

COMMON COUNCIL

Special Meeting
December 6, 2022

Mayor Brian Doliver presided at a special meeting of the Common Council held at 6:30 PM on December 6, 2022, in the Common Council Chambers at One Court Plaza.

Present:

Mayor Brian Doliver
Ald. Eric Warren
Ald. Fred Gee
Ald. Nancy Allaire
Ald. William Loomis
Ald. David Zieno
Ald. Robert D. Jeffrey

Also:

DPW Superintendent Edward Pepe
Youth Bureau Director Anthony Testani
Fire Chief Jan Papelino
Police Chief Rodney Marsh
Community Development Director Erik Scrivener
City Attorney Stephanie Hanrahan
Deputy City Clerk Agnes Eaton

Supervisor Robert M. Jeffrey

Media Representative: None

Absent

Supervisor James McNeil

Call to Order

The meeting of the Common Council was called to order at 7:56 p.m.

Resolutions

RESOLUTION #95 - 2022

DESIGNATING “PREFERRED PURCHASER” OF CITY-OWNED PROPERTY AT 44 GROVE AVENUE

Ald. Zieno introduced the following and **moved** its adoption:

WHEREAS, the City of Norwich acquired the real property at 44 Grove Avenue through property tax foreclosure; and

WHEREAS, the subject property is considered by the Common Council to be surplus and its continued ownership by the City unnecessary to a useful public purpose; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council has reviewed proposals for the purchase of the property, and considers the proposal from Alysa Maynard of Smyrna, NY to be an acceptable offer based on the purchase amount offered, the significant investments to be made in the property’s rehabilitation, and the proposed use; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Common Council hereby designates Alysa Maynard of Smyrna, NY as the “preferred purchaser” of the City-owned property at 44 Grove Avenue; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Mayor be and hereby is authorized, under the direction of the City Attorney, to negotiate and enter into a contract for the sale of the City-owned property at 44 Grove Avenue to Alysa Maynard.

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

RESOLUTION #96 -2022

AUTHORIZING TRANSFER OF RESERVE FUNDS FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT

Ald. Gee introduced the following and **moved** its adoption:

WHEREAS, the bid award in the amount of \$769,565 for a Pumper Truck in the Fire Department was approved in Resolution #90 - 202 on November 15, 2022; and

WHEREAS, an opportunity exists for a discount of \$15,152.60 with a prepayment of \$384,828.00; and

WHEREAS, those funds will need to be transferred from Reserves; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Director of Finance be and hereby is authorized to make the following transfer of funds in the 2022 Budget:

<u>From:</u>		
<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
HR32-878	Capital Reserves – Fire Equipment	\$384,828.00
<u>To:</u>		
<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
A3410.2100	Fire Department – Equipment	\$384,828.00

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

RESOLUTION #97 - 2022 APPOINTING ACCOUNT CLERK IN THE FINANCE OFFICE

Ald. Jeffrey introduced the following and **moved** its adoption:

WHEREAS, a vacancy exists in the position of Account Clerk in the Finance Office; and

WHEREAS, the Joint Committees have made certain recommendations; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that Erica Buel of Norwich, NY, be and hereby is appointed to a fulltime provisional position as Account Clerk at \$16.27 per hour for the City of Norwich, effective December 7, 2022; and further be it

RESOLVED, that such appointment is contingent upon any such action as may be necessary by the Norwich Civil Service Commission.

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

RESOLUTION #98 - 2022 AWARDING BID FOR STREET SWEEPER

Ald. Gee introduced the following and **moved** its adoption:

WHEREAS, bids have been received for a new vacuum street sweeper; and

WHEREAS, it is recommended that the bid be awarded to the lowest qualified bidder, Northeast Sweepers & Rentals, Inc. of Fairfield NJ in the amount of \$299,814.17; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the bid for a new vacuum street sweeper be awarded to Northeast Sweepers & Rentals, Inc. of Fairfield NJ in the amount of \$299,814.17; and further be it

RESOLVED, that the Director of Finance be and hereby is authorized to make the following transfer of funds in the 2022 Budget:

From:

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
HR26	Highway Equipment - Reserves	\$299,814.17
 <u>To:</u>		
<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
A5110.2100	Street Maintenance – Equipment	\$299,814.17

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

Change December Common Council Meeting Date - Ald. Jeffrey **moved** to change the December Common Council meeting from December 20th to December 12, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. Seconded by Ald. Loomis, approved ayes all.

Adjournment

Ald. Loomis **moved** to adjourn at 8:03 p.m. Seconded by Ald. Allaire, approved ayes all.