

Agenda

Regular Council Meeting

Monday, June 6, 2022

Council Chambers

6:30 p.m. Caucus – 7:00 p.m. Meeting

Live via Facebook @ <http://facebook.com/lackawannany/>

Meeting Called to Order/Pledge of Allegiance.

NB: Meeting being recorded.

Roll Call: Council: Muflahi, Anderson, Moretti, Surdyke, Marrano
Dept. Heads: Law, Development, Public Works, Public Safety, Comptroller, Recreation, PIO

Hearings from Citizens:

Approval of Minutes: of the regular meeting of May 23, 2022.

Departmental Reports:

1. **City Comptroller** –A/P Check Listing # 37, dated May 24, 2022.

Communications from the Mayor:

2. **Mayor Iafallo** – Requests the City Council approve a traffic study for the intersection of Abbott and Ridge Road at an estimated cost between \$15,000.00 and \$20,000.00.

Communications from Division/Department Heads:

3. **Director of Recreation** – Requests the City Council approve the use of Veteran’s Stadium by Kodex Elite Sports Training for Flag Football games and practices as indicated in their included schedule between August 1 and October 24, 2022. Proof of insurance attached.
4. **Director of Recreation** – Requests the City Council approve the use of Veteran’s Stadium by the Church of God Restoration and Mercy House for the church event that was conditionally approved by your honorable body at the October 4, 2021 City Council meeting. The event is scheduled for August 26 & 27, 2022. This approval is contingent upon receiving proof of insurance prior to the event.
5. **Director of Recreation** – Requests the City Council approve the use of the Martin Road Playground on July 13th and Franklin Playground on August 3rd by the Lackawanna City School District for a reading and crafts program.
6. **DPW Commissioner** – Submits the attached email requesting that the City Council approve adding funds for two projects:
 - 1) Add \$78,202.00 to the Abbott and Ridge Road traffic signal update, bringing the project up to \$130,000.00.
 - 2) Add \$25,583.00 to the Cleveland Avenue milling and paving project, bringing the project up to \$270,000.00.
7. **Director of Development** – Requests City Council approval to attend the New York State Conference of Mayors (NYCOM) Community Revitalization Conference to be held June 8th and 9th 2022 in Syracuse, NY. Ample funds are available in the Development Travel Allowance account.
8. **Director of Development** – Requests the City Council approve the attached resolution pertaining to the Smart Growth Community Planning and Zoning Grant Program.

- (A) A resolution authorizing the Mayor and/or Director of Development to apply for, execute, and sign any and all documents related to the application for grant funding through the New York State Consolidated Funding Application (CFA) under the Environmental Protection Fund Smart Growth Program. The City of Lackawanna is responsible for a Ten (10) Percent Match of any received funds.
9. **City Comptroller** – Advises the City Council of the retirement of Assistant City Attorney Antonio Savaglio, effective May 30th, 2022.
10. **City Comptroller** – With regards to DPW Commissioner Anthony DeSantis’ appointment of Mr. Peter O’Connor to the permanent position of “Signal Maintenance Worker,” I request the City Council approve the attached ordinance changing the title from “Maintainer” to “Signal Maintenance Worker” in budget code A3020.
- (A) An ordinance amending the 2021-2022 Budget Ordinance adopted May 18, 2021 and the 2022-2023 Budget Ordinance adopted May 23, 2022, by changing budget code A3020.101-1 from Maintainer to Signal Maintenance Worker.
11. **City Comptroller** – With regards to an email received from DPW Commissioner Anthony DeSantis (see item #6), I request the City Council approve the attached ordinances regarding fund transfers.
- (A) An ordinance amending the 2021-2022 Budget Ordinance adopted May 18, 2021 by appropriating \$25,853.00 of the City’s Fund Balance to budget code H2080.0601 Cleveland Drive CDBG Project.
- (B) An ordinance amending the 2021-2022 Budget Ordinance adopted May 18, 2021 by appropriating \$78,202.00 of the City’s Fund Balance to budget code H2080.0442 Abbott and Ridge Road Traffic Signal Project.

Communications from Citizens:

12. **Jennifer Nahrebeski Schwartz, resident** – Submits comments, concerns and supporting data regarding the safety of the Abbott Road at Ridge Road intersection. Full text of communication available in the City Clerk’s Office.
13. **Sharon Cavanaugh, OLV Human Services** – Submits a communication to the City Council regarding installing a water line for the Lackawanna Community Garden.
14. **John Ingram, resident** – Submits questions to the City Council:
- 1) Update for the traffic signal light at Steelawanna Avenue.
 - 2) Update for Ridge Road light being out.
 - 3) Requesting approval for speed bumps to be installed on Gates Avenue.
 - 4) Requests the City of Lackawanna follow Buffalo’s lead regarding the resale of donated items in an emergency.
 - 5) Update on Police Reform.

Business Registrations:

Tabled Items:

Old Business:

Adjournment:

Persons wishing to speak before the City Council shall provide their name, address and limit their comments to three (3) minutes on agenda items only. Please direct any comments to the Council President. To place an item on the agenda, persons shall submit their correspondence to the City Clerk’s Office in a signed letter or via email (cityclerk@lackny.com) with full address and phone number contained therein, and must be received PRIOR to 12:00 noon on the Wednesday preceding the meeting. The City Council has the final approval of all agenda items. If attending the meeting in person, please silence your cell phones and gentlemen remove your hats. Commentary and actions shall always be respectful of the City Council, Department Heads and fellow citizens or you will be escorted from Chambers.