

**THE HONORABLE BODY
Council Chambers
Municipal Building
North Tonawanda, New York 14120
Tuesday, December 2, 2014
6:35P.M.**

REGULAR SESSION CALLED TO ORDER BY PRESIDENT RIZZO

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

**Present: President Rizzo
Alderman Needler, Zadzilka, Braun, Pappas**

Absent: None

**Also Present: Mayor Robert G. Ortt
City Attorney Shawn P. Nickerson**

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION – None

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL SESSION NOVEMBER 12, 2014

**MOVED by Alderman Needler SECONDED by Alderman Zadzilka
That the minutes of the special session held November 12, 2014 be approved as circulated
and filed in the Office of the City Clerk.
CARRIED.**

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION NOVEMBER 18, 2014

**MOVED by Alderman Needler SECONDED by Alderman Rizzo
That the minutes of the regular session held November 18, 2014 be approved as circulated
and filed in the Office of the City Clerk.
CARRIED.**

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICIALS

III. Clerk-Treasurer

November 19, 2014

**Honorable Mayor and Common Council
216 Payne Avenue, City Hall
North Tonawanda, New York 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 tax agreement with the City, for the following parcel:**

176.18-2-30 751 Pioneer Drive Dena Lupke

**Therefore, please pass the necessary resolution withdrawing these parcels from the
appropriate In Rem foreclosure proceeding.**

Thank you for your cooperation.

12-02-2014

Very truly yours,
 Scott P. Kiedrowski
 City Clerk-Treasurer

MOVED by Alderman Zadzilka **SECONDED** by Alderman Braun
 The Common Council withdraws the aforementioned parcel from the appropriate In Rem
 foreclosure proceedings.

Ayes: Needler, Zadzilka, Braun, Rizzo, Pappas (5)

Nays: None (0)

CARRIED.

VII.1 Accountant

November 25, 2014

Honorable Robert G. Ortt, Mayor
 & Common Council
 City Hall —216 Payne Avenue
 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 December 2, 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 Braun
 That the Common Council hereby authorizes for payment the current Abstract of Claims for Common Council Audit dated December 2, 2014 and further authorizes the Mayor and City Clerk-Treasurer to respectively sign and countersign said Warrant:

01	General Fund	\$4,531,429.92
02	Water Fund	246,646.03
04	Sewer Fund	364,003.34
06	Capital Project Fund	492,052.71
07	Trust & Agency Fund	173.00
08	Community Development	<u>194.60</u>
	Final Total	<u>\$ 5,634,499.60</u>

Ayes: Needler, Zadzilka, Braun, Rizzo, Pappas (5)

Nays: None (0)

CARRIED.

VII.2 Accountant

November 17, 2014

Honorable Robert G. Ortt, Mayor
 and Common Council
 City Hall
 North Tonawanda, New York 14120

Dear Honorable Body:

Please be advised that this office sent out a Request for Proposal (RFP) on September 8, 2014, to four (4) qualified actuaries for the professional service related to actuarial consulting services for the City's postretirement health care plan as required of Statement No. 45 of the Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB). The RFP used the criteria of experience, staffing and cost to evaluate the proposals:

<u>Firm</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>
Danziger & Markhoff, LLP	\$ 5,400.00
Burke Group (formerly First Niagara)	\$ 5,500.00
SilverStone Group	\$ 9,000.00
Milliman, Inc.	Declined to respond to RFP

Based on my evaluation of the criteria and the cost, it is my recommendation that Danziger & Markhoff, LLP, continue to provide actuarial services to the City of North Tonawanda, in accordance with their proposals, at their low bid of \$5,400.00.

Very truly yours,
Mark W. Dotterweich
City Accountant

MOVED by Alderman Zadzilka SECONDED by Alderman Needler
That the Common Council hereby authorizes Danziger & Markhoff, LLP to provide actuarial consulting services for the City's postretirement health care plans as required of Statement 45 of the Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB), in accordance with their proposals, at their low bid of \$5,400.00.

Ayes: Needler, Zadzilka, Braun, Rizzo, Pappas

(5)

Nays: None

(0)

CARRIED.

XVII. Traffic Safety

November 18, 2014

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

Traffic Safety Minutes:

The November 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, R. Frank, M. Lemke, B. Smolinski, M. Anastasi, and A. DiBernardo. The minutes from the previous meeting were read and a motion to accept was carried. The following items were then discussed and recommendations made.

The following items were held from the October meeting with reports given after being researched for a month:

1. Member Lemke reported on the parking situation at the corner of Weaver Parkway and Ward Road. He has not found a problem with vehicles being parked in the area. At this time the Committee with R & F the request and watch the area for future problems.
2. Member Vater spoke with the resident at 268 North Ave. The sign in question is located in the resident's back yard and is not a Traffic Safety concern.
3. The Committee checked the area and discussed the request to change parking from parallel to angled in front of L & S Metals, 36 Manhattan St. The Committee does not recommend making the change. The street is narrow and allowing angled parking will block the street. There is a large parking lot in the area to accommodate any additional vehicle parking that may be needed.

4. The Committee is still waiting for Council approval to remove the no turn on red sign located on Felton Street at Oliver.

The following new items were discussed:

1. Member Frank had the following requests from the NTPD. Replace the red arrow south bound on River Rd. at Main to be more visible during daytime. Post speed limit signs on Niagara Falls Blvd from Forbes to Erie. The last request was on progress on the NT truck route matching the maps handed out by the City. All will be discussed with Member Daigler at the December meeting.
2. A concern with speeding on Nash Road from Ruie to the City line was discussed. The Committee does not recommend placing additional signs in the area. Member Frank will request additional enforcement in the area from NTPD.
3. A concern from a citizen in the area of Linwood and Oliver with parking near the used vehicle lot on the corner was discussed. I spoke with the owner of the business who stated he would no longer park in the area of the No Parking Sign. The sign in question is attached to an old pole and is blocked by a new pole that has been placed in the area. The Committee does recommend moving the sign to the new pole for better visibility.

Meeting adjourned at 2010 hours.

Respectfully submitted,
Joseph D. Sikora, Chairman

MOVED by Alderman Rizzo

SECONDED by Alderman Needler

The Common Council hereby approves the removal of the no turn on red sign located on Felton Street at Oliver.

Ayes: Needler, Zadzilka, Braun, Rizzo, Pappas

(5)

Nays: None

(0)

CARRIED.

XXV. Monthly Reports

.1 Youth Center

MOVED by Alderman Zadzilka

SECONDED by Alderman Rizzo

That the Common Council hereby receives and files the aforementioned Monthly Reports.

CARRIED.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION - None

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Alderman Zadzilka

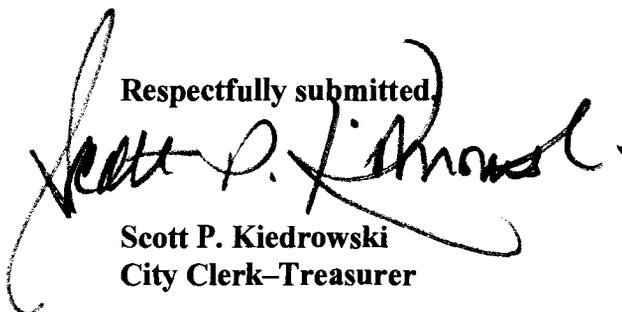
SECONDED by Alderman Braun

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

CARRIED.

Time of Adjournment: 6:48P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Scott P. Kiedrowski
City Clerk-Treasurer