

**THE HONORABLE BODY
Council Chambers
Municipal Building
North Tonawanda, New York 14120
Tuesday, May 17, 2016
6:37P.M.**

REGULAR SESSION CALLED TO ORDER BY ALDERMAN SCHWANDT

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Present: Alderman Zadzilka, Braun, Schwandt, Pecoraro

Absent: Alderman Rizzo

**Also Present: Mayor Arthur G. Pappas
City Attorney Katherine D. Alexander**

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION – None

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION MAY 3, 2016

**MOVED by Alderman Zadzilka SECONDED by Alderman Pecoraro
That the minutes of the regular session meeting held May 3, 2016 be approved as circulated
and filed in the Office of the City Clerk.
CARRIED.**

PROOF OF PUBLICATION PUBLISHED APRIL 30, 2016

1) Legal Notice – Completion of 2016 Tentative Assessment Roll – City Assessor

**MOVED by Alderman Schwandt SECONDED by Alderman Braun
That the Common Council hereby receives and files the aforementioned Proof of
Publication.
CARRIED.**

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICIALS

I. Mayor

May 5, 2016

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

05-17-2016

IV.2 Engineer

May 12, 2016

Honorable Arthur G. Pappas, Mayor
and Common Council Members
City Hall
North Tonawanda, New York 14120

Re: 2015 Draft Annual Stormwater Report

Honorable Body:

The City of North Tonawanda, in partnership with Western New York Stormwater Coalition, would like to invite the public to review and comment its draft 2015 Annual Stormwater Report in an effort to increase public awareness and encourage involvement with stormwater pollution prevention.

The Western New York Stormwater Coalition is a group consisting of representatives from Erie County, Niagara County, thirty nine regulated municipalities and environmental consultants. The members meet on a monthly basis to collaborate on shared projects that support their stormwater management programs.

The draft annual report highlights the best management practices that the City of North Tonawanda has implemented in its efforts to prevent pollutants from entering municipal storm sewer systems and local waterways. The draft annual report is available for review and comment at the City Engineer's Office, Room 9 on the second floor, City Hall, 216 Payne Avenue. A copy of the report is also available online at www.northtonawanda.org under the Stormwater Management Program heading. For more information, contact Dale W. Marshall, P.E. at (716) 695-8565.

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

MOVED by Alderman Schwandt SECONDED by Alderman Pecoraro
That the Common Council hereby receives and files the 2015 Draft Annual Stormwater Report.

Ayes: Zadzilka, Braun, Schwandt, Pecoraro

(4)

Nays: None

(0)

CARRIED.

VII.1 Accountant

May 11, 2016

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 May 17, 2016, and further authorizes the Mayor and City Clerk-Treasurer to respectively sign and countersign said Warrant.

Very truly yours,
Mark W. Dotterweich
City Accountant

05-17-2016

X. Police

May 23, 2016

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

Dear Honorable Body:

Would you please reappoint the following as Commissioner of Deeds for the City of North Tonawanda beginning June 18, 2016 and ending June 17, 2018:

Thomas E. Krantz, 303 Oakdale Drive, North Tonawanda, NY 14120

William R. Hall
Chief of Police

MOVED by Alderman Pecoraro **SECONDED** by Alderman Braun
That the Common Council hereby approves the reappointment of Thomas E. Krantz, 303 Oakdale Drive, North Tonawanda, NY 14120 as Commissioner of Deeds for the City of North Tonawanda, effective June 18, 2016 till June 17, 2018.

Ayes: Zadzilka, Braun, Schwandt, Pecoraro (4)

Nays: None (0)

CARRIED.

XI.1 Fire Chief

May 2, 2016

Honorable Arthur G. Pappas, Mayor
And Common Council
City Hall, 216 Payne Ave.
North Tonawanda, NY 14120

Re: Assistant Chief Promotion

Glenn A. Richau is appointed to the position of Assistant Chief, effective May 20, 2016. He was selected from a list provided by the Niagara County Civil Service Commission. A promotional ceremony will be held on May 20, 2016 in the Common Council Chambers at 9:30AM.

Thank you,
Joseph D. Sikora
Fire Chief

MOVED by Alderman Schwandt **SECONDED** by Alderman Zadzilka
That the Common Council hereby approves of the promotion of Glenn A. Richau as the Assistant Fire Chief effective May 20, 2016

Ayes: Zadzilka, Braun, Schwandt, Pecoraro (4)

Nays: None (0)

CARRIED.

XI.2 Fire Chief

May 9, 2016

President Rizzo and Common Council Members
216 Payne Avenue
North Tonawanda, NY 14120

Honorable Council Members,

This year's Fireman's Inspection Day parade will be held on June 18, 2016 at 2PM, with line up starting at 1PM. I respectfully request your participation in this annual event.

This year's parade will begin in Tonawanda. Formation will be at William and Fletcher streets in front of Tonawanda Fire Headquarters, proceed down Fletcher to Grove, turn onto Main, and enter into North Tonawanda over the Renaissance Bridge. In North Tonawanda it will proceed North down Webster Street with a reviewing area for City Officials and Department Officers set up at the intersection of Goundry and Webster Streets.

Any questions can be directed to Fire Headquarters, 693-2201

Sincerely,
Joseph D. Sikora
Fire Chief

MOVED by Alderman Braun **SECONDED** by Alderman Pecoraro
That the Common Council hereby grants permission to the NT Fire Department to hold their Annual Inspection Day Parade on June 18, 2016 at 2PM and directs the Police Department to close of the Renaissance Bridge and any necessary streets for said event.
Ayes: Zadzilka, Braun, Schwandt, Pecoraro (4)
Nays: None (0)
CARRIED.

XXV. Monthly Reports

- .1 Senior Citizen Center .2 Clerk-Treasurer .3 Youth Center

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

COMMUNICATIONS FROM OTHERS

A.
Gratwick Hose Co.

May 4, 2016

North Tonawanda Common Council
City Hall
216 Payne Avenue
North Tonawanda, New York 14120

Honorable Mayor and Common Council:

Please remove the names of John Nichols and Jason Whipple from the Fire Rolls, and add the name of Gregory Green.

Thank you,
David A. Rogge
Membership Secretary

MOVED by Alderman Braun **SECONDED** by Alderman Pecoraro
That the Common Council hereby grants the removal of John Nichols and Jason Whipple and approves adding the name of Gregory Green to the North Tonawanda Fire Rolls.
Ayes: Zadzilka, Braun, Schwandt, Pecoraro (4)
Nays: None (0)
CARRIED.

CARRIED.

D.
Susan Connell-Rizzo

May 11, 2016

North Tonawanda Common Council
216 Payne Avenue
North Tonawanda, New York 14120

Dear Honorable Body:

I am requesting to be appointed as a Commissioner of Deeds for the City of North Tonawanda.

Thank you.

Sincerely,
Susan M. Connell-Rizzo
1468 Jamaica Square
North Tonawanda, NY 14120

MOVED by Alderman Schwandt SECONDED by Alderman Zadzilka
That the Common Council hereby approves the appointment of Susan M. Connell-Rizzo, 1468 Jamaica Square, North Tonawanda, NY 14120 as a Commissioner of Deeds for the City of North Tonawanda, effective May 18, 2016 till May 17, 2018.

Ayes: Zadzilka, Schwandt, Braun, Pecoraro (4)

Nays: None (0)

CARRIED.

E.
Natalie Brown

April 30, 2016

North Tonawanda Common Council
216 Payne Avenue
North Tonawanda, New York 14120

Dear Honorable Body:

My name is Natalie Brown. I own and manage the Project 308 Gallery Located at 308 Oliver Street, between Robinson and Schenck Street. The gallery has been open since August 2012. I completely renovated the once vacant storefront to a fully functional commercial gallery. As an ongoing "project," my efforts focus on resurrecting the space to its full potential of physical and conceptual beauty.

I would like to request closing off Oliver Street from Robinson Street to Schenck Street on Saturday, September 17th in order to hold an art festival that will extend from the street to the gallery. The art festival will mark the 4 year anniversary of the opening of the Project 308 Gallery. The event will be compilation of 50-60 artists and crafts people displaying and selling their work. There will also be music and dance performances throughout the day. We will need the street to be closed from 9AM to 5PM. This date and time does not conflict with canal fest or any other art festivals in the local area.

I organized an art festival on the street the past three years and they were great events. The festival generated a large audience and the surrounding business owners appreciated the extra business. Many people in the community have requested that I have the festival again. The event will be a great occasion for the surrounding community to encounter a variety of art work by local artists and become familiar with the Project 308 Gallery. The art festival will assist in my ongoing endeavor to enliven the area around the gallery and develop a stronger community grounded in the arts. I would appreciate any effort that facilitates the success of the art festival. Permission to close the street would be the first

major step in this development. I can provide further information if needed. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,
Natalie Brown

MOVED by Alderman Braun **SECONDED** by Alderman Pecoraro
That the Common Council hereby approves the closure of Oliver Street from Robinson Street to Schenck Street on September 17^h from 9AM to 5PM for the Project 308 Art Gallery Art Festival and also directs DPW to provide barricades .

Ayes: Zadzilka, Braun, Schwandt, Pecoraro (4)

Nays: None (0)

CARRIED.

F.
North Presbyterian Church

May 9, 2016

City Clerk's Office
216 Payne Avenue
North Tonawanda, NY 14120

Dear Sir,

North Presbyterian Church would like to request permission to hold an outdoor worship service at the War Memorial at Brauer Park on August 21, 2016 at 11:00AM.

Sincerely yours,
Rose Mitchell
Clerk of Session

MOVED by Alderman Zadzilka **SECONDED** by Alderman Pecoraro
That the Common Council hereby grants permission to North Presbyterian Church to hold an outdoor worship service at the War Memorial at Brauer Park on August 21, 2016 at 11:00AM.

Ayes: Zadzilka, Braun, Schwandt, Pecoraro (4)

Nays: None (0)

CARRIED.

G.
NT City School District

April 15, 2016

Patricia Brosius, Director
Dept. of Youth, Recreation, Parks & Senior Center
500 Wheatfield St.
North Tonawanda, New York 14120

Dear Ms. Brosius:

In the past, the City of North Tonawanda has generously donated the use of the pavilion at Veteran's Park to the North Tonawanda City School District for our Staff Appreciation Picnic. I would like to request that same consideration this year.

I am looking to have the picnic on Friday June 24, 2016. The District would need use of the park from 8:00AM to 2:00PM.

Thank you in advance for your consideration and assistance in this matter. Please contact me at 807-3500 to advise me if my request can be honored.

Sincerely,
Gregory J. Woytila

05-17-2016

Richard Madej 499 Witmer Road – Thanked the City for doing a good job on Witmer Road when the water lines broke, everyone was extremely helpful. Asked if the weight of the road and the trucks using the road had anything to do with the water lines breaking.

John Lukasik 454 Schenck Street – Stated that he liked the way Oliver Street is coming along, but said that more has to be done. Stated that the store across from Granny's, Rainbow Sports, it looks deplorable.

Dennis O'Sullivan 192 Walter Drive – Said that the drainage behind his house is bad; he cannot even use half of his back yard. His concern is that one of the residents along the creek on Witmer will not allow the City in their back yard to clean the creek out. Said that he is aware the City has no right because it is private property, but does the City have a contingency plan.

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: 7:12 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Daniel R. Quinn
City Clerk-Treasurer