

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
December 11, 2017
Page 319

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 read Certificates of Appreciation for Councillor Brian Mitchell and Councillor Michael Morley. (Copies of the certificates follow these minutes.)

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Ashley moved that the claims as enumerated in General Fund Warrant #21-2017 in the amount of \$251,272.63 and Library Fund Warrant #21-2017 in the amount of \$20,896.25 and Capital Fund Warrant #21-2017 in the amount of \$614.00 and Community Development Fund Warrant #21-2017 in the amount of \$0.00 and Community Renewal Fund Warrant #21-2017 in the amount of \$0.00 as audited, be and the same are ordered paid and Councillor Skamperle seconded the motion.

The vote was:

CARRIED, AYES ALL

APPOINTMENTS

1. Mayor Ashley moved to re-appoint Timothy Redmond, Frank Perretta and Linda Pellett, each to a three year term on the Ogdensburg Planning Board, terms to begin January 1, 2018 and end December 31, 2020, and Councillor Price seconded the motion.

The vote was:

CARRIED, AYES ALL

2. Mayor Ashley moved to re-appoint William Flynn, Patricia Redden-Sargent, Steve Schlieter and Malcolm Casselman, each to a three year term on the Ogdensburg Zoning Board, terms to begin January 1, 2018 and end December 31, 2020, and Councillor Stevenson seconded the motion.

The vote was:

CARRIED, AYES ALL

3. Mayor Ashley moved to re-appoint Lauren Morley and Jim Adams, each to a seven year term on the Recreation Commission, terms to begin January 1, 2018 and end December 31, 2024, and Councillor Davis seconded the motion.

The vote was:

CARRIED, AYES ALL

4. Mayor Ashley moved to re-appoint Mary Ann Narenkivicius, John Wade and Steve Hawes, each to a three year term on the Pride & Beautification Commission, terms to begin January 1, 2018 and end December 31, 2020, and Councillor Price seconded the motion.

The vote was:

CARRIED, AYES ALL

5. Mayor Ashley moved to re-appoint John Farrand and Munson Miller, each to a three year term on the Tree Commission, terms to begin January 1, 2018 and end December 31, 2020, and Councillor Stevenson seconded the motion.

The vote was:

CARRIED, AYES ALL

6. Mayor Ashley moved to re-appoint Jeanine McLellan, Patricia Mahoney and Ann Groome, each to a three year term on the Frederic Remington Art Museum Board of Trustees, terms to begin January 1, 2018 and end December 31, 2020, and Councillor Mitchell seconded the motion.

The vote was:

CARRIED, AYES ALL

7. Mayor Ashley moved to appoint James Lyons-Hart and Amanda Stopa Goldstein, each to a three year term on the Frederic Remington Art Museum Board of Trustees, terms to begin January 1, 2018 and end December 31, 2020, and Councillor Stevenson seconded the motion.

The vote was:

CARRIED, AYES ALL

ITEMS FOR COUNCIL ACTION

1. Mayor Ashley moved to take a resolution authorizing the City Manager to sign an agreement between the City of Ogdensburg and the Ogdensburg Volunteer Rescue Squad, for ambulance/rescue squad service within the boundaries of the City of Ogdensburg off the table, and Councillor Stevenson seconded to wit:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN AN
AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF OGDENSBURG AND THE
OGDENSBURG VOLUNTEER RESCUE SQUAD

WHEREAS, the City desires to recognize OVRS as a provider of ambulance/rescue squad service within the boundaries of the City of Ogdensburg; and

WHEREAS, OVRS is willing to provide said service within the boundaries of the City of Ogdensburg and will bill the users of the service directly for their services; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this Agreement is for the parties to exchange services to their mutual benefit; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Manager is authorized to sign the attached agreement between the City of Ogdensburg and the Ogdensburg Volunteer Rescue Squad.

The vote to take the resolution off the table was:

CARRIED, AYES ALL

Councillor Skamperle said under Item A in the agreement the City agrees to sell Ogdensburg Volunteer Rescue Squad (OVRS) gas and diesel fuel until the City is no longer operating gas facilities, but the City has already decided to stop maintaining our gas facilities. Councillor Skamperle said it should be clarified that the City's emergency gas supply will not be sold under this agreement. Councillor Skamperle said after discussions with the OVRS representatives last week, he understood water and electric were not needed by OVRS at the marina. City Manager Sarah Purdy said the contract will be amended accordingly.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

December 11, 2017

Page 323

Councillor Skamperle said he understood OVRs had a new oxygen machine but Item D mandates the City to provide oxygen to OVRs. Fire Chief Michael Farrell said OVRs actually provides oxygen to the fire department since obtaining their new machine. Ms. Purdy asked if Item D should be stricken or reworded. Councillor Skamperle suggested rewording Item D to include "if needed". Councillor Skamperle said Item H is a newly provided service and asked if it would still be necessary with the City's new insurance beginning in 2018. Ms. Purdy said this benefit will help when negotiating health insurance premiums and recommended it remain in the contract. Councillor Skamperle asked if OVRs would be giving Council a presentation tonight. Ms. Purdy explained OVRs will make a presentation to Council after their annual report is completed which will be around March. Councillor Skamperle asked for confirmation the agreement is only for two years, and Ms. Purdy said yes.

Councillor Skamperle asked if other communities who use OVRs services also contribute financially. R. Storm Cilley of OVRs thanked the City representatives for last week's meeting and explained the amounts surrounding communities contribute to OVRs annually.

Councillor Skamperle made a motion to amend the resolution and agreement as discussed, and Councillor Price seconded the motion.

The vote to amend the resolution was:

CARRIED, AYES ALL

The vote on the amended resolution was:

CARRIED, AYES ALL

2. Councillor Stevenson moved a resolution authorizing the City Comptroller to transfer funds from the Snow Account-Materials and Supplies (A5142.490), to the Snow Account-Capital Equipment (A5142.310), for the purchase of a Smith Stainless Steel V-Box Spreader from the Cives Corporation, dba Viking Cives for a sum not to exceed \$10,701, and Councillor Price seconded to wit:

A RESOLUTION TO TRANSFER FUNDS TO PAY FOR A
SMITH STAINLESS STEEL V-BOX SAND SPREADER

WHEREAS, a Department of Public Works sander has broken down due to its age and is unable to be fixed; and

WHEREAS, a Smith Stainless Steel V-Box Sand Spreader is instrumental in keeping the City's streets sanded during the winter months; and

WHEREAS, the City has chosen the Cives Corporation, dba Viking Cives, to purchase the Smith Stainless Steel V-Box Sand Spreader;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council authorizes the City Manager to enter into an agreement with the Cives Corporation, dba Viking Cives to purchase the Smith Stainless Steel V-Box Sand Spreader; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Comptroller is hereby authorized to transfer funds not to exceed \$10,701. from A5142.490 (Snow account- Materials and Supplies), to A5142.310 (Snow account- Capital Equipment), to pay for this purchase.

The vote was:

CARRIED, AYES ALL

3. Councillor Price moved a resolution to authorize the City Manager to sign a Stipulation and Amendment of Agreement with Ampersand for the development of the Ogdensburg Dam Hydroelectric Project, and Councillor Stevenson seconded to wit:

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE
A STIPULATION AND AMENDMENT OF AGREEMENT WITH
AMPERSAND FOR DEVELOPMENT OF THE OGDENSBURG DAM
HYDROELECTRIC PROJECT

WHEREAS, in 1987, the City and Ampersand's predecessor, Trafalgar Power, Inc., entered into an Agreement for the development of the Ogdensburg Dam Hydroelectric Project;

WHEREAS, Trafalgar agreed to construct the Ogdensburg Dam Hydroelectric Project and assume certain future obligations and receive certain benefits in connection therewith;

WHEREAS, Ampersand has succeeded to the interests and obligations of Trafalgar Power, Inc. in the Development Agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Manager, Sarah Purdy, is hereby authorized and directed to sign the attached Stipulation and Amendment Agreement with Ampersand.

The vote was:

CARRIED, AYES ALL

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

1. Councillor Skamperle asked if next summer the faulty manhole covers could be marked with fluorescent paint. Councillor Skamperle explained he was advised by a resident that the manhole covers can be hazardous to motorcycle drivers. City Manager Sarah Purdy said she will have City staff look into it.

Mayor Ashley said there was a need for Executive Session to discuss the employment history of a particular person, and Councillor Price seconded the motion.

The vote to adjourn to Executive Session was:

CARRIED, AYES ALL

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