

## CITY COUNCIL MEETING

October 24, 2016

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

PRESENT: Mayor Ashley, Councillors Davis,  
Mitchell, Price, Skamperle and Stevenson

ABSENT: Councillor Morley

Mayor Ashley said Councillor Morley was absent due to a family illness. There was a consensus of Council to excuse Councillor Morley.

### PRESENTATION

1. Derek VanHouse, Pinto Mucenski Hooper VanHouse and Company, made a presentation to Council regarding the draft 2015 City Audit. (A copy of his presentation material follows these minutes.)

Mayor Ashley said there was a need for Executive Session, and Councillor Stevenson seconded the motion. Upon returning from Executive Session, all members of Council were still present.

### CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Ashley moved that the claims as enumerated in General Fund Warrant #18-2016 in the amount of \$741,641.19 and Library Fund Warrant #18-2016 in the amount of \$20,733.89 and Capital Fund Warrant #18-2016 in the amount of \$1,864.00 and Community Development Fund Warrant #18-2016 in the amount of \$45.00 and Community Renewal Fund Warrant #18-2016 in the amount of \$0.00 as audited, be and the same are ordered paid and Councillor Price seconded the motion.

The vote was:

CARRIED, AYES ALL

ITEMS FOR COUNCIL ACTION

1. Councillor Mitchell moved a resolution calling for a public hearing and public notice on a proposed ordinance amending Chapter 215, Water, Article I, Rules and Regulations, §215-36 entitled "Penalties for Offenses" of the Code of the City of Ogdensburg, and Councillor Stevenson seconded to wit:

RESOLUTION OF CITY COUNCIL INTRODUCING AN ORDINANCE  
AND PROVIDING FOR PUBLIC NOTICE  
AND PUBLIC HEARING

BE IT RESOLVED, that Ordinance No. \_\_ of 2016, regarding an ordinance amending Chapter 215, Water, Article I, Rules and Regulations, §215-36. entitled "Penalties for Offenses" of the Code of the City of Ogdensburg be and it hereby is 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 Ordinance to be held at the Council Chambers in the City of Ogdensburg, New York, on the 14<sup>th</sup> day November of 2016, at 7:00 p.m., and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk give notice of such public hearing by publication in the official newspaper at least seven (7) days before the hearing date of a notice setting forth the time and place and describing the proposed ordinance in summary form.

Councillor Skamperle asked for clarification of the issue. City Manager Sarah Purdy explained there is a commercial user repeatedly bypassing the meters, and we need to strengthen the penalties.

The vote was:

CARRIED, AYES ALL

2. Councillor Stevenson moved a resolution to approve the sale of 729-737 State Street for \$3,750.00 to Douglas and Barbara Spooner, and Councillor Skamperle seconded to wit:

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE SALE OF TAX PARCEL 59.023-3-39  
TO DOUGLAS AND BARBARA SPOONER

WHEREAS, the Ogdensburg City Council, on September 26, 2016, authorized the public auction of surplus City-owned real property, and

WHEREAS, the City held an auction on October 19, 2016 to sell said property, and

WHEREAS, the City received bids that met the minimum bids set by City Council,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council approves the following sale of:

<u>TAX MAP #</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>MINIMUM PURCHASE PRICE</u>	<u>RESTRICTION(S)</u>
59.023-3-39	729-737 State Street	\$3,750. (includes estimated \$400. Attorney & \$350. SLC recording fee)	None

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the sale shall be subject to the terms of the September 26, 2016 resolution.

The vote was:

CARRIED, AYES ALL

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### OLD BUSINESS

1. Councillor Stevenson suggested a review of the fines and fees charged for services such as lawn cutting and snow removal when a property is not maintained.

### NEW BUSINESS

1. Mayor Ashley congratulated Councillor Stevenson on the award she received from Fort de la Presentation.

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