

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

Lockport Municipal Building

Regular Meeting  
Official Record

October 11, 2023  
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 Beakman, Devine, Fogle, Swanson-Gellerson and Lupo. Kantor was absent.

**INVOCATION-Moment of Silence**

**RECESS**

Recess for public input.

**101123.1**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

On motion of Alderman Beakman, seconded by Alderman Devine, the minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 27th, 2023 are hereby approved as printed in the Journal of Proceedings. Ayes 5. Carried.

**FROM THE MAYOR**

**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. Reviewed by the Finance Committee.

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

**Notice of Complaint:**

9/13/2023 John and Elizabeth Taylor, 70 Trowbridge Street – tree, potholes.  
9/19/2023 Shelley Henderson, 204 Olcott Street – tree

Referred to the Director of Highways, Parks and Water Distribution.

**Notice of Claim:**

9/6/2023 Dawn Bauer, 2630 West Church St, Eden – falling tree limb caused vehicle damage.  
9/26/2023 Lodina Clyburn, 500 Washington St., vs. Town of Lockport, City of Lockport and Niagara County.

Referred to the Corporation Counsel.

## MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS

### 101123.2

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>
Joanie M. Demchik-Black	25	Dog Control Officer
George W. Wiley IV	15	Senior Water Maintenance Worker
Justin S. O'Connor	5	School Resource Officer
Brent A. Russell	5	Police Officer

Seconded by Alderman Swason-Gellerson and adopted. Ayes 5.

### 101123.3

By Alderman Lupo:

**Whereas** Section 155-7 A (Solid Waste) of Chapter 158 of the City Code states that unpaid residential and commercial user fees for collection of refuse and recycling shall be the personal liability of the owner, and

**Whereas** any delinquent assessment, penalty, charge or fee remaining unpaid by May 15 is added to the upcoming year's tax bill for the parcel of property against which it is a lien, and

**Whereas** the amount added to taxes shall include late payment charges accrued through June 30 plus an additional administrative charge equal to \$15 for each delinquent account, and

**Whereas** late payment charges shall not continue to accrue after June 30 against any assessment, penalty, charge or fee which is added to taxes, and

**Whereas**, the City Treasurer will submit to the City Council all delinquent assessments, penalties, charges or fees and any other amounts to be added to taxes, and

**Whereas** upon receipt of such delinquent amounts the Council must hold a public hearing, and

**Whereas** after making any amendments or corrections to the list of delinquent accounts the Common Council will by resolution confirm said amounts, and

**Whereas** upon confirmation of said amounts the City will insert the delinquent accounts in the annual tax rolls and which shall become a part of the annual tax upon the respective parcels against which such amounts are charged and shall be subject to all the provisions of the City Charter; now, therefore, be it

**Resolved** that the Corporation Counsel is hereby authorized and directed to prepare a resolution listing the re-levies and the dollar amount to be added to the tax rolls, and be it further

**Resolved** that a public hearing be held at the Common Council meeting on Wednesday, October 25, 2023, starting at approximately 6:30 P.M. relative to said resolution for re-levy, and be it further

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

Seconded by Alderman Devine and adopted. Ayes 5.

#### **101123.4**

By Alderman Beakman:

**Resolved** that a public hearing be held at the Common Council Meeting of Wednesday, October 25, 2023 starting at 6:30 P.M. in the Common Council Chambers, Lockport Municipal Building, One Locks Plaza, Lockport, NY relative to the proposed 2024 budget, and be it further

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

Seconded by Alderman Lupo and adopted. Ayes 5.

#### **101123.5**

By Alderman Devine:

**Whereas** pursuant to Section 452 of the General Municipal Law and Section 185-8 (Water) of the City of Lockport Code, the Common Council is authorized to adjust a schedule of water rents and other charges after a hearing upon five days' notice; now, therefore, be it

**Resolved** that a Public Hearing be held at the Common Council Meeting of Wednesday, October 25, 2023 starting at 6:30PM in the Common Council Chambers, Lockport Municipal Building, One Locks Plaza, Lockport, NY relative to adjusting water rents and other charges, and be it further,

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

Seconded by Alderman Swanson-Gellerson and adopted. Ayes 5.

#### **101123.6**

By Alderman Devine:

**Resolved** that the Corporation Counsel is hereby authorized to prepare a Local Law relative to amending the sewer rate schedule, and be it further

**Resolved** that a public hearing be held at the Common Council meeting of October 25, 2023 starting at 6:30 P.M. in the Common Council Chambers, Lockport Municipal Building, One Locks Plaza, Lockport, NY relative to said local law, and be it further

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

Seconded by Alderman Beakman and adopted. Ayes 5.

**101123.7 WITHDRAWN**

**101123.8**

By Alderman Lupo:

**Resolved** that Tuesday, October 31, 2023 is hereby designated as Halloween Day in the City of Lockport, with the hours for trick or treating scheduled from 4 pm to 7 pm.

Seconded by Alderman Swanson-Gellerson. Ayes 5.

**101123.9**

By Alderman Fogle:

**Resolved** that pursuant to their request, permission is hereby granted to Lockport Main Street, Inc. to hold a Downtown Trick or Treating Celebration on Friday, October 27<sup>th</sup> between 5:00 PM and 7:00 PM

**Resolved** that Main Street be closed to through traffic from Transit to Locust 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

Seconded by Alderman Devine and adopted as amended. Ayes 5.

**101123.10 WITHDRAWN**

**101123.11**

By Alderman Devine:

**Resolved** that the Mayor and the Common Council do hereby extend condolences to the family of Joseph Morello, former City of Lockport Assistant Fire Chief, employed from 1989-2021, who recently passed away.

Seconded by Alderman Lupo and adopted. Ayes 5.

**101123.12**

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 7:11 P.M. Alderman Beakman moved the Common Council be adjourned until 6:30 P.M., Wednesday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

Seconded by Alderman Swanson-Gellerson and adopted. Ayes 5.

SARAH K. LANZO  
City Clerk

