

**MINUTES OF THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING
OF THE SCHENECTADY CITY COUNCIL**

April 13, 2020

The City Council Meeting was called to order by the City Council President John Mootooveren at 5:30 p.m. by Webex Teleconference.

The City Clerk called the roll and the following members of the City Council answered to be present:

Present – Council Members: Edward Kosiur, Carmel Patrick, Leesa Perazzo, John Polimeni, Marion Porterfield, Karen Zalewski-Wildzunas, and John Mootooveren.

Also Present – City Clerk Samanta R. Mykoo, Corporation Counsel Andrew Koldin, and Mayor Gary R. McCarthy.

Absent – None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mr. Mootooveren asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the March 30, 2020 Council meeting as submitted by the City Clerk. Mr. Kosiur made a motion to approve the minutes and Ms. Zalewski-Wildzunas seconded the motion.

COMMUNICATIONS PRESENTED TO THE CITY COUNCIL

Official:

None.

General:

An email from Veronica Montoya and an email from Joseph Proctor, asking for a moratorium on “Small Cells” and other wireless infrastructure permit and deployment.

An online submittal form from Ellie Pepper stating her dissatisfaction with the meeting time and notices and her frustrations on the new Procurement Policy with regards to MWBE Firms.

Petitions:

None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

None.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR (LEGISLATIVE ITEMS):

Mr. Mootooveren directed all who wished to discuss any items on the Legislative Agenda to submit their comments to the City Clerk.

INTRODUCTION OF AND ACTION UPON LOCAL LAWS, ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

Mr. Polimeni made a motion that Council approves the Consent Agenda and the motion was moved by Ms. Zalewski-Wildzunas and seconded by Mr. Kosiur.

Consent Agenda

Ordinance No. 2020-06 Adopted Unanimously
Resolution No. 2020-070 Adopted Unanimously
Resolution No. 2020-071 Adopted Unanimously
Resolution No. 2020-072 Adopted Unanimously

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Mr. Mootoveren directed all who wished to discuss any items for City Business to submit their comments to the City Clerk.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS OF THE COUNCIL:

Mr. Kosiur – Thanked everyone that continuously volunteers with the Schenectady County Employees and the Boys & Girls Club as they continue to deliver groceries and supplies to our at risk residents. They continue to seek more volunteers to assist with the needs of the community. If anyone would like to volunteer, please send an email to volunteer@schenectadycounty.com.

Ms. Perazzo – Expressed her condolences to the family, friends and fellow church members of Regina Dix Parsons who passed of COVID-19. She was an icon of our community and she and her family have done a lot for our community.

Ms. Zalewski-Wildzunas – Announced that the American Red Cross is looking for blood donors. An appointment can be scheduled online and there are many donation locations around the region, information can be found on the website www.RedCross.org. She then commended the community for adhering to the Mayor and Governor’s guidelines for social distancing and hopefully we will be out of this Executive Order soon.

Mayor McCarthy – Stated that he appreciates the work of the City Council and the community; the efforts that people are putting forth going through this difficult time is a challenge to everyone. He thanked the City Council for passing legislation that will help minimize the impact for people that may not be able to pay their property taxes for this current quarter. He then announced that the property taxes can be paid on the City’s website www.cityofschenectady.com or by mail to P.O. Box 947, Schenectady, New York 12301.

Mr. Mootoveren – Thanked the First Responders and those in the front lines that face this pandemic to keep us safe in the City of Schenectady, Schenectady County, and throughout the Nation. He then reminded everyone to stay home and stay safe; this is not over yet.

Adjourned:

Seeing no further business to come before the City Council, Mr. Mootoveren asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was moved by Ms. Patrick and seconded by Ms. Porterfield. The meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

A true record

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Samantha R. Mykoo". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name being the most prominent.

**By Samantha R. Mykoo
Schenectady City Clerk**