

**Regular Council Meeting**  
**Monday, December 16, 2024**  
**Council Chambers**  
**6:30 p.m. Caucus- Meeting will immediately follow the Caucus**  
**Live via Facebook@http://Facebook.com/lackawannany**

Meeting called to order/Pledge of Allegiance.

NB: Meeting is being recorded.

Roll Call: Council: Muflahi, Anderson, Moretti, Surdyke, Marrano  
Dept. Heads: Law, Development/Marketing, Public Safety, Assistant  
Comptroller, Recreation(A), Public Works

**Hearings from Citizens:**

**Approval of Minutes:** of the regular meeting of December 2, 2024.

Moved by Marrano seconded by Muflahi to adopt minutes of the regular meeting of December 2, 2024.

Yeas: Muflahi, Anderson, Moretti, Surdyke, Marrano

Carried 5-0

**Departmental Reports:**

15. **Assistant Comptroller** – A/P Check Listing #12, dated 11/22/2024.
16. **Assistant Comptroller** – A/P Check Listing #13, dated 12/2/2024.
17. **Assistant Comptroller** – A/P Capital Fund Check Listing #3, dated 12/2/2024.
18. **Assistant Comptroller** – A/P Capital Fund Check Listing #4, dated 12/3/2024.
19. **City Clerk** – Monthly Report for November, 2024.

Moved by Marrano seconded by Muflahi to receive and file Departmental Reports one through five.

Yeas: Muflahi, Anderson, Moretti, Surdyke, Marrano

Carried 5-0

**Communications from Division/Department Heads:**

**Requests the City Council Approve His Request to Purchase a Used 2020 CAT Front Loader From Milton CAT in the Amount of \$160,000. Funds Will be Taken From the 'Snow Equipment' Budget Line.**

20. Lackawanna City Council  
714 Ridge Road  
Lackawanna, NY 14218

Re: Purchase Vehicle

Dear Respected City Council Members,

I am requesting authorization to purchase one used 2020 CAT Front Loader from Milton CAT. Total amount \$160,000.00.

Funds taken from snow equipment budget line H.2080.0150.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this request.

Regards,  
**DANEIL GEERCKEN, SENIOR FOREMAN OF PUBLIC WORKS**

Moved by Marrano seconded by Surdyke to approve request.  
Yeas: Muflahi, Anderson, Moretti, Surdyke, Marrano

Carried 5-0

**Requests the City Council Approve Commissioner of Deeds Status for Herself, Kelsey Anderson and Mike Bivolcic; All Employees of the City Clerk's Office. Term to Expire 12/31/2026.**

21. Honorable Council Members  
Lackawanna City Council  
714 Ridge Road  
Lackawanna, NY 14218

Dear Council Members,

I am requesting Commissioner of Deeds status in the City of Lackawanna for myself, Kelsey Anderson and Mike Bivolcic. All are employees of the City Clerk's office. Term to expire 12/31/2026. I appreciate your anticipated cooperation in this matter.

Respectfully,  
**GRACE MARRANO, CITY CLERK**

Moved by Marrano seconded by Anderson to approve request.  
Yeas: Muflahi, Anderson, Moretti, Surdyke, Marrano

Carried 5-0

**Requests Approval of the Ordinance Recognizing the Remaining ARPA Funds Revenue in This Current Fiscal Year and Increasing Hospital and Medical Insurance Budget Line Due to the Increase in Rates for the Health Insurance Contract for 2025.**

22. Honorable Council President  
Honorable City Council  
714 Ridge Road  
Lackawanna, NY 14218

Dear Honorable Body:

Attached for your review and approval is an ordinance recognizing the remaining ARPA Funds as revenue in this current fiscal year and increasing the Hospital and Medical Insurance Budget line due to the increase in rates in the new Highmark health insurance contract for 2025.

Respectfully,  
**PEGGY BIGAJ-SOBOL, ASSISTANT COMPTROLLER**

Moved by Marrano seconded by Moretti to receive and file, act on ordinance.  
Yeas: Muflahi, Anderson, Moretti, Surdyke, Marrano

Carried 5-0

**ORDINANCE**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2024-2025 BUDGET ORDINANCES ADOPTED JUNE 27<sup>TH</sup>, 2024.**

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

- SECTION 1.** That the 2024-2025 Budget Ordinance adopted June 27, 2024, is hereby amended to move ARPA funds from the capital fund to the general fund and increase the budgeted revenues and appropriations to recognize the remaining ARPA funds as revenue and increase the Hospital and Medical Insurance for the new contract for 2025 with Highmark.
- SECTION 2.** That the 2024-2025 Budget Ordinance is hereby amended to increase the amount budgeted to revenue code **A..4089**, entitled **“Federal Aid Other”**, by **\$626,536.49** to recognize the remaining ARPA Funds as revenue in the General Fund.
- SECTION 3.** That the 2024-2025 Budget Ordinance adopted June 27, 2024, is hereby amended to increase the amount budgeted to expenditure code **A.9000.9060**, entitled **“Hospital and Medical Insurance”** by **\$626,536.49**.

**THIS ORDINANCE SHALL TAKE EFFECT IMMEDIATELY.**

Dated: December 17, 2024  
Lackawanna, New York

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

Yeas: Muflahi, Anderson, Moretti, Surdyke, Marrano

Carried 5-0

**Business Registrations:**

Brian Beiring, The Pool Boys, LLC, 1437 Abbott Road, Retail and Pool Service.

Moved by Marrano seconded by Moretti to approve Business Registration.

Yeas: Muflahi, Anderson, Moretti, Surdyke, Marrano

Carried 5-0

Waleed Shairi, Primetime Pizzeria, 1819 Abbott Road, Restaurant.

Moved by Marrano seconded by Moretti to approve Business Registration.

Yeas: Muflahi, Anderson, Moretti, Surdyke, Marrano

Carried 5-0

Xavier Gonzalez Soto, Tony’s Taco, 3047 South Park Ave., Restaurant.

Moved by Marrano seconded by Anderson to approve Business Registration.

Yeas: Muflahi, Anderson, Moretti, Surdyke, Marrano

Carried 5-0

**Tabled Items:**

**Old Business:**

**Adjournment:**

Moved by Marrano seconded by Muflahi to adjourn meeting.

Yeas: Muflahi, Anderson, Moretti, Surdyke, Marrano

Carried 5-0



Frederic J. Marrano-Council President

  

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Grace Marrano - 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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