

CITY OF LOCKPORT
CORPORATION PROCEEDINGS

Lockport Municipal Building

Regular Meeting
Official Record

April 18, 2018
5:30 P.M.

Mayor Anne E. McCaffrey called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

The following Common Council members answered the roll call:

Aldermen Abbott, Devine, Eggert, Farrell, Oates, and Wohleben.

INVOCATION

MAYOR'S UPDATE

RECESS

Recess for public input.

041818.1

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Alderman Wohleben, seconded by Alderman Devine, the minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 11, 2018 are hereby approved as printed in the Journal of Proceedings. Ayes 6. Carried.

PUBLIC HEARING

The Mayor announced a public hearing on a request for a Special Use Permit to utilize the existing building at 174 Walnut St. for a fitness club.

The Mayor asked the City Clerk if any petitions or communications relative to said Special Use Permit have been received.

4/4/18 Charlene Seekins-Smith, Chairman, Lockport Planning and Zoning Board - the board recommends the request be approved.

Recess for public input.

The Mayor closed the public hearing.

FROM THE CITY CLERK

The Clerk submitted payrolls, bills for services and expenses, and reported that the Department Heads submitted reports of labor performed in their departments. Referred to the Finance Committee.

Communications (which have been referred to the appropriate City officials)

4/6/18 Mike Finnerty, President Lockport Soccer Club – request permission to use part of Kibler Park for Soccer Club practices April 23rd - August 1st

Referred to the Committee of the Whole.

4/10/18 Barbara A. McGaffin, 114 Niagara Street, Lockport, NY – request permission to conduct the second annual Thomas C. Rotondo Jr. Memorial Scholarship Fund Road Race on July 21, 2018.

Referred to the Committee of the Whole.

4/11/18 Ellen Martin, Lockport Public Arts Council, Inc. – request permission to conduct Sweet Sweet Summer 2018 with 4 projects.

Referred to the Committee of the Whole.

4/12/18 Judith A. Newbold, Town Clerk, Town of Lockport – Notice of Public Hearing

Referred to the Committee of the Whole.

Notice of Defect:

4/13/18 314 Washburn Street – tree

4/16/18 198 Ontario Street - tree

Referred to the Director of Streets and Parks.

Notice of Claim:

4/6/18 Audrey Seagrave, 97 Spalding Street, Lockport, NY

4/1/18 Karen Grabowski, 8920 Tonawanda Creek Road, Clarence Center, NY

4/11/18 Brenden Neill, 390 Willow Street, Lockport, NY

4/12/18 Sawsan AL-Maani, 130 Locust Street, Lockport, NY

Referred to the Corporation Counsel.

MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS

041818.2

By Alderman Wohleben:

Resolved, that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to issue orders in favor of the claimants for payrolls, bills, and services to be paid on April 20, 2018 as follows:

General Fund	Fund A	\$ 159,403.24
Water Fund	Fund FX	\$ 39,143.19
Sewer Fund	Fund G	\$ 30,158.12
Refuse Fund	Fund CL	\$ 89,608.27
Health Insurance	Fund MS	\$ 1,930.20
Payroll	Pay Date 4/12/18	\$ 450,082.83

Seconded by Alderman Oates and adopted. Ayes 6.

041818.3

By Alderman Oates:

Whereas, The “Solarize Lockport” campaign seeks to target City of Lockport residents and businesses - with an emphasis placed on outreach to eligible applicants of low-to-moderate income – in order to increase energy efficiency in the City of Lockport.

The goals of this campaign are to:

1. Bring together the community to educate and engage potential solar customers.
2. Provide transparent and clear pricing for community solar subscriptions or purchases, including incentives and benefits.
3. Raise awareness and increase the adoption of solar energy city-wide.

Now therefore be it

Resolved, that the Director of Planning and Development, be and the same is hereby authorized and directed to prepare bid specifications for “Solarize Lockport” and be it further

Resolved, that the City Clerk is authorized and directed to advertise the Request for Proposal (RFP) for the “Solarize Lockport” campaign.

Seconded by Alderman Farrell and adopted. Ayes 6.

041818.4

By Alderman Eggert:

Resolved, that pursuant to the approval of the Civil Service Commission, the following job titles, Water and Sewer Distribution Maintenance Supervisor , Senior Water and Sewer Maintenance Worker and Water and Sewer Maintenance Worker, be and the same are hereby incorporated into the 2018 Budget, and be it further

Resolved, that the positions of Water Distribution Maintenance Supervisor and Senior Water Maintenance Worker are abolished.

Seconded by Alderman Wohleben and adopted. Ayes 6.

041818.5

By Alderman Abbott:

WHEREAS, The City of Lockport received a \$450,000 grant through the New York State Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation for the creation of a playground at 50 Elmwood (109.64-1-17), Lockport, New York 14094, and

WHEREAS, it is the City’s intention to establish a playground the community will be proud of, and

WHEREAS, the City would like to name the playground to commemorate a great historic citizen, and

WHEREAS, Aaron Albert Mossell was a Lockport resident and business owner who moved to Lockport in the 1860s, owning his own brickyard on Trowbridge Street, where he also built a house for his family, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Mossell donated all of the bricks for the Lockport AME Church on South Street, which is still in use today, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Mossell donated bricks for a new school on High Street, hoping his children could attend there despite schools being segregated at that time, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Mossell led a movement in 1872 to desegregate Lockport schools, resulting in the desegregation of schools in Lockport four years later, and 78 years ahead of nationwide desegregation resulting from Brown Vs. Board of Education of Topeka in 1954, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Mossell was a trailblazer for education, and a role model citizen of Lockport, and

WHEREAS, the City of Lockport intends to properly commemorate his contributions to the City and society, and

WHEREAS, 210 Walnut Street, LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of the Greater Lockport Development Corporation has authorized the transfer of 50 Elmwood (109.64-1-17), Lockport, New York 14094 for one and no more dollars.

Therefore let it be

RESOLVED, that the City of Lockport hereby accepts the donation and transfer of 50 Elmwood (109.64-1-17), Lockport, New York 14094 from 210 Walnut Street, LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of the Greater Lockport Development Corporation to the City, subject to receipt of a Phase I environmental report, and be it further

RESOLVED, that upon the transfer of 50 Elmwood (109.64-1-17) Lockport, New York from 210 Walnut Street, LLC to the City of Lockport and the completion of the installation of a playground the playground be and is hereby named the "Aaron Mossell Playground".

Seconded by Alderman Farrell and adopted. Ayes 4. Alderman Oates, Devine voted no.

041818.6

By Alderman Abbott:

Resolved, that pursuant to their request, Lockport Soccer Club is hereby granted permission to conduct soccer practice Monday -Thursday between 6-8 p.m. at Kibler Park beginning April 23 through August 1, 2018, subject to Lockport Soccer Club filing a certificate of insurance with the City Clerk naming the City of Lockport as additional insured.

Seconded by Alderman Oates and adopted. Ayes 6.

041818.7 Engineering Services / Community Development WITHDRAWN

041818.8

By Alderman Wohleben:

Resolved, that the request for a special use permit made by Joseph Taylor to open a fitness club, located at 174 Walnut Street, situated in a B-2 Zone, be and the same is hereby approved, subject to the following provisions:

No change in character of neighborhood.

No excessive noise or disturbance of neighborhood.

No appreciable change in traffic.

No outside storage of materials.

Special permits can be indefinite or limited to a specific time.

The special permit shall go to the applicant only and shall terminate on the sale or transfer of the property, and further it terminates if the use permitted is abandoned for more than one year, if any of the conditions enumerated herein have changed, and in the discretion of the Common Council make such use unsuitable.

Seconded by Alderman Eggert and adopted. Ayes 6.

041818.9

By Alderman Wohleben:

Whereas, on January 13, 2018 an accident involving a police car occurred, and
Whereas, the City received an insurance check in the amount of \$29,443.00, now
therefore be it

Resolved, that the 2018 budget be amended as follows:

Increase:

001-0001-2680	Other Compensation for Loss	\$ 29,443.00
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Increase:

001-3120-0230	Vehicle Purchase	\$ 29,443.00
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Seconded by Alderman Oates and adopted. Ayes 6.

041818.10

By Alderman Devine:

Resolved, that pursuant to their request, the Thomas C. Rotondo, Jr. Scholarship Fund is hereby granted permission to conduct a fundraising event including a 5k and 1 mile walk in the memory of former Lockport Mayor Thomas Rotondo, Jr. on Saturday, July 21, 2018 starting at approximately 9:00 am subject to approval of the run/walk route by the Police Chief, and be it further

Resolved, that permission is granted to erect tents in the Municipal Building parking lot, barricade the Municipal Building parking lot and spaces on Main Street in front of the Municipal Building, and to use the restrooms in the Municipal Building for said event, and be it further

Resolved, that the Director of Streets and Parks is hereby authorized and directed to arrange for delivery of barricades and waste receptacles prior to said event.

Seconded by Alderman Eggert and adopted. Ayes 6.

041818.11

By Alderman Abbott:

Resolved, that pursuant to their request, Lockport Public Arts Council, Inc. is hereby granted permission to stage four events as part of "Sweet Sweet Summer 2018" to promote the City of Lockport.

1. Sweet Chalk Festival, July 13-17, in the parking lots on Pine and Main St., requiring both lots to be blocked off for that period.
2. Mural Mania, July 7-14, in various locations
3. Inspiration bench, all summer, located in the memorial tree garden on Market St.
4. Big Red Planters on Pine Street Bridge, all summer, ten planters with a tree and flowers in each.

Said permission is subject to the Lockport Public Arts Council filing a certificate of insurance with the City Clerk naming the City of Lockport as additional insured, and be it further

Resolved, that the Director of Streets and Parks is hereby authorized and directed to arrange delivery and pick-up of City barricades and trash receptacles as needed, and be it further

Resolved, the Mayor be and is hereby authorized to execute Consent for Access to the above listed locations for the above stated purposes.

Seconded by Alderman Farrell and adopted. Ayes 6.

041818.12 Close Capital Projects 2017- **WITHDRAWN**

041818. **ADJOURNMENT**

At 6:04 P.M. Alderman Wohleben moved the Common Council be adjourned until 5:30 P.M., Wednesday, May 2, 2018.

Seconded by Alderman Devine and adopted. Ayes 6.

RICHELLE J. PASCERI
City Clerk