

**REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 1, 2014
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
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Regular session of the Lackawanna City Council met in the Council Chambers, Council President Henry Pirowski presiding. The meeting was preceded by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Council President Pirowski.

**Meeting called to order
NB: Meeting being recorded**

**Roll Call: Council: Present: Noman, Iafallo, Jerge, Pirowski
Excused: Lewis
Dept. Heads: Present: Law, Development, Public Works, Recreation,
Public Safety
Excused: Comptroller**

Approval of Minutes: of regular meeting of November 17, 2014

Moved by Pirowski, seconded by Noman to adopt minutes of regular meeting of November 17, 2014 as written
Yeas: Noman, Iafallo, Jerge, Pirowski Carried 4-0

Departmental Reports:

1. City Comptroller- A/P Check Listing #15, dated November 7, 2014

Moved by Pirowski seconded by Iafallo to receive and file departmental report
Yeas: Noman, Iafallo, Jerge, Pirowski Carried 4-0

Communications from Council:

Police Chief-Storm Procedures

2. To: City Council

I had several questions for the Police Chief in an effort to learn from this last storm and to make sure we run as efficiently as possible in the future. I asked the Police Chief if I was correct in my understanding that during the disaster storm meeting that took place earlier this month, the primary responsibility of the Police Chief would be to coordinate the clearing of cars from the roads, in order to make way for heavy equipment.

Our Mayor stated publicly and our Department of Public Works Commissioner confirmed, this was the largest impediment to clearing the streets in a timelier manner. I asked the Police Chief what steps he took to address this concern.

Furthermore, it was my understanding, that the Police Chief did not report to work at all during the storm, stating, and I quote, "I'm a City Hall employee, and when City Hall is closed, I don't have to work." I asked the Police Chief if that statement was true, and if he did not show up for work, did he only delegate his authority to his subordinates. In speaking with a company that was assisting the City with the towing of vehicles, they confirmed that the Police Chief was not coordinating with them. Due to the seriousness of the matter, I informed the Police Chief that I expected an immediate response, but as of today, I have not received a response from the Police Chief.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT PIROWSKI

Moved by Pirowski seconded by Jerge to receive and file

Yeas: Noman, Iafallo, Jerge, Pirowski

Carried 4-0

Communications from Department/Division Heads:

Commissioner of Deeds- City Clerk Personnel

3. To: City Council

I respectfully request approval of Commissioner of Deeds status for the following City Clerk personnel: Jacqueline Caferro, Gail Nicholson, Colleen Mure and Linda Smerka.

JACQUELINE CAFERRO-CITY CLERK

Moved by Pirowski seconded by Iafallo, to approve request for Commissioner of Deeds status for City Clerk personnel within the City of Lackawanna

Yeas: Noman, Iafallo, Jerge, Pirowski

Carried 4-0

Commissioner of Deeds-Law Clerk

4. To: City Council

I hereby request appointment by your honorable body as Commissioner of Deeds.

DENISE FITZGIBBONS-CITY LAW CLERK

Moved by Jerge seconded by Pirowski, to approve request for Commissioner of Deeds status as Law Clerk within the City of Lackawanna

Yeas: Noman, Iafallo, Jerge, Pirowski

Carried 4-0

Communications from Citizens:

Commissioner of Deeds-Elder Care Solutions

5. To: City Council

I request Council approval to renew Commissioner of Deeds status for: Myself & Florika Miranda.

I also request Council approval to appoint Pamela R. Fichtner as Commissioner of Deeds.

Thank you for your consideration.

ROXANNE SORENSEN-ELDER CARE SOLUTION OF WNY, LLC

Moved by Pirowski seconded by Jerge, to approve request for Commissioner of Deeds status within the City of Lackawanna for their work at Elder Care Solutions

Yeas: Noman, Iafallo, Jerge, Pirowski

Carried 4-0

Adjournment:

Moved by Pirowski seconded by Jerge to adjourn in memory of Mary Ellen Lewis

Yeas: Noman, Iafallo, Jerge, Pirowski

Carried 4-0

Henry R Pirowski-Council President

Jacqueline A. Caferro –City Clerk