

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

June 27, 2019

5:30 P.M.

MINUTES

Pledge of Allegiance

(RC)

Present: Mayor Colin Read, Councilors Mike Kelly (W2), Elizabeth Gibbs (W3), Patrick McFarlin (W5), Jeff Moore (W6)

Absent: Councilors **Rachelle Armstrong (W1), Peter Ensel (W4)**

MAYOR'S COMMENTS: spoke about recent events such as; fishing tournaments, "Schools Out/Kid Count" event Officer Brad Miller and others organized.

Mayor Read presented the following proclamation:

Whereas, The Honor Flight organization exists to honor those men and women who left their homes and their families to fight a foreign enemy on foreign soil, and who gave so much in service to us all, and;

Whereas, Since its founding in 2013, the North Country Honor Flight has made 28 flights, bringing 420 veterans to see the World War II memorial and to receive the thanks of a grateful nation, and;

Whereas, North Country Honor Flight is dedicated to honoring the veterans of the North Country with that trip to Washington, and;

Whereas, Beekmantown Central School 7th grade project based learning team, students and many in the Beekmantown Middle School community planned and held a 5K/1 Mile Fun Run Walk on May 18, 2019, and;

Whereas, through this coordinated effort was able to donate \$19,000 to the North Country Honor Flight, and;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Colin L. Read, Mayor of the City of Plattsburgh, New York, do hereby proclaim this day to be dedicated in Honor of the Beekmantown Middle School District, faculty, and 7th grade students for their efforts in helping raise money for the North Country Honor Flight

Done in the City of Plattsburgh, New York this
twenty-seventh day of June in the Year Two-
Thousand Nineteen
Colin L. Read, Mayor

1. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Common Council held on June 20, 2019 are approved and placed on file among the public records of the City Clerk's Office

By Councilor Gibbs; Seconded by Councilor Kelly

(All in Favor/opposed)

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Gibbs, Ensel, McFarlin, 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 June 26, 2019 in the amount of **\$ 100,731.88** 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 Moore

(All in Favor/opposed)

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

(All voted in the affirmative)

3. REPORTS OF CITY OFFICES & COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Report from the Building Inspector's office for the week of June 19 - 25, 2019
- Minutes from the Finance and Budget Committee held on June 20, 2019
- Building Inspector's Tree Report 2019
- Report from the Parking Violations Bureau for May 2019
- Report from Eagle's Nest Veterinary Hospital Dangerous Dog dated June 19, 2019

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

[meeting reports provided during work session]

Governance, Strategy, and City Operations- Chair Councilor Armstrong absent. Councilor McFarlin indicated no updates.

City Infrastructure – Chair Councilor Moore indicated no updates, generally discussed paving projects, Livable Committee update. [further discussion ensued]

Finance and Budget – Chair Councilor Kelly complimented Chamberlain Richard Marks on reports etc, continuing process going through department by department. Working on and close to issuing RFP for IT Services.

Public Safety – Chair Councilor Gibbs met tonight items moved to agenda.

Plattsburgh Public Library – Chair Councilor Ensel indicated no updates.

MLD - MLD Board President Councilor McFarlin mentioned exciting news that last week Council approved purchase of new location for MLD. [further discussion ensued]

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 Gibbs; Seconded by Councilor _____
(All in Favor/opposed)

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Gibbs, Ensel, McFarlin, 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 June 28, 2019 in the amount of \$ 1,788,643.15 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 Gibbs
(All in Favor/opposed)

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

6. PERSONS ADDRESSING COUNCIL ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY: None

7. OTHER ITEMS:

A. THE MAYOR HANDS DOWN THE APPOINTMENT OF JOSHUA BEATTY AND ELLEN ADAMS AS VOLUNTEER CO-CITY HISTORIANS EFFECTIVE JUNE 27, 2019 TO JUNE 27, 2022.

Mayor Read introduced Joshua and Ellen thanked them for volunteering to be co-City Historians.

Ellen Adams said a few words.

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Gibbs, Ensel, McFarlin, 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 Ed Garrow and Sons to close Pike Street (from Bridge Street to Macomb Street) for one day between July 1 – 5, 2019 to replace a sewer lateral line under the road at 38 Pike Street.

By Councilor Kelly; Seconded by Councilor Gibbs

Discussion: Yes
Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Gibbs, Ensel, McFarlin, Moore
(All voted in the affirmative)
ACTION TAKEN: Adopted
Follow up Action: None

C. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves naming the Lower Saranac Crossing “Commemoration Bridge” in dedication to all those who fought in the Sept 11th Battle of Plattsburgh, Christopher “Kit” Booth, Gary VanCour, and all other past and present Battle of Plattsburgh Commemoration committee volunteers.

By Councilor McFarlin; Seconded by Councilor Gibbs
Discussion: Yes
Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Gibbs, Ensel, McFarlin, 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: None

11. CLOSING PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ANY TOPIC:

Ernie Gillespie, 89 Main Mill Street, said tremendous job on South Catherine Street, still has concerns about Main Mill Street, feels 15 mph zone would help and road needs repairs, also mentioned substation security.

Councilor Gibbs mentioned they will talk about these concerns at the next Infrastructure Committee meeting.

Mayor Read mentioned Manager Bill Treacy is reviewing substation security.

Motion to Adjourn by Councilor McFarlin; Seconded by Councilor Gibbs
Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Gibbs, Ensel, McFarlin, Moore
(All voted in the affirmative)
MEETING ADJOURNED: 5:43 pm