

**COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2018
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
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Regular session of the Lackawanna City Council met in the Council Chambers, Council President Annette Iafallo presiding. The meeting was preceded by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Council President Annette Iafallo.

Meeting called to order

NB: Meeting being recorded

Roll Call: Council: Present: Noman, Schultz, Surdyke, Iafallo

Dept. Heads: Present: Law, Development, Comptroller, Public Safety, Public Works,
Recreation

Approval of Minutes: of regular meeting of November 5, 2018

Moved by Iafallo seconded by Surdyke to adopt minutes of regular meeting of November 5, 2018 as written
Yeas: Noman, Schultz, Surdyke, Iafallo Carried 4-0

Departmental Reports:

1. **City Clerk**-Monthly Revenue Report for October, 2018
2. **City Treasurer**- Total receipts deposited into the General Fund Account for October, 2018
3. **City Comptroller**-A/P Check Listing #15, November 1, 2018
4. **City Comptroller**-A/P Check Listing #16, November 8, 2018

Moved Iafallo seconded by Noman to receive and file departmental reports one thru four
Yeas: Noman, Schultz, Surdyke, Iafallo Carried 4-0

Communications from the Council:

Dog Park

5. To: City Council

Council Member Surdyke and I have been consulting with Tony DeSantis, Commissioner of Public Works, to establish a Dog Park at the East Milnor Field, and we believe we are now ready to move forward.

We would need to have a concrete slab and fencing to start, and possibly a pavilion in the future. The funds are already in the budget, so there would be no need to ask the Council to approve funding at this time.

We are asking for the support of the Council to continue with the planning.

RONALD W. SCHULTZ

2ND WARD COUNCIL MEMBER

KEVIN R. SURDYKE

4TH WARD COUNCIL MEMBER

Moved Schultz seconded by Surdyke to **TABLE** for further study

Yeas: Noman, Schultz, Surdyke, Iafallo Carried 4-0

“No Standing” Sign-109 Ridge Road

6. To: City Council

I am requesting that the City of Lackawanna erect a “No Standing-School Buses Only” sign on the Southside of Ridge Road, directly in front of the Al/Rasheed Academy, 109 Ridge Road.

The building extends approximately seventy (70) feet. I am requesting the times that this sign is in effect to be Monday through Friday, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Your consideration in this matter is greatly appreciated.

ABDULSALAM NOMAN-1ST WARD COUNCIL MEMBER

Moved by Iafallo seconded by Noman to approve request, direct City Attorney to draft an ordinance

Yeas: Noman, Schultz, Surdyke, Iafallo

Carried 4-0

Proclamations-Lackawanna Citizens

7. To: City Council

Please place on the agenda for the November 19, 2018 regular meeting the following proclamations to be read aloud at the meeting and signed by members of the City Council:

1. Louis F. Dlugosz, a Lackawanna resident and American sculptor-steelworker of Polish decent
2. Rev. Robert A. E. Lowe, a Lackawanna resident and an Army veteran and pastor

Thank you for your anticipated cooperation.

ANNETTE IAFALLO-COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Moved by Iafallo seconded by Noman to receive and file

Yeas: Noman, Schultz, Surdyke, Iafallo

Carried 4-0

Appointment-Third Ward Council Member

8. To: City Council

Out of respect and due diligence to the residents of the Third Ward, I respectfully request that Charles Jaworski be appointed by this Council to fill the vacated Third Ward Council seat, term to expire December 31, 2019.

ANNETTE IAFALLO-COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Moved by Iafallo seconded by Surdyke to receive and file, act on resolution

Yeas: Noman, Schultz, Surdyke, Iafallo

Carried 4-0

8. (A) RESOLUTION # 21, 2018

WHEREAS, a vacancy exists in the elective office of Council Member of the Third Ward of the City Council and the City of Lackawanna; and

WHEREAS, said vacancy shall be filled in accordance with Chapter 3, Section 3.2 of the Lackawanna City Charter by the Council appointment of a qualified person to serve as Council Member Third Ward expiring December 31, 2019;

Now therefore be it resolved, that Charles Jaworski, residing at 1302 McKinley Parkway, Lackawanna, County of Erie, State of New York, to serve as Council Member of the Third Ward, City of Lackawanna, and be it further

Resolved, that the said appointee takes and file the oath of office required by law, and be it finally

Resolved, that the City Clerk be and hereby is authorized to forward a certified copy of this resolution to the Mayor, City Comptroller, City Council and other concerned parties.

THIS RESOLUTION SHALL TAKE EFFECT IMMEDIATELY

Moved by Iafallo seconded by Noman, Schultz and Surdyke to adopt resolution as written

Yeas: Noman, Schultz, Surdyke, Iafallo

Carried 4-0

Communications from Department/Division Heads:

“No Parking”-Spruce Street

9. To: City Council

I am hereby requesting the council’s approval to instate no parking on the dead end of Spruce from the corner of Jackson north to the creek. This would be no parking from November 15th through March 31st.

ANTHONY DESANTIS-COMMISSIONER of PUBLIC WORKS

Moved by Iafallo seconded by Noman to approve request, direct City Attorney to draft an ordinance

Yeas: Noman, Schultz, Surdyke, Iafallo

Carried 4-0

Commissioner of Deeds –Public Works

10. To: City Council

I am hereby requesting that Shannon Katra be approved as a Commissioner of Deeds for the City of Lackawanna.

ANTHONY DESANTIS-COMMISSIONER of PUBLIC WORKS

Moved by Iafallo seconded by Schultz to approve commissioner of deeds status

Yeas: Noman, Schultz, Surdyke, Iafallo

Carried 4-0

Purchase Offer-75 Victory Avenue

11. To: City Council

My office has received an offer from Azibun Khatun the amount of \$2,000 to purchase the property on 75 Victory Ave., for the purpose of extending his yard and driveway, returning the property to the tax rolls.

Therefore, it is my recommendation that the City Council **approve** the sale of 75 Victory Ave., to Azibun Khatun in the amount of \$2,000.

For further information, please contact the Assessor’s Office.

FRANK E. KRAKOWSKI-CITY ASSESSOR

Moved by Iafallo seconded by Noman to receive and file, act on ordinance

Yeas: Noman, Schultz, Surdyke, Iafallo

Carried 4-0

11. (A) AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SALE/TRANSFER OF PROPERTY PURSUANT TO MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 12

BE IT ENACTED by the City Council of the City of Lackawanna, New York as follows:

SECTION 1. That the City Council hereby approves of the transfer of the property known as SBL 142.46-5-8 (75 Victory Ave.) parcel of approximately 31 x 100 a vacant parcel, to Azibun Khatun.

SECTION 2. That transfer is made for the sum of \$2,000 in cash to the City of Lackawanna.

SECTION 3. That the purchaser/transferee shall be responsible for expenses related to the transfer other than those specifically belonging to the City of Lackawanna.

SECTION 4. That the Law Department shall prepare documents to be executed for the transfer of the property.

THIS ORDINANCE SHALL TAKE EFFECT IMMEDIATELY

Moved by Iafallo seconded by Noman to adopt ordinance as written

Yeas: Noman, Schultz, Surdyke, Iafallo

Carried 4-0

Purchase Offer-Rosary Rear Property

12. To: City Council

My office has received an offer from Ridge Road Development Group in the amount of \$500 to purchase the property on Rosary Rear, for the purpose of extending their yard, the parcel is land locked and of no use to anyone except adjacent property owner.

Therefore, it is my recommendation that the City Council **approve** the sale of Rosary Rear to Ridge Road Development Group in the amount of \$500.

For further information, please contact the Assessor's Office.

FRANK E. KRAKOWSKI-CITY ASSESSOR

Moved by Iafallo seconded by Schultz to receive and file, act on ordinance

Yeas: Noman, Schultz, Surdyke, Iafallo

Carried 4-0

12. (A) AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SALE/TRANSFER OF PROPERTY PURSUANT TO MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 12

BE IT ENACTED by the City Council of the City of Lackawanna, New York as follows:

SECTION 1. That the City Council hereby approves of the transfer of the property known as SBL 142.52-2-20 (Rosary Rear) parcel of approximately 62 x 128 a vacant parcel, to Ridge Road Development Group.

SECTION 2. That the transfer is made for the sum of \$500 in cash to the City of Lackawanna

SECTION 3. That the purchaser/transferee shall be responsible for expenses related to the transfer other than those specifically belonging to the City of Lackawanna.

SECTION 4. That the Law Department shall prepare documents to be executed for the transfer of the property.

THIS ORDINANCE SHALL TAKE EFFECT IMMEDIATELY

Moved by Iafallo seconded by Schultz to adopt ordinance as written

Yeas: Noman, Schultz, Surdyke, Iafallo

Carried 4-0

Fire Department-Advertise for Bids-New Pumper

13. To: City Council

I ask your Honorable Body to please direct the City Clerk to advertise for bids for a new pumper. Attached are specifications prepared by the truck committee for your perusal.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me.

RALPH GALANTI-FIRE CHIEF

Moved by Iafallo seconded by Surdyke to approve request, direct City Clerk to advertise for bids

Yeas: Noman, Schultz, Surdyke, Iafallo

Carried 4-0

Communications from Citizens:

Commissioner of Deeds-LMHA- Falbo

14. To: City Council

I hereby request an appointment as a Commissioner of Deeds for 2019-2020. This appointment would be used solely for my duties at the Lackawanna municipal Housing Authority.

BRANDON FALBO-LMHA

Moved by Iafallo seconded by Schultz to approve commissioner of deeds status

Yeas: Noman, Schultz, Surdyke, Iafallo

Carried 4-0

Commissioner of Deeds-LMHA-Surdyke

15. To: City Council

I hereby request an appointment as a Commissioner of Deeds for 2019-2020. This appointment would be used solely for my duties at the Lackawanna municipal Housing Authority.

JASON SURDYKE-LMHA

Moved by Iafallo seconded by Schultz to approve commissioner of deeds status

Yeas: Noman, Schultz, Surdyke, Iafallo

Carried 4-0

Adjournment:

Moved by Iafallo seconded by Schultz meeting adjourned

Yeas: Noman, Schultz, Surdyke, Iafallo

Carried 4-0

Annette Iafallo-Council President

Jeffrey P. DePasquale, City Clerk