

Agenda

Council Meeting
Monday, May 6, 2024
Council Chambers

6:30 p.m. Caucus – Meeting to immediately follow the Caucus
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/Marketing, Public Works, Public Safety, Comptroller, Recreation

Hearings from Citizens:

Approval of Minutes: of the regular meeting of April 22, 2024.

Departmental Reports:

1. **Assistant City Comptroller** – A/P Check Listing #31, dated 4/24/2024.
2. **Assistant City Comptroller** – A/P Check Listing #32, Dated 4/26/2024.

Communication from the Mayor:

3. **Mayor Iafallo** - Requests the City Council approve a one week extension for submission of the proposed budget to the Council (from May 10, 2024 to May 17, 2024). An additional week is required to complete the reconciliation of accounts for the current fiscal year.

Communications from Division/Department Heads:

4. **Director of Parks and Recreation** - Requests the City Council approve the use of Avery Playground on Tuesdays and Fridays by the LA Sports Club Flag Football Camp. Camp will begin May 7, 2024. Insurance attached.
5. **Director of Parks and Recreation** – Requests the City Council approve the closure of Ridge Road between Electric Ave. and South Park on June 23, 2024 from 9:00 a.m. until 11:30 p.m. for the on-street restaurant event, to allow two-way traffic on Victory Ave. and to also waive the City's permit fees and suspend the City's Open Container Ordinance for the duration of the event.
6. **Assistant City Comptroller** – Advises the City Council of the retirement of Firefighter, Gary Walawender on April 27, 2024.
7. **Assistant City Comptroller** – Requests the City Council approve an ordinance recognizing the increase in revenue of \$22,955 in the Police Cars Budget Line. This increase is from the sale of Various Police Equipment.

7(A) An Ordinance amending the 2023-2024 Budget Ordinances to increase the budgeted revenues and appropriations recognizing the sale proceeds from various police equipment in the amount of \$22,955.00.
8. **Assistant City Comptroller** – Requests the City Council approve an ordinance recognizing the increase in revenue in the fire department training school budget line due to the cancellation of a training class. Refund came from the NYS Association of Fire Chiefs.

8(A) An Ordinance amending the 2023-2024 Budget Ordinances to increase the budgeted revenues and appropriations in the amount of \$1,625.00 due to the cancellation of a Fire Department training class. The increase is budgeted to "Fire Department: Training Schools".

9. **Sr. Foreman, Public Works** – Requests the City Council approve the trade-in of one Ford F250 truck to Delacy Ford. Trade-in value is \$40,000 and authorize the purchase of one new 2024 Ford Transit Van from Delacy Ford in the amount of \$45,884. The difference in cost of \$5,884 will be taken from the Equipment Budget Line.
10. **Sr. Foreman, Public Works** – Requests the City Council approve the ordinance for the funding of the Kirby Bridge Joint Repair Project to be paid out of the "Contingent Account Budget Line". Total cost of the project is \$93,980 (with FEMA paying \$82,232.50 of this cost). The amount of \$51,756.69 needs to be transferred to the "Contractual Expense – FEMA" account. \$42,223.31 was previously moved to this account.

10(A) An Ordinance amending the 2023-2024 Budget Ordinances increasing Budget Code "Contractual Expenses (FEMA)" by \$51,756.69, the remainder required for the Kirby Street Bridge Joint Repair Project.

11. **Sr. Foreman, Public Works** – Requests the City Council approve the bid from Hunting Valley Construction, Inc. for the Kirby Street Bridge Joint Project in the amount of \$93,980.00.

Communications from Citizens:

12. **Caitlin Jaworski, Lackawanna Police Department** - Requests the City Council approve the annual Law Enforcement Torch Run/Walk on Saturday May 11, 2024 at 11:00 a.m. to benefit the Special Olympics. Assistance from the Police Department and DPW is also requested.
13. **Pamela Edholm, Library Director** – Requests the City Council approve a series of summer concerts during the months of July and August and that outdoor performance permits be granted. Concerts will take place on Tuesday evenings from 6 to 7:30 p.m.
14. **Wade Turner, Resident** – Requests the City Council approve the closure of Bethlehem St. (blocking Steelawanna and Wilkesbarre) to host a Garter party for the Lackawanna Class of 2024.

Business Registrations:

Denise's Doghouse, LLC, Denise Lorrens, 81 Shamokin Drive – Dog boarding, exercising, feeding, includes overnight.

Tabled Items:

Council President Marrano requests that the Entertainment Licenses TABLED at the April 8, 2024 Council meeting be removed from the TABLE.

Class I – Live Music and/or Mechanical Reproduction:

Sonny Reds, Restaurant/Bar, 1841 Abbott Road. Did not return new application.

The Villa, Banquet Hall, 1830 Abbott Road, Social Club/Restaurant. New application attached.

The Pour House Sports Bar, 2847 South Park. Closed permanently.

Steel City Pub, Restaurant/Bar, 1449 Abbott Road. New application attached.

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.

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