

COMMON COUNCIL
Regular Session
September 5, 2017

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

Comments of the floor:

Chris Van Meter was present to discuss the Rotary International grant. She is requesting help on September 30th 8am to 2pm. Mrs. Van Meter gave a brief background on the grant and explained what help is needed on the 30th.

Minutes:

The minutes of the August 1, 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 Gressler.

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

Bills:

Bills for the period of August 1, 2017 through September 5, 2017 in the amount of **\$166,969.06 Current Check numbers 62246-62266 prepaid \$3,195.29 Check numbers 62121, 62127, 62130, 62131, 62132, 62133, 62166, 62168, 62169, 62170, 62173, 62174** were approved as audited on motion of Alderman Ruffing and seconded by Alderman Gressler

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

Monthly Report:

The report of the City Clerk and Court Clerk for the month of August, 2017 was accepted and placed on file on motion by Alderman Carter and seconded by Alderman Regan.

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

RESOLUTION #39

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RESOLUTION No. 39

WHEREAS, the Board of Public Works has determined that there is a need to purchase a new Pick-up Truck/Plow and recommends that the City of Little Falls purchase a Pick-Up Truck/Plow; and

WHEREAS, the cost of said Pick-Up Truck/Plow is available via state contract and is therefore exempt from public bidding requirements;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved, that the Common Council of the City of Little Falls approves the purchase and lease of a Pick-Up Truck/Plow from Steet-Ponte Ford to be used for plowing and other Department of Public Works uses; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the purchase price of said equipment is \$79,745.90 and said equipment shall be leased by the City of Little Falls through a tax exempt municipal lease through M&T Bank and the City of Little Falls shall own the equipment for \$1 at the conclusion of the lease.

This resolution shall take effect upon passing hereof by the Common Council,
Motion Alderman Carter
Second Alderman Shaffer
Vote
Dated: September 5, 2017

Kira Miller, City Clerk of the City of Little Falls

Supervisor John Sullivan was present to answer any questions regarding resolution #39.
City Treasurer David Petkovsek was also present to answer any questions.

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

Resolution #40

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RESOLUTION No. 40

WHEREAS, Gordy Douglas, Water Superintendent, will be retiring from the City of Little Falls in September 2017; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to have Department of Public Works personnel to handle the installation of water mains, location and repair of water leaks and the day to day issues that arise with the public water system in the City of Little Falls; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Public Works has recommended that the Common Council agree to add the position of Water Distribution System Operator to the current Department of Public Works (CSEA) contract as follows:

Salary Schedule, Article III

TITLE	2017	2018	2019
Water Distribution System Operator	\$19.84	\$20.14	\$20.44

And

WHEREAS, the CSEA has agreed to add said position at the rates stated above to the CSEA contract;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved, that the Common Council agrees to add the position of Water Distribution System Operator to the current Department of Public Works (CSEA) contract stated above.

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

Motion: Alderman Welyczko

Second: Alderman Shaffer

Vote: Gressler, Shaffer, Jodway, Welyczko, Ruffing, Regan, Carter, Atutis

Dated: September 5, 2017

Kira Miller, City Clerk of the City of Little Falls

Resolution #41

**RESOLUTION No. 41 OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
LITTLE FALLS**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Common Council of the City of Little Falls, that the Public Hearing shall be scheduled and held on October 2, 2017 at 6:15 p. m. at City Hall, Little Falls, NY to hear all interested parties on Local Law #2 of 2017 which authorizes a 1.5% salary increase for the City of Little Falls Treasurer. The City Clerk shall duly advertise Notice of the Public Hearing in the Evening Times, Little Falls, NY the official newspaper of the City on at least five (5) days before said hearing.

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

Dated: September 5, 2017

Motion: Alderman Ruffing

Second: Alderman Regan

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

Resolution #42

**RESOLUTION No. 42 OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
LITTLE FALLS**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Common Council of the City of Little Falls, that the Public Hearing shall be scheduled and held on October 2, 2017 at 6:15 p. m. at City Hall, Little Falls, NY to hear all interested parties on Local Law #3 of 2017 which authorizes a 1.5% salary increase for the City of Little Falls City Clerk. The City Clerk shall duly advertise Notice of the Public Hearing in the Evening Times, Little Falls, NY the official newspaper of the City on at least five (5) days before said hearing.

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

Dated: September 5, 2017

Motion: Alderman Shaffer

Second: Alderman Gressler

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

City Attorney explained that elected officials need to do Local Laws yearly for the same rate raise that all City employees receive.

Old Business:

Alderman Carter informed the Council that past 4th ward Alderwoman Helen Stransky passed away. Helen was very much into politics for 50 years. She will be greatly missed.

Alderman Atutis asked about 32 Church Street demolition. Mayor explained that the Codes officer called regarding this and the company is waiting on some equipment to finalize the demolition that was approved.

Mayor:

Mayor Blask thanked Chris Van Meter for all her hard work with all different things to help the City. He thanked her for attending the meeting. Mayor Blask also updated the Council on the Paramount movie that will be filmed in Little Falls at the end of October. Chief Masi is involved in the meetings and Mayor Blask will keep all updated.

Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned at 7:24 p.m. with the motion made by Alderman Shaffer and seconded by Alderman Welyczko with all in favor.

Next meeting will be October 3, 2017. 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