

Agenda  
Council Meeting  
Monday, March 2, 2020  
6:30 p.m. – Caucus/7:00 p.m. - Meeting  
Council Chambers  
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**Meeting Called to Order/Pledge of Allegiance.**

**NB: Meeting being recorded.**

**Roll Call:** Council: Ingram, Schultz, Moretti, Surdyke, Marrano  
**Dept. Heads:** Law, Development, Public Works, Public Safety, Comptroller, Recreation

**Hearings from Citizens:**

**Approval of Minutes:** of the regular meeting of February 24, 2020.

**Departmental Reports:**

1. **City Comptroller** – A/P Check Listing #31, dated February 20, 2020.

**Communications from the Mayor:**

2. **Mayor Iafallo** – Advises the City Council that she will be attending the March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2020 Council Meeting to deliver the State of the City Address.

**Communications from Division/Department Heads:**

3. **DPW Commissioner** – Requests City Council direct the City Clerk to advertise for bids for the Galanti Park project.
4. **DPW Commissioner** – Requests City Council direct the Law Department to draft an ordinance requiring residents repair any collapsed sewer laterals in a timely fashion prior to repaving their respective street.
5. **Director of Development** – Regarding Bedford Business Partners, LLC for Strategic Marketing and Communication for the City, as a follow-up to the original communication dated February 20, 2020, submits to City Council curriculum vitae of the principal of the entity, together with a proposed contract to retain their services.
6. **Director of Development** – For informational purposes, submits to the Council a plan for street quieting measures, and improvements along Nason Parkway and Ridge Road to better connect our City with the regional resources of South Park, Erie County Botanical Gardens, and the Basilica. The proposed changes to Nason Parkway are the topic of a public hearing scheduled to be held in Council Chambers on March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.
7. **City Attorney** – Requests City Council approve the attached resolution supporting New York State Assemblyman Pat Burke’s dangerousness hearings legislation known as the “Justice for Rachel” Act.
  - (A) A resolution whereas the City of Lackawanna goes on record in support of the “Justice for Rachel” Act in the New York State Assembly and be it further resolved that a certified copy of this resolution is sent to New York State Governor, the Speaker of the New York State Assembly Carl Heastie, Senate Majority Leader Andrea Stewart-Cousins and any other party deemed necessary and proper. In response to the bail reform measures that were included in the 2019 New York State omnibus budget package and the concern this has caused in our community and among law enforcement officials, the dangerousness hearings legislation, Assembly Bill A.06688A, would establish a system of dangerousness hearings that would create a process to keep potentially dangerous individuals in pre-trial custody and adds new section 510.55 to the Criminal Procedure Law to establish the conditions under which the people may seek pretrial detention due to the dangerousness of the principal.

**Communications from Citizens:**

8. **Shad Garner, President IAFF 3166** – Requests City Council approve the use of a reserve fire pumper truck to take part in the Annual “Old Neighborhood” St. Patrick’s Day Parade to be held Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020.
  
9. **John Ingram, Chair of the Lackawanna Community Fun Day’s Committee** – Requests City Council approve the following for the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Lackawanna Community Fun Day Event 2020, to be held at Jeffery Taggart Memorial ark August 21 thru August 23, 2020:
  - All of the events outlined in this letter.
  - The use of the City of Lackawanna’s portable restrooms for the event.
  - The use of Wilkesbarre Street for a Youth Parade on Saturday, August 22 from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., which will run along Wilkesbarre Street from the Friendship House to Jeffery Taggart Memorial Playground and take approximately 30 minutes.

**New Business Registrations:**

Ahmed A. Elbaneh, Sr., dba Cashspot LLC Service Outlet (tax preparation, travel, bookkeeping, other services), 1281-1283 Abbott Road.

**Entertainment Licenses:**

Diamond Club, 349 Ingham Avenue – Class I – Live Music and/or Mechanical reproduction.

**Tabled Items:**

**Old Business:**

**Comm. #10 from January 6, 2020: (Referred to Law department for opinion)**

**Council Member Ingram** – I am asking the Council to take back the properties located at 149 Ingham and 163 Ingham from Mr. Abdul Noman for not fulfilling his obligation of building on the properties.

**Adjournment:**

Persons wishing to speak before the Council shall register at the table, providing their name, address, phone number and the subject they wish to address. Comments should be limited to three (3) minutes on agenda items only and questions should be directed to the presiding officer. To place an item on the agenda, persons shall submit their signed correspondence to the City Clerk, via email, regular mail or in person, before 12:00 noon on the Wednesday before the scheduled Council meeting. The Council has final approval of all agenda items.

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