

**Regular Council Meeting**  
**MONDAY, March 1, 2021**  
**4:00 p.m. – Caucus/ Meeting to immediately follow**  
**REMOTE ZOOM**  
**\*\*COVID-19 procedures in effect\*\***  
**Live via Facebook@http//Facebook.com/lackawannany**

**Attention Residents:**

The Remote Zoom format will remain in effect as long as it is authorized by Executive Order from the Governor, and until such time as the City Council resolution authorizing same is rescinded.

Meeting called to order/Pledge of Allegiance.

NB: Meeting being recorded.

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

**Mayor Iafallo Delivers the State of the City Address.**

**Hearings from Citizens:**

**Approval of Minutes:** of the regular meeting of February 22, 2021.

Moved by Marrano seconded by Moretti to adopt minutes of the regular meeting of February 22, 2021 as written.

Yeas: Ingram, Szymanski, Moretti, Surdyke, Marrano

Carried 5-0

**Departmental Reports:**

1. **City Comptroller** – A/P Check Listing #29, dated February 18, 2021.

Moved by Marrano seconded by Szymanski to receive and file Departmental Report one.

Yeas: Ingram, Szymanski, Moretti, Surdyke, Marrano

Carried 5-0

**Communications from the Mayor:**

**Requests Confirmation of Delivery of State of the City Address During Caucus on March 1, 2021.**

2. To: Honorable Council President  
Honorable Council Members

Dear Council –

This communication is confirmation that I will deliver the State of the City Address, via zoom, on March 1, 2021 at 4:00 P.M., following the caucus.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Respectfully,

**ANNETTE IAFALLO, MAYOR**

Moved by Marrano seconded by Szymanski to receive and file.

Yeas: Ingram, Szymanski, Moretti, Surdyke, Marrano

Carried 5-0

**Communication from Department/Division Heads:**

**Requests Approval of Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute the Master Contract with New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation Regarding Veteran’s Stadium.**

3. To: Honorable Council President  
Honorable City Council Members  
714 Ridge Road  
Lackawanna, NY 14218

Dear Council Members,

I am requesting your honorable body approve the attached resolution regarding Veteran’s Stadium Rehab Project 180637. Said resolution, as per Connie Miner the City’s grant writer, is required to apply for funds through the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation (“OPHRP”).

Thank you for your anticipated cooperation.

Respectfully,

**JEFFREY P. DEPASQUALE, CITY CLERK**

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

Yeas: Ingram, Szymanski, Moretti, Surdyke, Marrano

Carried 5-0

RESOLUTION NO. , 2021

**Whereas**, the City of Lackawanna, New York applied for financial assistance from the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation (“OPHRP”) under the **Title 9 of the Environmental Protection Act of 1993 and/or the Recreational Trails Program** for the purpose of funding the development of the **Veteran’s Stadium Rehab Project 180637**; and

**Whereas**, that the City of Lackawanna, New York is authorized and directed to accept these grant funds in an amount not to exceed \$465,455.00 for the project describe in the grant application, and

**Whereas**, the City of Lackawanna, New York is authorized and directed to agree to the terms and Conditions of the Master Contract with OPHRP for such development of Veteran’s Stadium Rehab project 180637; and

**Whereas**, the City of Lackawanna, New York is authorized and directed to agree to the terms and conditions of any required deed easement granted to OPHRP that affects title to real property owned by the municipality and improved by grant funds, which may be a duly recorded public access covenant, conservation easement, and/or preservation covenant;

**Therefore, be it resolved**, that the City Council of the City of Lackawanna, New York delegates signing authority to execute the Master Contract and any amendments thereto, any required deed of easement, and any other certifications to the individuals who hold the following elected or appointed Municipal office and employment position titles: Mayor and Director of Grants Management.

THIS RESOLUTION SHALL TAKE EFFECT IMMEDIATELY

Dated: March 1, 2021

Moved by Szymanski seconded by Surdyke to adopt resolution as written.

Yeas: Ingram, Szymanski, Moretti, Surdyke, Marrano

Carried 5-0

**Requests Commissioner of Deeds Status for Council Member Dean Moretti.**

4. To: Honorable Council President  
Honorable City Council Members  
714 Ridge Road  
Lackawanna, NY 14218

Dear Council Members,

I respectfully request your honorable body grant 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward Council Member Dean J. Moretti Commissioner of Deeds Status for the City of Lackawanna, term to expire December 31, 2022.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Respectfully,

**JEFFREY P. DEPASQUALE, CITY CLERK**

Moved by Marrano seconded by Szymanski to approve request.

Yeas: Ingram, Szymanski, Moretti, Surdyke, Marrano

Carried 5-0

**Communications from Citizens:**

**Requests Approval for Use of Veteran's Stadium.**

5. To: Honorable Council Members:

First we would like to thank you for the opportunity to review our request. We at LA Sports Club would like to request that we have access to Veteran's Stadium and Victory Playground for our LA Sports Club Flag Football Showcase we will be having over the course of the summer.

We would like to request Veteran's Stadium every Saturday and Sunday (9am – 9pm) for games, and request Victory Playground every Tuesday & Thursday (5:30 pm – 8 pm) for practice, from April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021 until June 26<sup>th</sup>, 2021. We will be hosting a LASC Flag Football Showcase for the community. We will be partnering with NFL Flag. We will provide the equipment, as well as the insurance for the field to host such an event.

Attached to this letter is a copy of our current insurance policy that covers the city of Lackawanna. We think this is a great idea for the community and we would love for the field to be available to us. We look forward to working together for the community.

Sincerely,

**DARRELL GLOVER JR., PRESIDENT LA SPORTS CLUB**

Moved by Marrano seconded by Szymanski to approve request.

Yeas: Ingram, Szymanski, Moretti, Surdyke, Marrano

Carried 5-0

**Tabled Items:**

**Old Business:**

1. Council Member Szymanski advises the Director of Public Safety that he's received reports of citizens hopping trains on active railroads.
2. Council Member Surdyke wanted an update on the City accepting credit cards. The Comptroller advises that it is still a couple of weeks out.

**Adjournment:**

Moved by Marrano seconded by Ingram to adjourn meeting.

Yeas: Ingram, Szymanski, Moretti, Surdyke, Marrano

Carried 5-0

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Frederic J. Marrano-Council President

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Jeffrey P. DePasquale - City Clerk

Any items to be placed on the agenda must be received by the City Clerk's Office by noon on the Wednesday before the scheduled meeting to be considered. Any public comments normally in person at the meeting during "Hearing from Citizens" MUST be related to topics already on the agenda and received by the City Clerk's Office no later than noon on the scheduled day of the meeting. Comments are accepted via US Mail Service, Fax @ 716-827-6453 or email at [cityclerk@lackny.com](mailto:cityclerk@lackny.com).

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