



LEGISLATIVE BRANCH ▪ CITY OF BINGHAMTON

Teri Rennia, City Council President
Angela Holmes, City Clerk

MINUTES

City Council Business Meeting

Mayor's Conference Room, 38 Hawley Street, Binghamton, N.Y.
Wednesday January 22, 2014

CALL TO ORDER

Called to order by Council President Rennia at 6:30pm.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council President Rennia led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Present: Jerry Motsavage, Joseph Mihalko, Teri Rennia, Chris Papastrat, John Matzo, Bill Berg

Absent: Lea Webb

Also in attendance: Angela Holmes, City Clerk; Jeremy Pelletier, Deputy City Clerk; Allison Sosa, 2nd Assistant Corporation Counsel

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve the minutes from the Business Meeting held on Wednesday January 8, 2014.

Moved by Motsavage, seconded by Mihalko.

Voice vote, none opposed.

Councilman Motsavage noted for the record that the Municipal and Public Affairs Committee will meet on Monday February 3, 2014 at 5:00pm to review potential amendments to peddler and stationary pushcart vendor regulations. This meeting will be held in the City Council Work Room, located through the City Clerk's Office on the first floor of City Hall, and will take place immediately prior to the regularly scheduled Work Session.

Motion to approve the minutes from the Employees Committee meeting held on Tuesday January 21, 2014.

Moved by Berg, seconded by Motsavage.

Voice vote, none opposed.

RECOGNITIONS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The City Clerk read two proclamations into the record, "A Proclamation in honor of Patrick Giblin, upon the occasion of his retirement", and "A Proclamation in honor of Gary O'Neill, upon the occasion of his retirement".

SUSPENSION OF RULES

Motion to suspend the rules to consider the public hearing at the end of the agenda.

Moved by Motsavage, seconded by Berg.

Voice vote, none opposed.

SET PUBLIC HEARING

The City of Binghamton will hold a public hearing on "An Ordinance amending Chapter 410, Article XI of the Code of the City of Binghamton, regarding sign regulations" on Wednesday March 5, 2014 at 6:30pm, during the regularly scheduled



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City Council Business Meeting. This meeting will be held in the City Council Chambers, located at 38 Hawley Street, Binghamton, NY. The City Clerk noted for the record that notice of this public hearing will be published in the Press & Sun Bulletin on Friday February 28, 2014.

PUBLIC COMMENT/COMMUNICATIONS

Andrew Pragacz, Debra Hogan

FIRST READING LEGISLATION

Introductory Ordinance 14-1. Considered in Finance, Chair: Berg

An Ordinance amending the Water Department 2014 budget to cover rental of the temporary emergency generator
Motion to approve legislation. Moved by Berg, seconded by Motsavage.

Motion carried. Legislation adopted as Permanent Ordinance 14-1. (Vote 6-0-1)

Ayes: Motsavage, Mihalko, Rennia, Papastrat, Matzo, Berg

Nays: None

Absent: Webb

PUBLIC HEARING

Scoping Session for Comprehensive Plan and Form Based Code. The Council of the City of Binghamton held a scoping session concerning the City of Binghamton Comprehensive Plan and Form Based Code, in accordance with State Environmental Quality Review (SEQR) Act. The purpose of this scoping session was to support the development of a written document that outlines the topics and analyses of potential environmental impacts of the proposed adoption of the City of Binghamton Comprehensive Plan and Form Based Code, which will be addressed in the Draft Generic Environmental Impact Statement. The City Clerk noted for the record that notice of this public hearing was published in the Press & Sun Bulletin on Thursday January 16, 2014. Melissa Enoch, Sustainable Development Planner, and Kelly Saladis, Shumaker Engineering and Land Surveying, provided an overview of the purpose and intent of the scoping session before the matter was opened for public comment.

Speakers: Edward Crumb, Debra Hogan, Andrew Pragacz

COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS

Mihalko, Berg, Motsavage, Rennia

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 7:06pm.

Moved by Matzo, seconded by Mihalko.

Voice vote, none opposed.