Capital Fund budgets are amended as follows:

Decrease:

Expense: A.1900.54775 Contingency \$133,500

Increase:

Expense: A.9901.59000.H Interfund Transfer to Capital \$133,500

Revenue: H198.1355.35031.A Interfund Transfer from General \$133,500

Expense: H198.1355.52490 Capital Improvements - Expense \$133,500

Seconded by Alderman Abbott and adopted. Ayes 6.

070120.7

By Alderman Oates:

Whereas, the NYS Department of Transportation has awarded the City of Lockport \$570,648.23 in CHIPS funding, \$130,256.14 in PAVE NY funding, and \$86,308.81 in EWR funding for FY 2020; now therefore, be it

Resolved, that the FY 2020 Capital Fund budget is amended as follows:

Increase:

Revenue: H082.5112.33501 Consolidated Highway Aid \$629,770.54

Expense: H082.5112.52450 Infrastructure - Roads \$629,770.54

Seconded by Alderman Kantor and adopted. Ayes 6.

070120.8

By Alderman Oates:

Whereas, Resolution 070319.12 authorized the Mayor to execute a grant agreement with the NYS Environmental Facilities Corporation to conduct a wastewater infrastructure planning study for sewers tributary to Willow/Price Interceptor and CSO 14 to identify location of excessive infiltration and inflow and capacity deficiencies, and to prioritize rehabilitation activities for the City’s wastewater collection system; now therefore, be it

Resolved, that the FY 2020 Sewer and Capital Fund budgets are amended as follows:

Decrease:

Expenditure: G.8120.1900.54775 Contingency \$6,000.00

Increase:

Expenditure: G.9901.59000.H Interfund Transfer to Sewer \$6,000.00

Revenue: H199.8197.35031.G Interfund Transfer from Sewer \$6,000.00

Revenue: H199.8197.3399 State Aid – Sewer Capital Projects \$30,000.00

Expenditure: H199.8197.52481 Infrastructure – Sewer System \$36,000.00

Seconded by Alderman Schratz and adopted. Ayes 6.

070120.9

By Alderman Oates:

Whereas, the City of Lockport Police Department participates in joint enforcement activities with the Federal Drug Enforcement Agency and the Niagara County Drug Task Force; and

Whereas, the City of Lockport Police Department receives, from time to time, funds generated from these joint enforcement activities which are to be used for the purchase, maintenance and/or replacement of capital equipment within the Police Department; and

Whereas, the City must amend its 2020 budget to properly account for the use of these funds; and

Whereas, the Police Department has identified the need to improve and maintain the technologies afforded us through the Digital Towpath Cooperative’s (DTC) systems and services; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that the 2020 General Fund Budget is hereby amended as follows:

Increase:

Expense: A3120.54115 Computer Licenses and Software \$11,857.00

Seconded by Alderman Vandemark and adopted. Ayes 6.

070120.10

By Alderman Schratz:

Resolved, that a public hearing be held at the Common Council Meeting of July 15, 2020 starting at 5:30 P.M. in the Common Council Chambers, Lockport Municipal Building, One Locks Plaza, Lockport, NY relative to a request for a Special Use Permit made by Brandon Marvin, for approval to hold outdoor social events to be located at 767 & 801 Market Street, situated in a R-2 Zone, provided that the practice of social distancing and the use of masks by attendees is followed in conjunction with New York State guidelines; and be it further

Resolved, that the City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to advertise notice of said public hearing.

Seconded by Alderman Abbott and adopted. Ayes 6.

070120.11

By Alderman Abbott:

Resolved, that the Mayor and Common Council do hereby extend condolences to the family of Margaret M. Scinta, a retired City of Lockport School Crossing Guard for 42 years who recently passed away.

Seconded by Alderman Devine and adopted. Ayes 6.

070120.12

By Alderman Devine:

Resolved, that a public hearing be held at the Common Council Meeting of July 15, 2020 starting at 5:30 P.M. in the Common Council Chambers, Lockport Municipal Building, One Locks Plaza, Lockport, NY relative to a request for a Special Use Permit made by Silva, LLC / Joseph M. Silva, to use a portion of the building for an art/pottery business and to install three wall signs to be located at 485 Niagara Street, situated in a R-2 Zone, and be it further

Resolved, that the City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to advertise notice of said public hearing.

Seconded by Alderman Kantor and adopted. Ayes 6.

070120.12A

By Alderman Schratz:

Resolved, that pursuant to their request, Lockport Main Street, Inc. is hereby granted permission to have oversight of Canal Street on Saturdays starting July 4th through October 31, 2020, and be it further

Resolved, that said permission includes the following:

- Oversight of vendors, food trucks, and tourist entities set up for commerce on Canal St and the adjoining parking lots of Canal St from July 4th thru October 31, 2020.
- Use of Canal St. as a location for select artists to use for Chalk Fest on July 11th and 12th
- Use of the full Canal St. campus on September 26th for Locktoberfest including parking lot closure on Friday, September 25th for festival setup.

- In regards to the Lockport Community Market; ability to place up to 20 yard signs in the City rights of way at major intersections as promotion for the market from July 4th thru October 31st.

And be it further

Resolved, that the practice of social distancing and the use of masks by attendees is followed in conjunction with New York State guidelines; and be it further

Resolved, that the Director of Streets and Parks is authorized and directed to arrange for delivery of refuse containers and barricades to the area prior to the said dates; and be it further

Resolved, that said permission is subject to Lockport Main St. Inc. filing a certificate of insurance with the City clerk naming the City of Lockport as additional insured.

Seconded by Alderman Vandemark and adopted. Ayes 6.

070120.12B

By Alderman Abbott:

Whereas, services provided by The Spyglass Group, LLC were approved and delivered but not appropriated in the FY 2020 general fund budget; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the FY 2020 General Fund budget is amended as follows:

Decrease:

Expense: A.1900.54775	Contingency	\$12,923.76
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Increase:

Expense: A.1010.54055	Professional Services	\$12,923.76
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Seconded by Alderman Kantor and adopted. Ayes 6.

070120.12C

By Alderman Devine:

Whereas, the software for the Water Department of the City of Lockport needs to be updated and upgraded; and

Whereas, the City has received quotes to update said system at the following rates: Springbrook \$1,352; Lock City Supply \$23,976; Dell \$3,000; and

Whereas, the City's monies for same will be taken from budget line: FX.9310.52015, Technical Equipment, which has \$28,000 in same.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

Resolved, that the Common Council hereby approves the City upgrading and updating the software system for the Water Department, for a total cost of \$28,328; and be it further

Resolved, that the Council hereby authorizes the Mayor to enter into a contract with Springbrook, Badger Meter, Dell, and Lock City Supply Inc. to fulfill the project's objectives and goals.

Seconded by Alderman Vandemark and adopted. Ayes 6.

070120.12D

By Alderman Abbott:

Whereas, the City of Lockport's maintenance agreement contract with Transwave Communication Systems, who provides the microwave communication system that connects the City of Lockport with Niagara County, is due for renewal; now therefore be it

Resolved, that the City of Lockport Common Council hereby authorizes the Mayor to sign the renewal contract with Transwave Communication Systems.

Seconded by Alderman Schratz and adopted. Ayes 6.

070120.13

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:50 P.M. Alderman Devine moved the Common Council be adjourned until 5:30 P.M., Wednesday, July 15, 2020.

Seconded by Alderman Kantor and adopted. Ayes 6.

PAUL K. OATES
City Clerk