COMMON COUNCIL

November 19, 1996

Mayor Biviano presided at a regular meeting of the Common Council held at 7 pm on November 19, 1996, at the Higley Building.

Present:

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

Absent:
Supervisor J. Dolan
Supervisor L. Natoli

Also:

Attorney Aaron Dean
Director of Finance/Clerk Brian Haak
Human Resources Dir. Deborah DeForest
Police Chief Joseph Angelino
Asst. Fire Chief Graydon Titus
Asst. Fire Chief Leroy Burlingame
Engineer James Suozzo
DPW Supt. Carl Ivarson
Historian Patricia Scott
Code Enforcement Officer Ed Schuurman
B.I.D. Administrator Jean Hayes
Deputy Clerk Donna Russell

Ald. McNeil moved to dispense with the reading and approve the minutes of the regular meeting of October 15, 1996, the special meeting of October 23, 1996 and the work session of November 12, 1996. Seconded by Ald. Carnrike and duly adopted, ayes all.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Mayor Biviano opened the public hearing at 7 pm relative to amending the sign ordinance by replacing it in its entirety.

-- Casey Jones, 4 Maydole Street, stated that he is in favor of a sign ordinance, however, he feels there are some deficiencies in the ordinance as proposed. Mr. Jones presented items of concern which include an allowance for larger signs, the terminology used in the document relative to window signs and displays, temporary signs and the use of pole signs.

-- Joan Nassar, owner of vacant business property on Mitchell Street, said she likes the idea of a sign ordinance, however, she has several problems with the ordinance as proposed. She questioned the restrictions on not allowing brand names and telephone numbers on signs in the Business Improvement District. Mrs. Nassar said the brand does a lot for selling. She asked if there was a business owner or merchant member on the Sign Committee and noted there should have been more input from the merchants. Mrs. Nassar stated the proposed ordinance presumes that the owner of the sign is the owner of the building which places the owner of the building in the position to enforce the ordinance rather than the City. She also suggested a committee be formed to work with people starting business in Norwich to insure signs are placed correctly.

-- Bob Nassar, business owner, asked if a permit must be obtained every time a business uses a temporary sign. Ald. McNeil said a permit would not be not required. He noted the intent of the ordinance is to be user friendly.

-- Code Enforcement Officer Ed Schuurman said the concerns raised were valid. He recommended the sign ordinance as proposed be adopted and address other issues as they arise. Mr. Schuurman noted once the ordinance is adopted, amendments can be made.

-- Casey Jones said the ordinance as presented this evening is not enforceable and there are items that need to be addressed before it is adopted. He noted there is no effective date stated in the ordinance and asked if a SEQR review had been completed. Mr. Schuurman said a SEQR was not necessary for this type of action.

-- Jean Hayes, B.I.D. Administrator, asked what the process is to amend the ordinance once it has been adopted. Mayor Biviano explained the an ordinance would be proposed amending the ordinance, a public hearing held and the ordinance would be adopted, upon approval by resolution of the Common Council.

There being no further comments relative to the proposed sign ordinance, the Mayor closed the public hearing at 7:29 pm.

Proposed 1997 Budget -- Mayor Biviano opened the public hearing at 7:20 pm relative to the proposed 1997 Budget which includes General Fund in the amount of $4,207,683; Waste Water Fund in the amount of $762,910; Water Fund in the amount of $606,550; Special Grants Fund in the amount of $629,133; Debt Service Fund in the amount of $230,878; Unemployment Insurance Reserve in the amount of $7,800.

-- Director of Finance Haak said that although spending in the budget is down, the budget includes a 25 cent per thousand of assessed value tax increase. He explained the increase is due to the loss of $4.5 million in assessed property in the City.

-- Casey Jones questioned the City's goals and philosophy in forming the budget. Mayor Biviano stated that preparations for this budget began after the last budget was adopted. He indicated the City's goal is to keep spending down by concentrating on efficiency without decreasing service. The Mayor noted departments attempted to cut their budgets by 3 percent.

Mr. Jones indicated that spending on government operations has increased and questioned the effect of it on a long term basis. He expressed concern about the lack of funding for permanent streets. Mayor Biviano explained that street reconstruction in 1997 will be part of the Water Project. Engineer Suozzo said funds for the street program will also come from CHIPS. The Mayor noted the City has long term plans.

Director Haak noted the City had made several changes in its operations during the past two years. No such changes were contemplated in 1997 to allow the City to gauge the prior changes and plan for 1998.

Mr. Jones questioned the unappropriated surplus in the water and waste water funds. Ald. Rabinowitz explained that funds have been set aside for the Water System Upgrade Project.

There being no further comments, Mayor Biviano closed the hearing at 7:55 pm.

OPEN FORUM:

-- No one wished to be heard.

BIDS:

Bids were received for Freight Depot Renovations to City Court and 1997 Mineral Crushed Rock Salt with recommendations from the Public Works Committee referred to the New Business portion of the meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Veteran's Day Parade -- A request from the Veterans of Foreign Wars to hold the annual Veteran's Day Parade at 10:30 am on November 11, 1996 was approved by telephone poll of the Common Council on October 29, 1996, with a vote of 5-0.

Christmas Tree Lighting -- A request was received from the B.I.D. Christmas Committee to close West Park Place to hold its annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony with horse and wagon rides from 5:30 pm to 8:30 pm on December 2, 1996.

-- Ald. McNeil moved to approve the requests under the direction of the Police Chief. Seconded by Ald. Schermerhorn and duly adopted, ayes all.

Mayoral Proclamation -- Mayor Biviano presented a proclamation proclaiming December 1, 1996 as World Aids Day in the City of Norwich.

Resignation of Robert Edmunds -- Mayor Biviano reported the resignation of Robert Edmunds from the Water Board and the Zoning Board of Appeals due to a conflict of interest. Ald. Angelino requested a letter of appreciation for his many years of service be sent to Mr. Edmunds. Casey Jones noted that the construction of the Waste Water Treatment Plant was due in part to the efforts of Mr. Edmunds who was Chairman of the Waste Water Commission at the time.

DEPARTMENT, BOARDS AND COMMISSION REPORTS:

-- Ald. McNeil moved to receive and file the following reports:

- -- Electrical Board meeting of September 26, 1996
- -- Traffic Commission minutes of October 9, 1996
- -- Parks Commission minutes of October 14, 1996
- -- Youth Board minutes of October 8, 1996

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

WARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- -- Public Works Committee meeting of September 26, 1996 and October 24, 1996
- -- Public Safety Committee meeting of October 22, 1996
- -- Personnel Committee meeting of October 1, 1996
- -- Finance Committee meeting of November 6, 1996

-- Ald. McNeil moved to receive and file the ward and committee reports. Seconded by Ald. Rabinowitz and duly adopted, ayes all.

NEW BUSINESS:

Fire Department Appointments -- Ald. McNeil moved to approve the following appointments to the Fire Department:

- -- Debra DuBois, Norwich, to the Emergency Squad
- -- Joshua Winchell, Norwich, to the Hooks Company

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

Mayoral Appointments -- Mayor Biviano reported several appointments as follows:

-- Donald Lee, 191 North Broad Street, to the Planning Commission for the remainder of a three year term expiring December 31, 1996.

-- Ann Morrone, Hillside House Apartments, to the Planning Commission for the remainder of a three year term expiring December 31, 1997.

-- Marilyn DeStefano, 96 South Broad Street, to Chairman of the Zoning Board of Appeals for the remainder of a two year term expiring December 31, 1997.

-- Bartolo Natoli, 40 Sunset Drive, to the Zoning Board of Appeals for the remainder of a three year term expiring December 31, 1998.

Rock Salt Bids -- Ald. Angelino moved, as recommended by the Public Works Committee, to reject all bids for 1997 Mineral Crushed Rock Salt and purchase the item through New York State Bid at $33.19 per ton delivered. Seconded by Ald. McNeil and duly adopted, ayes all.

Freight Depot Bids -- Ald. Angelino moved, as recommended by the Public Works Committee, to award the bids for the Freight Depot Renovations to City Court to the lowest qualified bidders as follows:

- -- Contract #3-G-96 General to Custom Building Unlimited of Rome, NY for $185,211.
- -- Contract #3-E-96 Electrical to M. Gleason & Sons of Binghamton, NY for $49,900.
- -- Contract #3-M-96 HVAC to A. Treffeisen & Sons of Oneonta, NY for $111,800.

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

Proposed Local Law #3 -- Ald. McNeil moved to receive a proposed local law relative to the Fire Department and set a public hearing for December 3, 1996. Seconded by Ald. Rabinowitz and duly adopted, ayes all.

LOCAL LAW NO. 3

OF 1996

A LOCAL LAW to Amend the Charter of the City of Norwich as it Relates to the Fire Department.

BE IT ENACTED by the Common Council of the City of Norwich, New York, as follows:

Section 1. Sections 140 and 140-a under Title VI-G of the Charter of the City of Norwich be and hereby are amended by substituting the sections in their entirety as follows:

Section 140. Fire Department

The Fire Department shall be under direction of the Fire Chief who shall be appointed by the Common Council pursuant to Civil Service regulations.

Section 140-a. Specific Powers and Duties

The specific powers and duties of the Fire Chief shall include but not be limited to:

Plans, coordinates, supervises and evaluates Fire and EMS operations.

Establishes policies and procedures for Fire and EMS in order to implement directives from the Mayor and Common Council.

Plans and implements Fire and EMS programs for the City, including a proactive fire prevention program; reviews departmental performance and effectiveness; formulates programs or policies to alleviate deficiencies.

Supervises and coordinates the preparation and presentation of an annual budget for Fire and EMS; directs the implementation of the department budget; plans for and reviews specifications for new or replaced equipment.

Responds to alarms as needed, and may direct activities at the scene of major emergencies, as required.

Directs the inspection of buildings and other properties for fire hazards and enforces fire prevention code. Serves as building inspector for the City as provided for under New York State Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code.

Directs the operation of departmental training activities and assures all mandated training is received.

Controls the expenditures of departmental appropriations.

Maintains departmental discipline and the conduct and general behavior of assigned personnel.

Supervises the investigation and determination of causes of fires.

Prepares and submits monthly reports regarding the departments activities and prepares a variety of other reports as appropriate including the annual report of activities.

Plans departmental operation with respect to equipment, apparatus and personnel; supervises the implementation of such plans.

Assigns personnel and equipment to such duties and uses as the service requires; evaluates the need for and recommends the purchase of new equipment and supplies.

Attends all Department Head meetings, committee meetings and City Council meetings.

Represents the city in discussions with other governments, organizations, agencies and individuals as it relates to fire programs and functions.

Section 2. Sections 190 and 191 under Title XI of the Charter of the City of Norwich be and hereby are amended by replacing the sections in their entirety as follows:

SECTION 190. How constituted.

The Fire Department shall be composed of the Fire Chief and as many paid fire personnel and volunteer members as the Common Council shall approve. There shall be three (3) Volunteer Assistant Fire Chiefs who shall serve at the discretion of the Fire Chief.

SECTION 191. Volunteer Assistant Chiefs, how elected.

The three (3) Volunteer Fire Chiefs shall be elected in accordance with the constitution and by-laws of the Norwich Fire Department.

Section 3. Section 192 under Title XI of the Charter of the City of Norwich be and hereby is deleted in its entirety.

Section 4. Section 193 under Title XI of the Charter of the City of Norwich be and hereby is amended by substituting the section in its entirety as follows:

SECTION 193. Volunteer Members to continue.

The present volunteer members of the City of Norwich shall continue as volunteer members of said city, subject to removal by the Fire Chief and the Common Council; other volunteer members shall be appointed and vacancies filled in the different companies of the Fire Department, by the Common Council and Chief, upon the nomination of the members of the company in which such appointment is to made or vacancy filled; the Common Council and Chief may refuse to appoint such nominee if in their judgment said candidate ought not be appointed.

Section 5. This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State.

RESOLUTION #133 - 1996. ADOPTING FISCAL YEAR 1997 BUDGET

Ald. McNeil introduced the following and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, a proposed fiscal year 1997 budget was presented to the Common Council on November 12, 1996 as follows: General Fund - $4,207,683, Wastewater Fund - $762,910, Water Fund - $606,550, Special Grants Fund - $629,133, Debt Service Fund - 230,878, Unemployment Insurance Reserve Fund - $7,800; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing on such budget has been held on November 19, 1996; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Fiscal Year 1997 Budget for the City of Norwich as presented on November 12, 1996 as follows: General Fund - $4,207,683, Wastewater Fund - $762,910, Water Fund - $606,550, Special Grants Fund - $629,133, Debt Service Fund - 230,878, Unemployment Insurance Reserve Fund - $7,800, be and hereby is adopted.

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

RESOLUTION #134 - 1996. APPROVING ORDINANCE AMENDING THE SIGN ORDINANCE

Ald. McNeil introduced the following and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Common Council received proposed Ordinance No. 5 of 1996 on October 15, 1996 with revisions to such presented on October 25, 1996, such ordinance amending the sign ordinance by substituting the ordinance in its entirety; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing has been held on November 19, 1996, relative to such ordinance; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that Ordinance No. 5 of 1996, relative to amending the sign ordinance by substituting the ordinance in its entirety, as presented to the Common Council on October 15, 1996 with revisions to such presented on October 25, 1996, be and hereby is approved, and further be it

RESOLVED, that such ordinance shall take effect on January 1, 1997.

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

RESOLUTION #135 - 1996. AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT FOR NATURAL GAS SERVICE

Ald. Angelino introduced the following and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Common Council, on October 17, 1995, authorized the Mayor to enter into an agreement with the Empire Natural Gas Corporation (ENG) for natural gas service; and

WHEREAS, such natural gas service includes the management and supply of transport gas to the Wastewater Treatment Plant, the Department of Public Works and City Hall; and

WHEREAS, the agreement with ENG is due to expire on December 1, 1996; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Mayor be and authorized, under the direction of the City Attorney, to sign an agreement with Empire Natural Gas Corporation of Greene, NY, to extend such service to December 1, 1997.

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

RESOLUTION #136 - 1996. AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT WITH NYSEG

Ald. McNeil introduced the following and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, the City of Norwich and NYSEG have negotiated an agreement designed to bring about lower overall utility-related costs for the City; and

WHEREAS, such agreement complies with the Memorandum of Understanding dated September 5, 1996, between the parties; and

WHEREAS, the Finance Committee has made certain recommendations; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the agreement between the City of Norwich and NYSEG be approved; and, further be it

RESOLVED, that the Mayor, be and hereby is authorized to sign said agreement under the direction of the City Attorney.

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

RESOLUTION #137 - 1996. AUTHORIZING BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR 1996 GENERAL FUND AND ESTABLISHING RECORDS MANAGEMENT/SARA BUDGET

Ald. Rabinowitz introduced the following and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Common Council on July 16, 1996, authorized an agreement with the State Archives and Records Administration to accept a grant in the amount of $12,347 through the Local Government Records Management Improvement Fund; and

WHEREAS, such agreement includes a budget approved by the State Archives and Records Administration for the term of the grant from July 1, 1996 through June 30, 1997; and

WHEREAS, funds have been received in the amount of $6,174 for fiscal year 1996 with the remaining balance to be received in 1997; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the 1996 General Fund Budget be and hereby is amended and the following budget for Records Management/SARA is established:

BUDGET

Revenue:

Account Number	Name	Amount
A3060	State Aid - Records Management	$ 6,174.00

Appropriations:

Account Number	Name	Amount
A1460.1010	Records Management - Personal Services	$ 3,613.00
A1460.4020	Records Management - Contracted Services	30.00
A1460.4060	Records Management - Materials and Supplies	2,000.00
A1460.4100	Records Management - Other	0.00
A9030.8000	Employee Benefits	531.00
	Total	$ 6,174.00

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

-- Prior to the vote, Inventory Clerk Patricia Scott reported that currently records are being inventoried and re-boxed with a color code for each department. She said records beyond their retention period are being shredded and noted that 125 bags have been shredded to date.

RESOLUTION #138 - 1996. AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT WITH THE TOWN OF NORWICH FOR WATER SERVICE

Ald. Angelino introduced the following and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, the City of Norwich and the Town of Norwich have negotiated an agreement under which the City will provide water services to Water Districts 3 and 3-A of the Town; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works and Finance Committees have made certain recommendations; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Water Agreement with the Town of Norwich, acting on behalf of Water Districts 3 and 3-A be approved; and, further be it

RESOLVED, that the Mayor be and hereby is authorized to sign said agreement subject to the review of the City Attorney.

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

-- Prior to the vote, Mayor Biviano said the City's part in the project is now complete. Engineer Suozzo noted the City will have an inspector on site.

Casey Jones asked if the City would have to pay into the district as it is a property owner. Engineer Suozzo explained that the City would be exempt as it the petitioner.

Ald. McNeil asked if the permits would be done in one package for the project. Engineer Suozzo said they would.

RESOLUTION #139 - 1996. AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT WITH THE TOWN OF NORWICH FOR WASTEWATER SERVICE

Ald. Rabinowitz introduced the following and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, the City of Norwich and the Town of Norwich have negotiated an agreement under which the City will provide wastewater services to Sewer Districts 3 and 3-A of the Town; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works and Finance Committees have made certain recommendations; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Sewer Agreement with the Town of Norwich, acting on behalf of Sewer Districts 3 and 3-A be approved; and, further be it

RESOLVED, that the Mayor be and hereby is authorized to sign said agreement subject to the review of the City Attorney.

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

RESOLUTION #140 - 1996. AUTHORIZING TRANSFER FOR PROPERTY TAXES

Ald. Rabinowitz introduced the following and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, funds are required to cover the cost of school taxes for property owned by the Norwich Water System; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Director of Finance be and hereby is authorized to make the following transfer in the 1996 Water Fund Budget:

From:

Account Number	Name	Amount
F1990	Contingency	$ 3,174.82

To:

Account Number	Name	Amount
F1950.5	Taxes on Municipal Property	$ 3,174.82

Seconded by Ald. Carnrike and duly adopted, 4-2 (Aldermen McNeil and Angelino) on a roll call vote.

-- Prior to the vote, Ald. McNeil asked if the City was exempt. DPW Supt. Ivarson said the Water System does pay school taxes.

RESOLUTION #141 - 1996. AUTHORIZING TRANSFER FOR INSECT CONTROL

Ald. Rabinowitz introduced the following and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, funds are required to cover the cost of insect control services; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Director of Finance be and hereby is authorized to make the following transfer in the 1996 General Fund Budget:

From:

Account Number	Name	Amount
A1990	Contingency	$ 2,018.75

To:

Account Number	Name	Amount
A4068.4020	Insect Control - Contracted Services	$ 2,018.75

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

RESOLUTION #142 - 1996. AUTHORIZING TRANSFER FOR DELINQUENT TAX FILINGS

Ald. Carnrike introduced the following and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, additional funds are required to cover the cost of filing tax liens from the 1996 Tax Sale; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Director of Finance be and hereby is authorized to make the following transfer in the 1996 General Fund Budget:

From:

Account Number	Name	Amount
A1990	Contingency	$ 1,120.00

To:

Account Number	Name	Amount
A1325.4010	Finance - Office Expense	$ 1,120.00

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

RESOLUTION #143 - 1996. AUTHORIZING TRANSFER FOR HUMAN RESOURCES PERSONAL SERVICES

Ald. Rabinowitz introduced the following and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, funds are required to cover the cost of personal services for the Department of Human Resources; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Director of Finance be and hereby is authorized to make the following transfer in the 1996 General Fund Budget:

From:

Account Number	Name	Amount
A1410.1010	Clerk - Personal Services	$ 24,255.00

To:

Account Number	Name	Amount
A1430.1010	Human Resources - Personal Services	$ 24,255.00

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

RESOLUTION #144 - 1996. AUTHORIZING TRANSFER FOR HUMAN RESOURCES OFFICE EXPENSES

Ald. McNeil introduced the following and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, funds are required to cover the cost of office expenses for the Department of Human Resources; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Director of Finance be and hereby is authorized to make the following transfer in the 1996 General Fund Budget:

From:

Account Number	Name	Amount
A1990	Contingency	$ 1,000.00

To:

Account Number	Name	Amount
A1430.4100	Human Resources - Other	$ 1,000.00

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

RESOLUTION #145 - 1996. APPOINTMENT OF ROBERT MASON AS YOUTH BUREAU DIRECTOR

Ald. Rabinowitz introduced the following and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, a vacancy exists in the position of City Youth Bureau Director, and

WHEREAS, the Personnel Committee has advertised, interviewed and has made certain recommendations; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that Robert Mason of Norwich, NY, be and hereby is appointed as Youth Bureau Director effective on November 24, 1996.

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

RESOLUTION #146 - 1996. APPOINTMENT OF ASSISTANT CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Ald. McNeil introduced the following and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Common Council on September 17, 1996, approved Resolution No. 113 of 1996 establishing the position of Assistant Code Enforcement Officer and setting grade; and

WHEREAS, the Personnel Committee has advertised, interviewed and has made certain recommendations; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, 1. that Charles Green, 63 Silver Street, be and hereby is appointed to the position of Assistant Code Enforcement Officer Part Time at Grade 20 of the City Non-Unit Compensation Schedule, effective on December 2, 1996; and

2. that this resolution shall be subject to such action as may be necessary by the Norwich Civil Service Commission.

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

<u>RESOLUTION #147 - 1996.</u> APPOINTING FIREFIGHTER IN THE NORWICH FIRE DEPARTMENT

Ald. Rabinowitz introduced the following and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, a vacancy exists in the rank of full time Firefighter in the Norwich Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, the Personnel and Public Safety Committees have made certain recommendations; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that on a motion of the Common Council made on November 12, 1996, Scott Fitzpatrick of North Norwich, NY be and hereby is appointed as full time Firefighter in the Norwich Fire Department, effective November 13, 1996.

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

<u>RESOLUTION #148 - 1996.</u> NAMING PROPERTY AND DESIGNATING THE ADDRESS OF THE NEW CITY HALL AS ONE CITY PLAZA

Ald. Angelino introduced the following and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, the former D.L.& W. Railroad Depot, also known as the Depot Building, is currently under renovation to house City Hall; and

WHEREAS, the Depot Building is situated on a block of city owned property located between East Main Street and Lackawanna Avenue; and

WHEREAS, such block of property has no official name; and

WHEREAS, City officials have made certain recommendations; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the block of city owned property located between East Main Street and Lackawanna Avenue be and hereby is named City Plaza and that the new City Hall building, also known as The Depot Building, be designated as One City Plaza; and further be it

RESOLVED, that the City Engineer's Office notify the Post Office that the address for the new City Hall offices has been changed to One City Plaza.

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

<u>Street Sign for West Main Street</u> -- Ald. McNeil requested that a street sign be placed at the corner of West Main Street and Canasawacta Street. The matter was referred to DPW Supt. Ivarson.

<u>Payment of Bills</u> -- Ald. McNeil moved to pay the following bills after proper audit and certification:

	Prepaid	11/19/96	Grand Total
General Fund	$ 225,988.25	$ 89,127.32	$ 315,115.57
Sewer Fund	19,321.14	3,000.46	22,321.60
Water Fund	20,416.65	6,433.95	26,850.60
Trust Fund	198,899.73	450.00	199,349.73
Reserves	11,670.00	0.00	11,670.00
Unemployment Insurance	229.59	0.00	229.59
Community Development	78,067.16	0.00	78,067.16
EDZ/LDC	46,083.30	357.50	46,440.80
Capital Projects	84,648.14	309,916.47	394,564.61
TOTALS	**$ 686,323.96**	**$ 409,285.70**	**$ 1,094,609.66**

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

Adjournment -- Ald. McNeil moved to adjourn at 8:30 pm. Seconded by Ald. Carnrike and duly adopted, ayes all.