

**CITY OF LOCKPORT**  
**CORPORATION PROCEEDINGS**

Lockport Municipal Building

Regular Meeting  
Official Record

September 14, 2022  
6:30 P.M.

Mayor Michelle M. Roman called the meeting to order.

**ROLL CALL**

The following Common Council members answered the roll call:

Aldermen Barnard, Beakman, Devine, Fogle, and Kantor.

**INVOCATION**

**MAYOR'S UPDATE**

**RECESS**

Recess for public input.

**091422.1**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

On motion of Alderman Beakman, seconded by Alderman Fogle, the minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 24, 2022 are hereby approved as printed in the Journal of Proceedings. Ayes 5. Carried.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

The Mayor announced a public hearing on a proposed Local Law amending Section C-45 of the City Charter relative to Residency Law.

The Mayor asked the City Clerk if any petitions or communications relative to said Local Law have been received.

Recess for public input.

The Mayor closed the public hearing.

**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)  
9/1/22 Mayor Michelle M. Roman – Recommendation that Mary Brennan-Taylor, 480 Pine Street, Lockport, NY, be reappointed as a member of the Board of Ethics, with a term expiring on July 2, 2025.

9/12/22 David L. Ulrich, Ulrich Development Company LLC, regarding construction work along Pine Street adjacent to the firm’s building at 45 Main Street.

Referred to Committee of the Whole.

**Notice of Claim:**

- 9/1/22 Kristina Harris, 8 Bristol Avenue, Lockport, NY
- 9/8/22 Carl Crenshaw Jr., 8704 Lake Road #7, Barker, NY
- 9/8/22 Meghan Hackmer, 149 Olcott Street, Lockport, NY

**Motion for Writ of Mandamus**

9/2/22 Dana K. Barish, 227 Church Street, Lockport, NY

Referred to the Corporation Counsel.

**MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS**

**091422.2**

By Alderman Beakman:

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 September 15, 2022 as follows:

General Fund	Fund A	\$172,755.64
Water Fund	Fund FX	\$225,395.59
Sewer Fund	Fund G	\$77,647.13
Capital Projects	Fund H	\$286,392.00
Worker’s Comp	Fund S	\$6,425.00
Refuse & Recycle	Fund CL	\$96,783.36
Community Dev.	Fund CD	\$25,000.00

Payroll                      Pay Date    8/25    \$528,334.95

Seconded by Alderman Barnard and adopted. Ayes 5.

**091422.3**

By Alderman Beakman:

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>
Anthony J. Cercone	5	Public Works Mechanic

Seconded by Alderman Kantor and adopted. Ayes 5.

**091422.4**

By Alderman Devine:

Whereas, the Lockport Midget Baseball League (“LMBL”) has provided organized baseball for area youth since 1939, and

Whereas, LMBL Board of Directors wishes to dedicate the Outwater Park baseball diamond in memory of Charles S. Sobieraski, a retired 35-year veteran of the Lockport Police Department who recently passed away, and

Whereas, Charles S. Sobierski was an active member of the LMBL for 38 years, and a volunteer coach of both Lockport Little League baseball and Lockport Little Loop football; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that the baseball diamond at Outwater Park be named in memory of Charles S. Sobieraski, and be it further

Resolved, that LMBL is granted permission to have a sign installed on the northeast side of the existing backstop at the Outwater diamond, with any and all costs for said sign to be paid for by LMBL.

Seconded by Alderman Beakman and adopted. Ayes 5.

**091422.5**

By Alderman Beakman:

Resolved, that pursuant to their request, The New York Central Train Station, Inc., a not-for-profit corporation, is hereby granted permission to hold an outdoor concert fundraiser to benefit the restoration of the former ‘Union Station’ on Saturday, September 24, 2022, from 3:00 pm until 7:00 pm at 95 Union Street, and be it further

Resolved, that said fundraiser will feature two live bands and a food truck, and be it further

Resolved, that Union Street be closed to through traffic from Washburn Street to Ann Street for the duration of the event, and be it further

Resolved, that the Director of Highways, Parks and Water Distribution is hereby authorized and directed to arrange for delivery and pick-up of City barricades and trash receptacles as needed, and be it further

Resolved, that permission is subject to The New York Central Train Station, Inc. filing a certificate of insurance with the City Clerk naming the City of Lockport as additional insured.

Seconded by Alderman Kantor and adopted. Ayes 5.

**091422.6**

By Alderman Beakman:

Resolved, that the Mayor and Common Council do hereby extend condolences to the family of Craig J. Widrig, a retired City of Lockport police officer, who served the department from 1974 until 1995, who recently passed away.

Seconded by Alderman Devine and adopted. Ayes 5.

**091422.7**

By Alderman Fogle:

Resolved, that the Mayor and Common Council do hereby extend condolences to the family of Charlene M. Seekins-Smith, who recently passed away. Charlene served on numerous city committees and boards over the years, including the Planning and Zoning Board, the Board of Assessment Review, and the Central Business District Parking Committee, among others.

Seconded by Alderman Barnard and adopted. Ayes 5.

**091422.8**

By Alderman Fogle:

Resolved, that a public hearing be held at the Common Council meeting Wednesday, September 28th, 2022 starting at 6:30 P.M. in Council chambers, Lockport Municipal Building, One Locks Plaza, Lockport, NY, relative to a request for a Special Use Permit made by Holly Edwards, allowing cats from local non-profit rescue organizations to be housed in the Lock City Books space, for their 'Read with Rescues' program at 4 Market Street, situated in a B-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 5.

**091422.9**

By Alderman Devine:

Resolved, that pursuant to Corporation Counsel approval, the Chief Operator-Water Filtration Plant is authorized to go out to bid and/or enter into a purchasing contract for the purchase of chemicals.

Seconded by Alderman Fogle and adopted. Ayes 5.

By Alderman Devine:

Resolved, that the reading of the foregoing resolution be and the same is hereby waived.

Seconded by Alderman Beakman and adopted. Ayes 5.

**091422.10**

By Alderman Fogle:

Whereas, the City of Lockport held its annual in rem tax foreclosure auction online from August 12, 2022 to August 26, 2022; and

Whereas, by public auction, the City of Lockport accepted bids on several parcels which were foreclosed upon by a Court ordered Judgement; and

Whereas, pursuant to paragraph 3 of the Terms of the Sale approval of the governing body of the tax district is required; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, the City of Lockport does hereby approve and confirm by ratification the sale of the properties listed below:

PARCEL #	ADDRESS	PURCHASER	PURCHASE PRICE
2018-042	436 WEST AVENUE	A PLUS PERFORMANCE CYCLE, INC.	\$60,100.00
2018-066	453 VINE STREET	MICHAEL D'AURIA	\$19,800.00
2018-137	20 ROBINSON PL	G & G PROPERTY VENTURES, LLC	\$28,100.00
2018-143	263 HIGHTREET	AL1 HOLDINGS, LLC	\$80,500.00
2018-174	164 GOODING STREET	ISHTIAQ H. RAJA	\$28,031.00
2018-175	160 GOODING STREET	ISHTIAQ H. RAJA	\$1,569.00
2018-206	62 GRAND STREET	DUSTIN CORALLO	\$23,900.00
2018-211	67 CHAPEL STREET	AL1 HOLDINGS, LLC	\$54,200.00
2018-273	13 HARVEY AVENUE	MHLUX LLC	\$5,600.00
2018-319	120 WILLOW STREET	ANDREW P. LICHT	\$60,100.00
2019-003	124 TRANSIT ROAD	TINEKE HAMDAN	\$7,000.00
2019-019	310 PARK AVENUE	ROBERT B. ADAMS JR.	\$5,400.00
2019-020	308 PARK AVENUE	SYED HOLDINGS, LLC	\$6,500.00
2019-065	32 SUNNYSIDE STREET	G & G PROPERTY VENTURES, LLC	\$64,100.00
2019-074	230 GOODING STREET	ADAM GOFF	\$4,100.00
2019-096	264 CLINTON STREET	COLD SPRING INVESTMENT GROUP	\$52,000.00
2019-101	97.5 SCOVELL STREET	MHLUX LLC	\$5,200.00

2019-102	210 JACKSON STREET	SYED HOLDINGS, LLC	\$4,250.00
2019-103	214 JACKSON STREET	SYED HOLDINGS, LLC	\$4,150.00
2019-116	252 GRAND STREET	SCOTT M. COLBY	\$37,100.00
2019-161	37 AMELIA STREET	AL1 HOLDINGS, LLC	\$50,100.00
2019-198	149 VAN BUREN STREET	ROBERT J. SCHAFER	\$7,000.00
2019-290	67 ELMWOOD AVENUE	JOLEEN NICOLE PICKLES	\$4,250.00
2019-362	722 DAVISON ROAD	LIPSICA RORE	\$28,100.00
2019-366	27 PROFESSIONAL PKWY	LIPSICA RORE	\$22,100.00
2019-377	84 DAVISON CT	MHLUX LLC	\$19,200.00
2016-023	320-326 WEST AVENUE	AL1 HOLDINGS, LLC	\$185,100.00

**TOTAL**

**\$867,550.00**

Seconded by Alderman Beakman and adopted. Ayes 5.

**091422.11**

By Alderman Beakman:

Whereas, the City of Lockport's Wastewater Treatment Department has requested the purchase an X-Ripper grinder for the use of shredding matter for \$34,982.28; and

Whereas, said grinder would protect a newly-installed pump and would mitigate potential damages to wastewater treatment equipment; and

Whereas, the vendor, Koester Associates Inc. is an exclusive municipal distributor for the product, making it a single-source item; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that the City of Lockport Common Council hereby authorizes the use of funds in the H205 capital project (G Infrastructure Improvements) for said purchase.

Seconded by Alderman Devine and adopted. Ayes 5.

**091422.12**

By Alderman Fogle:

Resolved, that pursuant to the recommendation of Mayor Roman, Mary Brennan-Taylor, 480 Pine Street, Lockport, NY is hereby reappointed to the Lockport Board of Ethics for a three-year term expiring on July 2, 2025.

Seconded by Alderman Barnard and adopted. Ayes 5.

**091422.13**

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 6:55 P.M. Alderman Beakman moved the Common Council be adjourned until 6:30 P.M., Wednesday, September 28, 2022.

Seconded by Alderman Kantor and adopted. Ayes 5.

PAUL K. OATES  
City Clerk