

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICIALS

VII. Accountant

February 15, 2007

Honorable Lawrence V. Soos, Mayor
and Common Council
City Hall
North Tonawanda, New York 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 February 20, 2007, and further authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to respectively sign and countersign said Warrant.

Very truly yours,
David R. Jakubaszek
City Accountant

MOVED by Alderman Brick

SECONDED by Alderman Schwandt

That the Common Council hereby authorizes for payment the current Abstract of Claims for Common Council Audit dated February 20, 2007 and further authorizes the Mayor and City Clerk respectively sign and countersign said Warrant:

01	General Fund	\$451,447.17
02	Water Fund	35,080.05
04	Sewer Fund	86,230.29
07	Trust & Agency Fund	2,655.26
08	Community Development	141.95
11	General Fund Encumbered	12,795.05
14	Sewer Fund Encumbered	606.79
17	Home Rehab Program	5,730.00
19	Bishop Gibbons	<u>175.00</u>
	Final Total	<u>\$594,861.56</u>

Ayes: Brick, Schwandt, Donovan, Sommer

(4)

Nays: None

(0)

CARRIED.

IX. Public Works

February 12, 2007

Honorable Mayor Soos
And Common Council
City Hall, 216 Payne Avenue
No. Tonawanda, NY 14120

Re: City Owned Street Lights

Dear Honorable Body:

In November of 1990 following the City's determination to discontinue its Special Lighting Districts, the Council authorized Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation to replace City owned street lamp poles (standards) that were knocked down or otherwise no longer serviceable. National Grid is requesting re-authorization to their company to continue to provide this service. I would also recommend that if a City owned foundation were

damaged that National Grid be authorized to install a National Grid owned foundation or a direct embedded standard.

When a knockdown occurs, National Grid's responsibilities and the City's responsibilities would be as follows:

National Grid Responsibilities:

- Respond to the scene of reported street light location
- Address electrical safety issues
- Remove luminaire and standard
- Place safety cone, barrel or foundation box over street light location
- Leave City owned standard on-site
- Repair foundation damage on company owned foundation or install new company owned foundation as needed if City owned foundation is damaged.
- Install company owned standard, replace luminaire and connect circuit

City of North Tonawanda Responsibilities:

- Address safety issues
- Notify National Grid of knockdown location
- Remove City owned foundation if damaged
- Remove City owned standard and, if needed, City owned foundation from site

I recommend that the Common Council authorize National Grid to replace knocked down City owned street light standards with National Grid owned standards and to install National Grid owned foundations or direct embedded standards where City owned foundations are damaged, with the exception of SC-3 lighting districts.

Very truly yours,
 Gary J. Franklin
 Superintendent of Public Works

MOVED by Alderman Brick

SECONDED by Alderman Sommer

That the Common Council hereby authorizes National Grid to replace knocked down City owned street light standards with National Grid owned standards and to install National Grid owned foundations or direct embedded standards where City owned foundations are damaged, with the exception of SC-3 lighting districts.

Ayes: Brick, Schwandt, Donovan, Sommer

(4)

Nays: None

(0)

CARRIED.

X. Police

February 14, 2007

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

Honorable Body:

On February 8, 2007 bids for Police Pursuit Vehicles were publicly opened in the Office of the City Clerk. The bids were for Ford Crown Victoria Police Interceptor Models.

2 bids were received from local Ford dealerships and follows:

West Herr Ford, 10 Campbell Blvd, Amherst, NY submitted a bid price of \$21,661 per car with trade in price of \$9,900 for 4 cars now being used by the Auxiliary Police.

C. Basil Ford of Cheektowaga submitted a bid that had to be rejected. The legal notice and announcement was specific in the way bids needed to be received and Basil Ford failed to follow the directions requiring a “per vehicle” price. They submitted a bid that was a cumulative total for the purchase of 5 vehicles.

We have done business with West Herr Ford in the past with good satisfaction. The bid submitted was comparable to the “State Bid” price through the Office of General Services and is superior to that price with the trade in allowance.

The bids have been reviewed and approved by the City Attorney (attached memo). I respectfully request that the bid for the purchase of 4 Ford Crown Victoria Police Interceptors be awarded to West Herr Ford of Amherst.

Respectfully,
Randy D. Szukala
Chief of Police

MOVED by Alderman Schwandt **SECONDED** by Alderman Brick
That the Common Council hereby awards the bid for the purchase of four (4) Ford Crown Victoria Police Interceptors to West Herr Ford, 10 Campbell Blvd, Amherst, NY at their bid price of \$21,661 per car with trade in price of \$9,900 for 4 cars now being used by the Auxiliary Police, subject to review by the City Attorney.

Ayes: Brick, Schwandt, Donovan, Sommer (4)

Nays: None (0)

CARRIED.

XXV. Monthly Reports

- .1 Police
- .2 Senior Citizens

MOVED by Alderman Schwandt **SECONDED** by Alderman Brick
That the Common Council hereby receives and files the aforementioned monthly reports.
CARRIED.

XXVI. Annual Vacation and Sick Leave Reports

- .1 Public Works

MOVED by Alderman Brick **SECONDED** by Alderman Sommer
That the Common Council hereby receives and files the aforementioned Annual Vacation and Sick Leave reports.
CARRIED.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM OTHERS

A.
Columbia Hook & Ladder - **Re: Statement of Volunteer Fireman:**

Michael J. Rottger

MOVED by Alderman Brick **SECONDED** by Alderman Sommer
To add Michael J. Rottger to the City Fire Rolls.
CARRIED.

MOVED by Alderman Donovan **SECONDED** by Alderman Brick
That the Common Council hereby increases the Veterans Cap from the existing \$60,000 to \$80,000 for City taxes.
Ayes: Brick, Schwandt, Donovan, Sommer (4)
Nays: None (0)
CARRIED.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Cathy Kern, 1248 Greenbrier Lane – Inquired about a Code Enforcement issue.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Time of Adjournment: 7:40P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas M. Jaccarino
City Clerk