

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WATERVLIET
THURSDAY, JANUARY 4th, 6:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Patricelli 6:01 P.M.

Roll call showed that Mayor Patricelli, Councilwoman Diamond, and Councilman Daus were present

Also present from City Administration were City Manager Joe LaCivita, Director of Finance Amanda Austin, City Corporation Counsel Brian Kremer, and City Clerk Dave Wheatley

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Patricelli.

Councilwoman Diamond made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the 12-14-23 Council Meeting which was seconded by Councilman Days. A vote was taken to approve the meeting minutes which passed 3-0.

REPORT OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

General Manager Joe LaCivita updated the council on the following items:

- Lighting project with Centrica
- Public Facilities grant at the Community Center
- Discussed the changes to the rehabilitation project at pool house
- The free bulk drop-off for 2024 will be on Friday, March 22nd
- The full list of bulk pickup dates for 2024 will be released soon.
- Discussed the work done with DEC representatives to combat the crow issue throughout the city.

OLD BUSINESS

NONE

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION NO. 1 for 2024 – A Resolution designating Pioneer Bank as the official depository for funds for the City of Watervliet

Upon a motion from Councilman Daus which was seconded by Councilwoman Diamond this Resolution passed 3-0.

RESOLUTION NO. 2 for 2024 – A Resolution approving the City of Watervliet employee travel to various meeting locations and conferences throughout New York State and further delegating the Director of Finance the responsibility to establish mileage disbursement.

Upon a motion from Councilwoman Diamond which was seconded by Councilman Daus this Resolution passed 3-0.

RESOLUTION NO. 3 for 2024 – A Resolution designating an official newspaper for the City of Watervliet in accordance with Article IV, Section 33 of the City Code.

Upon a motion from Councilman Daus which was seconded by Councilwoman Diamond this Resolution passed 3-0.

RESOLUTION NO. 4 for 2024 - A Resolution approving agreements for services between the City of Watervliet and the Mohawk and Hudson Humane Society and directing Mayor Charles V. Patricelli to execute same.

Upon a motion from Councilwoman Diamond which was seconded by Councilman Daus this Resolution passed 3-0.

RESOLUTION NO. 5 for 2024 – A Resolution adopting the City of Watervliet Procurement Policy.

Upon a motion from Councilman Daus which was seconded by Councilwoman Diamond this Resolution passed 3-0.

RESOLUTION NO. 6 for 2024 - A Resolution authorizing the implementation and funding in the first instance 100% of the Federal and State “Marchiselli” program and eligible costs of a Transpiration Federal Aid Project and appropriating funds, therefore.

Upon a motion from Councilwoman Diamond which was seconded by Councilman Daus this Resolution passed 3-0.

RESOLUTION NO. 7 for 2024 – A Resolution approving a shared services agreement for specific law enforcement activity for the City of Watervliet and the Village of Menands and the Village of Green Island and directing Mayor Charles V. Patricelli to execute same.

Upon a motion from Councilman Daus which was seconded by Councilwoman Diamond this Resolution passed 3-0.

RESOLUTION NO. 8 for 2024 – A Resolution amending a contract for City Hall repairs and replacement emergency doors and windows at City Hall with change order No. 1 and authorizing Mayor Charles V. Patricelli to execute all required documents regarding same.

Upon a motion from Councilwoman Diamond which was seconded by Councilman Daus this Resolution passed 3-0.

RESOLUTION NO. 9 for 2024 – A Resolution amending a contract for change to the City Hall window project and authorizing Mayor Charles V. Patricelli to execute all required documents regarding same.

Upon a motion from Councilman Daus which was seconded by Councilwoman Diamond this Resolution passed 3-0.

RESOLUTION NO. 10 for 2024 – A Resolution adopting a Sexual Harassment policy for the City of Watervliet.

Upon a motion from Councilwoman Diamond which was seconded by Councilman Daus this Resolution passed 3-0.

RESOLUTION NO. 11 for 2024 – A Resolution approving an intermunicipal agreement for a Joint Services Rapid Deployment team between the City of Watervliet, the Village of Menands and the Village of Green Island and directing Mayor Charles V. Patricelli to execute same.

Upon a motion from Councilman Daus which was seconded by Councilwoman Diamond this Resolution passed 3-0.

RESOLUTION NO. 12 for 2024 – A Resolution authorizing Mayor Charles V. Patricelli to file an application under Federal Highway Administration for transportation alternative program funding and authorizing the mayor to accept and receive grant funding for this purpose.

Upon a motion from Councilwoman Diamond which was seconded by Councilman Daus this Resolution passed 3-0.

APPROPRIATIONS AND ACCOUNTING

Director of Finance Amanda Austin advised the council that 2024 property tax bills will be mailed out tomorrow, Friday, January 5th.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

- Akhtar Parvez – 2302 10th Avenue

Mayor Patricelli spoke to the council on the following items:

- The city and members of the Board of Directors from the Watervliet Civic Center met recently to discuss an application for \$700,000 in grant funding for building rehabilitation.
- Thanked all who attended the swearing-in ceremony on January 1st.
- The “Trash Policy” is being reviewed.

Councilman Daus made a motion to adjourn the meeting which was seconded by Councilwoman Diamond and the motion was passed 3-0. The meeting was adjourned at 6:56 P.M.

**Next Meeting: Thursday, January 25th, 2024, 6:00 P.M.
The meeting will be held at the Watervliet Senior Center**

Respectfully Submitted,
David C. Wheatley
City Clerk