

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF PLATTSBURGH, NEW YORK**

November 14, 2019

5:30 P.M.

MINUTES

Pledge of Allegiance

(RC)

Present: Mayor Colin Read, Councilors Rachelle Armstrong (W1), Mike Kelly (W2), Elizabeth Gibbs (W3), Peter Ensel (W4), Jeff Moore (W6)

Absent: **Councilor Patrick McFarlin (W5)**

MAYOR'S COMMENTS: None

1. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Common Council held on November 7, 2019 are approved and placed on file among the public records of the City Clerk's Office

By Councilor Armstrong; Seconded by Councilor Ensel
(All in Favor/opposed)

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Gibbs, Ensel, Moore
(All voted in the affirmative)

2. PAYROLLS OF VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS:

RESOLVED: That the payrolls of the various Departments of the City of Plattsburgh for the week ending November 13, 2019 in the amount of **\$ 59,007.48** 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 Kelly; Seconded by Councilor Gibbs
(All in Favor/opposed)

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Gibbs, Ensel, Moore
(All voted in the affirmative)

3. REPORTS OF CITY OFFICES & COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Report of Fire and Ambulance Responses for the week of November 5 - 11, 2019
- Report from the Building Inspector's office for the week of November 6 - 12, 2019
- Reports from the Police Department dated November 12, 2019
- Minutes from the Governance, Strategy & City Operations Committee meeting held on November 7, 2019

● **COUNCILOR/DEPARTMENT CHAIR COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Governance, Strategy, and City Operations- Chair Councilor Armstrong the uploading of the data to OPENGOV has begun and is progressing and spoke further about green procurement policy Task Force is working on which was sent to Council and Department heads for review.

City Infrastructure – Chair Councilor Moore indicated met tonight no further report.

Finance and Budget – Chair Councilor Kelly indicated had budget narratives from Assessment and Mayor’s office, on schedule with Budget hearing schedule.

Mayor Read mentioned the Finance office has the autopay program in place, no extra charge and lowered fee structure for credit card transactions and are exploring trying to do more things paperless. [further discussion ensued]

Public Safety – Chair Councilor Gibbs spoke during Infrastructure Committee that may be adding another inspector in Building Inspector Department. Building Inspector McMahon and Chamberlain Marks are exploring costs and a Local Law that will be coming forward in the next coming weeks.

Plattsburgh Public Library – Chair Councilor Ensel indicated no report.

MLD - MLD Board President Councilor McFarlin absent no report.

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 Armstrong; Seconded by Councilor Gibbs
(All in Favor/opposed)
Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Gibbs, Ensel, 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 November 15, 2019 in the amount of \$ 849,500.47 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 Moore; Seconded by Councilor Ensel
(All in Favor/opposed)
Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Gibbs, Ensel, 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 from the City Chamberlain to increase appropriations in the 2019 General Fund Community Development Contract Services budget for \$8,900.00 as required by Common Council resolution dated November 7th, 2019, for costs related to subdividing City property located at 52 US Oval.

By Councilor Kelly; Seconded by Councilor Moore

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Gibbs, Ensel, 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 the Mayor to sign an Engineering Design Agreement with C&S Engineering, Inc. for a total of \$116,000 for the Cogan Avenue Reconstruction Project Design.

By Councilor Armstrong; Seconded by Councilor Gibbs

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Gibbs, Ensel, Moore

(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

8. TRAVEL REQUEST: None

9. RESOLUTIONS FOR INITIAL CONSIDERATION: None

10. NEW BUSINESS AND COUNCILOR REPORTS:

Councilor Armstrong mentioned she sent out sample resolution passed by the Town of Plattsburgh which was an endorsement of the Carbon Tax Law that is going before Congress. She sees value in doing it and it fits in our objectives of a Climate Smart Community to promote that kind of legislation and hopes to have it on next week's agenda.

11. CLOSING PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ANY TOPIC: None

Motion to Adjourn by Councilor Gibbs; Seconded by Councilor Ensel

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Gibbs, Ensel, Moore

(All voted in the affirmative)

MEETING ADJOURNED: 5:44 pm