REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF PLATTSBURGH, NEW YORK
February 13, 2020
5:30 P.M.

MINUTES

Pledge of Allegiance
(RC)

Present: Mayor Colin Read, Councilors Ira Barbell (W1), Mike Kelly (W2), Elizabeth Gibbs (W3), Paul DeDominicas (W4), Patrick McFarlin (W5), Jeff Moore (W6)

Absent: None

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MAYOR’S COMMENTS: None

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1. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Common Council held on February 6, 2020 are approved and placed on file among the public records of the City Clerk’s Office

By Councilor Gibbs; Seconded by Councilor Barbell
(All in Favor/opposed)
Roll call: Councilors Barbell, Kelly, Gibbs, DeDominicas, McFarlin, Moore
(All voted in the affirmative)

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2. PAYROLLS OF VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS:

RESOLVED: That the payrolls of the various Departments of the City of Plattsburgh for the week ending February 12, 2020 in the amount of $497,403.92 are authorized and allowed and the Mayor and the City Clerk are hereby empowered and directed to sign warrants drawn on the City Chamberlain for the payment thereof.

By Councilor Gibbs; Seconded by Councilor Kelly
(All in Favor/opposed)
Roll call: Councilors Barbell, Kelly, Gibbs, DeDominicas, McFarlin, Moore
(All voted in the affirmative)

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3. REPORTS OF CITY OFFICES & COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Report of Fire and Ambulance Responses for the week of February 4-10, 2020
- Report from the Building Inspector’s office for the week of February 5-11, 2020
- Reports from the Police Department dated February 10, 2020
- Minutes from the Governance, Strategy and City Operations Committee meeting held on February 6, 2020

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COUNCILOR/DEPARTMENT CHAIR COMMITTEE REPORTS:  
[meeting reports provided during work session]

**Governance, Strategy, and City Operations** - Chair Councilor Barbell thanked Councilor DeDominicas for Chairing meeting last week when he was out of town and indicated no updates.

**City Infrastructure** – Chair Councilor Moore met tonight, Public Works has had a lot to do over the last few days and are doing a good job.

**Finance and Budget** – Chair Councilor Kelly monthly meeting next Thursday. get together with Chamberlain Marks, Councilor Moore and Mayor. **Mayor Read** mentioned spoke about 5 and 10 year plan. Gave status update on RFP for IT.

**Public Safety** – Chair Councilor Gibbs indicated no updates. **Mayor Read** mentioned Police Department moving along with Dispatcher position.

**Plattsburgh Public Library** – Chair Councilor DeDominicas indicated no updates.

**MLD** - MLD Board President Councilor McFarlin mentioned making great progress on demolition of Green Street buildings.

**RESOLVED:** That the reports as listed are hereby ordered received and any written reports are placed on file among the public records of the City Clerk’s Office.

By Councilor Gibbs; Seconded by Councilor DeDominicas  
(All in Favor/opposed)  
Roll call: Councilors Barbell, Kelly, Gibbs, DeDominicas, McFarlin, Moore  
(All voted in the affirmative)

4. **CORRESPONDENCE OR RECOMMENDATIONS FROM BOARDS:** None

5. **AUDIT OF CLAIMS:**

**RESOLVED:** That the bills Audited by the Common Council for the week ending February 14, 2020 in the amount of $902,166.35 are authorized and allowed and the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to sign warrants drawn on the City Chamberlain for the payment thereof.

By Councilor Gibbs; Seconded by Councilor Moore  
(All in Favor/opposed)  
Roll call: Councilors Barbell, Kelly, Gibbs, DeDominicas, McFarlin, Moore  
(All voted in the affirmative)

6. **PERSONS ADDRESSING COUNCIL ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY:** None

7. **OTHER ITEMS:**
A. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves creating capital project H510.74, 2020 Equipment Purchase, in the amount of $510,000 to be allocated between the General, Water and Sewer Funds as per the cost analysis provided in the project resolution.

Motion to waive reading and move Resolutions 7A and 7B

By Councilor McFarlin; Seconded by Councilor DeDominicas
(All voted in favor of waiving reading and move Resolutions 7A and 7B)
Discussion: None
Roll call: Councilors Barbell, Kelly, Gibbs, DeDominicas, McFarlin, Moore
(All voted in the affirmative)
ACTION TAKEN: Adopted
Follow up Action: None

B. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves that the Mayor be authorized to sign Change Order No. 4 to the “Asbestos Abatement and Demolition of Plattsburgh Municipal Lighting Department (PMLD) Buildings” contract with Ormsby Trucking and Excavating in the amount of $70,478.

[See details under Item 7A]

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted
Follow up Action: None

8. TRAVEL REQUEST: None

9. RESOLUTIONS FOR INITIAL CONSIDERATION: None

10. NEW BUSINESS AND COUNCILOR REPORTS:

Mayor Read added the following:

THE MAYOR HANDS DOWN THE APPOINTMENT OF LAUREN EASTWOOD TO THE CLIMATE SMART COMMUNITY COALITION SUSTAINABILITY TASK FORCE TO REPLACE A MEMBER THAT HAD TO STEP DOWN.

Roll call: Councilors Barbell, Kelly, Gibbs, DeDominicas, McFarlin, Moore
(All voted in the affirmative)
ACTION TAKEN: Adopted
Follow up Action: None

Councilor Barbell mentioned he travelled to Pensacola, Florida a “Strong Town” last week. They recently did revitalization and it made him hopeful and enthusiastic by what we are doing here.

[Further discussion ensued]

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Mayor Read gave an update on Sustainability Task Force meeting yesterday

11. CLOSING PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ANY TOPIC: None

Motion to Adjourn by Councilor McFarlin; Seconded by Councilor Gibbs
Councilors Barbell, Kelly, Gibbs, DeDominicas, McFarlin, Moore
(All voted in the affirmative)
MEETING ADJOURNED: 5:44 pm