

Dear Council President Marrano and the Honorable City Council:

At the upcoming City Council Meeting on July 20, I am requesting that the City Council: (1) vote and act of the enclosed ordinance authorizing the sale of property on Michelle Drive to the Erie County Sewer Authority (the "Authority") nunc pro tunc to October 30, 2009; and (2) authorize Mayor Iafallo to sign a correcting deed relative to the property.

The property was originally transferred via quit claim deed to the Authority on October 30, 2009 (see enclosed original deed). The City Assessor at that time created the parcel on the assessment roll, but due to a deed description error, the parcel was not placed on the tax map. Current City Assessor Michael Milks recently discovered the error, and has requested that the Mayor be granted authority to execute the enclosed correcting deed for filing by the Authority.

In the course of the undersigned's review of the situation, I asked the City Clerk to perform a search relative to the original transfer of the property. The City Clerk could not find any City Council agenda, minutes, ordinance, or resolution authorizing the original sale. As a result, I am also requesting that the City Council retroactively approve the transfer of the parcel effective October 30, 2009.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

ARIANNA KWIATKOWSKI, CITY ATTORNEY
A copy may be obtained in the City Clerk's Office.

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

Carried 5-0

ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SALE/TRANSFER OF PROPERTY PURSUANT TO MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 12.

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

SECTION 1 That the City Council hereby approves of the transfer of property known as part of SBL 142.19-5-70 & 142.19-5-71, retroactively to October 30, 2009, to the County of Erie/ Erie County Sewer District No. 6.

SECTION 2 That the transfer is made for the sum of \$1.00 and no more cash to the City of Lackawanna.

THIS ORDINANCE SHALL TAKE EFFECT IMMEDIATELY.

Dated: 7/21/2026
Lackawanna, New York

Moved by Marrano second by Anderson to adopt ordinance as written; Nunc Pro Tunc.
Yeas: Muflahi, Anderson, Meegan, Surdyke, Marrano

Carried 5-0

City Attorney requests the City Council approve the resolution designating the West Seneca Bee as the secondary newspaper for the City of Lackawanna.

7. Fred Marrano
City Council President
714 Ridge Road
Lackawanna, New York 14218

Re: Resolution Designating Secondary Newspaper as the West Seneca Bee.

Dear Council President Marrano and Honorable City Council:

At the upcoming City Council Meeting on July 20, I am requesting that the City Council vote to act on the enclosed resolution designating the West Seneca Bee as a secondary newspaper for official City business.

As your Honorable Body is aware, Chapter 2 of the City Charter requires that the City designate an official newspaper having general circulation and published within the City to serve as the City's official newspaper. On January 5, 2026 the City Council designated, via Resolution No. 3, Buffalo Business First as the City's official newspaper for the year 2026.

There are certain instances where the City is legally required to publish notice in two separate publications. Historically the City has used the Buffalo News when a second publication has been required. However, the cost of the Buffalo News has increased exponentially over the last few years. As a cost-saving measure, I am requesting that the City Council approve the West Seneca Bee as a secondary publication to be used by the City as necessary.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

ARIANNA KWIATKOWSKI, CITY ATTORNEY

Moved by Marrano second by Muflahi to receive and file, act on resolution.

Yeas: Muflahi, Anderson, Meegan, Surdyke, Marrano

Carried 5-0

RESOLUTION NO. 9, 2026

WHEREAS, Chapter 2, Section 2.9 of the City Charter of the City of Lackawanna (the "City") requires that the City designate an official newspaper having general circulation and published within the City to serve as the "Official Newspaper" of the City;

WHEREAS, on January 5, 2026, the City Council designated, via Resolution No. 3, Buffalo Business First as the official newspaper of the City of Lackawanna for the year 2026;

WHEREAS, there are certain instances where the City is required by law to publish official and/or legal notices in two publications;

WHEREAS, the City Council deems it in the best interest of the City of Lackawanna to designate a secondary newspaper when more than one publication is legally required; and

WHEREAS, the designated secondary newspaper is not the Official Newspaper of the City, but shall be used only when more than one publication is legally required.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the West Seneca Bee, 5564 Main Street, Williamsville, New York 14221 is hereby designated as a secondary publication for the City of Lackawanna.

THIS RESOLUTION SHALL TAKE EFFECT IMMEDIATELY.

DATED: July 20, 2026

Lackawanna, New York

Moved by Marrano and second by Muflahi to adopt resolution as written.

Yeas: Muflahi, Anderson, Meegan, Surdyke, Marrano

Carried 5-0

City Attorney requests the City Council approve the agreement between the City of Lackawanna and LaBella Associates and for the Mayor to sign same. This contract incorporates LaBella's proposal for the work, terms, conditions and an indemnification provision in favor of the City.

8. Fred Marrano
City Council President
714 Ridge Road
Lackawanna, New York 14218

Re. Contract Between the City of Lackawanna and LaBella Associates.

Dear Council President Marrano and the Honorable City Council:

I am requesting that the enclosed proposed agreement between the City of Lackawanna and LaBella Associates ("LaBella") be placed on the agenda for City Council approval on July 20, 2026 authorizing Mayor lafallo to sign same.

At the City Council meeting on June 22, 2026, Your Honorable Body approved retaining LaBella to assist the City with preparation and submission of an application for Round 10 of the NYS Downtown Revitalization Initiative. The corresponding contract incorporates LaBella's proposal for the work and includes LaBella's terms and conditions, which appear to be standard. The agreement also includes an indemnification provision in favor of the City.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

ARIANNA KWIATKOWSKI, CITY ATTORNEY

A copy may be obtained in the City Clerk's Office.

Moved by Marrano second by Surdyke to approve agreement and have Mayor sign same.

Yeas: Muflahi, Anderson, Meegan, Surdyke, Marrano

Carried 5-0

Fire Chief requests the City Council approve the ordinance transferring funds within the Fire Department budget.

9. Lackawanna City Council
Honorable Fred Marrano, President
City Hall – Room 217
714 Ridge Road
Lackawanna, NY 14218

Dear Council Members,

I am requesting to transfer the following funds within the Fire Department budget: \$40,000.00 from 3410.0100 Personal Services into 3410.0443 Repairs to Buildings and Equipment.

The reason for this request is due to numerous unexpected repair bills for all of our fire trucks. Our fleet is aging and the frequency and cost of the repairs have increased. In this budget year, we have spent more than \$89,000 (with 1 outstanding invoice for E-1) in repairs to all of our trucks. These repairs are necessary to ensure our apparatus are able to respond to every emergency call we receive. The \$89,000 represents almost the entire Repairs to Buildings and Equipment (3410.0443) budget line. This budget line also covers repairs to our buildings and any other equipment repairs we may experience.

For reference, here is a list of our fire apparatus:

Engine 3	2020 E-One Pumper
Engine 1	2013 Rosenbauer Pumper
Engine 6	2023 Rosenbauer Ladder Platform
Engine 11	2002 American LaFrance Pumper
Engine 10	1995 Spartan Pumper
Ladder 4	2006 American LaFrance Ladder Platform

This transfer will allow the department to cover all of the repair invoices for the current budget year.

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

JAMES J. FINO, FIRE CHIEF

Moved by Marrano second by Anderson to receive and file, act on ordinance.

Yeas: Muflahi, Anderson, Meegan, Surdyke, Marrano

Carried 5-0

ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2025-2026 BUDGET ORDINANCES ADOPTED JUNE 9, 2025.

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

SECTION 1. That the 2025-2026 Budget Ordinance adopted June 9, 2025, is hereby amended to transfer budget appropriations for Personnel Services to Repairs to Buildings and Equipment within the Fire Department.

SECTION 2. That the 2025-2026 Budget Ordinance adopted June 9, 2025 is hereby amended to decrease funds budgeted to the “Personnel Services” budget code (A.3410-0100) by \$40,000.00.

SECTION 3. That the 2025-2026 Budget Ordinance adopted June 9, 2025, is hereby amended to increase funds budgeted to the “Repairs to Building and Equipment” (A.3410-0443) by \$40,000.

THIS ORDINANCE SHALL TAKE EFFECT IMMEDIATELY.

Dated: July 21, 2026
Lackawanna, New York

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

Yeas: Muflahi, Anderson, Meegan, Surdyke, Marrano

Carried 5-0

Communications from Citizens:

Martrice Huff, Resident requests the City Council approve the closure of the following streets for a Community Health and Wellness Walk on August 8, 2026 from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.: starting at 135 Odell St., down Phillips Place, proceeding along Holbrook and continuing down Ingham and returning to Odell. In addition, partial closing of Odell St. from the corner of Wilmuth until 2:00 p.m.

10. Dear Lackawanna City Council,

My name is Martrice Huff, and I am a lifelong resident of the Lackawanna community. I am respectfully requesting approval for a temporary street closure for a Community Health and Awareness Walk being held in memory of my late brother, Marcus “Welby” Jones. The Walk for Welby event will take place August 8, 2026 from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Marcus passed away unexpectedly on February 26, 2023, at the age of 46. This event is being organized in his honor and to promote causes that were deeply important to him, particularly heart health and diabetes awareness.

The purpose of this event is to bring members of our community together to encourage education, prevention, and an early intervention related to cardiovascular health and diabetes. This event will feature informational tables, basic health screenings, and access to wellness resources designated to promote healthier lifestyles and increase awareness of key health risk factors.

I have received permission to utilize the parking area at 135 Odell Street from approximately 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. This location will serve as the event’s central gathering area and will house the screening stations and educational tables.

For the safety of participants, I am requesting temporary street closures during the walk, which is scheduled to take place approximately 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. The proposed route is as follows:

- Beginning at 135 Odell Street
- Proceeding toward Phillips Place

- Continuing down Phillips Place to Holbrook Street
- Traveling along Holbrook Street to Ingham Avenue
- Continuing on Ingham Avenue
- Returning to Odell Street

In addition, I am requesting a partial closure of Odell Street, from the corner of Wilmuth Street to residential housing, for the duration of the event to ensure the safety of participants and attendees.

This walk is not only a tribute to my late brother's memory, but also an opportunity to make a meaningful impact within our community by promoting health, wellness, and awareness. We anticipate bringing together residents, families, and local organizations in support of these important health initiatives.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this request. I would greatly appreciate your approval and support in helping provide a safe environment for all participants. Should you require and additional information, regarding this event, I would be happy to provide it. I look forward to your response. My contact information is listed below.

MARTRICE HUFF, LACKAWANNA RESIDENT

Moved by Marrano second by Muflahi to modify request as partial/moving closures; partial closure from 135 Odell to corner of Wilmuth. Refer to Public Safety and Public Works.

Yeas: Muflahi, Anderson, Meegan, Surdyke, Marrano

Carried 5-0

Entertainment License:

David Beres, Owner, Sonny Red's request the City Council approve outdoor entertainment June through October, Monday through Sunday for use of Mechanical Music until 11:00 p.m. There may be a few live events which will end at 10:00 p.m.

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

Re. Sonny Red's 2026 Outdoor Entertainment License.

Dear Council Members:

Sonny Red's would like to submit a request for an outdoor entertainment license for June through October, Monday through Sunday for the use of mechanical music until 11pm with a decibel level 75 on our back patio. We anticipate a few live events which would occur on Friday, Saturday or Sunday ending by 10:00 p.m. and maintaining a decibel level 75.

DAVID BERES, OWNER

Moved by Marrano second by Anderson to TABLE request. Schedule a meeting with the applicants.

Yeas: Muflahi, Anderson, Meegan, Marrano

No: Surdyke

Carried 4-1

Request to Waive the Rules:

Moved by Marrano second by Muflahi to Waive the Rules.

Yeas: Muflahi, Anderson, Meegan, Surdyke, Marrano

Carried 5-0

William Taggart, Resident requests the City Council approve the closure of Stoney Street on Saturday, August 22, 2026. The time of this event is from 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Moved by Marrano second by Anderson to TABLE request, have a conversation with applicant.

Yeas: Muflahi, Anderson, Meegan, Surdyke, Marrano

Carried 5-0

Tabled Items:

Old Business:

Adjournment:

Moved by Marrano second by Muflahi to adjourn meeting.

Yeas: Muflahi, Anderson, Meegan, Surdyke, Marrano

Carried 5-0