

THE HONORABLE BODY
Council Chambers
Municipal Building
North Tonawanda, New York 14120
Tuesday, October 6, 2015
6:35P.M.

REGULAR SESSION CALLED TO ORDER BY PRESIDENT RIZZO

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Present: President Rizzo
Alderman Zadzilka, Braun, Schwandt, Pecoraro

Absent: None

Also Present: Mayor Arthur G. Pappas
City Attorney Shawn P. Nickerson

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Sonia Dusza 123 Miller Street – Stated that the city needs to be more specific in the legal notice proof of publication published September 26, 2015, the 24 Hour Animal Control. Wanted to know what the city is asking them to do and expecting them to do.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION SEPTEMBER 15, 2015

MOVED by Alderman Zadzilka **SECONDED** by Alderman Pecoraro
That the minutes of the regular session held September 15, 2015 be approved as circulated and filed in the Office of the City Clerk.
CARRIED.

PROOF OF PUBLICATION PUBLISHED SEPTEMBER 2 & 9, 2015

1) Legal Notice – Collector’s Notice of Payment of School Taxes – Clerk-Treasurers Office

PROOF OF PUBLICATION PUBLISHED SEPTEMBER 26, 2015

1) Legal Notice – Bid for the City of North Tonawanda 24 Hours Animal Control – Clerk-Treasurers Office

MOVED by Alderman Pecoraro **SECONDED** by Alderman Zadzilka
That the Common Council hereby receives and files the aforementioned Proof of Publications.
CARRIED.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICIALS

VII.1 Accountant

October 2, 2015

Honorable Arthur G. Pappas, 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 October 6, 2015, 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 Schwandt SECONDED by Alderman Rizzo
That the Common Council hereby authorizes for payment the current Abstract of Claims for Common Council Audit dated October 6, 2015 and further authorizes the Mayor and City Clerk-Treasurer to respectively sign and countersign said Warrant:

01	General Fund	\$805,304.16
02	Water Fund	38,787.05
04	Sewer Fund	125,334.94
06	Capital Project Fund	135,001.26
07	Trust & Agency Fund	2,241.83
08	Community Development	<u>89,581.09</u>
00	Final Total	<u>\$1,196,250.33</u>

Ayes: Zadzilka, Braun, Schwandt, Pecoraro, Rizzo (5)
Nays: None (0)
CARRIED

VII.2 Accountant

September 21, 2015

Honorable Arthur A. Pappas, Mayor
and Common Council
City Hall
North Tonawanda, NY 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 2015 appropriations, based on the request of the Department Head, copy attached:

<u>Control Number</u>	<u>Dollar Amount</u>	<u>From: Appropriation Account</u>	<u>Into: Appropriation Account</u>
6	2,600.00	1-3410.480 Operations	1-3410.260 Public Safety Equipment

Very truly yours,
Mark W. Dotterweich
City Accountant

MOVED by Alderman Pecoraro SECONDED by Alderman Zadzilka
The Common Council hereby authorizes the City Accountant to make the following transfers of fiscal year 2015 appropriations, based on the request of the Department Head:

<u>Control Number</u>	<u>Dollar Amount</u>	<u>From: Appropriation Account</u>	<u>Into: Appropriation Account</u>
6	2,600.00	1-3410.480 Operations	1-3410.260 Public Safety Equipment

Ayes: Zadzilka, Braun, Schwandt, Pecoraro, Rizzo (5)
Nays: None (0)
CARRIED

VII.3 Accountant

September 25, 2015

Honorable Arthur A. Pappas, Mayor
 and Common Council
 City Hall
 North Tonawanda, NY 14120

Dear Honorable Body:

In accordance with Section 2.2 of the Budgetary Transfer Policy, please authorize the City Accountant to make the following budget amendment of fiscal year 2015 revenues, and appropriations, based on the request of the Department Heads:

<u>Control Number</u>	<u>Dollar Amount</u>	<u>Amend Revenue Account</u>	<u>Amend Appropriation Account</u>
5	\$3,200.00	1-1000.2089 Other Culture & Rec Inc.	1-8020.410 Grant Administration

Explanation: To amend the appropriate revenue and appropriation accounts due to the receipt of \$3,200 from Preservation League of NYS. The net effect on the 2015 budget is zero.

Very truly yours,
 Mark W. Dotterweich
 City Accountant

MOVED by Alderman Rizzo SECONDED by Alderman Braun
The Common Council hereby authorizes the City Accountant to make the following budget amendment of fiscal year 2015 appropriations, based on the request of the Department Head:

<u>Control Number</u>	<u>Dollar Amount</u>	<u>Amend Revenue Account</u>	<u>Amend Appropriation Account</u>
5	\$3,200.00	1-1000.2089 Other Culture & Rec Inc.	1-8020.410 Grant Administration

Ayes: Zadzilka, Braun, Schwandt, Pecoraro, Rizzo (5)
Nays: None (0)
CARRIED

XXV. Monthly Reports

- .1 Police Department**
- .2 Clerk-Treasurer**
- .3 Senior Citizen Center**

MOVED by Alderman Pecoraro SECONDED by Alderman Zadzilka
That the Common Council hereby, approves the aforementioned Monthly Reports.
CARRIED

COMMUNICATIONS FROM OTHERS

A.
Columbia Hook & Ladder Co.

September 22, 2015

Honorable Mayor Arthur Pappas
Honorable Common Council
City Hall
216 Payne Avenue
North Tonawanda, NY 14120

Re: Removal from Fire Roll

Dear Council & Mayor:

The officers and members of Columbia Hook & Ladder Co. No.1 sadly request removal from the North Tonawanda Volunteer Fire Department Fire Roll the man of:

John E. Morris
He died August 13, 2015

Brother firefighter Morris joined January 5, 1983 and served 32 years, 7 months, and 8 days until answering his final alarm.

Respectfully,
David L. Evans
Recording Secretary

MOVED by Alderman Rizzo SECONDED by Alderman Braun
That the Common Council hereby approves removal of Volunteer Firefighter
John E. Morris from the North Tonawanda Fire rolls.
Ayes: Zadzilka, Braun, Schwandt, Pecoraro, Rizzo **(5)**
Nays: None **(0)**
CARRIED

B.
Columbia Hook & Ladder Co.

September 22, 2015

Honorable Mayor Arthur Pappas
Honorable Common Council
City Hall
216 Payne Avenue
North Tonawanda, NY 14120

Re: Exemption Certificates

Dear Mayor & Council:

The Officers and members of Columbia Hook & Ladder Co. No.1 request years of service exemptions be granted and Certificates be prepared for the these members:

50 Years of Service:

James E. Farrell	Joined October 2, 1963
Paul J. Belter	Joined December 2, 1964
Robert N. Bell	Joined September 1, 1965
Michael B. Lindhurst	Joined September 1, 1965

35 Years of Service:

Joseph M. Black	Joined September 3, 1980
Mark J. Brodfuehrer	Joined September 3, 1980

5 Years of Service:

Steven D. Hume	Joined December 3, 2003 (left, then returned in 2009, has completed 5 years)
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Please have the Certificates prepared, and forward them to the office of the Fire Chief. We will then present them to our members.

Respectfully,
David L. Evans
Recording Secretary

MOVED by Alderman Pecoraro **SECONDED** by Alderman Schwandt
That the Common Council hereby grants exemption certificates to the following Volunteer Firefighters for their years of service:

50 Years of Service:

James E. Farrell	Joined October 2, 1963
Paul J. Belter	Joined December 2, 1964
Robert N. Bell	Joined September 1, 1965
Michael B. Lindhurst	Joined September 1, 1965

35 Years of Service:

Joseph M. Black	Joined September 3, 1980
Mark J. Brodfuehrer	Joined September 3, 1980

5 Years of Service:

Steven D. Hume	Joined December 3, 2003
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Ayes: Zadzilka, Braun, Schwandt, Pecoraro, Rizzo (5)
Nays: None (0)
CARRIED.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Richard Hoen 1325 Belling Place – Was wondering what the status of the sewer project was, was told the asphalt companies will be closing down soon and wanted to know what happen if the work is not done. Thanked everyone.

Kevin Hodgson 67 Jesella Drive North – Wanted to know the status of the corner of Plastics and Euclid, and if there has been any movement on it. Stated Niagara County IDA owns it and was wondering if anyone has contacted them to clean it up. Also stated that he has noticed a lot of tree branches around street lights and if the City is going to send people out to clear the branches away.

Jean Kroetsch 465 Witmer Road – Stated that she was back again to talk about the conditions of the City roads. Still feels that only a little has been done to some of the roads while nothing has been done to others. Stated that the city has another \$100,000 of casino funds coming and it should be used for roads while the bond rate is low. Said the city needs to be more specific about budget transfers, said the city should use their grant writer to find money for the city.

Gail Serrano 983 Walck Road – Asked if the City can cut the vegetation down on the fence in front of Pinewoods Park, said the deer are running into the fence because they think it is just bushes then going back into traffic and getting hit.

Cathy Kern 1248 Greenbrier Lane – Said that she didn't know Pinewoods Park was there until recently. Said that the City should take the fence down so people can see the park when they drive past. Thanked the Water Department for the work they did on her street.

Sonia Dusza 123 Miller Street – Thanked the speakers, also said the city needs to get more experienced grant writers who can get the city more money, said Pinewoods Park is a jewel and the city is not keeping it up. Stated that Code Enforcement is not doing his job.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Time of Adjournment: 7:21P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Daniel R. Quinn
City Clerk-Treasurer