

**THE HONORABLE BODY
Council Chambers
Municipal Building
North Tonawanda, New York 14120
Tuesday, April 5, 2011
6:30P.M.**

REGULAR SESSION CALLED TO ORDER BY PRESIDENT SCHWANDT

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

**Present: President Schwandt
Alderman Andres, Pasiak, Donovan, Zadzilka**

Absent: City Attorney Shawn P. Nickerson

**Also Present: Mayor Robert G. Ortt
Assistant City Attorney Robert Sondel**

The following Proclamation was presented to representatives of St. Paul Lutheran Church:

**Whereas, St. Paul Lutheran Church was founded on April 14, 1861 by a group of 14 men;
and**

**Whereas, The church has been located on Old Falls Boulevard during its entire 150 years;
and**

Whereas, The congregation operated an elementary school 1861 to 2004; and

**Whereas, Today the congregation operates a Preschool program, Sunday School, Youth
Group, and numerous adult activities; and**

Whereas, It's Sunday School currently enrolls 100 children; and

**Whereas, St. Paul today is a rapidly growing congregation of over 1,350 baptized members;
and**

**Whereas, from 1861 until 1867 the church was served by visiting pastors and lay readers
from the congregation. The first minister was installed on November 17, 1867; and**

Whereas, St. Paul is involved in many ministries serving the community

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT I, Robert G. Ortt, by the power vested in
me as Mayor of the City of North Tonawanda, hereby proclaim April 14th to be**

“St. Paul Lutheran Church Day in the City of North Tonawanda”

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION MARCH 15, 2011

**MOVED by Alderman Zadzilka SECONDED by Alderman Andres
That the minutes of the regular session held March 15, 2011 be approved as circulated and
filed in the Office of the City Clerk-Treasurer.
CARRIED.**

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION – None

MOVED by Alderman Pasiak

SECONDED by Alderman Schwandt

That the Common Council hereby accepts the aforementioned anonymous donation of \$860.00 which will be placed in the City's "Trust & Agency" account until such a time that a decision is made as to where said funds shall be placed and utilized to best benefit and do the most good for all of the citizenry of North Tonawanda.

Ayes: Andres, Pasiak, Donovan, Zadzilka, Schwandt

(5)

Nays: None

(0)

CARRIED.

VII. Accountant

March 31, 2011

Honorable Robert G. Ortt, 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 April 5, 2011, and further authorize the Mayor and City Clerk-Treasurer to respectively sign and countersign said Warrant.

Very truly yours,
David R. Jakubaszek
City Accountant

MOVED by Alderman Donovan

SECONDED by Alderman Zadzilka

That the Common Council hereby authorizes for payment the current Abstract of Claims for Common Council Audit dated April 5, 2011 and further authorizes the Mayor and City Clerk-Treasurer to respectively sign and countersign said Warrant:

01	General Fund	\$691,494.96
02	Water Fund	68,887.35
04	Sewer Fund	147,901.86
06	Capital Project Fund	45,005.24
07	Trust & Agency Fund	122.95
11	General Fund Encumbered	2,909.60
17	Home Rehab Program	1,600.00
	Final Total	<u>\$957,921.96</u>

Ayes: Andres, Pasiak, Donovan, Zadzilka, Schwandt

(5)

Nays: None

(0)

CARRIED.

XI. Fire

To: City Clerk/Treasurer Kiedrowski

From: North Tonawanda Fire Department

Re: City Fire Rolls

Please add the following members to the City Fire Rolls:

Peter Frye – Sweeney Hose Co. #7
Damian Ringler – Sweeney Hose Co. #7
Don Hosmer – Rescue Fire Co. #5
Steven Hume – Columbia Hook & Ladder #1

Thank you,
William DeMonte
Assistant Chief

04-05-2011

Main Street, Suite 105, Buffalo, NY 14203 for the sale of land at the Buffalo Bolt Business Park.

The agreement is attached for your perusal. As you may be aware, this document was made after the Niagara County Industrial Development Agency's agreement for the sale of their property at Inducon Park. Further, enclosed is a letter denoting the marketing strategy that will be utilized by Hunt.

I am respectfully requesting from this Honorable Body authorization for the Mayor to sign this One (1) Year Agreement.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,
James B. Sullivan
Director

MOVED by Alderman Pasiak

SECONDED by Alderman Donovan

That the Common Council hereby authorizes the Mayor to sign the one (1) year contractual agreement between the City of North Tonawanda and Hunt Commercial Real Estate Corporation of Buffalo, 403 Main Street, Suite 105, Buffalo, NY 14203 for the sale of land at the Buffalo Bolt Business Park subject to approval of the City Attorney.

Ayes: Andres, Pasiak, Donovan, Zadzilka, Schwandt

(5)

Nays: None

(0)

CARRIED.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM OTHERS

A.

Jim Pickard
USMC

Office of the Mayor
The Honorable Robert G. Ott
216 Payne Avenue
North Tonawanda, NY 14120

Dear Mayor Ott:

The Navy and Marine Corps Veterans military organization in conjunction with all chapters of the Marine Corps League in WNY, the USMC Recruiters and the USMC Reserves have participated in Marine Appreciation Day ceremonies held at Raymond Klimek Veterans Park for the past 7 years. The purpose of this program is to honor all WNY Marines and their families for their service. Special tribute is given to a local Marine who died while protecting our freedom and is the recipient of the Medal of Honor or Navy Cross. The fallen Marine's family is invited to participate in the event in which a Marine Officer presides as the guest speaker. Other speakers have been the Commandants of the Reserve and Recruiting Detachments. Attendance at these affairs have averaged between 500 and 700 Marines, their families and dignitaries from North Tonawanda including the Mayor and Senator Maziarz. Following the service, all guests are invited to served hot dogs, chips, soda and the like. Navy Marine Corps veterans and others clean up the park at the conclusion of the program. Small tents are erected to display assortments of Marine equipment and supplies. All this, including a Chinese Auction, is performed by volunteers. We are in the stages of preparing for our 8th annual Marine Appreciation Day on Saturday, July 16, 2011 at the Raymond Klimek Veterans Park with your permission. In the past, North Tonawanda has graciously waived all fees, provided an electrician, fire and police service. We have been able to reserve the entire park from 6 AM to 5 PM.

It is for these reasons that we ask your permission to continue using the park on Saturday, July 16, 2011 from 6 AM to 5 PM without a fee. Thank you for your indulgence.

Semper Fi
Jim Pickard
5 Holly Lane
Cheektowaga, NY 14227
Tele: 656-1294

04-05-2011

Our goal is to provide historical markers for Hannah Johnson's grave and one, probably in Mayor's Park, with a map showing the original location and descriptive information telling the history to cover Black Hannah's Woods. The North Tonawanda History Museum will work on raising funds for these markers and will work with the City on having them properly installed on City property.

Sincerely,
Donna Zellner Neal
Executive Director

MOVED by Alderman Pasiak **SECONDED** by Alderman Andres
That the Common Council hereby recognizes the important history of the area in North Tonawanda which will be remembered as the site of "Black Hannah's Woods".

Ayes: Andres, Pasiak, Donovan, Zadzilka, Schwandt (5)
Nays: None (0)

F.
Dom Polski

March 22, 2011

To City of North Tonawanda

We would like to have our Dyngus Day sign put up across Oliver Street in front of our club. Could you please have someone contact Joe Bukoskey at 693-6529 to make arrangements to have it put up.

We would also ask that it be taken down on April 26th. Joe will be available to meet someone at the club whenever your workers will be available

Thank you for your assistance.

Roberta Pfeil
President
Dom Polski Social Club

MOVED by Alderman Donovan **SECONDED** by Alderman Pasiak
That the Common Council hereby grants permission to the Dom Polski Social Club to hang a banner across Oliver Street and directs the Department of Public Works to contact Joe Bukoskey at 693-6529 regarding the banner.

Ayes: Andres, Pasiak, Donovan, Zadzilka, Schwandt (5)
Nays: None (0)

LATE COMMUNICATION

MOVED by Alderman Pasiak **SECONDED** by Alderman Andres
To bring the following communication to the floor.

Ayes: Pasiak, Andres, Donovan, Zadzilka, Schwandt (5)
Nays: None (0)

CARRIED.

#1.
Police

April 4, 2011

North Tonawanda Common Council
216 Payne Ave.
North Tonawanda, NY 14120

Honorable Body,

Bids for Police Vehicles were received and publicly opened in the Office of the City Clerk on April 1, 2011.

The following bids were received in response to NTPD 01/2011 for Ford Crown Victoria Police Interceptors:

Basil Ford 1540 Walden Ave. Cheektowaga, NY: \$21,831.00 per car with a trade in allowance of \$23,500.

DeLacy Ford 3061 Transit Rd., Elma, NY: \$22,690.00 per car with a trade in allowance of \$20,600.

The trade in allowance is for 4 older model Ford Crown Victoria Police Interceptors.

After review of the bids, Basil Ford met all the requirements and provided the best price and request the bid for 3 Ford Crown Victoria be awarded to them.

This is the final year for the Ford Crown Victoria Police Interceptor. We have been advised that orders for the vehicles need to be placed within a very short window, within the next 2 weeks at the longest, or we will need to re-bid for a new Ford Police package that will result in fewer cars being purchased but a higher cost in purchasing the accessories needed for a new model.

Randy D. Szukala
Chief of Police

MOVED by Alderman Pasiak

SECONDED by Alderman Andres

That the Common Council hereby awards the bid for three (3) Ford Crown Victoria Police Interceptors to Basil Ford, 1540 Walden Avenue, Cheektowaga, NY at their low bid of \$21,831 per vehicle with a trade in allowance of \$23,500 for four (4) older Police Interceptors subject to review and final approval of the City Attorney.

Ayes: Andres, Pasiak, Donovan, Zadzilka, Schwandt

(5)

Nays: None

(0)

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Ann Finkle, 896 Sun Valley Drive – Inquired if the new DPW Superintendent was going to rent or purchase a tar machine for filling cracks in the road. Inquired if there was going to be a spring leaf pickup. Asked if the Common Council would go from meeting 4 times a month to 2 times a month.

Barb Jacobi, 1765 Eddy Drive – Inquired as to the status of the Carrousel Horse that St. Peters Church had painted 2 years ago. They have been more than patient and want the horse mounted to the pole out front of their congregation.

Mark Houghton, 1246 Payne Avenue – Questioned the Mayor on the Marina Study that cost 100,000. Wanted to know if there was an itemized bill for the work that was done. Inquired about the Consultant from Harris Beach and what exactly he was going to be doing. Told the Mayor and the Common Council that perhaps we should go back to a part time Mayor since all of the work is being farmed out. Inquired what the plan was on street repair. Thought conditions were the worst ever.

Sue Wilke, 329 Miller Street – Passed out a newspaper copy of Art Voice to the Mayor and CC. Pointed out the article regarding Hydro-Fracking/Oil. Not in favor of our Waste Water Treatment Plant having anything to do with treating fracked water.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Alderman Andres

SECONDED by Alderman Zadzilka

That this regular session of the Common Council be and hereby is adjourned.

CARRIED.

Time of Adjournment: 7:03 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott P. Kiedrowski
City Clerk–Treasurer