

CITY OF RENSSELAER  
IN  
COMMON COUNCIL *Sept 17/4*  
WEDNESDAY EVENING  
REGULAR MEETING

	AYES	NOES
W. HARDT	✓	
L. FEDIGAN	✓	
W. HOOGKAMP		
J. DISTELL	✓	
M. HART		
J. MC GOWAN	✓	
D. BOYD	✓	
J. WELSH	✓	
K. BAILEY	✓	
W. PRATT		
TOTAL		

The Council convened at 8:30 o'clock P.M. and was called to order by Pres. Hardt.

The roll being called the following answered to their names:  
Pres. Hardt

Alderman Fedigan	Alderman McGowan
Hooghkamp	Boyd
Distell	Welsh
Hart	Bailey

Alderman Pratt

Alderman *Pratt* moved that the minutes be adopted as printed subject to correction.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR  
HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS AND CITY OFFICES

The Clerk reports that the Mayor had approved of all resolutions passed at the last meeting of the Board.

TREASURER'S REPORT  
WELFARE COMMISSIONER'S REPORT  
PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS  
REMONSTRANCES AND COMMUNICATIONS

PRESENTATION OF ACCOUNTS

Alderman *Pratt* moved that all bills be referred to the auditing committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

The Auditing committee report the following bills correct:

Alderman \_\_\_\_\_ moved that the report of the auditing committee be received and all bills be allowed and ordered paid. Also the street Payroll.

	AYES	NOES
W. HARDT	✓	
L. FEDIGAN	✓	
W. HOOGKAMP		
J. DISTELL	✓	
M. HART		
J. MC GOWAN	✓	
D. BOYD	✓	
J. WELSH	✓	
K. BAILEY	✓	
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L. FEDIGAN	✓	
W. HOOGKAMP		
J. DISTELL	✓	
M. HART	✓	
J. MC GOWAN	✓	
D. BOYD	✓	
J. WELSH	✓	
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*Distell*  
From Pratt Com 3 City Eng report  
back next meeting Pratt, Distell  
Banno. only

Pratt Distell Com 3 Com report read  
more Pratt Distell Banno.

*Pratt Distell adjourn to Friday night*  
*Pratt*  
*Welsh*

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W. HARDT	✓	
L. FEDIGAN	✓	
W. HOOGKAMP		
J. DISTELL	✓	
M. HART		
J. MC GOWAN	✓	
D. BOYD	✓	
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BILLS TO BE AUDITED SEPTEMBER 17, 1947

616	Jarrett Motors, repairs	66.05
617	Austin Riley, supplies	207.90
617A	Katherine Henk, expenses	20.00
618	Abalene Pest Control, extern. service	5.00
618A	Wm. Flynn, insurance	81.94
619	Hickey & Connolly, insurance	196.22
620	Albert Scheibly, postage	3.00
621	Dr. D. F. Hannon, rent of bldg.	165.00
622	Elbert Phillips, expenses	8.00
623	Geo. Mollenkopf, supplies	995.73
624	" "	45.75
625	" "	61.24
626	" "	78.82
627	Matthew Maloney, gas	112.00
628	Wm. A. Bonacker, ice	19.15
629	<del>C. A. March, supplies</del>	<del>66.00</del>
630	James Coogan, dog warden	66.00
631	N. Y. Power & Light, service	2412.61
632	N. Y. Telephone Co., service	116.49
633	Western Union Tel. Co., service	3.75

Bills to be presented Sept. 17, 1947

634	Teliska Bros. Supplies	153.82
635	James Coogan dog warden	84.00
636	Howard Wander supplies	2.70
637	Fairchilds Aerial Survey Services	650.00
638	Bway Tire & Battery Supplies	6.03
639	W. Y. Lansing supplies	64.14
640	A. E. Riley "	439.00
641	American LaFrance Foamite Corp. supplies	9.84
642	" " "	2.37
643	" " "	12.46
644	" " "	4.04
645	" " "	23.80
646	" " "	89.75
647	" " "	207.14
648	" " "	8.82
649	" " "	16.70
650	" " "	20.55
651	" " "	700.85
652	Ben Roth Repairs	8.75
653	Edward Thompson Co. Supplies	6.00
654	Gray & Russell Supplies	2.45
655	Townsend Machine Co. supplies	67.00
656	H. E. Wicks Gas	115.50
	Shell Oil Co. Supplies	61.60
658	W. L. Coughtry supplies	101.67
659	United Traction Co, supplies	90.00
660	Lang Stamp Works supplies	65.00
661	Elbert Phillips office expense	7.00
662	H. Murphy Picking up hose	2.00
663	James Nolan "	4.00
664	James VanDyke W	2.00
665	Paul Felts "	2.00
666	Frank Hall "	2.00
667	John Fox "	2.00
668	Albert LaPiere "	2.00
669	John McMurray #	2.00
670	David O'Hanlon "	2.00
67k	William Reinnaman "	2.00
672	William DeMyer Insurance	72.38
673	Morgan Linen service	55.25
674	Morgan Linen "v	57.25
675	Wm. Flynn Insurence	26.36
676	Burrough Adding Mach Co. service	28.19
677	Army Navy Union Gar. 721	300.00
678	New York Telephone Co. service	21.56
679	Thomas Delaney Acting Judge	84.00
680	Fred Warden Care Ambulance	5.00
681	Sarah Lizak meals police	.75
682	J. J. Dunn Street repairs	2754.20
683	J. J. Dunn Street repairs	<del>111.99</del>
		1501.91

# CASH REPORT

August, 1947

Balance on hand July 31, 1947	50,431.83
Receipts for August, 1947	537,197.69
	<u>587,629.52</u>
Payments August, 1947	67,269.13
	<u>520,360.39</u>
Check debited Aug. 28, 1947 by Bank	91.52
Returned September 3, 1947	<u>520,268.87</u>
Balance on hand General Fund Rensselaer County Bank	413,005.24
Tax Sale Redemption No. 18814	1,935.22
Trust Cash Acct. No. 6847	388.28
Contractors Retainers No. 12440	11,844.53
City Bonds Acct. No. 6326	25,491.24
Capital Reserve No. 11601	
School Fund Saving No. 12845	
Miscellaneous Funds No. 10781	
Refunding Reserve No. 12754	
1935 Curbing Acct. No. 16189	1,306.07
Cash on hand, City and School	50,022.73
Cash on hand, State and County	
Special Checking : 1931 Sewer & Sidewalk Assessment	2.50
Special Checking: Tax Sale Redemption	
Special Checking: Library Fund	5,000.00
Special Checking: Kiwanis Band Fund	207.87
Special Checking: Welfare Department	336.03
Special Checking: Income Tax Deducted	6,629.16
Deposited 8/29/47, Credited 9/2/47	<u>4,100.00</u>
	<u>520,268.87</u>

Respectfully submitted,

*Albert J. Scheibly*  
City Treasurer

*Pratt*

# TRIAL BALANCE

REPORT FOR MONTH OF August 1947

Current Cash	49 2 9 4 7 01	
City & School Tax	3 9 9 5 1 09	
State & County Tax		
Tax Arrears	16 0 0 2 3 85	
Current Loans		
Due County Treasurer		
Estimated Revenues	11 2 4 9 3 64	
<b>School City</b>	14 0 4 7 7 02	
Reserve for Arrears		16 0 0 2 3 85
Current Revenues		
Current Appropriations		75 9 5 5 6 10
Reserve for Unappropriated Revenues		2 6 3 1 2 66
Due From Assessment Account		
	<u>94 5,8 9 2 61</u>	<u>94 5 8 9 2 61</u>
Assessment Cash	1 3 1 6 80	
" Receivable		7 69
" Interest on Loans		
" Loans		
" Revenues		54
" Surplus		6 1 5 53
Old Granite Block Asst.	2 1 8 6 1 08	
Reserve for Assessment Arrears		2 2 5 5 4 12
Due to Current Account		
	<u>2 3 1 7 7 88</u>	<u>2 3 1 7 7 88</u>
Capital Cash		
City Properties	165 0 7 7 6 33	
Public Improvement	148 1 0 7 0 04	
Capital Appropriation		
Authorized Construction		
Temporary Loans		
Reserve for Capital Obligations		
Interest on Savings		
Capital Loans		42 4 5 0 0 00
Capital Surplus		270 7 3 4 6 37
	<u>313 1 8 4 6 37</u>	<u>313 1 8 4 6 37</u>
Trust Cash	2 6 0 0 5 06	
Tax Sale Redemption		1 9 3 5 22
Charity Trust		3 8 8 28
Contractors Retainers' Fees		1 1 8 4 4 53
<del>Parking Meters</del> <b>Kiwanis Band Fund</b>		2 0 7 87
Income Tax Deducted		6 6 2 9 16
<del>Dated: Rensselaer, N. Y.</del> <b>Library Fund</b>		5 0 0 0 00
	<u>2 6 0 0 5 06</u>	<u>2 6 0 0 5 06</u>

THOMAS W. CANTWELL  
ATTORNEY AND COUNSELOR AT LAW  
75 STATE STREET  
ALBANY, NEW YORK  
TELEPHONE 4-1766

THOMAS W. CANTWELL  
L. MURRAY DOODY, JR.

September 17, 1947

Mr. James S. Millea, Corporation Counsel  
City of Rensselaer  
112 State Street  
Albany, New York

Honorable Dear Sir:

Following my telephone conversation with you yesterday, your office called me today requesting a statement in writing of the details of my conversation with you so that it might be submitted to the other officials for their consideration.

As you know, I have not seen the revised final estimate, but I am basing my proposal on what you said it contained. Reluctantly, this is what Martin will do in settlement of his claims against the City of Rensselaer.

Accept immediate payment of:

\$6,617.01,	cash payment on final estimate.
397.03,	interest on that amount.
373.22,	being retained percentage on the Hazel Terrace job, with interest from last October, the date when the retained percentage was due.
<u>\$7,387.26</u>	Total

In addition to that sum, the city will be retaining the sum of \$2,209.45 as retained percentage on the big job, that sum to be paid to Martin on March 1, 1948.

I am advised that this is to be presented to the Common Council tonight, and I assume that you do not contemplate laying it on the table for several weeks. In making this suggested compromise, Mr. Martin

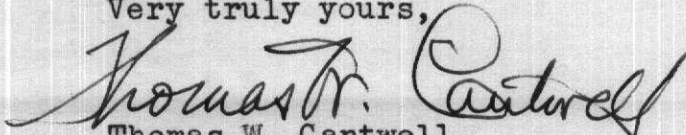
Mr. James S. Millea

September 17, 1947

wants it understood that time is of the essence. This matter has been before the city for almost two years, and the departments concerned are familiar with all of the details. It would seem, therefore, that it could be passed at your meeting tonight and the necessary steps taken for immediate payment.

This, of course, is all suggested to you without prejudice to the rights of my client.

Very truly yours,

  
Thomas W. Cantwell

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*Pratt*  
*Cork Council*  
*city eng.*

OFFICE OF  
**RENSSELAER WATER COMPANY**  
C. R. CLAFLIN, SUPERINTENDENT  
RENSSELAER, N. Y.

September 11th, 1947

Mr. Harvey C. Younghans, City Clerk  
Rensselaer, New York

Dear Sir:

I have a copy of a resolution made by Alderman Pratt of September 3rd directing our company to extend their water mains on Mountain View Avenue from the end of our present main southerly to Washington Avenue.

There is no mention in the resolution of an additional fire hydrant on this extension. In accordance with our contract, the City is to allow our company a fire hydrant with every 500-ft. extension, or fraction thereof. Will you kindly have this resolution passed in proper form, and I will be glad to take it up with the company.

Yours very truly,

RENSSELAER WATER COMPANY

*C. R. Claflin*  
C. R. Claflin  
Supt.

*Pratt*

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# Municipal Service Division

PERSONNEL SERVICES FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT

COMMISSION

J. EDWARD CONWAY  
PRESIDENT

LOUISE C. GERRY  
ALEXANDER A. FALK

HENRY J. MCFARLAND, JR.  
DIRECTOR OF DIVISION

39 COLUMBIA STREET  
ALBANY 7, N. Y.

September 4, 1947

Mr. James S. Millea, Corporation Counsel  
Office of the Corporation Counsel  
Rensselaer, New York

Dear Mr. Millea:

Thank you for sending us a copy of the resolution adopted by the City Council in regard to obtaining the assistance of this Bureau in developing a classification plan for your City.

At present Mr. William Livingston who covers the area including Rensselaer is away on vacation. Just as soon as he returns this matter will be referred to him.

Cordially yours,  
MUNICIPAL SERVICE DIVISION

*Henry J. McFarland*  
Henry J. McFarland  
Director

*Pratt  
file*

Sept.16, 1947

My dear Mr.Millea:-

A few days ago, Mr.Kimney, together with the Tree Expert from Delamar , examined the trees at 46 & 48 Columbia St.of this City the said property is owned by me. They told me that they were making a survey, and that the Common Council are to receive bids in the removal of the trees, that are in a dangerous condition. These trees are listed in his report. If, the Comm~~on~~ Council approves the project, is it possible to have the trees removed within a very short time, due to the fact that I am willing to install a uniform side-walk.

*Pract  
file*

Sincerely yours,

*Frank Malatesta*

Frank Malatesta

57 Columbia St.

Rensselaer, NY

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By Alderman Pratt.

RESOLVED. that the City Clerk be and he hereby is authorized and directed to communicate with the New York Power & Light Co, requesting them to clean the globes and bulbs throughout the City, as at the present time with the condition they are in we are not getting results from our lights due to the dirt of same.

Dated Sept. 17, 1947.

Approved as to form and sufficiency

*James S. Mullea*  
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Corporation Counciler

	AYES	NOES
W. HART	✓	
L. FEDIGAN	✓	
W. HOOGKAMP		
J. DISTELL	✓	
M. HART		
J. MC GOWAN	✓	
B. BOYD		
J. WELSH	✓	
K. BAILEY	✓	
W. PRATT		
TOTAL		

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CAPITAL NOTE RESOLUTION OF SEPTEMBER 17th, 1947, AUTHORIZING  
ISSUANCE AND SALE OF CAPITAL NOTES OF CITY OF  
RENSSELAER, NEW YORK, IN THE AMOUNT  
\$2,000.00, FOR THE PURCHASE OF  
TWO VOTING MACHINES

RESOLVED this 17th day of September, 1947, by the  
Common Council of the City of Rensselaer, New York as follows:

Section 1. For the purpose of providing funds to  
pay the cost of two voting machines heretofore authorized to  
be purchased by the Common Council, capital notes in the  
amount of \$2,000.00 shall be issued by the City of Rensselaer  
pursuant to the provisions of the Local Finance Law of the  
State of New York.

Section 2. The maximum cost of the two voting  
machines to provide funds for which the said capital notes  
shall be issued is estimated to be the sum of \$2,156.00; and  
the plan for financing such cost consists of the issuance and  
the sale of the said notes in the amount of \$2,000.00, with  
the balance of such cost to be paid from current budget  
appropriations and charged to Code 270-1 of the budget for  
the current fiscal year, in which item there is now an  
unexpended balance of \$3,500.00.

Section 3. It is hereby determined that the purpose  
for which such notes are to be issued, to wit, the purchase  
of two voting machines, falls within sub-paragraph 31 of  
subdivision a of Section 11.00 of the said Local Finance Law,  
and that the period of probable usefulness of such purpose is  
five years.

Section 4. The City Treasurer is hereby authorized  
and directed to sell said note or notes at such time or times  
as he shall determine at either public or private sale. The  
City Treasurer is further authorized to determine consistent-  
ly with the Local Finance Law and the terms of this resolution,  
the date, maturity, denominations, form and all other matters  
in connection with said note or notes not herein specifically

determined.

Section 5. Said note or notes shall be executed in the name of the City by the Mayor and the City Treasurer and shall bear the corporate seal of the City.

Section 6. The full faith and credit of the City of Rensselaer shall be and are hereby pledged for the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on said note or notes and an amount sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on such note or notes shall be included in the annual budget and levied as a part of the taxes for the fiscal year in which each such note matures.

Section 7. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Dated: September 17th, 1947

Approved as to form and sufficiency  
this 17th day of September, 1947.

*James J. Miller*

	AYES	NOES
W. HART	✓	
L. FENIGAN	✓	
W. HOOGKAMP		
J. DISTELL	✓	
M. HART	✓	
J. MC GOWAN	✓	
D. BOYD		
J. WELSH	✓	
K. BAILEY	✓	
W. PRATT		
TOTAL		



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BY ALDERMAN HOOBKAMP:

WHEREAS, By Resolution No. 146 for the Year 1947, heretofore and on the 2nd day of July 1947, it was duly provided that all of the right, title and interest of the City of Rensselaer in and to certain real property assessed on the tax rolls in the name of Albany Syndicate and described in said tax rolls as Washington Street, Block 201, Plot 2, Lots 10 and 12, Ward 2, Page 6, Line 34, be sold at public auction by the City Treasurer in the manner provided by law; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to said resolution, said City Treasurer thereafter duly advertised for sale and sold the City's interest as aforesaid in and to said property to Bertha Meisner Murray, Hillview, Town of East Greenbush, Rensselaer, New York, for the sum of Thirty Five Dollars (\$35.00) paid in full and subject to any and all other existing liens and encumbrances; and

WHEREAS, It appears that the said purchaser has paid the sum of Thirty-Five Dollars (\$35.00), in accordance with the terms of said sale and resolution directing the same; Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the said sale be and the same hereby is in all respects ratified and confirmed, and that the Mayor of said City be and he hereby is directed to execute, acknowledge and deliver a quit claim deed to all the right, title and interest of said City of Rensselaer, acquired as aforesaid, in and to said premises upon payment of the purchase price in accordance with the provisions of the resolution directing and authorizing said sale and terms thereof.

DATED: September 17, 1947.

Approved as to form and sufficiency

*James S. Mulla*  
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Corporation Counsel





*ald Bailey*

CAPITAL NOTE RESOLUTION OF SEPTEMBER 17th, 1947, AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE AND SALE OF CAPITAL NOTES OF CITY OF RENSSELAER, NEW YORK, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,000.00, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING FUNDS TO PAY THE COST OF RESURFACING MANN, ROCKEFELLER, QUAY AND MUNGER STREETS AND THE INSTALLATION OF CONCRETE CURBING, SEWERS AND GUTTERS ALL IN CONNECTION WITH SAID IMPROVEMENT.

RESOLVED this 17th day of September, 1947, by the Common Council of the City of Rensselaer, New York as follows:

Section 1. For the purpose of providing funds to pay the cost of resurfacing Mann, Rockefeller, Quay and Munger Streets and the installation of concrete curbing, sewers and gutters all in connection with said improvement heretofore authorized to be performed by the Common Council, capital notes in the amount of \$10,000.00 shall be issued by the City of Rensselaer pursuant to the provisions of the Local Finance Law of the State of New York.

Section 2. The maximum cost of the above described work to provide funds for which the said capital notes shall be issued is estimated at \$10,895.53; and the plan for financing such cost consists of the issuance and the sale of the said notes in the amount of \$10,000.00, with the balance of such cost to be paid from current budget appropriations and charged to Code 270-1 of the budget for the current fiscal year, in which item there is now an unexpended balance of \$3,300.00.

Section 3. It is hereby determined that the purpose for which such notes are to be issued, to wit, the payment of the cost of said work, falls within the provisions of Section 11.00 of the said Local Finance Law, and that the period of probable usefulness of such purpose is as set forth in said section 11.00.

Section 4. The City Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to sell said note or notes at such time or times as he shall determine at either public or private sale. The City Treasurer is further authorized to determine consistently with the Local Finance Law and the terms of this resolution, the date, maturity, denominations, from and all other matters in connection with said note or notes not herein specifically determined.

Section 5. Said note or notes shall be executed in the name of the City by the Mayor and the City Treasurer and shall bear the corporate seal of the City.

Section 6. The full faith and credit of the City of Rensselaer shall be and are hereby pledged for the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on said note or notes and an amount sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on such note or notes shall be included in the annual budget and levied as a part of the taxes for the fiscal year in which each such note matures.

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Dated: September 17th, 1947.

Approved as to form and sufficiency  
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L. FEDIGAN	✓	
W. HOOGKAMP	✓	
J. DISTELL	✓	
M. HART	✓	
J. MC COWAN	✓	
D. BOYD	✓	
J. WELSH	✓	
K. BAILEY	✓	
W. PRATT	✓	
TOTAL		

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Corporation Counsel

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By Alderman *Distell* *Bailey*  
~~Pratt.~~

RESOLVED. that the City Clerk be and he hereby is authorized and directed, to communicate with the Rensselaer Water Co. directing them to extend their water main on Mt View Avenue from the end of present main southerly to Washington Avenue, and to install one hydrant, if necessary to meet requirements of City that a hydrant shall be installed every 500 feet.

Dated Sept. 17, 1947.

Approved as to form and sufficiency

*James Smiles*  
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Corporation Councilor

- W. HARDT
- L. FEDIGAN
- W. HOOGKAMP
- J. DISTELL
- M. HART
- J. MC GOWAN
- D. BOYD
- J. WELSH
- K. BAILEY
- W. PRATT
- TOTAL

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