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Mayor Nelson called the meeting to order and asked the Clerk to call the roll:

PRESENT: Mayor Nelson, Councillors Hannan, Flynn
Morley, Sholette and Vaugh

ABSENT: Councillor Powers*

PUBLIC HEARING

1. A public hearing regarding an Ordinance to establish tobacco free areas was held.

Susan Britton, St. Lawrence County Tobacco Free Coalition/ Community Partnership, explained that this group is trying to protect the youth and citizens of the county.

No one else being present, the hearing was declared closed.

* At this point in the meeting, Councillor Powers arrives.

2. A public hearing regarding a local law regarding training and attendance for the Planning and Zoning Boards was held. No one being present to speak, the hearing was declared closed.

PRESENTATION

1. Presentation by proposed developer, American Communities, for the Diamond International Property.

James Sharpe, President of America Communities and Paul Nettles of Christian Builders, gave a presentation and urged Council to expedite the choosing of a developer for this project.

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PERSONAL APPEARANCE

1. Joe Basta, Main Street, read a letter of support of the proposal to develop the Diamond National site (a copy of the letter follows these minutes).

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Nelson moved that the claims as enumerated in Warrant #10-2008 in the amount of \$673,266.50, and Library Warrant #10-2008 in the amount of \$23,008.79 and Community Development Fund Warrant #10-2008 in the amount of \$26,728.61 and Capital Warrant #10-2008 in the amount of \$575,895.16, as audited, be and the same are ordered paid and Councillor Vaugh seconded the motion.

The vote was:

CARRIED, AYES ALL

APPOINTMENTS

1. Mayor Nelson moved to re-appoint Kevin McDonough to the Ogdensburg Civil Service Commission, and Councillor Morley seconded the motion.

The vote was:

CARRIED, AYES ALL

2. Mayor Nelson moved to re-appoint Bill Flynn to the Zoning Board Commission, and Councillor Flynn seconded the motion.

The vote was:

CARRIED, AYES ALL

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ITEMS FOR COUNCIL ACTION

1. Councillor Vaugh moved an ordinance to Prohibit the Use of Tobacco Products in City Parks and Recreational Facilities, and Councillor Hannan seconded to wit:

ORDINANCE #5 of 2008

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 149, §149-5 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF OGDENSBURG IN RELATION TO ESTABLISHING A TOBACCO-FREE POLICY IN CITY PARKS

WHEREAS, the Ogdensburg City Council believes that tobacco use in the proximity of children and adults engaging in or watching outdoor recreational activities at City-owned or operated facilities is detrimental to their health and can be offensive to those using such facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Ogdensburg City Council believes the City has an opportunity to create and sustain an environment that supports a non-tobacco norm through a tobacco-free policy, rule enforcement, and adult-peer role modeling on City-owned outdoor recreational facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Ogdensburg City Council believes parents, leaders, and officials involved in recreation are role models for youth and can have a positive effect on the lifestyle choices they make; and

WHEREAS, nationally, the tobacco industry advertises at and sponsors recreational events to foster a connection between tobacco use and recreation; and

WHEREAS, cigarettes, once consumed in public spaces, are often discarded on the ground requiring additional maintenance expenses, diminish the beauty of the City's recreational facilities, and pose a risk to toddlers due to ingestion; and

WHEREAS, the Ogdensburg City Council believes that the prohibition of tobacco use at the City recreational facilities serves to protect the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of our City; and

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WHEREAS, the City's Strategic Management Plan has stated goals for a "Safe and Secure Community" and a "Beautiful City"; and

WHEREAS, the St. Lawrence County Public Health Department & Tobacco Free Community Partnership conducted a Community Tobacco Survey of Adult Residents of St. Lawrence County in December 2006; and

WHEREAS, said survey demonstrated overwhelming support for smoke free public areas, and specifically:

1. 77.9% of SLC Adults surveyed stated that smoking should be restricted or not allowed at all at public outdoor events such as auto show, musical festival, or concerts.
2. 80.2% of SLC Adults surveyed stated that smoking should be restricted or not allowed at all on a public beach.
3. 82.2% of SLC Adults surveyed stated that smoking should be restricted or not allowed at all at a public park.
4. 89.6% of SLC Adults surveyed stated that smoking should be restricted or not allowed at all public playgrounds; and

WHEREAS, the St. Lawrence County Public Health Department & Tobacco Free Community Partnership has agreed to purchase appropriate signage for City parks and recreational facilities; and

WHEREAS, May 31, 2008 has been designated World No Tobacco Day by the World Health Organization; and

WHEREAS, the City of Ogdensburg Planning Board and Recreation Commission both passed resolutions recommending the adoption of this policy;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Ogdensburg City Council of the City of Ogdensburg as follows:

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Section 1: Section 149-5, entitled "Restrictions", of Chapter 149, entitled "Parks" be and the same is hereby amended to add a new subdivision which shall read as follows:

K. Tobacco. (1) No person shall use any form of tobacco at or on any City-owned or operated recreational facilities, including the restrooms, spectator and concession areas. These facilities also include all City-owned parks, playgrounds, athletic fields, walking/biking, trails, and beaches.

(2) Said prohibition shall not apply to the use of tobacco products in private boats that are moored in the City marina.

(3) Enforcement. Appropriate signs shall be posted in the above specified areas notifying the public of the prohibition of tobacco use. In addition to the penalty provided in §149-9, any person found in violation of this policy may be subject to immediate ejection from the park and or recreation facility.

Section 2: Effective Date

This ordinance shall take effect ten (10) days after publication of notice that shall give the title and describe the same in summary form.

Councillors Flynn, Morley, Powers and Sholette voiced opposition to the ordinance because it was too stringent and had no designated smoking areas.

The vote was:

AYES: Mayor Nelson, Councillors Hannan and Vaugh

NAYS: Councillors Flynn, Morley, Powers and Sholette

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Mayor Nelson directed staff to re-visit this ordinance and contact other communities who have passed similar legislation. Councillor Flynn requested staff propose designated smoking areas in the ordinance.

2. Councillor Morley moved a local law establishing Training and Attendance Requirements and providing for the appointment of Alternate Members for the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals, and Councillor Powers seconded to wit:

LOCAL LAW #5 of 2008
A LOCAL LAW TO AMEND CHAPTER 221 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF
OGDENSBURG BY AMENDING SECTIONS 221-72 & 221-73 IN RELATION
TO THE COMPOSITION OF AND THE REQUIREMENTS FOR MEMBERSHIP
ON THE PLANNING BOARD AND
THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS ENTITLED:

Section 1. Legislative Findings

WHEREAS the City Council has determined the necessity to consider a proposed Local Law relating to composition of and the training and attendance requirements for the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals, and

WHEREAS said proposal requires an amendment of the Zoning Code as codified in the City of Ogdensburg Municipal Code Sections 221-72 & 221-73, and

WHEREAS the City Council called for a public hearing which notice of hearing was duly published and which hearing was held on May 27, 2008, and

WHEREAS the Ogdensburg Municipal Code Section 221-87 requires the City Council to refer proposed changes Chapter 221 to the Planning Board for a report and recommendation, and

WHEREAS the Municipal General Law Section 239M(3)(ii) requires the City Council to refer proposed amendments to the zoning law to the County Planning Board for review and recommendation; and

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WHEREAS the Planning Board of the City of Ogdensburg made a recommendation at its meeting held on May 6, 2008 which recommendation was approved; and

WHEREAS for environmental review purposes, the administration of Chapter 221 is a Type II action in accordance with SEQRA 6NYCRR, Part 617.5(c) (20) and (27) and as such no further action is necessary.

Section 2. Section 221-72 is amended to read as follows:

221-72(A) Authority. As authorized by § 27 of the General City Law, there shall be a Planning Board consisting of seven members, holding staggered three-year terms, appointed by the Mayor. Additionally, pursuant to § 27(16) of the General City Law, two alternate members may be appointed by the Mayor to substitute for a regular member of the Planning Board in the event that a regular member is unable to participate in matters before the Planning Board because of a conflict of interest, illness or other absence.

(B) Members.

- (1) Appointment. Planning Board and alternate members shall be appointed by the Mayor who shall have ~~with~~ authority to remove any member for cause after a public hearing.
- (2) Removal. Members may be removed by the Mayor for cause and after a public hearing has been held. Cause for removal may include, but shall not be limited to, unexcused absences from two consecutive regularly scheduled meetings, failure to fulfill general attendance requirements or failure to complete proscribed training. The Director of Planning & Development shall notify the City Manager in writing on or about December 1st in any year, or at any other time if warranted, of any member who fails to comply with the minimum requirements for meeting attendance and/or training in any calendar year. In the event a member of the Planning Board has failed to complete the minimum attendance and/or training requirements set forth in this chapter, then the Mayor may remove such member for cause as herein provided:

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- a) Notice. Such members shall be mailed a written notice specifying the nature of the failure of such member to meet the minimum requirements regarding training and attendance.
- b) Public Hearing. Such notice shall specify a date, not less than ten (10) or more than thirty (30) days from the date of mailing such notice, when the Mayor shall convene and hold a public hearing on whether or not such member should be removed from service on such board. Such notice shall also specify the time and place of such hearing.
- c) Public Notice. Public notice of such hearing shall be published in a paper of general circulation within the town at least ten (10) days prior to the date of the public hearing.
- d) Conduct of Hearing. The public hearing on the charges shall be conducted before the Mayor during a City Council meeting. The member shall be given an opportunity to present evidence and to call witnesses to refute the charges. A record of such hearing shall be made. The decision of the Mayor shall be in writing and shall set forth specific findings with respect to each charge against such member. Said decision and findings shall be filed in the office of the City Clerk's and mailed to the member within five business days of such filing by certified mail, return receipt.
- e) Action by the Mayor. Following the hearing and upon a finding that such member has not met the minimum attendance and/or training established by this chapter, the Mayor may:
 - i) Remove such member from the Planning Board; or
 - ii) Issue a written reprimand to such member without removing such member from such board; or
 - iii) Take no action if the Mayor shall find the reasons for failing to meet the minimum meeting attendance and/or training requirements are excusable because of illness, injury or other good and sufficient cause.

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- f) Nothing contained herein shall be deemed to limit or restrict the Mayor's authority to remove a member from the Planning Board for cause for reasons other than as enumerated herein. The procedural rules established under this section shall govern any hearing to remove a member for such cause.
 - g) In the event of the removal of a member for cause, such act shall not nullify any action or vote taken by said member as a member of the Planning Board.
- (3) Eligibility.
- a) No member of the Zoning Board of Appeals shall be eligible for membership on the Planning Board.
 - b) No elected official shall be eligible for membership on the Planning Board.
 - c) No member of the Planning Board shall hold any paid position with the City.
 - d) Full-time residency in the City of Ogdensburg is required.
 - e) No person shall be disqualified from serving as a member of the Planning Board by reason of serving as a member or employee of the St. Lawrence County Planning Board or department.
 - f) Any person who shall fail to be in compliance with the training and/or attendance requirements shall be ineligible for re-appointment to this board
- (4) Vacancy. If a vacancy shall occur other than by expiration of a term, it shall be filled by appointment for the unexpired term by the Mayor.
- (5) Attendance
- a) All members of the Planning Board shall be required to attend a minimum of seventy-five (75) percent of the board meetings scheduled within a calendar year. Additionally, no member shall be absent, without excuse, for more than two consecutive regularly scheduled meetings

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b) Noncompliance with minimum requirements relating to attendance at meetings shall be deemed a proper cause for removal from office.

(6) Training.

a) All members of the Planning Board shall complete a minimum of five hours of relevant training within one year from the date of their initial appointment to the Planning Board. Thereafter, each member shall complete four hours of relevant training in each subsequent year of membership. Training sessions which relate to the duties of members of the Planning Board may include, but shall not be limited to, programs offered by the New York State Department of State, New York State Planning Federation, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, St. Lawrence County planning department, New York State Conference of Mayors, and other such entities, as well as in-house updates, seminars, or other web-based training as may be approved and recommended by the Director of Planning & Development, the City Manager, and/or prescribed by the City Council by resolution or as required under Section 27(7-a) of the General City Law.

b) The costs of such seminars, workshops or continuing education courses so designated shall be a city charge. Members shall also be reimbursed for travel and meal expenses according to the administrative regulations. In order to be eligible for cost assumption and expense reimbursement, such training session shall be approved in advance by the Director of Planning & Development and the City Manager.

c) Noncompliance with minimum requirements relating to training shall be deemed a proper cause for removal from office.

Section 3: Section 221-73 is amended to read as follows:

221-73 A. Authority. As authorized by §81 of the General City Law, there shall be a Zoning Board of Appeals consisting of seven members, holding staggered three-year terms, appointed by the Mayor.

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Additionally, pursuant to §81(11) of the General City Law, two alternate members may be appointed by the Mayor to substitute for a regular member of the Zoning Board of Appeals in the event that a regular member is unable to participate in matters before the Zoning Board of Appeals because of a conflict of interest, illness or other absence.

B. Members.

- (1) Appointment. Members of the Zoning Board of Appeals and alternate members shall be appointed by the Mayor who shall have the authority to remove any member for cause after a public hearing.
- (2) Removal. Members may be removed by the Mayor for cause and after a public hearing has been held. Cause for removal may include, but shall not be limited to unexcused absences from two consecutive regularly scheduled meetings, failure to fulfill general attendance requirements or failure to complete proscribed training. The Director of Planning & Development shall notify the City Manager in writing on or about December 1st in any year, or at any other time if warranted, of any member who fails to comply with the minimum requirements for meeting attendance and/or training in any calendar year. In the event a member of the Zoning Board of Appeals has failed to complete the minimum attendance and/or training requirements set forth in this chapter, then the Mayor may remove such member for cause as herein provided:
 - a) Notice. Such members shall be mailed a written notice specifying the nature of the failure of such member to meet the minimum requirements regarding training and attendance.
 - b) Public Hearing. Such notice shall specify a date, not less than ten (10) or more than thirty (30) days from the date of mailing such notice, when the Mayor shall convene and hold a public hearing on whether or not such member should be removed from service on such board. Such notice shall also specify the time and place of such hearing.

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- c) Public Notice. Public notice of such hearing shall be published in a paper of general circulation within the town at least ten (10) days prior to the date of the public hearing.
- d) Conduct of Hearing. The public hearing on the charges shall be conducted before the Mayor during a City Council meeting. The member shall be given an opportunity to present evidence and to call witnesses to refute the charges. A record of such hearing shall be made. The decision of the Mayor shall be in writing and shall set forth specific findings with respect to each charge against such member. Said decision and findings shall be filed in the office of the City Clerk's and mailed to the member within five business days of such filing by certified mail, return receipt.
- e) Action by the Mayor. Following the hearing and upon a finding that such member has not met the minimum attendance and/or training established by this chapter, the Mayor may:
 - i) Remove such member from the Zoning Board of Appeals; or
 - ii) Issue a written reprimand to such member without removing such member from such board; or
 - iii) Take no action if the Mayor shall find the reasons for failing to meet the minimum meeting attendance and/or training requirements are excusable because of illness, injury or other good and sufficient cause.
- f) Nothing contained herein shall be deemed to limit or restrict the Mayor's authority to remove a member from the Zoning Board of Appeals for cause for reasons other than as enumerated herein. The procedural rules established under this section shall govern any hearing to remove a member for such cause.
- g) In the event of the removal of a member for cause, such act shall not nullify any action or vote taken by said member as a member of the Zoning Board of Appeals.

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- (3) Eligibility.
 - a) No member of the Planning Board shall be eligible for membership on the Zoning Board of Appeals.
 - b) No elected official shall be eligible for membership on the Zoning Board of Appeals.
 - c) No member of the Zoning Board of Appeals shall hold any paid position in the City.
 - d) Full-time residency in the City of Ogdensburg is required.
 - e) No person shall be disqualified from serving as a member of the Zoning Board of Appeals by reason of serving as a member or employee of the St. Lawrence County Planning Board or department.
 - f) Any person who shall fail to be in compliance with the training and/or attendance requirements shall be ineligible for re-appointment to this board
- (4) Vacancy. If a vacancy shall occur other than by expiration of a term, it shall be filled by appointment for the unexpired term by the Mayor.
- (5) Attendance
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- (6) Training.
 - a) All members of the Zoning Board of Appeals shall complete a minimum of five hours of relevant training within one year from the date of their initial appointment to the Zoning Board of Appeals. Thereafter, each member shall complete four hours of relevant training in each subsequent year of membership. Training sessions which relate to the duties of members of the Zoning Board of Appeals may include, but shall not be limited to, programs offered by the New York State Department of State, New York State Planning Federation, New York State

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Department of Environmental Conservation, St. Lawrence County planning department, New York State Conference of Mayors, and other such entities, as well as in-house updates, seminars, or other web-based training as may be approved and recommended by the Director of Planning & Development and the City Manager and/or prescribed by the City Council by resolution or as required under Section 81(7-a) of the General City Law.

b) The costs of such seminars, workshops or continuing education courses so designated shall be a city charge. Members shall also be reimbursed for travel and meal expenses according to the administrative regulations. In order to be eligible for cost assumption and expense reimbursement, such training session shall be approved in advance by the Director of Planning & Development.

c) Noncompliance with minimum requirements relating to training shall be deemed a proper cause for removal from office.

Section 4: This Local Law shall take effect immediately following filing with the New York State Department of State.

The vote was:

AYES: Mayor Nelson, Councillors Flynn, Hannan,
Powers and Vaugh

NAYS: Councillors Morley and Sholette

APPROVED, 5 TO 2

3. Mayor Nelson moved a resolution to Change the Regularly Schedule Council Meeting of June 9, 2008, and Councillor Flynn seconded to wit:

RESOLUTION TO CHANGE THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED
COUNCIL MEETING OF MONDAY, JUNE 9, 2008 TO
MONDAY, JUNE 16, 2008

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BE IT RESOLVED, that the regularly scheduled City Council Meeting of Monday, June 9, 2008 be changed to Monday, June 16, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers at City Hall.

The vote was:

CARRIED, AYES ALL

4. Councillor Powers moved a resolution to authorize the City Manager to submit a grant application for funding through the Environmental Restoration Program for the Culligan property on Lake Street, and Councillor Flynn seconded to wit:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ITEMS LISTED BELOW PURSUANT TO
THE CLEAN WATER/CLEAN AIR BOND ACT OF 1996

WHEREAS, the City of Ogdensburg herein called the "Municipality", after thorough consideration of the various aspects of the problem and study of available data, has hereby determined that certain work, as described in its application and attachments, herein called the "Project", is desirable, is in the public interest, and is required in order to implement the Project; and

WHEREAS, Article 56 of the Environmental Conservation Law authorizes State assistance to municipalities for environment restoration projects by means of a contract and the Municipality deems it to be in the public interest and benefit under this law to enter into a contract therewith;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Ogdensburg City Council that Arthur J. Sciorra, City Manager, is the representative authorized to act in behalf of the Municipality in all matters related to State assistance under ECL Article 56, Title 5. The representative is also authorized to make application, execute the State Assistance Contract, submit Project documentation, and otherwise act for the Municipality's governing body in all matters related to the Project and to State assistance;

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1. That the Municipality agrees that it will fund its portion of the cost of the Project and that funds will be available to initiate the Project's field work within twelve (12) months of written approval of its application by the Department of Environmental Conservation;
2. That one (1) certified copy of the Authorization be prepared and sent to the Albany Office of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation together with the Application for State Assistance;
3. That this Authorization take effect immediately.

The vote was:

CARRIED, AYES ALL

5. Mayor Nelson introduced a resolution calling for a public hearing to amend the Administrative Regulations of the CITY OF Ogdensburg establishing a credit card use policy, and Councillor Morley seconded to wit:

RESOLUTION OF CITY COUNCIL CALLING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING
TO AMEND THE ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS OF THE CITY OF
OGDENSBURG ESTABLISHING A CREDIT CARD USE POLICY FOR THE
CITY OF OGDENSBURG

BE IT RESOLVED, that Ordinance No. 6-2008, entitled "An Ordinance to Amend the Administrative Regulations of the City of Ogdensburg to Establish a Credit Card Use Policy for the City of Ogdensburg", be and it is hereby introduced before the City Council of the City of Ogdensburg, New York; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Council shall hold a public hearing in the matter of the adoption of the aforesaid local law to be held at the Council Chambers in the City of Ogdensburg, New York, on the 16th day of June, 2008 at 7:00 p.m., and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk give notice of such public hearing by publication in the newspaper so designated by the City Council of the City of Ogdensburg for legal and public notices at least seven (7) days before the hearing date of a notice setting forth the time and place and describing the proposed local law in summary form.

The vote was:

CARRIED, AYES ALL

6. Councillor Flynn moved a resolution authorizing the City Manager to submit a grant application for Participation in the Brownfield Opportunity Areas Grant Program, and Councillor Sholette seconded to wit:

RESOLUTION
AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER
TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE &
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION FOR
PARTICIPATION IN THE BROWNFIELD OPPORTUNITY AREAS GRANT
PROGRAM PURSUANT TO §970-R OF THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW.

WHEREAS, the City of Ogdensburg, herein called the "Applicant", after thorough consideration, has hereby determined that certain work, as described in its application and attachments is desirable; and

WHEREAS, §970-r of the General Municipal Law authorizes State assistance to municipalities and community based organizations through the Brownfield Opportunity Areas Program to prepare revitalization plans and implementation strategies for areas affected by Brownfield sites and the municipality or community based organization deems it to be in the public interest and benefit under this law to submit an application;

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Ogdensburg City Council

1. That Arthur Sciorra, City Manager is the representative authorized to act in behalf of the applicant in all matters related to this application to participate in the NYS Brownfield Opportunity Areas Program and is authorized to sign and submit the enclosed application.
2. Should the applicant, as a result of this application, receive state assistance, the representative is also authorized to act on behalf of the applicant in all matters related to the project and to State assistance.

The vote was:

CARRIED, AYES ALL

Mayor Nelson moved to adjourn to Executive Session, and Councillor Morley seconded the motion.

The vote was:

CARRIED, AYES ALL

Upon returning from Executive Session, all members of Council were still present.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Councillor Morley asked Public Works Director Kit Smith how he determines the City Streets that are scheduled to be paved. Mr. Smith explained how he identifies and scores streets to be paved. Mr. Smith added that he hopes to pave twenty streets, concentrating on Ford and Paterson Streets.

2. Councillor Morley asked Mr. Smith if he has any update on the Paterson Street State roadwork. Mr. Smith stated that Justin Woods, Director of Planning and Development received a communication from NYSDOT. Mr. Smith added that this will be a four million dollar project that might take two years to complete.

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3. Councillor Morley questioned the start date for the Lafayette Street Bridge project. Mr. Smith said the project will start at the end of July.

4. Mayor Nelson asked for an update on the installation of the Route 37 and Champlain Street traffic light. Public Works Director Kit Smith said he believes it will be installed soon and should be in by summer.

5. Councillor Hannan stated in the last Council update there was a listing of Code Enforcement identified items and noted that items dating back to 4/8/08 were still open. City Manager Arthur Sciorra said that we follow up by sending a summons to court or we clean up the area and bill them.

6. Councillor Flynn asked Justin Woods, Director of Planning and Development, if the Planning Board has reviewed unregistered motor vehicles. Mr. Woods said no, but he will review it and make a recommendation.

7. Councillor Sholette asked Mr. Sciorra if we have a plan to fill in the old Community Center building hole. Mr. Sciorra said he will get that information to Council.

8. Councillor Morley stated he would like Council to revisit regulations regarding dangerous dogs like Pit bulls in the City. Councillor Morley suggested requiring pets owners to have house insurance to have a dog in the City. Mr. Sciorra said he will have a pit-bull report in the next Council update.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Mayor Nelson read a proclamation declaring June 14, 2008 Flag Day in the City of Ogdensburg. Mayor Nelson reminded Council of the parade and that they were invited to participate.

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2. Mayor Nelson read a proclamation declaring June 1, 2008 National Cancer Survivors Day in the City of Ogdensburg.

3. Mayor Nelson asked City Manager Arthur Sciorra to check the City's reimbursement policy for gas and food to see if it needs to be increased.

4. Councillor Hannan asked Mr. Sciorra to look at the City policy for vehicles that go home with department heads.

On a motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned.