



**COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICIALS**

**II. Attorney**

**July 19, 2007**

**Hon. Mayor and Common Council  
City Hall, 216 Payne Avenue  
North Tonawanda, New York 14120**

**Re: Renewal of Lease Agreement between the NT Football Hall of Fame and City of North Tonawanda**

**Dear Honorable Body:**

**Attached is the proposed renewal of the lease agreement between the NT Football Hall of Fame and the City for the use of the “Little House” property immediately north of the Carnegie Center on Goundry Street. You will note this is a 10-year lease, with the tenant being responsible for all water, heat, utilities, insurance, expenses for maintenance and upkeep of the premises.**

**Should your Honorable Body concur, please pass a resolution for the Mayor to sign the lease agreement attached, subject to any further review by the City Attorney. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.**

**Very truly yours,  
Shawn P. Nickerson  
City Attorney**

**MOVED by Alderman Donovan                      SECONDED by Alderman Brick  
That the Common Council hereby authorizes the Mayor to sign the 10-year lease agreement between the NT Football Hall of Fame and City of North Tonawanda for the use of the “Little House” property immediately north of the Carnegie Center on Goundry Street, subject to any further review by the City Attorney.**

**Ayes: Brick, Rizzo, Schwandt, Donovan, Sommer (5)**

**Nays: None (0)**

**CARRIED.**

**IV.1 Engineer**

**July 25, 2007**

**Honorable Larry V. Soos, Mayor  
and Common Council Members  
City Hall  
North Tonawanda, New York 14120**

**RE: Sweeney Canal Wall Docks  
Project 2002-02  
SEQRA - Environmental Assessment**

**Honorable Body:**

**In accordance with the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA), the City in its capacity as Lead Agency, has prepared a full environmental assessment of the significance of potential environmental impacts of the construction of new docks along the Sweeney Street canal wall, between Oliver Street and Main Street. This project is considered an unlisted action under SEQRA.**

**In order for the City to issue a Negative Declaration, Notice of Determination of Non-Significance, the Common Council should act on the following attached resolution.**

Very truly yours,  
Dale W. Marshall, P.E.  
City Engineer

**MOVED** by Alderman Schwandt                      **SECONDED** by Alderman Donovan  
**WHEREAS**, the City of North Tonawanda intends to reconstruct approximately 540 LF of fixed docks on pipe piles along the Sweeney Street canal wall, between Oliver Street and Main Street.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Common Council has reviewed the Environmental Assessment prepared by the City Engineer; and

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Common Council declares that based on the Environmental Assessment which has been prepared, the project is an unlisted action and will not result in any significant adverse impacts, and therefore will not have a significant impact on the environment; and

**FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Common Council as Lead Agency hereby issues a Negative Declaration under SEQR Regulations for the construction and installation of 540 LF of new docks along the Sweeney Street canal wall between Oliver Street and Main Street and authorizes the Common Council President to sign said Environmental Assessment form.

**Ayes:** Brick, Rizzo, Schwandt, Donovan, Sommer (5)

**Nays:** None (0)

**CARRIED.**

#### IV.2 Engineer

July 26, 2007

Lawrence V. Soos, Mayor  
and Common Council Members  
City Hall  
North Tonawanda, New York 14120

**Re:** Niagara Riverwalk, Contract B  
Project No. 2005-14  
C560216 State Contract Agreement  
Boundary Survey

Dear Honorable Body:

On June 19, 2007 the Common Council approved State Contract C560216, Niagara Riverwalk, Contract B, and authorized the Mayor to sign the agreement. A stipulation of this agreement requires the City to provide the State with a boundary survey of the project.

Accordingly, please authorize the Mayor to sign the attached agreement with Wendel Duchscherer Survey for the fixed fee amount of \$5000, subject to review by the City Attorney. A portion of the fee is reimbursable under the grant.

Very truly yours,  
Dale W. Marshall, P.E.  
City Engineer

**MOVED** by Alderman Donovan                      **SECONDED** by Alderman Rizzo  
That the Common Council hereby authorizes the Mayor to sign the agreement with Wendel Duchscherer Survey to provide New York State with a boundary survey of the Niagara Riverwalk project, for the fixed fee amount of \$5000, subject to review by the City Attorney.

**Ayes:** Brick, Rizzo, Schwandt, Donovan, Sommer (5)

**Nays:** None (0)

**CARRIED.**





## VII.2 Accountant

August 2, 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 2, Section 5.023 and Section 2.2 of the Budgetary Transfer Policy, please authorize the City Accountant to make the following transfers of fiscal year 2007 appropriations, based on the request of Department Heads, copy attached:

<u>Control Number</u>	<u>Dollar Amount</u>	<u>From Appropriation Account</u>	<u>Into Appropriation Account</u>
6	2,500.00	2-1990.410 Contingent Account	2-8330.440 Buildings & Grounds
7	10,000.00	2-8320.460 Utilities	2-8320.226 Electrical Equipment
8	6,000.00	4-1990.410 Contingent Account	4-8120.480 Sewer Operations

Very truly yours,  
David R. Jakubaszek  
City Accountant

MOVED by Alderman Donovan

SECONDED by Alderman Brick

That the Common Council hereby authorizes the City Accountant to make the following budget amendment of fiscal year 2007 revenues and appropriations, based on the requests of Department Heads:

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Ayes: Brick, Rizzo, Schwandt, Donovan, Sommer (5)

Nays: None (0)

CARRIED.

## X. Police

July 24, 2007

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

Honorable Body:

As per our discussion, I request that you create one position for Emergency Dispatcher in the Police Department. This increase will bring the number of Emergency Dispatchers providing service to the City to six.

The candidate will be selected from a list provided by Niagara County Civil Service.

Respectfully submitted,  
 Randy D. Szukala  
 Chief of Police

**MOVED by Alderman Rizzo                      SECONDED by Alderman Donovan**  
**That the Common Council hereby tables the aforementioned request for creation of an**  
**Emergency Dispatcher Position in the Police Department.**  
**CARRIED.**

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**XVI. City Clerk**

**July 30, 2007**

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

**Dear Honorable Body:**

**Please be advised that at a regular session of the North Tonawanda Planning Commission held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of July 2007 the following resolution was passed:**

**MOVED by Commissioner Conti                      SECONDED by Commissioner Mineo**  
**That the North Tonawanda Planning Commission subdivides a 100' X 523' parcel at the rear of 778 Sweeney Street contingent upon the rezoning of said parcel and the attaching of said parcel to 70 Robert Drive and RECOMMENDS the re-zoning from an R-1-2 to an R-C, and requests that the Clerk refers this recommendation to the North Tonawanda Common Council.**  
**CARRIED.**

**Please give City Clerk Thomas M. Jaccarino permission to schedule a public hearing on the aforementioned rezoning.**

**Very truly yours,**  
**Thomas M. Jaccarino**  
**City Clerk**

**MOVED by Alderman Sommer                      SECONDED by Alderman Brick**  
**That the Common Council hereby authorizes Thomas M. Jaccarino, City Clerk to schedule a public hearing on Tuesday, September 4, 2007 at 5:30PM regarding the aforementioned rezoning.**  
**CARRIED.**

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**XXIV. Vital Statistics**

**July 31, 2007**

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

**Re: Vital Statistics Deputy**

**Dear Mayor Soos and Common Council:**

**This letter is to inform you that I have appointed Michele Ackerman to the position of Vital Statistics Deputy. Michele currently works part time in the Clerk's Office.**

If you have any questions about this matter, please contact me.

Sincerely,  
Suzann C. Chank  
Registrar

**MOVED by Alderman Rizzo**                      **SECONDED by Alderman Sommer**  
**That the Common Council hereby receives and files the aforementioned appointment.**  
**CARRIED.**

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**XXV. Monthly Reports**

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| <b>.1</b> | <b>Treasurer</b>             | <b>.3</b> | <b>Vital Statistics</b> |
| <b>.2</b> | <b>Treasurer Investments</b> | <b>.4</b> | <b>Senior Citizens</b>  |

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

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**COMMUNICATIONS FROM OTHERS**

**A.1**  
**Ascension R. C. Church**

**July 2007**

**Honorable Mayor Larry Soos**  
**City Hall**  
**216 Payne Avenue**  
**North Tonawanda, New York 14120**

**Dear Honorable Mayor Soos:**

**On Saturday, August 11, 2007, Ascension Parish in North Tonawanda will host our annual Summerfest for the community. In conjunction with this we are having our annual bike race which will take place between the hours of 12 noon and 9:00PM on that Saturday. The bike race route is as follows, and is only one block of our city's streets, comprising a total of 2/3 of a mile:**

**KEIL STREET, BETWEEN PAYNE AVENUE AND OLIVER STREET**  
**OLIVER STREET, BETWEEN KEIL AND SOMMER**  
**SOMMER STREET, BETWEEN OLIVER AND PAYNE**  
**PAYNE AVENUE, BETWEEN SOMMER AND KEIL**

**With your permission, Honorable Mayor, and with the Common Council's permission, our bike race committee requests that the above mentioned streets have no parking signs posted for that race day in order to ensure the safety of the bike races, all pedestrians, and vehicular traffic. Last year, with having no parking signs posted on those streets, our bike race ran very smoothly.**

**We thank you very much for all of your help last year in making our bike race safe, and do sincerely hope that you will be able to help our committee this year to do the same.**

**Thank you. If further information is needed by your office, please feel free to call Stephen Ash at 694-4492.**

Sincerely,  
Stephen Ash



their request was we don't have an active fire truck at our hall and it would help solve their parking problem on game days, well the extra spots they would pick up will not solve their parking problem. I want to say our problem is we were never asked our opinion on the signs before they were taken down. Rescue is here for a reason and that is to be a fire hall not a football field. I am writing this letter to request the Common Council to have the signs reinstalled. I was also asked to state in this letter our reasons for this request which are the following: we are a fire hall, granted we don't have an active truck at our hall at this time (that would be another whole letter in itself) but the city has the right to and has stored reserve trucks at our hall and they need room to get in and out if needed for service. Another reason, lets say we have a major fire or emergency and we have mutual aid come in and they are stationed at our hall for stand by they need room. Rescue is now a certified Red Cross Emergency Center I don't know if the city knows that but we are so who knows what kind of vehicles would be around if we were needed fro that reason and with cars on both sides of the street you could barely get a car down the street let alone a fire truck. I feel I have listed enough reasons to have the signs put back up and they really override the ones that had them taken down in the first place. I would like to thank you for your time with this matter and hopefully we will be seeing the signs back up in the very near future.

Earl Cottrell  
President, Rescue Fire Co. #5

**MOVED** by Alderman Sommer                      **SECONDED** by Alderman Rizzo  
That the Common Council hereby refers the aforementioned request to the Traffic Safety Committee for their recommendation.  
**CARRIED.**

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C.  
Columbia Hook & Ladder                      -                      Re:      Removal from Fire Rolls:

Victoria J. Edwards

**MOVED** by Alderman Sommer                      **SECONDED** by Alderman Brick  
To remove Victoria J. Edwards from the City Fire Roll.  
**CARRIED.**

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D.  
Laura Polichette

June 30, 2007

Dear Mr. Sommer:

We will be hosting the 4<sup>th</sup> annual Abington Place Block Party on August 11, 2007. I am writing to you in hopes of acquiring a permit to block the street off from 12:00 noon until 11:00pm.

You may reach me at 716-692-9367. Thank you for your help.

Sincerely,  
Laura Polichette

**MOVED** by Alderman Donovan                      **SECONDED** by Alderman Schwandt  
That the Common Council hereby grants permission to the residents of Abington Place Street to hold a Block Party on Saturday, August 11, 2007.  
**CARRIED.**

