

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 (E), Anderson, Moretti, Surdyke, Marrano
Dept. Heads: Law, Comptroller, Recreation, Public Safety, Development,
Public Works, Public Information

Hearings from Citizens:

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

Moved by Marrano seconded Anderson to adopt the minutes of the regular meeting of May 23, 2022 as written.

Yeas: Anderson, Moretti, Surdyke, Marrano

Carried 4-0

Departmental Reports:

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

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

Yeas: Anderson, Moretti, Surdyke, Marrano

Carried 4-0

Communications from the Mayor:

Requests Approval for a Traffic Study at the Intersection of Abbott and Ridge Road.

2. To: Honorable Council President

 Honorable Council Members

RE: Traffic Study

Based on several conversations from Lackawanna citizens, (refer to attachment), I am requesting your Honorable Body approve a traffic study of the intersection of Ridge and Abbott Roads. Mr. DeSantis estimates the cost of a traffic study to be in the range of \$5,000 - \$10,000. Jason from CPL will be at the Council meeting if your Honorable Body has any questions.

Thank you in advance for your anticipated cooperation, feel free to contact me if you have any concerns.

ANNETTE IAFALLO, MAYOR

Communication from Citizen Jennifer Nahrebeski Shwartz

Timeline of interventions pursuing information on the intersection of Ridge Road and Abbott Road, specifically traffic traveling west bound on Ridge Road after turning left from Abbott Road.

March 3rd 2021-emailed 3rd ward councilman with questions pertaining to the intersection.

March 3rd 2021-spoke with Legislator Gilmour's office regarding confirmation of responsibility for the intersection. Per Legislator Gilmour's office, the City of Lackawanna is responsible for the light and any modifications that may need to be done.

March 4th, 2021-Mr. Dean Moretti called me and we spoke about the amount of accidents at this intersection.

March 8th, 2021-Mr. Moretti returned my call to report that the county traffic study conducted on the Abbott Road/Ridge Road intersection indicated that modifications were not needed.

March 8th, 2021-I contacted Legislator Gilmour's office again to seek assistance in obtaining study information.

March 11th, 2021-I emailed the county requesting a copy of said study using the Freedom of Information Act. Received confirmation that there was not a study conducted at this intersection.

April 13th, 2021-Mr. DeSantis contacted me to report that there was not a study done at the Intersection due to it being owned by the county. Mr. DeSantis reports a turning lane was requested to the county.

April and May 2021-numerous emails between myself and Annette Juncewicz, Sr Contracts Administrator-DPW FOI Officer. Pertinent correspondence regarding the intersection is attached to this email. The county reports again that no study or requests for changes at that intersection have been made.

September 15th 2021-Through the Freedom of Information Act, I requested documentation of a study possibly done by the City of Lackawanna, traffic board information, and accident data.

September 30th, 2021-I was emailed confirmation that the City of Lackawanna has not conducted a study on the intersection.

October 7th, 2021-Received data concerning the number of accidents at the Ridge Road and Abbott Rd intersection since 2015 (is attached to this email). The request for information on a city traffic advisory/safety board was not addressed.

October 19th-sought out the best email address for the current mayor. Emailed mayor, 3rd ward councilman, Lackawanna DPW and Public safety my concerns with gathered data. (no response).

November 11th-emailed again requesting confirmation that previous email was received.

November 12th-3rd ward councilman provided a response that there will be work done at the intersection in the future. No specific work or deadlines were provided. According to the county, and attached documentation below, there will work on the sidewalks to improve wheelchair accessibility and as well as new and improved LED light bulbs.

December 2021 Gina Wilkolaski, Traffic Safety Engineer, Erie County Highways (DPW) stated:

Since there are no New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) roads involved in this intersection, the City of Lackawanna is the owner."

Respectfully,

ANNETTE IAFALLO, MAYOR

Moved by Marrano seconded by Moretti to approve request.

Yeas: Anderson, Moretti, Surdyke, Marrano

Carried 4-0

Requests Approval for the Use of Veteran’s Stadium by Kodex Elite Sports Training.

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

Honorable Members of the City Council:

Kodex Elite Sports Training is requesting your Honorable Body to authorize their use of Veterans Stadium for Flag Football games and practices as indicated in their included schedule between August 1 and October 24, 2022.

Kodex Elite Sports Training has provided proof of valid insurance.

Dear Community Member:

Hello, my name is Desmond L. Glover and I founded and run Kodex Elite Sports training. Part of its mission is to build a local network community of both players and fans and tap into the energy of one of the fastest growing sports in.

The Sports Fitness Industry Association’s (SFIA00 most recent Participation Report noted that Flag has grown to 6.8 mm participants, up 23% in the previous 5 years, vs. a 15 % decline for tackle to 5.1 mm. Flag’s growth rate far exceeds that of soccer, lacrosse, ice hockey, rugby and other major team sports. Our area needs to be part of this trend and we are bringing you this opportunity to help our local community.

Kodex Elite Sports Training would like to host flag football tournaments (18+yr olds) at the Veteran’s Stadium during the late summer and fall of 2022. We would like to use this national attention and these national events to bring both 8 man flag football as well as 5 man flag football to western New York.

The dates we are looking to acquire the field are:

August 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th

September 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th

October 3rd, 10th, 17th & 29th

Each event will run 7 hours with a start time of 4pm. If we happen to entertain prime time hours we would be ok with having to use the field lights. We are a fully insured organization and all liability will be placed upon us. We also maintain a clean up crew to make sure we leave the field as it was upon our arrival.

Thank you in advance for your generosity and support.

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

DESMOND L. GLOVER, PRESIDENT AND FOUNDER

Sincerely,

BRIAN LAKSO, DIRECTOR OF PARKS AND RECREATION

Moved by Marrano seconded by Surdyke to approve request.

Yeas: Anderson, Moretti, Surdyke, Marrano

Carried 4-0

Requests Approval for Use of Veteran’s Stadium by the Church of God Restoration and Mercy House for a Church Event.

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

Honorable Members of the City Council:

I am forwarding a program outline submitted to my office by Pastor Franciso Alvarez of 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 at Lackawanna's Veterans' Stadium. Pastor Alvarez will be forwarding an insurance certificate covering those dates in the days to come. As outlined in the October 4, 2021 meeting, my department will monitor the insurance status for the aforementioned event.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

BRIAN LAKSO, DIRECTOR OF PARKS AND RECREATION

Moved by Marrano seconded by Anderson to approve request upon receipt of the Insurance Documents.

Yeas: Anderson, Moretti, Surdyke, Marrano

Carried 4-0

Requests Approval for Use of the Martin Road Playground and Franklin Playground by the Lackawanna City School District.

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

Honorable Members of the City Council:

I am forwarding a request from Lackawanna City School District Principal of Curriculum Mrs. Angela McCaffrey to utilize Martin Rd. Playground on July 13 and Franklin Playground on August 3 for a reading and crafts program. The program would be administered by Teachers from the Lackawanna City School District.

Thank you for your consideration.

Dear Mr. Lakso.

I am writing this letter to ask if it would be possible for a group of our Lackawanna Administrators and Teachers to volunteer to read at the following playgrounds on the following dates:

Wednesday, July 13, 2022 – martin Road Playground

Wednesday, August 3, 2022 – Franklin Playground

At these events, we would also bring books to hand out to the children and well as bring a craft for them to make. Our goal is to increase the love of reading and get books into the hands of our children!

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Mrs. Angela McCaffrey

Sincerely,

BRIAN LAKSO, DIRECTOR OF PARKS & RECREATION

Moved by Surdyke seconded by Anderson to approve request.

Yeas: Anderson, Moretti, Surdyke, Marrano

Carried 4-0

Requests Approval to Add Funds for Traffic Study and Milling and Paving Project.

6. To: Council Members

I am requesting to add funds to two projects.

The first is the Abbott and Ridge Road traffic signal. I am requesting the \$78,202.00 to be added to the Abbott Road and Ridge Road traffic signal update bringing the project up to \$130,000.00.

The second project is Cleveland Ave, milling and paving project.

I am requesting to add \$25,853.00 to this project to bring the project up to \$270,000.00.

As of the date of this email, the prices are as is. In June, the county contract bid pricing will be released for the next construction session. We have no guarantee the price will stay the same.

Thank you,

Shannon

ANTHONY DESANTIS, COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS

Moved by Marrano seconded by Moretti to receive and file.

Yeas: Anderson, Moretti, Surdyke, Marrano

Carried 4-0

Requests Approval to Attend NYCOM Community Revitalization Conference.

7. To: Honorable Council president
Honorable City Council
714 Ridge Road
Lackawanna, NY 1418

Dear Honorable Body,

I am seeking approval from the City Council to attend the New York Conference of Mayors and Municipal Officials (NYCOM) Community Revitalization Conference to be held June 8th and 9th 2022 in Syracuse, NY.

The cost to attend the conference with lodging will be approximately \$500 plus associated mileage and tolls. Ample funds have been budgeted and are available in the Development Travel Allowance account (A3620.0464).

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Warm Regards,

LAUREN M. JEDNAK, DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT

Moved by Marrano seconded by Moretti to approve request.

Yeas: Anderson, Moretti, Surdyke, Marrano

Carried 4-0

Requests Approval of Resolution Pertaining to the Smart Growth Community Planning and Zoning Grant Program.

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

Dear Honorable Body,

The Department of Development requests the City Council approve the attached resolution pertaining to the Smart Growth Community Planning and Zoning Grant Program.

The New York Department of State Office Planning and Development and Community Infrastructure issued a Request for Application (RFA) for a grant award of up to \$200,000 to fund applications for the Smart Growth Community Planning and Zoning Grant Program. Applying for this award may secure the City grant funding to analyze and update our current comprehensive plan and zoning plan. As a requirement of the grant, the City of Lackawanna will have a 10% match.

The council action is necessary to apply for the CFA grant, due July 29, 2022.

Respectfully Submitted,

LAUREN M. JEDNAK, DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT

A copy of this information may be obtained by contacting the City Clerk's office.

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

Yeas: Anderson, Moretti, Surdyke, Marrano

Carried 4-0

RESOLUTION NO. 19, 2022

Whereas, the City of Lackawanna is desirous of applying for the Smart Growth Community Planning and Zoning Grant Program; and

Whereas, the City of Lackawanna is desirous of exploring possible funding to assist with preparation and local adoption of a new or updated comprehensive plan for the entire city that supports smart growth principles for the community; and

Whereas, the City of Lackawanna is desirous to prepare and adopt new or updated zoning regulations (i.e. local law, ordinance) for the entire city that would implement an existing comprehensive plan that supports smart growth principles for the community; and

Whereas, the City of Lackawanna is desirous to prepare and locally adopt a new or updated area plan for part of the city that supports smart growth principles for the community, and which may include, but would not be limited to, transit-oriented development plans and downtown area plans; or

The City of Lackawanna would prepare and locally adopt new or updated zoning regulations that would implement any such area plans already adopted by the City of Lackawanna.

NOW Therefore, be it resolved,

That the City Council hereby authorizes the Mayor and/or the Director of Development of the City of Lackawanna to sign and execute any and all documents relating to the application for funding through the New York State Consolidated Funding Application (CFA) under the Environmental Protection Fund Smart Growth program; and **be it further**

Resolved, that the Mayor and/or the Director of Development is hereby authorized to enter into such agreements, contracts, and/or memorandum of understanding in order to effectuate the successful grant application with the understanding that the City of Lackawanna is responsible for a Ten (10) Percent funding match, which would amount to \$10,000.00 TO \$20,000.00, depending on the grant received.

THIS RESOLUTION SHALL TAKE EFFECT IMMEDIATELY.

Dated: June 6, 2022

Lackawanna, New York

Moved by Marrano seconded by Moretti to adopt resolution as written.

Yeas: Anderson, Moretti, Surdyke, Marrano

Carried 4-0

Retirement of the City of Lackawanna's Assistant City Attorney.

9. To: Honorable Frederic J. Marrano, Council President
Honorable Members of the City Council
714 Ridge Road
Lackawanna, NY 14218

Dear Council Members:

Please be advised that Mr. Antonio Savaglio, Assistant City Attorney, has retired. The effective date of Mr. Savaglio's retirement is May 30, 2022.

Very truly yours,

LINDA M. HYBICKI, CITY COMPTROLLER

Moved by Marrano seconded et al to receive and file.

Yeas: Anderson, Moretti, Surdyke, Marrano

Carried 4-0

Requests Approval of Ordinance Appointing Peter O'Connor to the Position of Signal Maintenance Worker.

10. To: Honorable Frederic J. Marrano, Council President
Honorable Members of the City Council
714 Ridge Road
Lackawanna, NY 14218

Dear Honorable Council Members:

In furtherance of the appointment of Mr. Peter O'Connor to the permanent position of "Signal Maintenance Worker" by Anthony DeSantis, Commissioner of Public Works, on May 23, 2022, attached please find an Ordinance for your review and consideration.

Said ordinance changes the title from "Maintainer" to "Signal Maintenance Worker" in the Personal Services budget line in the "Communication Systems" Department (i.e., Code A3020).

In support of said Ordinance, attached please find a copy of the supporting letter of appointment dated May 23rd, 2022, from Mr. Anthony DeSantis, Commissioner of Public Works.

Please note that, to qualify for the appointment to this formerly vacant union position, Mr. O'Connor completed a required schooling and/or course regimen.

In addition, since the appointment is effective as of May 23rd, 2022, and carries forward beyond the end of the current fiscal year, the Ordinance attached for your review and consideration incorporates a change for the following adopted budgets:

- a. for the 2021-2022 adopted budget as of the date of appointment (i.e., May 23rd, 2022); and
- b. for the entire duration of the 2022-2023 adopted budget.

Lastly, please note that the title change does not involve a monetary change to either adopted budget.

Very truly yours,

LINDA M. HYBICKI, CITY COMPTROLLER

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

Yeas: Anderson, Moretti, Surdyke, Marrano

Carried 4-0

ORDINANCE

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING:
THE 2021-2022 BUDGET ORDINANCE AOPTED MAY 18TH, 2021
AND
THE 2022-2023 BUDGET ORDINANCE ADOPTED MAY 23RD, 2022**

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

SECTION 1. That the 2021-2022 Budget Ordinance adopted May 18th, 2021, and the 2022-2023 Budget Ordinance adopted May 23rd, 2022, are hereby amended to change the title reflected for the following Department and Personal Services budget line:

COMMUNICATION SYSTEM CODE A3020

.1 – PERSONAL SERVICES

FROM: .101 – 1 MAINTAINER

TO: .101 – SIGNAL MAINTENANCE WORKER

THIS ORDINANCE SHALL TAKE EFFECT IMMEDIATELY.

Dated: June 7, 2022

Lackawanna, New York

Moved by Marrano seconded by Surdyke to adopt ordinance as written.

Yeas: Anderson, Moretti, Surdyke, Marrano

Carried 4-0

Requests Approval of Ordinances Regarding Transfer of Funds for the Cleveland Drive CDBG Project and Abbott Road and Ridge Road Traffic Study.

11. To: Honorable Frederic J. Marrano, Council President

Honorable Members of the City Council

714 Ridge Road

Lackawanna, NY 14218

Dear Honorable Council Members:

In furtherance of the email this Honorable Body received from Mr. Anthony DeSantis, Commissioner of Public Works, on March 27th, 2022 (a copy of which is attached for ease of reference), attached please find two (2) Ordinances for your review and consideration:

- The first Ordinance involves the transfer of \$25,853.00 of appropriated Fund balance from the General Fund to the Capital Fund in relation to the Cleveland Drive CDBG Project.
- The second Ordinance involves the transfer of \$78,202.00 of appropriated fund balance from the General Fund to the Capital Fund in relation to the Abbott and Ridge Road Traffic Signal replacement Project.

Very truly yours,

LINDA M. HYBICKI, CITY COMPTROLLER

Moved by Marrano seconded by Anderson to adopt ordinance as written.

Yeas: Anderson, Moretti, Surdyke, Marrano

Carried 4-0

ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2021-2022 BUDGET ORDINANCES ADOPTED MAY 18TH, 2021.

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

SECTION 1. That the 2021-2022 Budget Ordinance adopted May 18th, 2021, is hereby amended to increase appropriations for milling and paving Capital Project entitled “**Cleveland Drive CDBG Project**”.

- SECTION 2.** That the 2021-2022 Budget Ordinance is hereby amended to add \$25,853.00 to Budget Code A9000.9550 (Transfer to Other Fund – Capital).
- SECTION 3.** That the 2020-2021 Budget Ordinance is hereby amended to appropriate \$25,853.00 of the City’s Fund Balance.
- SECTION 4.** That the 2021-2022 Budget Ordinance is hereby amended to add \$25,853.00 to Budget Code H2080.0601 (Cleveland Drive CBDG Project).
- SECTION 5.** That the 2020-2021 Budget Ordinance is hereby amended to increase Budget Code H.0000.2545 (“Capital Fund Inter Fund Transfers”) by \$25,853.00.

THIS ORDINANCE SHALL TAKE EFFECT IMMEDIATELY.

Dated: June 7, 2022
Lackawanna, New York

Moved by Marrano seconded by Anderson to adopt ordinance as written.
Yeas: Anderson, Moretti, Surdyke, Marrano

Carried 4-0

ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2021-2022 BUDGET ORDINANCES ADOPTED MAY 18TH, 2021.

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

- SECTION 1.** That the 2021-2022 Budget Ordinance adopted May 18th, 2021, is hereby amended to increase appropriations for the Capital Project entitled “**Abbott and Ridge Road Traffic Signal Project**”.
- SECTION 2.** That the 2021-2022 Budget Ordinance is hereby amended to add \$78,202.00 to Budget Code A9000.9550 (Transfer to Other Fund – Capital).
- SECTION 3.** That the 2020-2021 Budget Ordinance is hereby amended to appropriate \$78,202.00 of the City’s Fund Balance.
- SECTION 4.** That the 2021-2022 Budget Ordinance is hereby amended to add \$78,202.00 to Budget Code H2080.0442 (Abbott and Ridge Road Traffic Signal Project).
- SECTION 5.** That the 2020-2021 Budget Ordinance is hereby amended to increase Budget Code H.0000.2545 (“Capital Fund Inter Fund Transfers”) by \$78,202.00.

THIS ORDINANCE SHALL TAKE EFFECT IMMEDIATELY.

Dated: June 8, 2022
Lackawanna, New York

Moved by Marrano seconded by Moretti to adopt ordinance as written.

Yeas: Anderson, Moretti, Surdyke, Marrano

Carried 4-0

Submission of Concerns and Supporting Data the Abbott Road and Ridge Road Intersection.

12. To whom it may concern,

We are asking for the City to not only install a new traffic light that provides a larger, clear and bright visuals (similar to the newly installed traffic lights at the intersection of South Park ave/Milestrip rd expressway in Blasdell) the current “old system” that is at the Ridge/Abbott intersection is compromised during various weather conditions, sunlight that restricts proper sight, and creates confusion of surrounding motorists and pedestrians.

We ask that the City provide a clear and better thought out plan on how to reduce the amount of accidents caused by not having sufficient turning time and clear turning indicators for left turning motorists coming from each direction.

The opposite side of the intersection coming from Abbott Rd (South Buffalo direction) heading into Lackawanna is absolutely frightening which leads to stress and anxiety when motorists are turning left from Abbott Road onto Ridge Road (Heading towards the Thruway/West Seneca direction). The stress is due to the lack of a left turning lane, poor visibility, confusion and not allowing enough time to permit a safe and proper number of turning motorists.

It is absurd based on the amount of traffic that is seen at this intersection that this issue still exists, all of this combines creates panic, and panic leads to mistakes and mistakes lead to unnecessary accidents. Also keep in mind the added intersection panic when the West Seneca Police Dept. sets up their coordinated speed traps on Ridge Road and uses this intersection when making traffic stops after a motorist coming from West Seneca or exiting the Thruway is intercepted.

The second issue at this intersection is (can also be proven through video evidence) though there is a designated left turn lane on Ridge Rd turning left onto Abbott (coming from West Seneca to turn onto Abbott into Lackawanna) the turning arrow signal to the left onto Abbott Rd coming from the Ridge Rd (west Seneca area) is in poor condition, hard to see visually and does not provide enough time for turning motorists before the light turns green for oncoming traffic.

This causes an alarming rate of motorists illegally going through the red light arrow causing delays and accidents.

A larger, clear, brighter signal would drastically reduce this issue, anything after that would be a concern for the Lackawanna Police to intervene and set up a traffic unit to monitor, much like the West Seneca Police Dept. does within their jurisdiction for known “problem” areas.

In this document you will be provided with communications composed and sent to Lackawanna city hall for requests/information and to the Erie County Traffic Safety Department. The Correspondence is summarized in a timeline below with the communications.

You will be provided with information (via FOIL request) produced by the Lackawanna Police Dept. of accident summaries from years 2015-2021.

In these reports, you will be provided with the factual number to reinforce the concerns that are being made by the Citizens of Lackawanna of the growing concern of the Abbott/Ridge Rd intersection. It is no coincidence that this highly dangerous intersection has the highest accident rate within the City of Lackawanna.

There certainly must be allocated funds within a certain part of the 29.6 million dollar budget (ending July 31st 2022) to allow for this to be rectified.

If the current 2021-2022 budget can not include this necessity, it could be an option to replace funds projected for a 'splash pad' which is documented at \$975,000.
Or perhaps, it could be taken from the \$3 million allocated funds for 2022-2023 budget.

Please note, Gina Wilkolaski, Traffic Safety Engineer, Erie County Highway (DPW) stated:
"Unfortunately, I was unable to locate an Erie County Signal Permit for this location. However, I can offer that Erie County is not legally allowed to own traffic signals by New York State Vehicle and Traffic Law, and that we have one in our inventory. Since there are No New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) roads involved in this intersection, the City of Lackawanna is the owner. We are begging for help from our city officials to keep us safe at an intersection the City owns (as per NYS traffic safety).

This could equivocally be a simple fix if someone would take authority and make such a drastic improvement to our Cities traffic safety.

Thank you for your time. Please see the documentation below.

JENNIFER NAHREBESKI SHWARTZ

A copy of this information is on file in the City Clerk's Office.

Moved by Marrano seconded by Anderson to receive and file.

Yeas: Anderson, Moretti, Surdyke, Marrano

Carried 4-0

Communication Regarding Installing a Water Line for the Lackawanna Community Garden.

13. Good morning,

As you are aware, during the Summer of 2015, OLV Human Services initiated a relationship between the WAY Program and the City of Lackawanna to begin using a vacant lot that was identified on Bethlehem Street as a Community Garden. The WAY Program purchased supplies to build raised beds Plant vegetables, and clean up the space for gardening. Since its inception, the Lackawanna Community Garden has served as a gathering place for residents in the First Ward, and as an educational space for students in the WAY Program. We wanted to express our deepest thanks to the City of Lackawanna for allowing us to continue using the space on Bethlehem Street to meet the needs of local residents and our students.

Access to water remains an issue for Lackawanna Community Garden. We are grateful to the City of Lackawanna for allowing us to tap into Wade Turner's water for the garden needs. While accessing this resource has been helpful, a new water line is needed to allow the garden to operate more efficiently. Cars run over the hose which crosses the street creating issues for the garden, those who tend it, and drivers passing by.

OLV Human Services, with the support of OLV Charities, has the capability to obtain the necessary funds, as well as some of the equipment, that is necessary to put in a new water line. However, with garden being city-owned property, we want to ensure that we are following all of the necessary protocols before replacing the water line. At your earliest convenience, we would most sincerely appreciate your information as to what the next steps are, so we can move forward with getting a new water line installed at the garden.

Thank you for your time and assistance.

Sincerely,

SHARON CAVANAUGH, OLV HUMAN SERVICES

Moved by Marrano seconded by Moretti to receive and file.

Yeas: Anderson, Moretti, Surdyke, Marrano

Carried 4-0

Submission of Various Agenda Items.

14. To: Lackawanna City Clerk

1. When will the signal light be put up on steelawanna does the city has a time of when this will happen.
2. When will the city address the problem about lights the light being out on Ridge Road that has been ask on numerous occasion this is an ongoing problem which need to be corrected asap resident and business owner does not understand why this can't be address.
3. The resident of the Glover Garden complex is asking that you give Executive Director of Lackawanna Municipal Housing Mr. Mark Kuwik permission to put the temporary speed bumps down on Gates Ave. The resident feel this will help safeguard are children from speeders who continue to disregard the stop sign also with the recent death of a young women in gates resident want to make sure that we do whatever we can to protect our children.
4. I'm requesting that this city council follow the lead that the city Councilman of Buffalo has done in regarding store owners taking free item giving to citizens due to an emergency such as what happen in Buffalo and reselling their stores they should
 - A. Suspend their license immediately
 - B. Add a fine of no less then \$3,000 to \$5,000 and the fine whatever it is cannot be reduced and they must pay the fine before they can approach the city about reopening and only than should they be allowed a court date.
 - C. Not allowed them to open until they have a hearing to address what they've done.
5. Police Reform – When will Lackawanna do Police Reform as they were supposed to be doing and if not why not.

Moved by Marrano seconded by Moretti to receive and file.

Yeas: Anderson, Moretti, Surdyke, Marrano

Carried 4-0

Tabled Items:

Old Business:

Adjournment:

Moved by Marrano seconded by Moretti to adjourn meeting.

Yeas: Anderson, Moretti, Surdyke, Marrano

Carried 4-0

Frederic J. Marrano-Council President

Jeffrey P. DePasquale - City Clerk

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.

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