

COMMON COUNCIL

Work Session

January 9, 1996

Mayor Joseph Biviano presided at a work session of the Common Council held at 7 pm on January 9, 1996, at the Higley Building.

Present:

Mayor Joseph Biviano
Ald. George Carnrike
Ald. Patrick McNeil
Ald. Barbara Schermerhorn
Ald. Mat Thall
Ald. Charles Angelino

Also:

Director of Finance/Clerk Brian Haak
Attorney Aaron Dean
CD Director David Wagoner
Deputy Clerk Donna Russell

Absent:

Ald. Robert Rabinowitz

The following agenda was developed for the Common Council scheduled for January 16, 1996:

- Call to order
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Invocation
- Approval of minutes of the work session of December 12, 1995, the regular meeting of December 19, 1995 and the organizational meeting of January 2, 1996.
- Public hearing - Conveyance of property on Front Street from the LDC to the City of Norwich; conveyance of property on Virginia Lane from the LDC to the Chamber Foundation.
- Open forum
- Bids
- Correspondence
- Department, Board and Commission reports
 - Traffic Commission minutes of December 13, 1995
 - Plumbing Board minutes of December 20, 1995
 - Electrical Board minutes of December 21, 1995
- Ward and Committee reports
 - Public Works Committee meeting of November 30, 1995
 - Finance Committee meetings of December 6, 1995 and January 3, 1996
- Old Business
- New Business
 - Award of Bid - Liquid Chlorite and Sodium Hypochlorite
 - Appointments -
 - Auth Transfer for 1995 Postage for Finance and Codes
 - Auth Transfer for 1995 Highway Personal Services
 - Auth Transfer for 1995 Tax Sale Filings
 - Auth Transfer for 1995 Water System Backhoe Repairs
 - Auth Transfer for 1995 Personal Services
 - Establish Waste Water Equipment Capital Reserve
- Payment of Bills
- Adjournment

-- Ald. Carnrike suggested Mr. Garcia of NYSEG, be asked to attend the next Council meeting to discuss municipal utilities.

-- Mayor Biviano said a representative from Gus Macker Basketball Tournaments would like to make a presentation at the next Council meeting. The item was added to the agenda under Open Forum.

-- Director of Finance/Clerk Haak reported several additions to the agenda as follows:

Resolutions

Authorizing Transfer for Ambulance Capital Reserve

Authorizing Transfer for Legal Fees relative to Assessment Cases

Amending 1996 General Fund Budget Relative to SARA Grant

RESOLUTION #01 - 1996. AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION FOR FUNDING THROUGH NYSDOT ISTE A PROGRAM

Ald. McNeil introduced the following and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, the City of Norwich is desirous of making improvements to its historic railroad freight depot located on Virginia Lane; and

WHEREAS, additional lands have been acquired for use as parking facilities in conjunction with such freight depot project; and

WHEREAS, the City of Norwich Court System is interested in relocation to the renovated freight depot providing their requirements are met; and

WHEREAS, the New York State Office of Historic Preservation has reviewed the plans and found the building to be eligible for historic preservation; and

WHEREAS, funding is available through the New York State Department of Transportation ISTE A Program for preservation projects such as the proposed freight depot improvement project; and

WHEREAS, the City of Norwich understands the requirement that it must provide the local share for the project as well as provide for the maintenance of the renovated facility as outlined in its Letter of Intent; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Mayor be and hereby is authorized and directed to file an application with a Letter of Intent to the New York State Department of Transportation under the ISTE A Program for funding to make the needed improvements to the railroad freight depot.

Seconded by Ald. Thall and duly adopted, ayes all on a roll call vote, 5-0.

Executive Session -- Ald. McNeil moved to go into executive session at 7:30 pm to discuss the personnel history of a particular corporation and negotiations. Seconded by Ald. Thall and duly adopted, ayes all.

-- Ald. Carnrike moved to go out of executive session. Seconded by Ald. Schermerhorn and duly adopted, ayes all.

Adjournment -- Ald. Angelino moved to adjourn at 8 pm. Seconded by Ald. Thall and duly adopted, ayes all.