

**At 5:06pm a Motion to enter Executive Session to discuss potential litigation with Plattsburgh Plaza.
By Councilor Ensel; Seconded by Councilor Kelly
Roll call: Councilors Kelly, Dowdle, Ensel, McFarlin, Kretser
(All voted in the affirmative)**

**Returned at 5:25pm
Mayor Read stated returned from Executive Session discussed potential litigation with Plattsburgh Plaza.
No decisions were made during Executive Session.**

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

July 19, 2018

5:30 P.M.

MINUTES

**Pledge of Allegiance
(RC)**

Present: Mayor Colin Read, Councilors Mike Kelly (W2), Dale Dowdle (W3), Peter Ensel (W4), Patrick McFarlin (W5), Joshua Kretser (W6)

Absent: **Councilor Rachelle Armstrong (W1)**

MAYOR'S COMMENTS: Spoke about the Saranac River Trail and City is determined to complete Saranac River Trail and need time to research to possibly bring costs down and with Downtown Revitalization Initiative (DRI). Spoke about Consolidated Funding Application (CFA) and Plattsburgh Housing Authority thanked everyone involved.

1. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Common Council held on July 5, 2018 and July 12, 2018 are approved and placed on file among the public records of the City Clerk's Office.

By Councilor Kretser; Seconded by Councilor Kelly
(All in Favor/opposed)

Roll call: Councilors Kelly, Dowdle, Ensel, McFarlin, Kretser
(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 July 18, 2018 in the amount of \$ 534,507.61 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 Ensel
(All in Favor/opposed)

Roll call: Councilors Kelly, Dowdle, Ensel, McFarlin, Kretser
(All voted in the affirmative)

3. REPORTS OF CITY OFFICES & COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Report of Fire and Ambulance Responses for the week of July 10 - 16, 2018
- Minutes from the Governance, Strategy & City Operations Committee held on July 5, 2018
- Minutes from the City Infrastructure Committee held on July 12, 2018

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

Governance, Strategy, and City Operations- Chair Councilor Kretser indicated Councilor Armstrong met with Rory Fisher to work with him in an effort to poll down town vendors about banning plastic straws.

City Infrastructure – Chair Councilor Ensel indicated beginning next week repaving/resurfacing will take place and be worth the inconvenience.

Finance and Budget – Chair Councilor Kelly indicated they met tonight. Mayor and his team working had on 2019 budget.

Public Safety – Chair Councilor Dowdle nothing to report meet next week.

Plattsburgh Public Library – Chair Councilor Armstrong absent.

MLD - MLD Board President Councilor McFarlin nothing to 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 Ensel; Seconded by Councilor Kretser
(All in Favor/opposed)

Roll call: Councilors Kelly, Dowdle, Ensel, McFarlin, Kretser
(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 July 20, 2018 in the amount of \$ 1,773,869.33 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 Dowdle; Seconded by Councilor Ensel
(All in Favor/opposed)
Roll call: Councilors Kelly, Dowdle, Ensel, McFarlin, Kretser
(All voted in the affirmative)

6. PERSONS ADDRESSING COUNCIL ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY:

Jim Munger, 31 River Ave, spoke in support of the Saranac River Trail feels it is a great asset to our city and an important part.

Mayor Read clarified Phase 2 is going forward just trying to decide on Phase 3.

Unidentified Speaker spoke in support of the Saranac River Trail and phase 3 part of project and city should use DRI monies.

7. OTHER ITEMS:

Motion to remove item 7A from the Table

By Councilor _____; Seconded by Councilor _____

Roll call: Councilors Kelly, Dowdle, Ensel, McFarlin, Kretser

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted _____ Defeated _____ Withdrawn _____ Tabled _____

A. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves the Mayor of the City of Plattsburgh to sign a letter declining NYSDOT PIN 780663, Saranac River Trail Phase 3 funding.

Discussion:

Roll call: Councilors Kelly, Dowdle, Ensel, McFarlin, Kretser

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted _____ Defeated _____ Withdrawn _____ Tabled _____

Follow up Action:

B. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves Jean Pierre Turgeon to hold the 40th Annual Omnium Champlain sailing regatta at the Plattsburgh City Marina on August 25, 2018. They are request to install a 40 X 20 tent on the grassy area, use of electricity and food will be catered. Therefore, Insurance Certificate, Dig Safe permit, \$20 utility use fee and caterer's insurance and health department certificate are required.

By Councilor Kretser; Seconded by Councilor Ensel

Discussion: Yes

Roll call: Councilors Kelly, Dowdle, Ensel, McFarlin, Kretser

(All voted in the affirmative)
ACTION TAKEN: Adopted
Follow up Action: None

C. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves Plattsburgh Farmers Market to block off an additional 24 parking spaces for their Homestead Day on August 4, 2018.

By Councilor Kretser; Seconded by Councilor Kelly
Discussion: Yes
Roll call: Councilors Kelly, Dowdle, Ensel, McFarlin, Kretser
(All voted in the affirmative)
ACTION TAKEN: Adopted
Follow up Action: None

D. CAPS CSO Improvements Water Quality Improvement Act Grant Application

The City's approved CSO Long Term Control Plant and WRRF SPDES permit require improvements at CAPS. The anticipated work appears to meet the requirements for grant funding under the Water Quality Improvement Act so an application is being prepared. This program can provide up to 75% of total eligible project costs. The upside budget is \$1,000,000 so the local share would be \$250,000. It is respectfully requested that the Common Council resolve to:

Whereas, The City of Plattsburgh is committed to maintaining the city's infrastructure, protecting water quality, and promoting the full use and enjoyment of the waterfront,

Whereas, one of the projects required by the Water Resource Recovery Facility SPDES permit and the City's CSO Long Term Control Plan the upgrade the CSO at the Cumberland Avenue Pump Station.

Whereas, a CFA grant application for WQIP funds is being prepared requesting \$750,000.00 toward the project.

Whereas, the total estimated cost of the project is \$1,000,000 so there will be at least \$250,000 in project costs that will need to be funded by the City.

RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves:

- Submitting the application, receiving the funds, providing any local share
- Authorizing the Environmental Manager to executing all necessary documents, required
- The \$250,000 to be provided from Sewer Reserve and authorizes the execution of all necessary applications, letters and documents to appropriate agencies to that effect

Motion to waive reading and move the resolution

By Councilor Kretser; Seconded by Councilor Kelly
Discussion: Yes
Roll call: Councilors Kelly, Dowdle, Ensel, McFarlin, Kretser
(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

8. TRAVEL REQUEST: None

9. RESOLUTIONS FOR INITIAL CONSIDERATION:

The following resolution was added for initial consideration:

AUTHORIZING Leander Bouyea Court Bathroom Project and Robert S. Long Air Handler Project in partnership with the Plattsburgh Housing Authority

WHEREAS, the City has received a Small Cities Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), a Community Economic Development Grant and has Community Development Special Revenue under the Housing and Community Development Act, as amended, in the amount of \$207,440.38, the purpose of which is to benefit at least 51 percent Low-to-Moderate Income households or Elderly households, and

WHEREAS, PHA has assisted the City with planning for, and with preparation of the application for the Small Cities Community Development Block Grant as aforesaid, and

WHEREAS, the City desires to engage PHA as the sub-recipient of the residential rehabilitation programs to be implemented by means of said grants, in a manner consistent with the City's grant application as approved by the New York State Office of Community Renewal (NYSOCR), and

WHEREAS, PHA is desirous of, and has the capability of, managing said residential rehabilitation program as sub-recipient.

NOW THEREFORE, the City of Plattsburgh Common Council duly convened does hereby:

RESOLVE, that the City of Plattsburgh Common Council hereby approves engagement of the PHA as sub-recipient of its above mentioned grants for the rehabilitation of properties owned by the PHA within the City and it is hereby further

RESOLVED, that the City of Plattsburgh Common Council hereby approves the above-subject projects, and it is hereby further

RESOLVED, that the Mayor of the City of Plattsburgh be and is hereby authorized to execute all necessary agreements, certifications or reimbursement requests required to complete the above-subject projects on behalf of the City of Plattsburgh.

Motion to waive the reading, waive Rule 4 for Initial Consideration and move the resolution:

By Councilor McFarlin; Seconded by Councilor Kretser

Discussion: Yes

Roll call: Councilors Kelly, Dowdle, Ensel, McFarlin, Kretser

(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

10. NEW BUSINESS AND COUNCILOR REPORTS: None

11. CLOSING PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ANY TOPIC:

Unidentified Speaker, 52 Tremblay Ave, said the city tree has destroyed her driveway, limb has fallen, doing damage to her driveway and feels it is very dangerous.

MLD Manager Bill Treacy indicated her home is on their list to remove trees at they hope to do tomorrow or on Monday.

Unidentified Speaker spoke about banning plastic straws and feels there needs to more effort in cleaning up lake debris.

Motion to Adjourn by Councilor McFarlin; Seconded by Councilor Ensel

Roll call: Councilors Kelly, Dowdle, Ensel, McFarlin, Kretser

(All voted in the affirmative)

MEETING ADJOURNED: 6:01 pm