

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

August 22, 2019

5:30 P.M.

MINUTES

Pledge of Allegiance

(RC)

Present: Mayor Colin Read, Councilors Rachelle Armstrong (W1), Elizabeth Gibbs (W3), Peter Ensel (W4), Patrick McFarlin (W5), Jeff Moore (W6)

Absent: **Councilor Mike Kelly (W2)**

MAYOR'S COMMENTS: thanked everyone for involvement with Public meeting held previous day.

1. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING: Not available until August 29, 2019

2. PAYROLLS OF VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS:

RESOLVED: That the payrolls of the various Departments of the City of Plattsburgh for the week ending August 21, 2019 in the amount of **\$ 69,768.84** 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 Gibbs; Seconded by Councilor Ensel

(All in Favor/opposed)

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, 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 August 14 - August 20, 2019
- Report from the Police Department from January 1 – August 11, 2019
- Report from the Parking Violations Bureau for July 2019

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

Governance, Strategy, and City Operations- Chair Councilor Armstrong Sustainability Task Force met last night and discussed 30 most achievable actions.

City Infrastructure – Chair Councilor Moore discussed paving and striping all progressing well.

Finance and Budget – Chair Councilor Kelly absent. Mayor discussed budget hearing set for next week.

Public Safety – Chair Councilor Gibbs mentioned she, Councilor Ensel, Corporation Counsel Dean

Schneller and Mayor will be meeting to discuss polices and items that came out of Livable Community Advisory Committee.

Plattsburgh Public Library – Chair Councilor Ensel next Board meeting is Tuesday, August 27th

MLD - MLD Board President Councilor McFarlin indicated no updates at this time.

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 Armstrong
(All in Favor/opposed)
Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, 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 August 23, 2019 in the amount of \$ 589,708.23 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 Armstrong; Seconded by Councilor Gibbs
(All in Favor/opposed)
Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Gibbs, Ensel, McFarlin, Moore
(All voted in the affirmative)

6. PERSONS ADDRESSING COUNCIL ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY: None

7. OTHER ITEMS:

A. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves renewing the contract with Plattsburgh Housing Authority for the provision of Supplemental Police Services by a Plattsburgh Police Officer (September 1, 2019 – August 31, 2020). The total revenue for the City is billed on a monthly basis to cover the cost of our officer. There is no change in the contract provisions or reimbursement cost from 2019.

By Councilor McFarlin; Seconded by Councilor Gibbs
Discussion: Yes
Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, 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 the Mayor and Police Chief Ritter to sign a contract with Plattsburgh City School District for “School Resource Officer” for the 2019-2020 school year. There is no change from the contract of last year.

By Councilor Ensel; Seconded by Councilor Gibbs

Discussion: Yes

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

(Councilors Armstrong, Gibbs, Ensel and Moore voted in the affirmative. Councilor McFarlin voted in the negative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

8. TRAVEL REQUEST:

A. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves one Police Department employee to attend “The 6th Annual Training Conference – Domestic Violence Later in Life” from September 5-6, 2019 in Rochester, NY. The total cost will not exceed \$187.00 and will be expensed out of the Asset Forfeiture Fund.

By Councilor Ensel; Seconded by Councilor Gibbs

Discussion: None

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

(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

9. RESOLUTIONS FOR INITIAL CONSIDERATION:

WHEREAS, New York State requires all contractors and subcontractors to adhere to M/WBE regulations and policies in order to enhance MBE and WBE participation in NY State-funded projects;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this Common Council supports the NY State M/WBE legislation and hereby endorses its adoption as follows:

The City of Plattsburgh will cause its contractors and subcontractors to take good faith actions to achieve the M/WBE contract participations goals set by the State for that area in which the State-funded project is located, by taking the following steps:

- (1) Actively and affirmatively solicit bids for contracts and subcontracts from qualified State certified MBEs or WBEs, including solicitations to M/WBE contractor associations.
- (2) Request a list of State-certified M/WBEs from the contracting State agency-and solicit bids from them directly.
- (3) Ensure that plans, specifications, request for proposals and other documents used to secure bids will be made available in sufficient time for review by prospective M/WBEs.

- (4) Where feasible, divide the work into smaller portions to enhanced participations by M/WBEs and encourage the formation of joint venture and other partnerships among M/WBE contractors to enhance their participation.
- (5) Document and maintain records of bid solicitation, including those to M/WBEs and the results thereof. The City of Plattsburgh will also maintain records of actions that its subcontractors have taken toward meeting M/WBE contract participation goals.
- (6) Ensure that progress payments to M/WBEs are made on a timely basis so that undue financial hardship is avoided, and that bonding and other credit requirements are waived or appropriate alternatives developed to encourage M/WBE participation.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that Malana Tamer, Planner is hereby appointed Compliance Officer, to be responsible for insuring adherence to all M/WBE contract participation goals as set forth by the contracting State Agency.

Motion to wave rule 4 for Initial Consideration and move resolution

By Councilor Ensel; Seconded by Councilor Armstrong
 Discussion: None
 Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Gibbs, Ensel, McFarlin, Moore
 (All voted in the affirmative)
ACTION TAKEN: Adopted
 Follow up Action: None

10. NEW BUSINESS AND COUNCILOR REPORTS:

Councilor Moore is concerned about open cellar at corner of North Catherine and Brinkerhoff Streets.

11. CLOSING PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ANY TOPIC:

Rebecca King thanked Police Chief Ritter and Councilor for reports from Police Department.

Motion to Adjourn by Councilor Gibbs; Seconded by Councilor McFarlin
 Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Gibbs, Ensel, McFarlin, Moore
 (All voted in the affirmative)
MEETING ADJOURNED: 5:49pm