

COMMON COUNCIL

Special Meeting
October 13, 2020

Mayor Shawn Sastri presided at a special meeting of the Common Council held at 6:00 PM on October 13, 2020, in the Common Council Chambers at One Court Plaza.

Present:

Mayor Shawn Sastri
Ald. Matthew Caldwell
Ald. Brian Doliver
Ald. Nancy Allaire
Ald. Linda Kays-Biviano
Ald. David Zieno
Ald. Robert D. Jeffrey

Also:

Director of Finance/City Clerk Dee DuFour
DPW Superintendent Edward Pepe
City Attorney Steve Natoli
Deputy City Clerk Agnes Eaton

Media Representative: none

Absent

Supervisor Robert M. Jeffrey
Supervisor James McNeil

Call to Order

The meeting of the Common Council was called to order by Mayor Sastri at 6:03 p.m.

Resolutions

RESOLUTION # - 2020

AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH INTERCONNECT WIRELESS

Ald. Kays-Biviano introduced the following and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, Interconnect Wireless is a local wireless internet service provider interested in expanding its coverage locally; and

WHEREAS, increased access to wireless internet service could be beneficial for the City of Norwich and the surrounding area; and

WHEREAS, Interconnect Wireless has proposed to contract with the City of Norwich to allow it to install a wireless internet antenna on the City's water tower on the North side of the City for an initial five year term at an initial rent of \$250 per month; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Common Council authorizes the Mayor to enter in to said contract with Interconnect Wireless with the approval of the City Attorney.

Seconded by Ald. Caldwell and duly adopted, 6 - 0 on a roll call vote

Discussion: Before the vote, City Attorney Steve Natoli said he did have some concerns regarding the term and some provisions of the contract. He stated he stated those concerns were addressed by Interconnect Wireless and the contract was altered. One area not addressed are the specifications, however he was fine with that provided they can be run by the DPW Superintendent, but the contract itself is okay.

Ald. Doliver asked if the DPW Superintendent had any issues. E. Pepe stated he has no comment as he has not seen the contract or specifications. S. Natoli stated that one specifications was the power and reported that the City will provide power for the antenna for 120 days till NYSEG can address the issue. Natoli stated that the power necessary is the equivalent of 2 light bulbs.

Adjournment

Ald. Caldwell **moved** to adjourn at 6:05 p.m. Seconded by Ald. Jeffrey, approved ayes all.