

**Minutes of the  
Finance Committee  
Troy City Council  
May 19, 2016**

The Meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Council President Mantello and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chief Tedesco.

The roll being called the following answered to their names: Council Member Gulli, Council Member McGrath, Council Member Bodnar, Council Member Kopka, Council Member Doherty , Council Member Sullivan-Teta, Council Member Ashe-McPherson and Council President Mantello.

In attendance were Deputy Mayor Kurzejeski, Corporation Counsel, Kevin Glasheen and John Salka. The meeting was attended by approximately less than 10 members of the public.

**Consideration of Ordinances:**

**ORD #33**

**ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING SETTLEMENT OF CLAIM, TO WIT: PHIL S. ROWLEY v. CITY OF TROY, TROY POLICE OFFICERS BRIAN STROCK AND DOMINICK COMITALE. INDEX NO.; 241361**

Ordinance passes by a unanimous vote

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**ORD #39**

**ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2016 GENERAL FUND BUDGET TO APPROPRIATE ADDITIONAL FUNDING FROM THE U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE JOINT LAW ENFORCEMENT TASK FORCE**

Ordinance passes by a unanimous vote

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**ORD #40**

**ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2016 CITY BUDGET TO ACCEPT FUNDS FROM THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICES FOR THE PURPOSE OF FURTHERING THE EFFORTS IN IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CITY OF TROY AND RENSSELAER COUNTY JOINT TASK FORCE**

Ordinance passes by a unanimous vote

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**ORD #41**

**ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2016 CITY BUDGET TO TRANSFER FUNDS WITHIN THE GENERAL, WATER & SEWER FUND BUDGETS**

Ordinance passes by a unanimous vote

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**ORD #42**

**ORDINANCE APPROVING SETTLEMENT OF TAX CERTIORARI PROCEEDINGS  
INSTITUTED BY GRJH, INC ON THE ASSESSMENT ROLL OF THE CITY OF TROY  
Mantello asks Vincelle for Pre GAAR and figures on back up.**

Ordinance passes 8 yes 1 no (Mantello)

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**ORD #43**

**ORDINANCE APPROVING SETTLEMENT OF TAX CERTIORARI PROCEEDINGS  
INSTITUTED BY TROYVESTOR CORP. ON THE ASSESSMENT ROLL OF THE  
CITY OF TROY**

Vincelette explains this is the Gurley Precision building and they had no luck renting the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor. There's been no upgrade since the 1960's and there is no elevator.

Ordinance passes 8 yes 1 no (Mantello)

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**ORD #44**

**ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FEDERAL ASSET FORFEITURE SPECIAL  
REVENUE ACCOUNT TO RECOGNIZE ADDITIONAL FEDERAL ASSET  
REVENUES AND APPROPRIATE FUNDS**

Chief Tedesco explains that the first thing they want to replace computers in the cars as they are 15 years old and to get a new record management system. Part 2 is to do multiple tickets at once. Part 3 is for firearms. Part 4 is for a metal building for property and Public Works can do the majority of the work. Part 5 is in regards to taxi licenses. Part 6 is in regards to badges, the cost is affiliated with the die. The current badges they use are constantly breaking and need repair. The new badges will be solid and last a lifetime. Ashe McPherson asks when are we looking at dash cams? Chief Tedesco states after the AG finishes. Doherty asks how do you purchase tablets and make it go smooth? Per Chief the vendor will do the training.

Ordinance passes by a unanimous vote

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**RES #48**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A DEED CONVEYING  
CITY PROPERTY TO 1844 LAND DEVELOPMENT, LLC**

Resolution passes by a unanimous vote

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**RES #49**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT  
WITH THE TROY LAND BANK RELATING TO THE DEMOLITION OF  
DETERIORATED PROPERTIES**

Mantello asks how these properties are selected. Monica explains these are Land Bank money from the Attorney General and it's almost \$500,000.

Resolution passes by a unanimous vote

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**RES #50**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN THE U.S. ARMY CORPS OF  
ENGINEERS PERMIT RELATING TO THE INGALLS AVENUE BOAT LAUNCH  
PROJECT**

Mantello asks when is it starting? It can start the next year and we will try to get it open next year. Mantello states we could partnership with the Canal Corporation.

Resolution passes by a unanimous vote

**RES #51**

**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE APPLICATION BY THE CITY OF TROY FOR A  
DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION INITIATIVE GRANT**

Monica explains that the state will invest \$10 million in 10 communities across the state. The area that we are talking about is from Federal St. to just past Hoosick St and it encompasses two entrances. Mantello asks how this works with the Comprehensive Plan. Kurzejeski states the Comprehensive Plan is a bigger umbrella.

Resolution passes by a unanimous vote

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**RES #52**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AND DELIVER A RELEASE  
AND WAIVER OF EASEMENT TO ROSENBLUM COMPANIES**

Mantello asks if there was a traffic study done and Kurzejeski will check. Bodnar states this is not city owned land and it's a very narrow strip that runs through a parking lot. Resolution passes by a unanimous vote

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**RES #53**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN  
ARCHITECTURAL/ENGINEERING CONSULTANT AGREEMENT WITH  
GREENMAN-PEDEERSEN, INC. RELATING TO BIKEWAY EXTENSION**

Kurzejeski states this is the architecture agreement to design the trail.

Resolution passes by a unanimous vote

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**RES #54**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A MEMORANDUM OF  
UNDERSTANDING RELATING TO THE TROY URBAN TRAILS SYSTEM**

Resolution passes by a unanimous vote

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**RES #55**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN EASEMENT FROM THE  
CITY OF TROY TO CAROLYN NEUDECKER**

Resolution passes by a unanimous vote

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**RES #56**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A QUITCLAIM DEED  
CONVEYING OWNERSHIP OF A CITY-OWNED PARCEL TO TLC PROPERTIES, INC.**

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Resolution passes by a unanimous vote

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RES #35

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH PMA  
MANAGEMENT CORP. TO PROVIDE THIRD PARTY CLAIM ADMINISTRATIVE  
SERVICES**

Motion to untable Bodnar<sup>2<sup>nd</sup></sup> Doherty

Vincellette explains there are no good options and there are four years of issues. He further explains there is a trial set for July 27, 2016 and he got them to waive \$25,000. This settlement will save the city \$33,000 and there is no good resolution to this. McGrath asks if we go to court can we win, Vincellette, states probably not. Explains it was listed and both offers backed out. Mantello says that First Niagara is being bought by Key. Kopka asks what happens about the asbestos. Mantello says whoever takes over the building will have to contact Dept. of Health. Glasheen says the asbestos is encapsulated and it is not in Troy Music Hall.

Ordinance passes 8 yes 1 no (Mantello)

Doherty asks to speak about the Mayors 24 page quarterly financials and says he is enthusiastic about this and that the Mayor format is good. This administration presented this on time and that we have an opportunity and we can start to analyze this and come together and work together. We as a group need to pay attention and make this a priority. Mantello responds to Doherty and states the Cusack's report is a blue print. She further states that when she met with the Comptroller's Office and things need to happen yesterday and we need to press the administration. Bob asks how many projects need to be done. McGrath says there are thirteen projects have not been closed out. Doherty says we should sit down with the Mayor as we are all motivated well and serve the people and do our part. Mantello says to look at the Corrective Action Plan that we sent to the Comptroller's Office and we put an explanation next to all of those and we passed it last week.

Adjournment:

Motion to Adjourn: McGrath, <sup>2<sup>nd</sup></sup> Sullivan-Teta

Meeting adjourned 8:27 pm

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