

THE HONORABLE BODY
Council Chambers
Municipal Building
North Tonawanda, New York 14120
Tuesday, June 2, 2015
6:35P.M.

REGULAR SESSION CALLED TO ORDER BY PRESIDENT RIZZO

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Present: President Rizzo
Alderman Zadzilka, Braun, Schwandt, Pecoraro

Absent: None

Also Present: Mayor Arthur G. Pappas
City Attorney Shawn P. Nickerson

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION - None

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION MAY 19, 2015

MOVED by Alderman Zadzilka SECONDED by Alderman Pecoraro
That the minutes of the regular session held May 19, 2015 be approved as circulated and
filed in the Office of the City Clerk.
CARRIED.

PROOF OF PUBLICATION PUBLISHED MAY 1, 2015

1) Legal Notice – Completion of 2015 Tentative Assessment Roll – Assessor’s Office

MOVED by Alderman Zadzilka SECONDED by Alderman Braun
That the Common Council hereby receives and files the aforementioned Proof of
Publication.
CARRIED.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICIALS

Joseph C. Mineo

April 24, 2015

Honorable Arthur Pappas, Mayor
City of North Tonawanda
216 Payne Avenue
North Tonawanda, New York 14120

Dear Mayor Pappas,

06-02-2015

Dear Honorable Body:

In accordance with Article V, Division 1, Section 5.002 and 5.003 of the City Charter, an Abstract Sheet, comprised of a Warrant of Claims, has been submitted by this office for your review and approval.

Accordingly, please authorize for payment the current Warrant of Claims for Common Council audit, dated June 2, 2015, and further authorize the Mayor and City Clerk-Treasurer to respectively sign and countersign said Warrant.

Very truly yours,
Mark W. Dotterweich
City Accountant

MOVED by Alderman Pecoraro SECONDED by Alderman Zadzilka
That the Common Council hereby authorizes for payment the current Abstract of Claims for Common Council Audit dated June 2, 2015 and further authorizes the Mayor and City Clerk-Treasurer to respectively sign and countersign said Warrant:

01	General Fund	\$689,354.36
02	Water Fund	29,890.99
04	Sewer Fund	62,741.01
06	Capital Project Fund	164,196.76
07	Trust & Agency Fund	400.00
08	Community Development	<u>46,455.00</u>
	Final Total	<u>\$993,038.12</u>

Ayes: Zadzilka, Braun, Schwandt, Pecoraro, Rizzo (5)
Nays: None (0)
CARRIED.

VII.2 Accountant

May 19, 2015

Honorable Arthur G. Pappas, Mayor
And Common Council
City Hall
North Tonawanda, NY 14120

Dear Honorable Body:

In accordance with Section 2.2 of the Budgetary Transfer Policy, please authorize the City Accountant to make the following budget amendment of fiscal year 2015 revenues and appropriations, based on the requests of Department Heads:

Control Number	Dollar Amount	Amend Revenue Account	Amend Appropriation Account
1	\$2,000.00	1-1000.1589 East Hill Grant Rescue Tool	1-3410.265 Rescue Extraction Tools

Explanation: To establish appropriate revenue and appropriation accounts for a 100% reimbursable grant from East Hill Foundation for rescue extraction tools. The grant is approved for \$2,000 and the net effect on the 2015 budget is zero.

Very truly yours,
Mark W. Dotterweich
City Accountant

MOVED by Alderman Rizzo

SECONDED by Alderman Zadzilka

The Common Council hereby authorizes the City Accountant to make the following transfer of fiscal year 2015 appropriations, based on the request of the Department Head:

<u>Control Number</u>	<u>Dollar Amount</u>	<u>Amend Revenue Account</u>	<u>Amend Appropriation Account</u>
1	\$2,000.00	1-1000.1589 East Hill Grant Rescue Tool	1-3410.265 Rescue Extraction Tools

Ayes: Zadzilka, Braun, Schwandt, Pecoraro, Rizzo (5)

Nays: None (0)

CARRIED.

XI. Fire Chief

May 18, 2015

Honorable Arthur Pappas, Mayor
And Common Council Members
216 Payne Avenue
North Tonawanda, NY 14120

Re: Award of Class "A" Pumper

Dear Honorable Body:

On Monday April 27, 2015, six (6) bids were received for a new Class "A" Fire Pumper and are as follows:

1. Pierce Manufacturing (new build)	\$376,130.00
2. Pierce Manufacturing (Alternate #1)	\$361,545.00
3. Pierce Manufacturing (Alternate #2)	\$341,740.00
4. Sutphen Corporation	\$385,214.00
5. E-One	\$367,841.00
6. Empire Apparatus (Rosenbauer)	\$374,566.00

After diligent scrutiny of each proposal, including available discounts, build time, compartment space general layout, and adherence to our specifications, only three (3) bids could be considered. Numbers 1, 4, and 5 were within parameters of our specifications, and all were within \$5,000.00 of the other.

Accordingly, I respectfully request that the Common Council concur with the Fire Department findings, and award the Class "A" Pumper to the Sutphen (sut-fin) Corporation, for their original bid of \$385,214.00 and authorize the Mayor to sign all agreements, pending approval of the City Attorney.

This bid provides the best suited vehicle for the Department in transporting and protection of our equipment, along with the capability to carry added equipment due to the additional compartment space provided.

Respectfully,
John C. Lapham
Fire Chief

MOVED by Alderman Zadzilka

SECONDED by Alderman Pecoraro

That the Common Council hereby awards the bid for the Class "A" Fire Pumper to Sutphen Corporation for the original bid of \$385,214.00 and authorizes the Mayor to sign all agreements, subject to review by the City Attorney.

Ayes: Zadzilka, Braun, Schwandt, Pecoraro, Rizzo (5)

Nays: None (0)

CARRIED.

XIV. Recreation & Parks

May 27, 2015

The Honorable Mayor Arthur Pappas and Common Council Members
 City Hall
 216 Payne Avenue
 North Tonawanda, NY 14120

Dear Honorable Body:

Please review and approve for signing the attached agreement between North Tonawanda Umpires Association and the City of North Tonawanda for the provision of softball umpires for adult softball leagues conducted by the City.

The new agreement will be a one year.

I have requested the City Attorney to review and approve this agreement.

Therefore, I request that Your Honorable Body authorize the Mayor to execute this agreement on behalf of the City.

Thank you for your assistance in resolving this matter.

Respectfully submitted,
 Patricia A. Brosius
 Director of Youth, Recreation & Parks

MOVED by Alderman Zadzilka

SECONDED by Alderman Rizzo

That the Common Council hereby approves the attached agreement between North Tonawanda Umpires Association and the City of North Tonawanda for the provision of softball umpires for adult softball leagues conducted by the City, and requests the Mayor to sign said contract subject to review by the City Attorney.

Ayes: Zadzilka, Braun, Schwandt, Pecoraro, Rizzo

(5)

Nays: None

(0)

CARRIED.

XVII. Traffic Safety

May 19, 2015

Daniel R. Quinn
 City Clerk/Treasurer
 216 Payne Avenue
 North Tonawanda, NY 14120

Traffic Safety Minutes:

The May meeting of the North Tonawanda Traffic Safety Committee was called to order at 1900 hours. Roll call showed all members present. The minutes from the previous meeting were read and accepted. The following new requests/concerns were discussed and recommendations made.

1. Member A. DiBernardo recommended placing a no parking sign on one side of Weaver Parkway near Ward Road. Vehicles parking on both sides of Weaver are making it difficult/unsafe to turn in the area. The Committee is unanimously in agreement with this and recommends Member Daigler place the sign in the correct area of Weaver Parkway.
2. Member R. Frank received a request from a resident on Meadow Drive to place deer crossing signs on Meadow Drive in the area of the High School. The Committee does not feel there is a need for the requested signs and does not recommend placing them.

3. Member Daigler received numerous complaints on parking along 18th Avenue in the area of Walgreen's, and recommends placing no parking signs along the North side of 18th from Payne to the end of Walgreen's property. The Committee is in agreement with this request and recommends placing the requested signs.
4. The Committee received and filed a Notice of Order, study #29.03-62, from the NYS DOT.

Meeting Adjourned at 1945 hours.

Travel Safely,
Joseph D. Sikora, Chairman

MOVED by Alderman Pecoraro SECONDED by Alderman Braun
That the Common Council hereby approves the aforementioned traffic safety recommendations with the exemption of #3.

Ayes: Zadzilka, Braun, Schwandt, Pecoraro, Rizzo (5)

Nays: None (0)

CARRIED.

XXV. Monthly Reports

1. Police Department

MOVED by Alderman Rizzo SECONDED by Alderman Schwandt
That the Common Council hereby approves the aforementioned Monthly Reports.
CARRIED.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Ann Finkle 896 Sun Valley Drive – Stated she is disappointed in the paving of Zimmerman Street, says it is very bumpy and it appears to be done but not up to the standards that she has come to expect of repaving. Asked if the City is taking down Ash trees on city property as needed or as a prophylactic (e.g. to prevent disease) and if it is a prophylactic, why are they not asking the citizens to take their own down. Stated it is extremely expensive to have to cut trees down. Stated there has to be a way the City can take the trees down and not have the public take them down themselves at their own cost. Stated it is for the good of the entire City if the City helps their citizens. Stated there are two huge tree stumps on Rumbold Avenue that have not been ground down and they are infested with ants. Said the residents are trying to spray the ants, but to no avail. Asked if the City has given any thought to changing from 4 meetings (e.g. 2 workshops, 2 council) to 2 meetings a month. Because it has always been done that way, does not make it correct.

Rob Orłowski 598 Meadowbrook Drive – He wanted to thank everyone for allowing him to present the fire prevention trailer to the Council last week. Stated it is a small cost compared to the large budget the City has. Stated it is important to fire prevention to have the use of this training device whenever we want it for the schools, senior centers, and residents of the city. Stated public safety should be top priority for the City.

Kathy Kern 1248 Greenbrier Lane – Stated she agreed with Ms. Finkle; Zimmerman Street is like driving on a rollercoaster. Asked if like in the past the Auxiliary Police are going to get rid of the sign blight. Stated we are at that time of year when everyone places their signs on the poles throughout the city and some people do not take them down after their event. Stated it can be a distraction to drivers and she feels the city should issue a permit if they want to hang a sign. Stated she appreciates what the city is doing to help keep the city clean and nice.

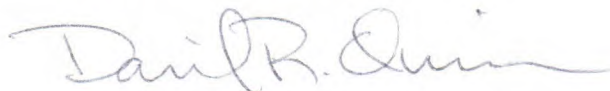
Kevin Hodgson 67 Jesella Drive North – Stated he also agrees that the paving on Zimmerman Street was not a good job, also he supports the fire trailer that Rob is backing. Stated he is sure the city can loan it out and it enhances the city image. Stated give me 10 minutes and he could find the money in the budget for the fire prevention trailer.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Alderman Zadzilka **SECONDED** by Alderman Pecoraro
That this regular session of the Common Council be and hereby is adjourned.
CARRIED.

Time of Adjournment: 7:05P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Daniel R. Quinn
City Clerk-Treasurer