THE HONORABLE BODY
Council Chambers
Municipal Building
North Tonawanda, New York 14120
Tuesday, May 5, 2020
6:30 P.M.

REGULAR SESSION CALLED TO ORDER BY PRESIDENT ZADZILKA

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Present:	**President Zadzilka** **Alderman Braun, Schmigel, Pecoraro, Tylec**
Absent:	**None**
Also Present:	**Mayor Arthur G. Pappas** **City Attorney Luke Brown**

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION - None

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION APRIL 21, 2020

MOVED by Alderman Zadzilka SECONDED by Alderman Pecoraro
That the minutes of the regular session meeting held April 21, 2020 be approved as circulated and filed in the Office of the City Clerk.
Ayes: Alderman Braun, Schmigel, Pecoraro, Tylec, Zadzilka (5)
Nays: None (0)
CARRIED.

PROOF OF PUBLICATION PUBLISHED 4/20/2020

1) Legal Notice – Bids for the Local Pedestrian Safety Action Plan Project No. 2018-19– City Clerk-Treasurer

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

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICIALS

II.1 Attorney

April 30, 2020

Honorable Arthur G. Pappas, Mayor
And Common Council Members
City Hall / 216 Payne Avenue
North Tonawanda, NY 14120

Re: MOA Between the North Tonawanda Police Benevolent Association, Inc. And the City of North Tonawanda

Dear Honorable Body:

Attached hereto is a proposed Memorandum of Agreement ("MOA") between the North Tonawanda Police Benevolent Association, Inc. and the City of North Tonawanda regarding an extension of their Collective Bargaining Agreement. I have been informed that this agreement has been voted on by the Police Benevolent Association and passed with the necessary majority vote.

Considering the above, the Common Council must now vote to approve or disapprove the MOA for the Mayor to sign. I am requesting at this time that the Council take such a vote.

Very truly yours,
Nicholas B. Robinson
Assistant City Attorney

MOVED by Alderman Pecoraro SECONDED by Alderman Tylec
That the Common Council hereby approves the Memorandum of Agreement ("MOA") between the North Tonawanda Police Benevolent Association, Inc. and the City of North Tonawanda, and directs the Mayor to sign said agreement. Subject to further review by the City Attorney.
Ayes: Alderman Braun, Schmigel, Pecoraro, Tylec, Zadzilka (5)
Nays: None (0)
CARRIED.

II.2 Attorney

April 30, 2020

Honorable Arthur G. Pappas, Mayor
And Common Council Members
City Hall / 216 Payne Avenue
North Tonawanda, NY 14120

Re: MOA Between the North Tonawanda Professional Firefighters
And the City of North Tonawanda

Dear Honorable Body:

Attached hereto is a proposed Memorandum of Agreement ("MOA") between the North Tonawanda Professional Firefighters and the City of North Tonawanda regarding an extension of their Collective Bargaining Agreement. I have been informed that this agreement has been voted on by the Professional Firefighters and passed with the necessary majority vote.

Considering the above, the Common Council must now vote to approve or disapprove the MOA for the Mayor to sign. I am requesting at this time that the Council take such a vote.

Very truly yours,
Nicholas B. Robinson
Assistant City Attorney

MOVED by Alderman Braun SECONDED by Alderman Schmigel
That the Common Council hereby approves the Memorandum of Agreement ("MOA") between the North Tonawanda Professional Firefighters and the City of North Tonawanda, and directs the Mayor to sign said agreement. Subject to further review by the City Attorney.
Ayes: Alderman Braun, Schmigel, Pecoraro, Tylec, Zadzilka (5)
Nays: None (0)
CARRIED.

II. Clerk-Treasurer

April 21, 2020

Honorable Mayor and Common Council
216 Payne Avenue / City Hall
North Tonawanda, NY 14120

Dear Honorable Mayor and Common Council:

Please be advised that I have received payment in full for back City, School and County taxes, per their agreement with the City, for the following parcels:

176.11-3-31 1474 Jamaica Square Robert Doel

Therefore, please pass the necessary resolution withdrawing this parcel from the appropriate In Rem foreclosure proceeding.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Very truly yours,
Matthew L. Parish
City Clerk-Treasurer

MOVED by Alderman Tylec SECONDED by Alderman Zadzilka
That the Common Council hereby approves the removal of the following parcel:

176.11-3-31 1474 Jamaica Square Robert Doel

From the appropriate In Rem foreclosure proceeding for payment in full of City, School, and County taxes. Subject to review by the City Attorney.
Ayes: Alderman Braun, Schmigel, Pecoraro, Tylec, Zadzilka (5)
Nays: None (0)
CARRIED.

VII. Accountant

April 29, 2020

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

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 May 5, 2020 and further authorize the Mayor and City Clerk-Treasurer to respectively sign and countersign said Warrant.

Regards,
Sheri Gampp
Jr. Accountant

MOVED by Alderman Pecoraro SECONDED by Alderman Schmigel
That the Common Council hereby authorizes for payment the current Abstract of Claims for Common Council Audit dated May 5, 2020, and further authorizes the Mayor and City Clerk-Treasurer to respectively sign and countersign said Warrant:

01	General Fund	$359,068.24
02	Water Fund	36,000.10
04	Sewer Fund	86,058.97
07	Trust & Agency Fund	15,492.52
00	Final Total	$496,619.83

Ayes: Alderman Braun, Schmigel, Pecoraro, Tylec, Zadzilka (5)
Nays: None (0)
CARRIED.

XVII. Traffic Safety

April 20, 2020

Matthew L. Parish
City Clerk-Treasurer
216 Payne Avenue
North Tonawanda, NY 14120

Traffic Safety Minutes:

The April 20, 2020 meeting of the North Tonawanda Traffic Safety Committee was called to order at 1845 hours via phone. Roll call showed the following members present: R. Frank, J. Sikora, M. Daigler, M. Meisenburg, M. Lemke, A. DiBernardo, M. Anastasi, D. Grinnell. The minutes from the previous meeting were read and accepted, the following new concerns/requests were discussed, and recommendations made.

1. Member Frank received a complaint from Joseph Mittiga who reported that vehicles are parking on the terrace at 315 Schenck Street. Frank advised Mittiga that the residents are allowed to park on the terrace due to not having a driveway or any other parking on the property. This decision was based off past discussions regarding terrace parking with the previous City Engineer, Dale Marshall.

   *** All request for a terrace parking permit will be checked by the Traffic Safety Committee and will be based on each individual property. The decision will be determined by taking in all aspects of that particular property, which include safety, line of sight, having a prior concrete terrace and other parking options.

2. Councilman Bob Schmigel requested information regarding the road that is behind the Mid City Plaza. Member Daigler informed Schmigel that the road is not City property.

3. Councilman Bob Schmigel requested information regarding the commercial vehicle parking in the city. Member Daigler gave Schmigel the commercial vehicle rules and regulations.

4. Mayor Pappas requested that Webster Street be looked at for proper parking lines. Member Daigler is working with City Engineer, Chelsea Spahr, regarding the "Downtown Project". Daigler and Spahr will be working together to make sure proper parking lines and signage are in the downtown area. All safety measures will be discussed and properly attended to.

5. Member Daigler changed the parking signs along the Erie Canal Bike Path on Sweeney Street. The signs were changed to stay in compliance with the State.

6. Amanda Licht of 378 Schenck Street requested a terrace parking permit. The committee will look into the request and make a decision in May.

Meeting adjourned at 2000 hours.

Travel safely,
Robert J. Frank

MOVED by Alderman Zadzilka SECONDED by Alderman Schmigel
That the Common Council hereby receives and files the Traffic Safety minutes from their April meeting.
Ayes: Alderman Braun, Schmigel, Pecoraro, Tylec, Zadzilka (5)
Nays: None (0)
CARRIED.

XIX. Building Inspector

April 20, 2020

Mayor and Common Council
216 Payne Avenue
North Tonawanda, NY 14120

Attached please find copy of the only proposal received by this department for brush, weed cutting and cleanup of private property for the 2020 season.

We sent out ten requests for bids to local landscaping contractors, and advertised request for bids in the Niagara Gazette on March 18-21, and 22, 2020. We received a total of three bids, copies included.

After opening said bids and a review of same, I recommend that the 2020 weed contract be awarded to the only responsible bidder, Complete Lawn Care & Fencing Inc., 378 Witmer Road, North Tonawanda. This is the same company we used for 2018 and 2019, and are satisfied with their performance.

If you any questions or need additional information, please let me know.

Cosimo R. Capozzi
Building Inspector

MOVED by Alderman Pecoraro SECONDED by Alderman Braun
That the Common Council hereby awards the bid for the 2020 Weed Contract to Complete Lawn Care & Fencing, Inc., 378 Witmer Road, North Tonawanda, NY 14120, subject to review by the City Attorney.
Ayes: Alderman Braun, Schmigel, Pecoraro, Tylec, Zadzilka (5)
Nays: None (0)
CARRIED.

XXV. Monthly Reports

.1 Clerk-Treasurer

MOVED by Alderman Zadzilka SECONDED by Alderman Schmigel
That the Common Council hereby receives and files the aforementioned Monthly Report.
Ayes: Alderman Braun, Schmigel, Pecoraro, Tylec, Zadzilka (5)
Nays: None (0)
CARRIED.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION - **None**

ADJOURNMENT

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

Time of Adjournment: 7:05 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Matthew L. Parish
City Clerk-Treasurer