THE HONORABLE BODY
Council Chambers
Municipal Building
North Tonawanda, New York 14120
Tuesday, February 4, 2014
6:30P.M.

REGULAR SESSION CALLED TO ORDER BY PRESIDENT RIZZO

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Present:	**President Rizzo** **Alderman Needler, Clark, Zadzilka, Braun**
Absent:	**None**
Also Present:	**Mayor Robert G. Ortt** **City Attorney Shawn Nickerson**

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REORGANIZATION SESSION JANUARY 2, 2014

MOVED by Alderman Zadzilka SECONDED by Alderman Needler
That the minutes of the reorganization session held January 2, 2014 be approved as circulated and filed in the Office of the City Clerk.
CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL SESSION JANUARY 14, 2014

MOVED by Alderman Needler SECONDED by Alderman Zadzilka
That the minutes of the special session held January 14, 2014 be approved as circulated and filed in the Office of the City Clerk.
CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION JANUARY 21, 2014

MOVED by Alderman Clark SECONDED by Alderman Braun
That the minutes of the regular session held January 21, 2014 be approved as circulated and filed in the Office of the City Clerk.
CARRIED.

PROOF OF PUBLICATION PUBLISHED JANUARY 23, 2014

1) Public Hearing – Historic Preservation Commission – City Clerk-Treasurer

MOVED by Alderman Zadzilka SECONDED by Alderman Needler
To receive and file the aforementioned Proof of Publication.
CARRIED.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Sandy McFarland, 38 South Lane – Stated that she had questions about the Commissioners appointments to the Nor-Tona Redevelopment Board (Old NT Housing Authority). Stated that what she wanted to know would be framed in a three part question. Wanted to know why the Board is still in existence; why are there no longer residents of the Housing Authority sitting on the Board and wanted to know who the Board reports to. Stated that she noticed on the agenda that a city employee was being appointed to the Board and wanted to know if that was allowed.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICIALS

I. Mayor

January 31, 2014

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

Re: Appointment to North Tonawanda Housing Authority

Dear Honorable Body:

Please be advised that I am appointing Lyle Dewiel, 101 19th Ave, North Tonawanda, NY 14120, Suzanne Hempel, 234 Falconer Street, North Tonawanda, NY 14120 and re-appointing Arthur Pappas, 1417 Forbes Street, North Tonawanda, NY 14120 to the Housing Authority Board. The term will be (5) years effective February 1st, 2014 and expiring February 1st, 2019.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Faithfully yours,
Robert G. Ortt
Mayor

MOVED by Alderman Needler SECONDED by Alderman Clark
That the Common Council hereby receives and files the aforementioned communication.
CARRIED.

III. Clerk-Treasurer

January 23, 2014

Honorable Mayor Robert Ortt
and Common Council
City Hall, 216 Payne Ave
N. Tonawanda, NY 14120

Re: Water Service Leak Account #8113

Dear Mayor and Common Council,

Would you please grant permission to the Water Department to hire a licensed plumber to repair a water service leak at 39 Sixth Ave.

Also, all costs are to be assessed upon land involved-[Water Ordinance Chapter 98-Section 98-12(5)].

Sincerely,
Scott P. Kiedrowski
City Clerk-Treasurer

MOVED by Alderman Braun SECONDED by Alderman Zadzilka
That the Common Council hereby grants permission to the Water Department to hire a licensed plumber to repair the Water Service Leak at 39 Sixth Avenue with all costs assessed upon the land involved - [Water Ordinance Chapter 98 - Section 98-12 (5)].
Ayes: Needler, Clark, Zadzilka, Braun, Rizzo (5)
Nays: None (0)
CARRIED.

VII. Accountant

January 31, 2014

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 February 4, 2014, and further authorize the Mayor and City Clerk-Treasurer to respectively sign and countersign said Warrant.

Very truly yours,
Mark W. Dotterweich
City Accountant

MOVED by Alderman Needler SECONDED by Alderman Zadzilka
That the Common Council hereby authorizes for payment the current Abstract of Claims for Common Council Audit dated February 4, 2014 and further authorizes the Mayor and City Clerk-Treasurer to respectively sign and countersign said Warrant:

01	General Fund	$1,396,731.24
02	Water Fund	46,937.14
04	Sewer Fund	93,138.56
06	Capital Project Fund	80,708.98
07	Trust & Agency Fund	39.07
	Final Total	$1,617,554.99

Ayes: Needler, Clark, Zadzilka, Braun, Rizzo (5)
Nays: None (0)
CARRIED.

XVII. Traffic Safety

January 21, 2014

Scott Kiedrowski
City Clerk-Treasurer
216 Payne Avenue
North Tonawanda, NY 14120

Traffic Safety Minutes:

The January meeting of the North Tonawanda Traffic Safety Committee was called to order at 1900 hours. Roll call showed the following members present: J. Sikora, A. Vater, E. Smolinski, M. Lemke, M. Anastasi and A. DiBernardo. The minutes from the previous meeting were read and accepted. The following new concerns were discussed and recommendations made:

1. A report was given my member Sikora on traffic signals involving New Meadow Drive. City Engineer Dale Marshall will be invited to the February meeting of the Committee.

2. Member Smolinski discussed changing the angle of some parking spots along Webster Street to create more space. The location will be watched during the next month, when it is clear of snow, and the topic will be discussed at the February meeting.

3. Traffic concerns at the City Market will be discussed at the February meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 1940 hours.

Respectfully submitted,
Joseph D Sikora, Chairman

MOVED by Alderman Rizzo SECONDED by Alderman Zadzilka
To receive and file the aforementioned communication.
CARRIED.

XXVI. Vacation & Sick Leave Reports

.1 Police
.2 Assessor

MOVED by Alderman Needler SECONDED by Alderman Clark
To receive and file the aforementioned Vacation & Sick Leave Reports.
CARRIED.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM OTHERS

A.
Active Hose Co. No. 2 - Re: Exemption Petitions:

Roy Meyers – 50 Years
Steven VanHise – 35 Years
Mark Brunner – 35 Years
Richard Snyder – 25 Years
Charlie Priano – 25 Years
Kevin Severino – 25 Years
Adrian Moeller – 5 Years

MOVED by Alderman Rizzo SECONDED by Alderman Zadzilka
To issue Exemption Certificates to Roy Meyers – 50 Years; Steven VanHise – 35 Years; Mark Brunner – 35 Years; Richard Snyder – 25 Years; Charlie Priano – 25 Years; Kevin Severino – 25 Years and Adrian Moeller – 5 Years.
CARRIED.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Sandy McFarland, 38 South Lane – Questioned the Mayor and Common Council about a recent meeting that was held with the DEC regarding conducting another "Bait and Shoot" Program in the City. Stated that she was told that the city needed to apply for a permit that would allow for thinning of the deer herd and that the permit could be used over and over to help control the deer population. Stated that she was told that the City was presented with a number of options, one of them being birth control, however she understood that to be too costly. Wanted to know what decision the City had made regarding the deer problem in the City.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Time of Adjournment: 6:45P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott P. Kiedrowski
City Clerk–Treasurer