

**CITY OF LOCKPORT**  
**COMMON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS**

Lockport Municipal Building

Regular Meeting  
Official Record

August 28th, 2024  
6:00 P.M.

Mayor John Lombardi III called the meeting to order.

**ROLL CALL**

The following Common Council members answered the roll call:

Aldermen Craig, Devine, Fogle, Kirchberger, Lupo, Mullane

**INVOCATION – Pastor Steve**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**RECESS**

Recess for public input.

**082824.1**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

On motion of Alderman Craig, seconded by Alderman Lupo, the minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 14th 2024 are hereby approved as printed in the Journal of Proceedings. Ayes 6. Carried.

**FROM THE MAYOR**

**Appointments:**

Emily Stoddard has been appointed to City Clerk to fill the unexpired term of Paul Oates, effective August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Said appointment is permanent and subject to the City of Lockport Municipal Civil Services Rules and Regulations. Said term expires June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2027.

**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)  
8/9/2024 Sarah K. Lanzo, City Clerk at time of communication – notification of bids received on August 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024, in response to the RFP for Lockport Raw Water Pump Station Improvements.

Name	Phone Number	General Contract	General Contract Alternate	HVAC Contract	HVAC Contract Alternate	Electrical Contract
Ace Great Lakes	716-796-4067	\$190,600	\$45,000			
Ferguson Electric	716-852-2010					\$2,220,000
Frey Electric Construction	716-874-1710					\$1,240,000
Greater Niagara Mechanical	716-695-3600			\$69,600	\$18,800	
John W, Danforth Co.	716-829-1385			\$89,400	\$15,400	
NFP and Sons, Inc.	716-695-2926	\$88,000	\$49,500			
Resa Electric	716-819-6600					\$1,050,000
Quackenbush				\$75,000	\$14,000	

**Notice of Complaint:**

Jeffrey A. Seekins, 77 Coolidge Avenue – fire hydrant

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

**Notice of Claim:**

Kristen Brolinski vs. City of Lockport and Lockport Cave and Underground Boat Ride

Daniel and Melissa Morrissette vs. City of Lockport and Lockport Cave and Underground Boat Ride.

Referred to the Corporation Counsel.

**MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS**

**082824.2**

By Alderman Mullane:

**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 August 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

Seconded by Alderman Craig and adopted. Ayes 6.

**082824.3 Lockport Little Loop Donation**

By Alderman Devine:

**Whereas** General City Law 20(3) authorizes the City to accept donations from individuals or organizations, and to use said donations per the restrictions placed on them by the donor, regardless of minimum value; now, therefore, be it

**Resolved** that the Mayor and Common Council do hereby extend thanks and appreciation to the Lockport Little Loop Football for a donation of \$1,863.83 to be used for repairs to park facilities; and

**Resolved** that the FY 2024 General Fund budget be amended as follows:

Revenue

Increase

A.7110.32705.AP	Gifts and Donation	\$1,863.83
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Expenditures

Increase

A.7110.54077	Const. & Maint. Supplies	\$1,863.83
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Seconded by Alderman \_\_\_\_\_ and adopted. Ayes \_\_\_\_\_.

**082824.4 Street Paver Repair Resolution**

By Alderman Kirchberger:

**Whereas** the City of Lockport owns and operates a single paver machine, which is essential for the maintenance and repair of city streets; and

**Whereas** the city's paver machine broke down on August 13, 2024, rendering it inoperable and in need of immediate repair; and

**Whereas** the cost to repair the paver has been estimated at ~~\$30,400~~ \$30,500; and

**Whereas** the vendor selected to perform the repairs is a sole-source provider, as they are the only vendor capable of performing the necessary repairs in a timely manner; and

**Whereas** there are insufficient funds in the current department budget to cover the cost of the repair, and it is necessary to transfer funds from the contingency fund to cover this expense;

**Now therefore be it resolved** that the FY 2024 General Fund Operating Budget is amended as follows:

Expense:

Decrease

A.1900.54775	Contingency	\$30,500
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Increase:

A.5110.54050	Equipment Maintenance/Repair	\$30,500
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Seconded by Alderman Devine and adopted. Ayes 6.  
(Motion approved as amended on the floor)

**082824.5 Aaron Mossell Park Committee**

By Alderman Lupo:

**Whereas** the city of Lockport was awarded a \$450,000 grant in 2017 through NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation's Park Development Program to be used for the development of a park and playground at 50 Elmwood (109.64-1-17); and

**Whereas** a South Street Neighborhood Needs Assessment was completed and identified a thirty-block area within the City that is underserved by parks and similar active recreational facilities; and

**Whereas** it is the City's intention to establish a park and playground at that site the community will be proud of, and

**Whereas** the City intends to name the playground to commemorate a great historic citizen – Aaron Albert Mossell, who was a Lockport resident and business owner, and

**Whereas** environmental remediation has now been completed at the site, and

**Whereas** in March of 2018, the Greater Lockport Development Corporation (GLDC) authorized the transfer of 50 Elmwood from 210 Walnut Street, LLC to the city of Lockport for the purpose of transforming the site into a park and playground, and

**Whereas** in an effort to move this project forward, a volunteer committee has been appointed, hereby known as the Aaron Mossell Park Committee; and

**Whereas** the committee is made up of community members, city officials and staff (including the Mayor, Community Development Director and Common Council President), representatives of the GLDC, representatives from the Harrison Studio, and representatives from Nussbaumer and Clarke,

**Now therefore let it be resolved**, that the Council of the City of Lockport hereby approves and authorizes the Aaron Mossell Park Committee to make the necessary decisions to move the project forward including, but not limited to: procurement and hiring of appropriate consultants and contractors, conducting public engagement activities, developing a final design for the park, obtaining cost assessments, and identifying and applying for additional funding, as necessary.

Seconded by Alderman Fogle and adopted. Ayes 6.

#### **082824.6 Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of a New Ambulance**

By Alderman Mullane:

**Whereas** the City of Lockport is committed to ensuring the safety and well-being of its residents by providing timely and efficient emergency medical services; and

**Whereas** the City maintains a fleet of ambulances to meet the demands of responding to medical emergencies, ensuring the highest level of reliable service to our community; and

**Whereas** the continued operation of the aging 1999 Ford Braun ambulance poses a reliability risk to both the patients and emergency personnel riding in it; and

**Whereas** it is prudent and fiscally responsible for the City to replace the older ambulance with a new, reliable, and efficient vehicle to maintain the highest standards of emergency medical services; and

**Whereas** the City of Lockport is able to tag-on to a NYS OGS Vehicle Marketplace Mini-Bid #13448 with the City of Jamestown for said new ambulance with an anticipated delivery date of Early 2025;

**Whereas** the City of Lockport wishes to secure the vehicle by paying a 10% down payment upon authorization and plans to pay the remaining balance in the fiscal year 2025;

**Whereas** the 2025 FY Budget will reflect this decision to fulfill this contract with Gorman Emergency Vehicles

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** by the City of Lockport Common Council that the Mayor is authorized to enter into a purchasing agreement with Gorman Emergency Vehicles in Elma NY for the purchase of 2024 Medix RP-90 Ambulance on a Chevrolet G3500 chassis; and

**Be it further resolved**, that the City of Lockport is authorized to make a 10% down payment for the new ambulance upon the execution of the purchase agreement; and

**Be it further resolved**, that the remaining balance for the purchase of the ambulance shall be paid in the fiscal year 2025; and

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that the FY 2023 2024 General Fund budget is amended as follows

Expense

Decrease

A.3410.51010

Full Time Wages

\$17,730.30

Increase

A.3410.52030

Motor Vehicle Equipment

\$17,730.30

Seconded by Alderman Craig and adopted. Ayes 6.  
(Motion approved as amended on the floor)

**082824.7**

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 6:19 P.M. Alderman Fogle moved the Common Council be adjourned until 6:00 P.M., Wednesday September 11<sup>th</sup> 2024.

Seconded by Alderman Devine and adopted. Ayes 6.

Emily Stoddard  
City Clerk