

At 5:05pm a Motion to enter Executive Session to discuss an issue of property purchase.
By Councilor Ensel; Seconded by Councilor Armstrong
Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, Ensel, McFarlin, Kretser
(All voted in the affirmative)

Returned at 5:32pm
Mayor Read stated returned from Executive Session discussed a Collective Bargaining Agreement, a property purchase that the public discussion of which would impact the value and a personnel issue involving a particular person.
No action was taken during Executive Session.

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF PLATTSBURGH, NEW YORK**
September 27, 2018
5:30 P.M.

MINUTES

Pledge of Allegiance
(RC)

Present: Mayor Colin Read, Councilors Rachelle Armstrong (W1), Mike Kelly (W2), Dale Dowdle (W3), Peter Ensel (W4), Patrick McFarlin (W5) (*arrived after roll call at 5:34pm*), Joshua Kretser (W6)

Absent: None

MAYOR'S COMMENTS: spoke about Lt. Governor Kathy Hochul's visit earlier today to tour the various Downtown Revitalization locations with him and Community Development Director Matthew Miller.

1. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Common Council held on September 20, 2018 are approved and placed on file among the public records of the City Clerk's Office.

By Councilor Armstrong; Seconded by Councilor Kretser
(All in Favor/opposed)
Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, 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 September 26, 2018 in the amount of \$ 444,515.71 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 Ensel; Seconded by Councilor Kelly

(All in Favor/opposed)

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

(All voted in the affirmative)

3. REPORTS OF CITY OFFICES & COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Report from the Building Inspector’s office for the week of September 12-25, 2018
- Minutes from the Finance & Budget Committee held on September 20, 2018
- Report from the Parking Violations Bureau for August 2018

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

Governance, Strategy, and City Operations- Chair Councilor Kretser indicated no updates.

City Infrastructure – Chair Councilor Ensel said he is looking forward to road work around the city.

Finance and Budget – Chair Councilor Kelly indicated no updates.

Public Safety – Chair Councilor Dowdle indicated committee met tonight. Police Chief Ritter spoke about community policing possible lease of store front downtown and Building Inspector McMahon spoke about codes.

Plattsburgh Public Library – Chair Councilor Armstrong indicated no updates

MLD - MLD Board President Councilor McFarlin indicated no updates

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 McFarlin; Seconded by Councilor Ensel

(All in Favor/opposed)

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, 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 September 28, 2018 in the amount of \$ 740,207.23 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 Kelly; Seconded by Councilor Dowdle

Discussion: Yes

(All in Favor/opposed)

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

(All voted in the affirmative)

6. PERSONS ADDRESSING COUNCIL ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY: None

7. OTHER ITEMS:

Item A did not get moved from Committee Agenda therefore no action taken on this item.

A. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves a year contract with Eagle’s Nest Veterinary Hospital for animal shelter services for fees outlined in the agreement.

By Councilor _____; Seconded by Councilor _____

Discussion:

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, 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 the City Chamberlain to increase capital project H5110.59, Old Base Marina Flood Damage, by \$8,500.00 to pay for the completion of the project work, which now totals \$1,735,500, and to finalize the funding request submission to FEMA for the federal share of project funding.

Motion to waive reading and move Resolutions 7B, 7C, 7D, 7E, 7F, 7G, 7H and 8A:

By Councilor Kretser; Seconded by Councilor Ensel

(Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, Ensel and Kretser voted in the affirmative “waiving reading and moving resolutions 7B, 7C, 7D, 7E, 7F, 7G, 7H and 8A. Councilor McFarlin voted in the negative.)

Discussion: Yes

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, 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 that the Mayor be authorized to sign Change Order No. 5 to Contract #2016-16 “Slope Stabilization Project-Oklahoma Avenue” in the amount of \$38,106.44.

[See details under Item 7B]

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

D. Whereas, the City of Plattsburgh has developed a proposed local law to amend the Planned Unit Development regulations which impact the Central Business Zoning District within the City; and

Whereas, pursuant to SEQR, the Common Council has determined the proposed action to be a Type 1 Action; and

Whereas, the proposed action requires the approval and/or involvement of several agencies, including the Common Council; and

Whereas, the Common Council desires to serve as Lead Agency for the purpose of conducting an environmental review of the proposed action in accordance with SEQR regulations; and

Whereas, the City intends to prepare a Notice of Intent to Serve as Lead Agency for the purpose of establishing itself as lead agency; and

Whereas, the City intends to prepare a full Environment Assessment Form to evaluate the potential impacts of the proposed action;

Now, therefore, be it resolved, that provided no other involved agency indicates a desire to serve as Lead Agency within thirty days of the date of this notice, the Common Council will serve in that capacity, in accordance with SEQR regulations.

[See details under Item 7B]

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

E. Whereas, the City of Plattsburgh has developed a proposed local law to amend the Planned Unit Development regulations which impact the Central Business Zoning District within the City; and

Whereas, pursuant to GML 239-m, the Common Council has determined that the proposed action requires a referral to the Clinton County Planning Department;

Now, therefore, be it resolved, that the Common Council authorizes the submission of a GML 239-m referral to the Clinton County Planning Department for this proposed local law.

[See details under Item 7B]

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

F. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves the City Chamberlain to increase the appropriation for capital project H8320.68, Meade Dam Design and Bidding Work, by \$50,000 for additional testing to be performed by Schnabel Engineering funded by an

internal transfer of Infrastructure Investment Charges - Mead Dam revenue from the 2018 water bill collections.

[See details under Item 7B]

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted
Follow up Action: None

G. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves that the Common Council agree to and authorize the execution of this agreement with CDM Smith in the not-to-exceed amount of \$66,700. Funding will be from Capital Project H8130.55.

[See details under Item 7B]

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted
Follow up Action: None

H. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves the City Chamberlain to revise capital project H5110.64, 2018 Equipment Purchase, to include an asphalt truck for use in street reconstruction and maintenance and to fund the \$185,000 additional equipment cost from the City’s 2018 NYS CHIPS funding allocation.

[See details under Item 7B]

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted
Follow up Action: None

8. TRAVEL REQUEST:

A. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves two Police Department employees to attend “NY Women in Law Enforcement 9th Annual Training conference” from October 17-19, 2018 in Callicoon, NY. The total cost should not exceed \$1,204.50 and will be expensed out of the Asset Forfeiture Fund.

[See details under Item 7B]

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted
Follow up Action: None

9. RESOLUTIONS FOR INITIAL CONSIDERATION: None

10. NEW BUSINESS AND COUNCILOR REPORTS:

Councilor Ensel asked about status of USS Saratoga Replica project.

Mayor Read indicated from what he understands it was a grant with 2 additional sources of funds. One from the State part of the LWRAP program and one from Rotary and both of those funds were ultimately withdrawn

and directed elsewhere. He believes it is no longer on the drawing board although I hope, and you and I have had discussions, to get it down and Harbor side.

[further discussion ensued]

Councilor Kelly indicated he met with Mayor Read on IT expenses last week and Mayor Read will be discussing with Department Heads next week.

Councilor McFarlin mentioned Ethics Board has met and they have two complaints brought to them they will be reviewing.

Councilor Budget discussion held with Building Inspector Joe McMahon

Mayor Read spoke about his recent press release reporting out to the public the results of the audit from the comptroller’s office.

Councilor Budget discussion held with City Chamberlain Richard Marks

11. CLOSING PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ANY TOPIC: None

Motion to Adjourn by Councilor Ensel; Seconded by Councilor McFarlin
Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, Ensel, McFarlin, Kretser
(All voted in the affirmative)

MEETING ADJOURNED: 6:22 pm