

COMMON COUNCIL
Regular Session
February 7, 2017

Present: Alderman Gressler, Alderman Shaffer, Alderwoman Jodway, Alderman Welyczko, Alderman Ruffing, Alderman Regan, Alderman Carter, City Attorney Jennifer Chrisman, City Treasurer David Petkovsek, Mayor Mark Blask, and City Clerk Kira Andrilla

Absent: Alderman Atutis

Proclamation:

Mayor Blask read a proclamation for Mr. Robert Ritz who passed away. Mr. Ritz wife Jayne was not able to attend the meeting. However, Mayor will make sure to give Mrs. Ritz the proclamation.

Comments from the floor:

No comments

Minutes:

The minutes of the January 3, 2017 Regular Session were approved as printed and placed on file in the City Clerk's office on motion of Alderman Carter and seconded by Alderman Shaffer.

All in favor: Gressler, Shaffer, Welyczko, Ruffing, Regan Carter, Jodway
Absent: Atutis

Bills:

Bills for the period of January 3, 2017 through February 7, 2017 in the amount of **\$163,358.44 Current Check numbers 61222-61246, prepaid \$10,247.03 Check numbers 61198, 61199, 61200, 61201, 61202, 61208, 61209, 61212, 61222** were approved as audited on motion of Ruffing and seconded by Alderman Shaffer.

Roll Call: Gressler, Shaffer, Jodway, Welyczko, Ruffing, Regan, Carter, Jodway
Absent: Atutis

Monthly Report:

The report of the City Clerk and Court Clerk for the month of January 2017 was accepted and placed on file on motion by Alderwoman Jodway and seconded by Alderman Gressler.

All in favor: Gressler, Shaffer, Jodway, Welyczko, Ruffing, Regan, Carter, Jodway
Absent: Atutis

City Treasurer:

January 4, 2017

HONORABLE MAYOR BLASK & COMMON COUNCIL MEMBERS

Effective January 31, 2017, I am retiring from the New York State Retirement System. I am however, not retiring as the City Treasurer of Little Falls. I plan on finishing my term and probably run in this year's election for another term.

The Retirement System requires that I submit this resignation effective January 31, 2017. It is my hope that you will accept this resignation and promptly reappoint me effective February 1, 2017. Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

**Resolution #14
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**RESOLUTION No. 14 OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF LITTLE FALLS**

WHEREAS, the term of office for City Court Judge Joy Malone expires on February 7, 2017; and

WHEREAS, there are two positions (one elected and one appointed) for City Court Judge in the City of Little Falls, as stated in the NYS Uniform City Court Act § 2104; and

WHEREAS, Joy Malone has filled the position of appointed City Court Judge since March 2011; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor has reappointed Joy Malone to the position of City Court Judge effective February 8, 2017 for a term of six (6) years pursuant to the NYS Uniform City Court Act and the City of Little Falls Charter; and

WHEREAS, said term shall expire on February 8, 2023;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Common Council of the City of Little Falls, consents to the reappointment of Joy Malone to the position of City Court Judge for the term stated above.

This resolution shall take effect upon passing hereof by the Common Council.

Dated: February 7, 2017

Motion: Alderman Shaffer

Second: Alderwoman Jodway

Kira Andrilla

City Clerk of the City of Little Falls

Roll Call: Gressler, Shaffer, Jodway, Welyczko, Ruffing, Regan, Carter

Absent: Atutis

**Resolution #15
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**RESOLUTION No. 15 OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF LITTLE FALLS**

WHEREAS, the City of Little Falls contract with the Clerical Workers Group for the period from January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2019 has been negotiated between the Finance Committee and the Clerical Workers Group; and

WHEREAS, the Clerical Workers Group has agreed to the terms of the extensions of the contract; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Common Council of the City of Little Falls, that the Mayor is authorized to execute the aforementioned contract between the City of Little Falls and the Clerical Workers Group.

This resolution shall take effect upon passing hereof by the Common Council.

Dated: February 7, 2017

Motion: Alderman Welyczko

Second: Alderwoman Jodway

Kira Andrilla

City Clerk of the City of Little Falls

Roll Call: Gressler, Shaffer, Jodway, Welyczko, Ruffing, Regan, Carter
Absent: Atutis

Resolution #16
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**RESOLUTION No. 16 OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF LITTLE FALLS**

WHEREAS, the City of Little Falls contract with the Code Enforcement Officer for the period from January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2019 has been negotiated between the Finance Committee and the Codes Enforcement Officer; and

WHEREAS, the Codes Enforcement has agreed to the terms of the extensions of the contract; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Common Council of the City of Little Falls, that the Mayor is authorized to execute the aforementioned contract between the City of Little Falls and the Codes Enforcement Officer.

This resolution shall take effect upon passing hereof by the Common Council.

Dated: February 7, 2017

Motion: Alderwoman Jodway

Second: Alderman Regan

Kira Andrilla

City Clerk of the City of Little Falls

Roll Call: Gressler, Shaffer, Jodway, Welyczko, Ruffing, Regan, Carter
Absent: Atutis

**Resolution #17
February 7, 2017**

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**RESOLUTION No. 17 OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF LITTLE FALLS**

WHEREAS, the City of Little Falls contract with the Supervisors Group for the period from January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2019 has been negotiated between the Finance Committee and the Supervisors Group; and

WHEREAS, the Supervisors Group has agreed to the terms of the extensions of the contract; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Common Council of the City of Little Falls, that the Mayor is authorized to execute the aforementioned contract between the City of Little Falls and the Supervisors Group.

This resolution shall take effect upon passing hereof by the Common Council.

Dated: February 7, 2017

Motion: Alderman Shaffer

Second: Alderman Gressler

Roll Call: Gressler, Shaffer, Jodway, Welyczko, Ruffing, Regan, Carter

Absent: Atutis

Kira Andrilla

City Clerk of the City of Little Falls

**Resolution #18
February 7, 2017**

**RESOLUTION SCHEDULING A PUBLIC HEARING
TO DISCUSS 2013 CDBG PROGRAM PERFORMANCE**

WHEREAS, federal and state grant funding is available through the New York State Homes and Community Renewal to support local housing and community development activities which are undertaken by eligible municipalities; and

WHEREAS, the City of Little Falls has been awarded such funding through the Program Year 2013 funding competition for the NYS Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program; and

WHEREAS, the City used the 2013 CDBG Program funds to implement a city-wide housing rehabilitation program, which has been completed; and

WHEREAS, the City is required by federal regulations to review the performance of the 2013 CDBG Program at a separate Public Hearing prior to the State of New York closing out that CDBG Program award; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, the Common Council is authorized to schedule a Public Hearing to review the performance of the 2013 NYS Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program award that has been received and implemented by the City; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that such Public Hearing will be scheduled for the regular Common Council meeting to be held at 6:15 PM on Tuesday, March 7, 2017 in the Council Chambers, City Hall.

For Common Council consideration in February 2017

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Mayor and Common Council of the City of Little Falls will conduct a public hearing at 6:15 PM on Tuesday, March 7, 2017 at City Hall, 659 East Main Street, Little Falls, to discuss local housing and community development needs and review the specific performance of the City's 2013 NYS Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program for Housing Rehabilitation (#653HR12-13), which was completed last year.

Residents and other interested persons are invited to attend the Hearing and ask questions about the 2013 CDBG Program. Individuals with any special needs who wish to attend should contact the City Clerk's Office at 823-2400 so that necessary arrangements can be made.

For Publication:

One Time (8-10 days prior to Hearing Date)
Evening Times

Motioned by Alderman Gressler
Seconded by Alderman Regan

Roll Call: Gressler, Shaffer, Jodway, Welyczko, Ruffing, Regan, Carter
Absent: Atutis

New Business:

Alderman Gressler informed all that the Land Bank presentation will be February 15, 2017 at Benton Hall Academy.

Mayor:

Mayor Blask informed all the Canal Bicentennial Celebration planning will be starting. Details will follow at a later date.

Also the Mayor informed all of the grant that was received for the Mohawk Valley Arts Center.

Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned at 7:17 p.m. with the motion made by Alderman Ruffing and seconded by Alderman Regan with all in favor.

Next meeting will be March 7, 2017. A Public Hearing will be at 6:15 pm, Bills will be at 6:30 pm with a regular session of the Common Council at 7:00 pm. **Any questions please contact City Clerk.** Thank you