

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

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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,
Morley, Price, Skamperle and Stevenson*

ABSENT: None

PRESENTATION

1. City Manager Sarah Purdy made a presentation to Council regarding the budget outlook. (A copy of the presentation follows these minutes.) Ms. Purdy stressed the importance of not overrunning the budget this year, explaining the City’s bond rating will drop to a dangerous level. Ms. Purdy reviewed the highlights of her report and provided Council with a timeline on when to expect the next update.

PUBLIC HEARING

1. A public hearing regarding an ordinance amending Chapter 221, entitled ‘Zoning’, Article XVII entitled ‘Administration and Enforcement’, §221-83 “Zoning Board of Appeals” of the Code of the City of Ogdensburg was held. No one being present to speak, the hearing was declared closed.

2. A public hearing regarding an ordinance amending Chapter 221, entitled ‘Zoning’, Article XIX entitled ‘Application Fees’, §221-101 “Application Fees” of the Code of the City of Ogdensburg was held.

a) Doug Loffler, 311 Paddock Street, asked for an explanation of the fees. Director of Planning and Development Andrea Smith explained these increases and additional fees are necessary to cover the functions of the Planning Office and detailed each fee. Mr. Loffler asked why residents are required to pay these fees.

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Ms. Smith explained at the current time all taxpayers are covering expenses for the select few who request the services of the Planning Office. Ms. Smith said by changing these fees, applicants will cover their own expenses. Councillor Skamperle said he has a hard time with adding and increasing fees but agrees applicants should cover their own expenses, not all taxpayers.

b) Eric Bjork, 1227 State Street, said people will not stay in Ogdensburg if they have to continue paying higher fees.

c) Patricia Amo, 1801 Jay Street, said if fees are increased people will find a way around paying the fees and make improvements without requesting a permit. Ms. Amo explained this will affect assessment values and ultimately tax revenue.

3. A public hearing regarding an ordinance to amend Chapter 221 entitled 'Zoning', Section 221-8, entitled "Zoning Map" of the Code of the City of Ogdensburg was held. (The Applicant requests to rezone tax map parcels 48.064-2-30, 48.064-2-31 and 48.064-2-33 from single family residential (SFR) to residential/business (R/B) under the provisions of Article XVIII and Planning Board recommends adding TMN 48.064-2-32 and 48.064-2-29.211 to the request for rezoning.) No one being present to speak, the hearing was declared closed.

4. A public hearing regarding a resolution to amend the official city map, by abandoning and deleting City-owned property known as *the northern most (approximately) 30'x 171' portion of paper Old Lisbon Street* was held. No one being present to speak, the hearing was declared closed.

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PERSONAL APPEARANCE

1. The following people spoke in opposition to the current DPW brush and debris removal policy:

- a) Marlene Shaver, 405 William Street
- b) James King, 607 King Street
- c) Lynda VanHouse, 510 Rensselaer Avenue
- d) Judy Harland, 312 St. Lawrence Avenue
- e) Carol Edwards, 919 New York Avenue
- f) Keith Shaver, 405 William Street
- g) Jeremiah Havens, 625 Barre Street
- h) Douglas Loffler, 311 Paddock Street
- i) Mary Ellen Fournier, 930 Morris Street
- j) Joseph Spriggs, 1220 Knox Street
- k) Gary Edwards, 919 New York Avenue

2. Joseph Brenno, 1105 Greene Street, spoke in support of the current DPW brush and debris removal policy. On behalf of the DPW union workers, Mr. Brenno requested if Council reinstates the past brush and debris removal policy that the DPW department be allowed to restore manpower so there is enough staff to complete all required tasks.

3. Richard Pratt, Morristown, asked for an update on the inquest he filed on April 17, 2017. City Manager Sarah Purdy said the City is addressing the inquest in accordance with direction from the City Attorney.

4. Patrick Christian Hansen, 431 State Street, asked if the City holds its employees responsible for their actions and why the City is failing to respond to Mr. Pratt's inquest.

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CORRESPONDENCE

1. City Clerk Kathleen Bouchard read a letter from Barre Hall regarding DPW brush and debris removal. (A copy of the letter follows these minutes.)

2. City Clerk Kathleen Bouchard read a letter from John Winter regarding DPW brush and debris removal. (A copy of the letter follows these minutes.)

Mayor Ashley suggested moving the topic of DPW brush and debris removal under Old Business to this point in the meeting. There was a consensus of Council to discuss the issue at that time.

Mayor Ashley said when he reluctantly supported the change to the policy in January he went on record noting the policy could be changed if necessary. Mayor Ashley recommended Council set a new policy. Councillor Stevenson asked for an update on her request to have a central drop off location or open the landfill on Saturday mornings. City Manager Sarah Purdy said City staff has reviewed the options of having a drop off location at the Fire Department or Police Department, but neither option is viable. Ms. Purdy said the preferred solution is to open the landfill every other Saturday morning. Ms. Purdy explained if Council wishes to amend the current policy it would require a change to the Municipal Code which could not possibly go into effect before July 10, 2017. Ms. Purdy explained restoring last year's type of brush pickup policy would cost the City \$26,662, and the City does not have that money. Ms. Purdy explained opening the landfill every other Saturday would cost approximately \$1,000, opening the landfill every Saturday would cost approximately \$2,000 to \$3,000 and offering residential pickup once per month would cost approximately \$11,000. Ms. Purdy explained based on notices issued the data shows only 10% of the residents are struggling with this change. Ms. Purdy asked Council to not overrun the budget.

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Councillor Skamperle said DPW lost four workers in the past year and has lost ten workers over the past fifteen years. Councillor Skamperle recommended restoring brush pickup and eliminating a position in another department. Ms. Purdy cautioned against a layoff unrelated to brush pickup. Ms. Purdy explained it would actually require the elimination of two positions because the City would be required to pay unemployment for 26 weeks.

Councillor Mitchell said he is concerned how the \$26,000 figure was determined and there must be a cost associated with employees surveying the City for violations and sending letters. Ms. Purdy said the Administrative Staff is conducting the survey of the City, and we are simply trying to follow the Municipal Code. Councillor Davis recommended opening the landfill every other Saturday to see if it helps resolve the issue and said layoffs should be the final option. Councillor Stevenson asked if there was a consensus to open the landfill on Saturdays while waiting for the public hearing on a possible change to the Municipal Code. Councillor Davis agreed. Councillor Morley also agreed but said that is not the solution to the problem. Councillor Price said we should allow it some time to work, noting every time change is made someone is going to be upset. Councillor Price suggested the use of discretion for enforcement. Director of Public Works Scott Thornhill cautioned against selective enforcement and said his department is trying to be fair and consistent.

After much discussion, Councillor Morley made a motion to call for a public hearing to restore the DPW brush and debris removal to the same as last year with one ward being picked up each week, and Councillor Mitchell seconded the motion.

Councillor Price said DPW does not have the workforce to restore last year's policy. Councillor Skamperle suggested the layoff of an employee in a different department and hiring a new employee in the DPW department.

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The vote was:

AYES: Mayor Ashley, Councillors Mitchell, Morley and Skamperle

NAYS: Councillors Davis, Price and Stevenson

CARRIED, 4 TO 3

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Ashley moved that the claims as enumerated in General Fund Warrant #10-2017 in the amount of \$584,931.52 and Library Fund Warrant #10-2017 in the amount of \$40,652.26 and Capital Fund Warrant #10-2017 in the amount of \$134,715.85 and Community Development Fund Warrant #10-2017 in the amount of \$0.00 and Community Renewal Fund Warrant #10-2017 in the amount of \$11,580.00 as audited, be and the same are ordered paid and Councillor Skamperle seconded the motion.

The vote was:

CARRIED, AYES ALL

ITEMS FOR COUNCIL ACTION

1. Councillor Morley moved an ordinance to amend Chapter 221, entitled 'Zoning', Article XVII entitled 'Administration and Enforcement', §221-83 "Zoning Board of Appeals" of the Code of the City of Ogdensburg, and Councillor Stevenson seconded to wit:

ORDINANCE #9-2017

ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 221 ENTITLED ZONING
OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF OGDENSBURG

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the City Council of the City of Ogdensburg,
New York, as follows:

ITEM ONE

That Chapter 221, entitled 'Zoning', Article XVII entitled 'Administration and Enforcement', §221-83 "Zoning Board of Appeals; appeals procedure." is hereby amended as follows:

§ 221-83. Zoning Board of Appeals.

A. Authority. As authorized by § 81 of the General City Law, there shall be a Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) consisting of FIVE members, holding staggered three-year terms, appointed by the Mayor and City Council. Additionally, pursuant to § 81(11) of the General City Law, ONE alternate members may be appointed by the Mayor and City Council 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.

ITEM TWO

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

The vote was:

CARRIED, AYES ALL

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2. Councillor Mitchell moved an ordinance to amend Chapter 221, entitled ‘Zoning’, Article XIX entitled ‘Application Fees’, §221-101 “Application Fees” of the Code of the City of Ogdensburg, and Councillor Morley seconded to wit:

ORDINANCE #10-2017

ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 221 ENTITLED ZONING OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF OGDENSBURG

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the City Council of the City of Ogdensburg, New York, as follows:

ITEM ONE

That Chapter 221, entitled ‘Zoning’, Article XIX entitled ‘Application Fees’, §221-101 “Application Fees” is hereby amended as follows:

- A. Application fees, for applications that do not require St. Lawrence County Planning Board review, shall be as follows:

Type of Application	Application Fee
Site plan review & Special Use Permit	\$150
Adaptive Reuse Permit	\$1,000
Area variance	\$75
Use variance	\$150
Text amendment to Zoning Ordinance	\$100
Amendment to Zoning Map (rezoning)	\$100
Establishment of a planned development district	\$1,000
Zoning Verification (per tax map parcel)	\$50
Floodplain Development Permit	\$150
Subdivision review	
Less than 5 parcels	\$100
5 to 20 parcels	\$250
More than 20 parcels	\$1,000

ITEM TWO

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

Councillor Skamperle asked if the fee increases will also cover manpower. Director of Planning and Development Andrea Smith said the fees will cover the City's expenses incurred but not all staff time. Councillor Morley asked how many area variances were processed last year, and Ms. Smith said approximately fifteen.

The vote was:

CARRIED, AYES ALL

3. Mayor Ashley moved an ordinance to amend Chapter 221, entitled 'Zoning', Section 221-8, entitled "Zoning Map" of the Code of the City of Ogdensburg, and Councillor Skamperle seconded to wit:

ORDINANCE #11-2017

ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 221 ENTITLED "ZONING"
OF THE CITY OF OGDENSBURG MUNICIPAL CODE

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the City Council of the City of Ogdensburg, New York, as follows:

ITEM ONE: Amendment of Chapter 221, Section 221-8, entitled "Zoning Map"

That Section 221-8 entitled "Zoning Map" is hereby amended to read as follows:
48.064-2-31, 48.064-2-32, 48.064-2-33, 48.064-2-30 and 48.064-2-29.211

That Section No. 48.064, Block No. 2, Lot Numbers. 29.211, 30, 31, 32, and 33 each with frontage on Burton Lane, in the City of Ogdensburg, being zoned Single-Family Residential (SFR), is hereby rezoned to Residential/Business (R/B).

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

The vote was:

CARRIED, AYES ALL

4. Councillor Price moved a resolution to amend the official City map, by abandoning and deleting City-owned property known as *the northern most (approximately) 30' x 171' portion of paper Old Lisbon Street*, and Councillor Davis seconded to wit:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF OGDENSBURG
TO PROVIDE FOR PUBLIC NOTICE AND PUBLIC HEARING

WHEREAS, the City desires to amend the Official Map of the City of Ogdensburg by abandoning and deleting City-owned property known as *the northern most (approximately) 30'x171' portion of paper Old Lisbon Street* to allow for area redevelopment; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council shall hold a public hearing in the matter of this amendment to the Official City Map to be held in the City Council Chambers at City Hall, Ogdensburg, New York, on the 12th day of June, 2017, 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 setting forth the time and place of the hearing.

The vote was:

CARRIED, AYES ALL

5. Mayor Ashley moved a resolution naming the Responsible Local Official (RLO) for City of Ogdensburg on any State or Federally funded project, and Councillor Morley seconded to wit:

RESOLUTION NAMING RESPONSIBLE LOCAL OFFICIAL
FOR THE CITY OF OGDENSBURG

WHEREAS, NYS DOT requires the naming of a Responsible Local Official (RLO) for the City of Ogdensburg; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Ogdensburg City Council that it hereby names the City Manager as the Responsible Local Official (RLO) for the City of Ogdensburg on any State or Federally Funded project.

The vote was:

CARRIED, AYES ALL

6. Councillor Davis moved a resolution authorizing the City Manager to accept the award of \$1,644,800 from NYSDOT for the extension of the Maple City Trail, and Councillor Skamperle seconded to wit:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ACCEPT THE 2016
TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM (TAP) AWARD

WHEREAS, the Ogdensburg City Council authorized the submission of a 2016 NYS DOT TAP grant application on October 11, 2016 (bill #92); and

WHEREAS, this project was selected for funding in the amount of \$1,644,800, up to 80% of project costs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ogdensburg City Manager is hereby authorized to accept this award of \$1,644,800 from the 2016 NYS DOT TAP Grant and, is authorized to enter into any necessary contracts to administer this grant.

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Councillor Morley said he will not support this resolution because the City does not have the money needed to contribute to this project. Director of Planning and Development Andrea Smith said the City has also received other grant funds and can use the value of the bridge as our portion of the matching funds. Ms. Smith said the City can also apply for more grants. Mayor Ashley asked if it is possible the City would not have to contribute any money, and Ms. Smith said yes.

The vote was:

AYES: Mayor Ashley, Councillors Davis, Mitchell,
Price, Skamperle, Stevenson

NAYS: Councillor Morley

CARRIED, 6 TO 1

7. Councillor Skamperle moved a resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract with Kinsley Power Systems, Inc. to supply the equipment and material for an Emergency/Standby Generating System for the City Water Treatment Plant at 600 Ogden Street for a sum, not to exceed \$51,515.00, and Councillor Mitchell seconded to wit:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF CONTRACT
FOR SUPPLY OF GENERATOR

WHEREAS, bids have been solicited and received to Supply a Generator for the Water Filtration/Treatment Plant at 600 Ogden Street; and

WHEREAS, the City's consulting engineer, Tisdell Associates, and City staff have evaluated the bids and recommended the contract be awarded to the responsible low bidder;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Sarah Purdy, City Manager, is hereby authorized to enter into the following contract, for a sum not to exceed \$51,515.00 for the designated project, on behalf of the City;

Kinsley Power Systems \$51,515.00
60 Loudonville Road
Albany, NY 12204

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the funds to pay for this project will come from the following source(s):

Water Supply, Power & Pumping – Capital Construction	F8320.330	<u>\$51,515.00</u>
TOTAL FUNDS		\$51,515.00

Mayor Ashley asked for the condition of the current pump. Public Works Director Scott Thornhill said it is very old, and we have been monitoring it. Mr. Thornhill explained this is the best possible option for the City for the next 20-30 years, and there will be no additional expenses for the disposal of the old pump.

The vote was:

CARRIED, AYES ALL

8. Mayor Ashley moved a resolution authorizing the City Manager to submit two Consolidated Funding Applications for improvements to the City’s wastewater treatment plant (WWTP), and Councillor Skamperle seconded to wit:

**A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE SUBMISSION OF TWO 2017
CONSOLIDATED FUNDING APPLICATIONS**

WHEREAS, the City of Ogdensburg desires to prepare two (2) 2017 New York State Consolidated Funding Applications (CFA) to improve the City’s wastewater treatment plant (WWTP); and

WHEREAS, the cost of the WWTP improvement project is \$34,891,700; and

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WHEREAS, the New York State Empire State Development Grant Funds allows for a maximum application request of 20% or \$6,978,340 million for projects that will create and retain jobs in the project area; and

WHEREAS, the New York State Water Quality Improvement Project (WQIP) Program can provide up to \$8,500,000 to improve water quality, reduce polluted runoff and restore water bodies and aquatic habitats in each region of the state.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ogdensburg City Manager is hereby authorized to submit two CFA grant applications on or before July 28, 2017 for improvements to the City's WWTP as follows:

1. ESD grant application in the amount of \$6,978,340, and
2. WQIP Program grant application in the amount of \$8,500,000

And if received, to enter into any necessary contracts to administer said grants.

The vote was:

CARRIED, AYES ALL

9. Mayor Ashley moved a resolution introducing an ordinance and providing for public notice and public hearing with regard to the sale of City-owned property (surplus City-owned property known as *the northern most (approximately) 30' x 171' portion of paper Old Lisbon Street*), and Councillor Morley seconded to wit:

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

BE IT RESOLVED, that Ordinance No. 12 of 2017 entitled "An Ordinance to Offer for Sale at Public Auction City-Owned Property " be and it hereby is introduced before the City Council of the City of Ogdensburg, New York, and

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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 26th day of June, 2017, 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 if the minimum purchase price includes all fees associated with the sale. Director of Planning and Development Andrea Smith said yes.

The vote was:

CARRIED, AYES ALL

10. Mayor Ashley moved a resolution designating the City Manager as the City's representative to the Countywide Shared Services Initiative Panel, and Councillor Mitchell seconded to wit:

RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE CITY MANAGER
AS THE CITY'S REPRESENTATIVE TO
THE COUNTYWIDE SHARED SERVICES INITIATIVE PANEL

WHEREAS, the New York State Budget includes a mandate called the Countywide Shared Services Property Tax Savings Plan Law to provide property tax savings by facilitating collaboration among local governments; and

WHEREAS, the Countywide Shared Services Initiative establishes a Shared Services Panel in each county to create and vote on a Countywide Shared Services Property Tax Savings Plan that demonstrates new opportunities to share and coordinate services,

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Manager is hereby designated as the City's representative to the Countywide Shared Services Initiative Panel.

The vote was:

CARRIED, AYES ALL

OLD BUSINESS

1. Councillor Morley asked for an update on his inquiry regarding using our street millings to make curbs. Mr. Thornhill explained millings must be turned into asphalt to be reused, and a special machine is required to do that. Councillor Morley said adding curbs would improve the look of many neighborhoods. Mr. Thornhill explained he has looked at several areas around the City and may be dropping the blacktop to expose curbs.

2. Councillor Morley suggested the Diamond National plant be auctioned to get it back on the tax rolls. City Manager Sarah Purdy said the property still has contamination that must be addressed. Councillor Skamperle asked if there were any federal incentives available to a potential buyer to purchase the property as is. Ms. Purdy explained we need to get the property to the point where it meets the restrictions for residential use before we can sell it.

3. Councillor Morley said the Charter indicates Council will receive weekly updates. Ms. Purdy explained if she is unable to send an update she notifies Council that there will not be an update.

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4. Councillor Morley asked for an update on the pump house. Public Works Director Scott Thornhill said an off duty employee was fishing near the pump house and noticed a strong odor of gasoline. Mr. Thornhill explained a combined effort between his department, the Fire Department, the Recreation Department and NYSDEC made the cleanup a success. Mr. Thornhill said the site has been closed as cleaned, and NYSDEC officials were impressed with how well the City handled the issue.

*Councillor Stevenson left the meeting.

5. Councillor Skamperle said the City is close to losing the Co-gen Plant because the contract is ready to expire. Ms. Purdy said she will get an update from Senator Ritchie's office and advise Council.

6. Councillor Davis asked for an update on the City's flag etiquette policy. Ms. Purdy explained there is a complete protocol in place, and she will review the same with City staff tomorrow.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Mayor Ashley thanked Pepsi Cola Ogdensburg Bottlers, Inc. and Dick and Bonnie Wright for their generous donation to cover the pool entry fees this summer.

2. Mayor Ashley said there was a gas leak today on Lafayette Street because someone did not call before digging. Mayor Ashley explained no one was injured, and the required repair was made.

3. City Manager Sarah Purdy asked for Council's endorsement to continue researching the possibility of a water/sewer district. There was a consensus of Council for Ms. Purdy to continue to explore this option.

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ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

1. Councillor Skamperle suggested the budget process be changed while the Charter Review Commission is reviewing the Charter. Ms. Purdy explained the budget deadline and process if not passed is mandated by New York State Finance Law. Councillor Skamperle said the entire budget process needs to be streamlined, and Ms. Purdy said she will review it.

2. Councillor Skamperle said there are sink holes in the Amvets parking lot. Public Works Director Scott Thornhill said the parking lot has been evaluated, and barrels have been placed. Mr. Thornhill explained his department is addressing the drops on the City streets first, and the parking lot is on his list.

3. Mayor Ashley said he noticed DPW crews repairing drops on Paterson Street and asked if the City is getting reimbursed for this work. Mr. Thornhill said yes.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

1. James King, 607 King Street, said some residents have more than just grass clippings that must be removed, and those who were able to take care of their own brush have done it. Mr. King questioned how the City intends to maintain the Maple City Trail extension outside of City limits without even having funds available for brush pickup. Mr. King asked if there would be a moratorium until the brush policy is amended. Ms. Purdy said the Municipal Code will remain in effect until a change is made.

2. Jeremiah Havens, 625 Barre Street, said the City Manager referenced that only 10% of residents have issues with the brush pickup policy and noted those 10% pay taxes too. Mr. Havens said less than 10% of the residents use the Maple City Trail. Mr. Havens added proper flag etiquette can be found on the internet.

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3. Carol Edwards, 919 New York Avenue, said she sees City vehicles driving up and down her street constantly, and summer Recreation Department workers talking instead of working. Mrs. Edwards asked that these issues be addressed in an effort to save money. Mayor Ashley said City Manager Sarah Purdy will discuss the issue with department heads.

4. Douglas Loffler, 311 Paddock Street, applauded the City Manager for researching the possibility of a water/sewer district. Mr. Loffler said he was appalled that some City Councillors voted against holding a public hearing on the brush pickup policy. Mr. Loffler said there is no extra cost to pick up brush and that it just requires moving workers around.

5. Gary Edwards, 919 New York Avenue, said the City Manager is doing a great job and asked that all options regarding brush pickup be explored.

6. Patrick Christian Hansen, 431 State Street, asked if there is a formal way to make complaints about City employees. Mr. Hansen suggested employees with misconduct issues be the ones who are laid off if layoffs become necessary. Councillor Skamperle said the City Manager would determine who gets laid off. City Manager Sarah Purdy said the vast majority of City employees are union members so seniority would apply.

Mayor Ashley said there was a need for Executive Session to discuss personnel. City Manager Sarah Purdy suggested it be postponed in the interest of time. There was a consensus of Council to postpone the Executive Session to the June 26, 2017 Council Meeting.

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