

Common Council Minutes August 2, 2022

Mayor McFarland called the regular meeting of the City of Watertown Common Council to order at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday August 2, 2022. This meeting was open for attendance in the council chambers as well as virtually.

ROLL CALL

Roll call indicated the following Alderpersons present: Ald. Davis, Lampe, Ruetten, Bartz, Licht, Smith, Schmid. Ald. Romlein joined virtually at 7:22 pm and absent was Ald. Wetzel. City staff present were City Attorney Steven T. Chesebro, Police Chief Robert Kaminski, Finance Director Mark Stevens, Fire Chief Travis Teesh, Assistant Engineer Andrew Beyer, and City Clerk Megan Dunneisen. Virtually attending was Alex Allon from Strategic Development/RDA.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Council recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

MINUTES OF PRECEDING MEETING

Mayor McFarland inquired if there were additions or corrections to minutes of the Common Council meeting held Tuesday July 19, 2022. Ald. Licht noted that he was not marked as present or absent. Correct to minutes will be made.

COMMENTS & SUGGESTIONS FROM CITIZENS PRESENT

Phillip Braatz of 1306 S. Third Street spoke on the special event Pride in the Park.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

(Complete minutes are open for public inspection in the Finance Department.)

The following reports were received and filed: Public Works Commissions minutes from July 26, 2022

COMMUNICATIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS

Alex Allon gave an update on the Town Square project. Project is on schedule and has met the halfway mark.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

(Complete listing of accounts payable is open for public inspection the Finance Department.)

Certified accounts were presented. Ald. Smith moved to pay all certified accounts, seconded by Ald. Licht and carried by roll call vote: Yes-7; No-0; Abstain-0.

REPORTS & MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Payroll Summary from 6/15/2022 to 6/28/2022 and 6/29/2022 to 7/12/2022

ORDINANCES

Ord #22-64 - Ordinance to Create Section 500-6(A)(10), 2 Hour Parking 8 am to 3 pm (Sponsor Ald. Smith From: Public Safety and Welfare Committee First Reading). Ald. Smith moved to adoption of ordinance 22-64 on its 1st reading, seconded by Ald. Schmid and carried by roll call vote: Yes-7; No-0; Abstain-0.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolutions below are listed in order of the agenda but may not be the order by which they were taken up at the Council meeting.

Exh. 9408 - Resolution to add position of Deputy Treasurer/Clerk to Payroll Resolution (Sponsor: Mayor McFarland From: Finance Committee) Ald. Schmid moved to pick up resolution 9408 from the table, second by Ald. Ruetten and carried by unanimous voice vote. Ald. Ruetten moved to amend resolution 9408 to paygrade K from original paygrade I. Second by Ald. Lampe carried by a roll call vote: Yes-7; No-0; Abstain-0. Ald. Ruetten moved to adopt the amended resolution 9408, second by Ald. Licht and carried by a roll call vote: Yes-7; No-0; Abstain-0

Exh. 9413 - Resolution to award seawall demolition project contract at 112 S. First Street to Janke General Contractors, Inc. for \$73,760.00 (Sponsor: Mayor McFarland From: Finance Committee). Ald. Ruetten moved to adopt resolution 9413, seconded by Ald. Bartz and carried by a roll call vote: Yes-8; No-0; Abstain-0.

COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS FROM CITIZENS PRESENT

No comments were received.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, Ald. Schmid moved to adjourn, seconded by Ald. Romlein, and carried by voice vote at 7:30 p.m.

Megan Dunneisen, City Clerk

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