

COMMON COUNCIL

September 25, 1990

Council President Angelino presided at a regular meeting of the Common Council held at 7 p.m. on September 25, 1990, at the Higley Building.

Present:

Ald. Charles Angelino
Ald. Hartley Ackley
Ald. Kenneth Titus
Ald. Roland Guinn

Also:

CD Director/Clerk Jody Zakrevsky
Attorney James Cushman
Chamberlain Harold Hutton
DPW Director Neil Beebe
Fire Chief Mark Rice
Police Chief Gary Follett
Asst. Police Chief Richard Whiting
Codes Enforcement Officer Gary Lackos
Highway Supt. Joseph Loscavio

Ald. Guinn moved to dispense with the reading and approve the minutes of September 11, 1990 with the following correction: Page 5, Last Paragraph - the ceremony was for an Army Reserve Deactivation rather than dedication. Seconded by Ald. Titus and duly adopted, ayes all.

CORRESPONDENCE:

-- Ald. Titus moved to approve a request from Steven Grant to erect scaffolding on the sidewalk in front of the Chase Lincoln Bank on North Broad Street under the direction of the City Engineer. Seconded by Ald. Ackley and duly adopted, ayes all.

DEPARTMENT, BOARDS AND COMMISSION REPORTS:

-- Clerk Zakrevsky reported the following reports were received:

- Civil Service Commission minutes of September 13, 1990
- Codes Enforcement monthly report for August 1990
- Water/Waste Water 1991 Budget

WARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Finance Committee meeting of September 11, 1990
- Public Safety Committee meeting of September 18, 1990

-- Ald. Titus asked who was responsible for inspecting the Hayes Street Reconstruction project. DPW Director Beebe said the Water Board is responsible for the installation of the water lines. Mr. Beebe said he has notified the Water Board that the street does not appear to have been compacted properly by their contractor.

OLD BUSINESS:

-- Ald. Guinn asked the status of the river berm project. DPW Director Beebe gave a brief update of the project. He noted Congressman Boehlert's office is looking at the project and it may involve a two to three year study.

NEW BUSINESS:RESOLUTION #80 - 1990. AUTHORIZING TRANSFER FOR LIABILITY INSURANCE

Ald. Guinn introduced the following and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, additional funds are needed to cover the costs of an increase in liability insurance coverage; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Chamberlain be and hereby is authorized to make the following transfer in the 1990 General Fund Budget:

From:

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
A1990	Contingency	\$ 3,000

To:

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
A1910.4	Liability Insurance	\$ 3,000

Seconded by Ald. Titus and duly adopted, 4-0 on a roll call vote.

-- Prior to the vote, Ald. Titus asked why there would be an increase in insurance mid way through the year. Chamberlain Hutton said the rate changes whenever there is a change in liability coverage, such as the completion of the DPW garage.

RESOLUTION #81 - 1990. AUTHORIZING TRANSFER FOR ATTORNEY FEES

Ald. Ackley introduced the following and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, additional funds are needed to cover the costs for special council; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Chamberlain be and hereby is authorized to make the following transfer in the 1990 General Fund Budget:

From:

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
A1990	Contingency	\$ 7,707.51

To:

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
A1420.4020	Contracted Services	\$ 7,707.51

Seconded by Ald. Angelino and duly adopted, 4-0 on a roll call vote.

RESOLUTION #82 - 1990. AUTHORIZING LIGHTS FOR HOWARD JOHNSON PARKING LOT

Ald. Titus introduced the following and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Public Works Committee has recommended installation of additional lighting at the Howard Johnson Parking lot; and

WHEREAS, the New York State Electric and Gas Corporation has recommended the installation of four 250 Watt High Pressure Sodium flood lights, to be mounted on two existing poles and one new pole and two 400 Watt High

Pressure Sodium flood lights, to be mounted on two new poles; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Director of Public Works be and hereby is authorized and directed to have six flood lights and three poles installed at Howard Johnson's parking lot by the New York State Electric and Gas Corporation in accordance with existing NYSEG rates.

Seconded by Ald. Guinn and duly adopted, ayes all.

RESOLUTION #83 - 1990. AUTHORIZING THE WATER BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS TO APPROVE EXPENSES OF CERTAIN PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES ATTENDING CONVENTIONS, CONFERENCES AND SCHOOLS

Ald. Titus introduced the following and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, in Accordance with Article 5, Section 77-b of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York the Common Council may authorize any of its members or any officer or employee or the chief or assistant of its fire department or other person who has been elected pursuant to law to a public office to attend a conference by resolution adopted prior to such attendance; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council may delegate the power to authorize attendance at such conference to any executive officer or any administrative board; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution #74 of 1990 the Common Council did authorized the Mayor to act on behalf of the Common Council regarding travel expenses for all City employees; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor has requested the Water Board be authorized to approve requests for travel for water and waste water employees; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that Water Board of Commissioners be and hereby is authorized to approve any request for travel to attend conventions, conferences, school and meetings for any city water or waste water officer or employee within the confines of budgetary constraints.

Seconded by Ald. Guinn and duly adopted, ayes all.

RESOLUTION #84 - 1990. AUTHORIZING APPROPRIATION FROM CAPITAL PROJECTS RESERVE FUND FOR 1990 STREET RECYCLING PROJECT

Ald. Titus introduced the following and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, bids have been received and the Public Works Committee and the Common Council have approved the 1990 street recycling project; and

WHEREAS, funds for such project are required from the Capital Projects Reserve Fund; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the following capital projects budget for the 1990 Street Recycling Project be and hereby is established:

* amended 10/9/90

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Amount</u>
H93-5119.1010	Personal Services	\$ 2,000
H93-5119.4020	Suite Kote	40,000
H93-5119.4060	Fuels & Lubrication	250
H93-5119.4061	Equipment Rental	2,450

Seconded by Ald. Angelino and duly adopted, ayes all.

-- Prior to the vote, Ald. Titus asked what the equipment rental account was used for. DPW Director Beebe said DPW charges the use of their equipment back to the particular project the equipment is used for.

RESOLUTION #85 - 1990. APPROVING 1990-91 HOUSING AUTHORITY COMPENSATION
SCHEDULE

Ald. Guinn introduced the following and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, Section 32 of the State Public Housing Law provides that a public housing authority may fix the compensation of its employees, subject to the approval of the local legislative body; and

WHEREAS, the City of Norwich Housing Authority has submitted a salary schedule to the Common Council for its 1990-91 fiscal year; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the 1990-91 compensation schedule for the Norwich Housing Authority be and hereby is approved.

Seconded by Ald. Ackley and duly adopted, ayes all.

RESOLUTION #86 - 1990. AUTHORIZING TRANSFER FOR STATE POLLUTANT DISCHARGE
ELIMINATION SYSTEM PERMIT

Ald. Titus introduced the following and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, funds were not budgeted for the 1990-1991 Department of Environmental Conservation (D.E.C.) State Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (S.P.D.E.) permit; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Chamberlain be and hereby is authorized to make the following transfer in the 1990 Water Fund Budget:

* amended 10/9/90

From:

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
G9010.8	Employee Benefits-Retirement	\$ 7,500.00

To:

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
G8110.4140	Sewer Administration & Other	\$ 7,500.00

Seconded by Ald. Ackley and duly adopted, ayes all.

RESOLUTION #87 - 1990. AUTHORIZING EASEMENT TO NYSEG AT HAYES STREET
PARKING FACILITY

Ald. Guinn introduced the following and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, the City has let bids for construction of a new parking lot facility at Hayes Street; and

WHEREAS, such construction requires relocation of a NYSEG electric line; and

WHEREAS, an easement to NYSEG is required to affect such relocation; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Mayor be and hereby is authorized to sign an easement to NYSEG to enable relocation of an electric line at the City's property on Hayes Street.

Seconded by Ald. Titus and duly adopted, ayes all.

RESOLUTION #88 - 1990. DECLARING EMERGENCY RELATIVE TO RENTAL OF BULLDOZER
AND AUTHORIZING TRANSFER OF FUNDS

Ald. Titus introduced the following and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Highway Superintendent has notified the Common Council of the breakdown of the bulldozer which is used at the landfill; and

WHEREAS, such equipment is necessary for daily work at the landfill; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council deems the rental of such bulldozer to be of an emergency nature; and

WHEREAS, additional funds are needed for rental of such bulldozer; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that rental of a bulldozer for work at the landfill by the City of Norwich Highway Department be and hereby is declared an emergency; and further be it

RESOLVED, that the Mayor be and hereby is authorized to approve costs associated with such rental without entertaining formal bids for same; and further be it

RESOLVED, that the Chamberlain be and hereby is authorized to make the following transfers in the 1990 General Fund Budget:

From:

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
A8745.4051	Flood Control - Rental	\$ 1,000.00
A8140.4020	Storm Sewer - Contract Ser.	1,500.00
A8140.1010	Storm Sewer - Per. Service	2,000.00
A5410.1010	Sidewalk - Per. Service	3,000.00
A5110.4030	Street Maintenance - Travel	255.00
	Total	\$ 7,755.00

To:

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
A8160.4051	Refuse - Rental & Other	\$ 7,755.00

Seconded by Ald. Angelino and duly adopted, 4-0 on a roll call vote.

-- Prior to the vote, Highway Supt. Loscavio said due to the dealer requiring three weeks to repair the City's bulldozer, a letter has been sent to the dealer requesting the company reimburse the City for the expense of renting a bulldozer during the repair.

DPW Director Beebe noted the City will not be involved with the landfill after December 31, 1990. He said the department will make use of some of the equipment used at the landfill and will look into selling the rest. Mr. Beebe noted the City will not be involved with the closure of the landfill other than financially.

RESOLUTION #89 - 1990. APPOINTMENT OF ROBERT F. WICH AS POLICE OFFICER

Ald. Titus introduced the following and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, a vacancy exists in the ranks of police officer in the Norwich Police Department; and

WHEREAS, the Police Chief has recommended appointment of Robert F. Wich of Rockaway Park, NY to such position, such candidate being available for appointment as a lateral transfer from the New York City Housing Authority Police Department; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that Robert F. Wich of Rockaway Park, NY be and hereby is granted a permanent appointment as a police officer in the Norwich Police Department, effective October 7, 1990.

Seconded by Ald. Guinn and duly adopted, ayes all.

-- Ald. Guinn moved to pay the following bills after proper audit and certification:

	<u>Prepaid</u>	<u>9/25/90</u>	<u>Grand Total</u>
General Fund	495,681.81	14,338.32	510,020.13
Trust Fund	91,497.80	0.00	91,497.80
W.W.T.P.	50,060.14	0.00	50,060.14
Special Grants	50,265.56	2,400.00	52,665.56
Small Cities	200,000.00	0.00	200,000.00
Capital Projects	0.00	22,130.25	22,130.25
Community Development	0.00	711.00	711.00
TOTALS	\$887,505.31	\$39,579.57	\$927,084.88

-- Ald. Titus moved to adjourn at 7:38 p.m. Seconded by Ald. Ackley and duly adopted, ayes all.