

Agenda

Council Meeting
Monday, May 20, 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, Assistant Comptroller, Recreation

Hearings from Citizens:

Approval of Minutes: of the regular meeting of May 6, 2024.

Departmental Reports:

1. **Assistant Comptroller** – A/P Check Listing #33, dated 5/3/2024.
2. **City Clerk** – Monthly report for April, 2024.

Communications from the Mayor:

3. **Mayor Iafallo** – Submits a communication to the Council advising them the City Assessor was discharged from her duties for actions unbecoming of a City Officer.

Communications from Division/Department Heads:

4. **City Attorney** – Requests the City Council approve the ordinance transferring funds in the amount of \$200,000.00.

4(A) An ordinance amending the 2023-2024 Budget Ordinances to accommodate a General Fund transfer of \$200,000.00 from Budget Code “Software Maintenance” to Budget Code “Consulting”.
5. **City Attorney** – Requests the City Council approve the ordinance regarding no parking on Fuhrmann Blvd.

5(A) An ordinance amending Chapter 215, Traffic and Vehicles of the Municipal Code. The ordinance designates no parking on the east and west sides of Fuhrmann Blvd. from 11:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. and no tractor-trailer/commercial vehicle parking allowed.
6. **City Attorney** – Requests the City Council approve the ordinance amending Chapter 194, Opening Streets and Sidewalks.

6(A) An ordinance amending Chapter 194, Opening Streets and Sidewalks of the Lackawanna Municipal code rescinds City Code Chapter 194-29 Bond; insurance required and replaces it with section 194-29 Bond, insurance required. Before any permit to open a street, sidewalk or alley is granted by the Department of Public Works the applicant will provide a performance bond in the sum of 10% of the project cost with a minimum cost of \$5,000 and proof of liability insurance coverage as established by the Council.
7. **Sr. Foreman, Public Works** – Requests the City Council approve Clark, Patterson, Lee (CPL) as project coordinator for the new City Hall Project. The total cost is \$194,290.00. Proposal letter for project coordination services is attached.
8. **Sr. Foreman, Public Works** – Requests the City Council approve the installation of temporary speed bumps in the vicinity of children play areas throughout the City. These will be installed and removed seasonally (May – October). Locations for the speed bumps attached.

9. **City Clerk** – Requests the City Council approve the request to hire 2 new bingo inspectors, Kelly Bigaj and Candace Zak, effective immediately. Inspectors are paid on a per diem basis, \$100 per inspection, not to exceed 16 inspections per year. The money is in the budget for the 2023/2024 fiscal year and has been budgeted for in the upcoming fiscal year.

10. **Fire Chief** – Requests the City Council approve the ordinance to transfer \$15,000 from the Fire Department Budget Code “Training Schools” to the Capital Budget Code “Training Tower” for the installation of a fence along North Steelawanna to secure this property.

10(A) An ordinance amending the 2023-2024 Budget Ordinances to increase appropriations for the Capital Project “Fire Training Facility 2022 (DASNY); transferring funds in the amount of \$15,000 from Budget Code “Fire Department Training Schools” to Budget Code “Fire Training Facility 2022 (DASNY).

11. **Director of Development/Marketing and Public Information** – Requests the City Council approve the resolution regarding the rezoning of 264 Ridge Road and the adjacent vacant lot.

11(A) A resolution amending the zoning classification of 264 Ridge Road, Lackawanna and the adjacent lot from open space to neighborhood commercial.

Communications from Citizens:

12. **John Ingram, Chairman, Lackawanna Fun Day** – Requests the City Council approve the use of Lackawanna’s portable restrooms for the Lackawanna Community Fun Days event being held at the Lackawanna Library on August 23rd and 24th, 2024.

13. **John Ingram, Resident** – Submits 3 items for discussion:
Gas Station on Ridge Road
Upcoming traffic light in the 1st ward.
Bus stop in front of Key Bank.

Request to Waive the Rules:

City Attorney – Requests the City Council approve the Bond Resolution for the City Hall Capital Improvements project in the amount of \$14,500,000.00. Bond Resolution is attached.

Tabled Items:

Council President Marrano requests that the outdoor concert request TABLED at the May 6, 2024 Council meeting be removed from the TABLE.

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. The dates are as follows: July 16th, July 30th, August 13th and August 27th. The new Entertainment License has been completed by the applicant and signed by the various department.

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.