

**REGULAR MEETING  
MONDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2015  
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, Lewis, Pirowski  
Dept. Heads: Present: Law, Public Works, Development, Recreation  
Excused: Public Safety, Comptroller**

**Approval of Minutes:** of regular meeting of November 16 and special meeting of November 24, 2015

Moved by Pirowski seconded by Jerge to adopt minutes of regular meeting of November 16 and special meeting of November 24, 2015 as written  
Yeas: Noman, Iafallo, Jerge Lewis, Pirowski Carried 5-0

**Departmental Reports:**

1. City Comptroller-A/P Check Listing #17, November 13, 2015
2. City Comptroller-A/P Check Listing #18, November 19, 2015
3. City Comptroller-A/P Check Listing #19, November 30, 2015
4. City Clerk-Monthly Report of Receipts-November, 2015
5. City Treasurer-Deposits into General Fund-November 2015

Moved by Pirowski seconded by Iafallo to receive and file departmental reports one thru five  
Yeas: Noman, Iafallo, Jerge, Lewis, Pirowski Carried 5-0

**Communications from the Council:**

**Outside Counsel-Conclude Investigation**

6. To: City Council

Due to the investigation being discontinued for lack of payment as previously approved and voted on by the City Council, I am requesting Council approval to allow our outside counsel to conclude their investigation.

**HENRY R PIROWSKI, JR-COUNCIL PRESIDENT**

Moved by Pirowski seconded by Lewis to approve request

Yeas: Lewis, Pirowski

Nays: Noman, Iafallo, Jerge

**Motion to conclude- failed 2-3**

**Payment of Final Invoices-Outside Counsel**

7. To: City Council

I requested that the City Comptroller prepare an ordinance for payment to the outside counsel which would include the final invoices due to Barclay Damon in the amount of \$21,953.25.

**HENRY R PIROWSKI JR-COUNCIL PRESIDENT**

Moved by Pirowski seconded by Jerge to move to executive session at the end of the meeting

Yeas: Noman, Iafallo, Jerge, Lewis, Pirowski

Carried 5-0

**“Right Turn Only” Sign-Ridge & Abbott (westerly)**

8. To: City Council

I am requesting this body approve a “Right Turn Only” designation, to be placed on the wires above the signal for motorists at the corner of Ridge & Abbott heading westerly.

I thank you in advance for your anticipated cooperation. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me.

**JOE JERGE-3<sup>RD</sup> WARD COUNCIL MEMBER**

Moved by Jerge seconded by Iafallo to approve request, refer to the Public Works Commissioner

Yeas: Noman, Iafallo, Jerge, Lewis, Pirowski

Carried 5-0

**Lobbyist Retained by the City**

9. To: City Council

I asked the Mayor if the lobbyist, Masiello, Martucci, Calabrese & Associates provide him with a monthly update of the actions on behalf of the City.

I also reached out to the lobbyist, asking that they provide a detailed outline as to what their organization has accomplished which benefited the City of Lackawanna during the contract term with the City.

**ABDULSALAM NOMAN-1<sup>ST</sup> WARD COUNCIL MEMBER**

Moved by Noman to terminate the contract with the lobbyist, NO SECOND ON MOTION, MOTION FAILED

Moved by Jerge seconded by Noman to **TABLE** for study

Yeas: Noman, Iafallo, Jerge, Lewis, Pirowski

Carried 5-0

**Communications from Department/Division Heads:**

**Increase in Bank Fees**

10. To: City Council

Submitted for your review and approval is an ordinance to increase appropriations for Investment Expense due to an increase in Bank Fees.

**PEGGY BIGAJ-SOBOL-CITY COMPTROLLER**

Moved by Pirowski seconded by Jerge to receive and file, act on ordinance  
Yeas: Noman, Iafallo, Jerge, Lewis, Pirowski

Carried 5-0

**Ordinance – Feeding of Wild Animals**

11. To: City Council

Please put the attached ordinance on the agenda for Council approval.

**ANTONIO SAVAGLIO-CITY ATTORNEY**

Moved by Pirowski seconded by Iafallo to **TABLE** for study

Yeas: Noman, Iafallo, Jerge, Lewis, Pirowski

Carried 5-0

**Communications from Citizens:**

**Elder Care Solutions-Commissioner of Deeds**

12. To: City Council

I am requesting Council approval to appoint Eileen Luterek and Alexandra Watson as Commissioner of Deeds.

Thank you for your consideration.

**FLORIKA MIRANDA-ELDER CARE SOLUTIONS**

Moved by Jerge seconded by Pirowski to approve request for Commissioner of Deeds status within the City limits

Yeas: Noman, Iafallo, Jerge, Lewis, Pirowski

Carried 5-0

**Ordinances:**

(1) An ordinance amending the 2015-2016 operating budget to provide funds to cover cost for increase in bank fees

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2015-2016 BUDGET ORDINANCE ADOPTED JULY 16, 2015**

**SECTION 1.** That the 2015-2016 Budget Ordinance adopted July 16, 2015 is hereby amended to increase appropriations for Investment Expense

**SECTION 2.** That the 2015-2016 Budget Ordinance is hereby amended to add \$500.00 to budget code A.1315.446 Comptroller, Investment Expense

**SECTION 3.** That the 2015-2016 Budget Ordinance is hereby amended to appropriate \$500.00 of the City's Fund Balance

**THIS ORDINANCE SHALL TAKE EFFECT IMMEDIATELY**

Moved by Pirowski seconded by Noman to adopt ordinance as written

Yeas: Noman, Iafallo, Jerge, Lewis, Pirowski

Carried 5-0

**Executive Session:**

Council entered into executive session at 7:37 PM

Meeting reconvened at 7:40 PM

Roll Call: Present: Noman, Iafallo, Jerge, Lewis, Pirowski

**ORDINANCE #2- Final Payment-Outside Counsel**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2015-2016 BUDGET ORDINANCE ADOPTED JULY 16, 2015**

**SECTION 1.** That the 2015-2016 Budget Ordinance adopted July 16, 2015 is hereby amended to increase appropriations for Outside Counsel Fees

**SECTION 2.** That the 2015-2016 Budget Ordinance is hereby amended to add \$21,953.25 to budget code A.1010.465 City Council, Outside Counsel Fees

**SECTION 3.** That the 2015-2016 Budget Ordinance is hereby amended to appropriate \$21,953.25 of the City's Fund Balance

**THIS ORDINANCE SHALL TAKE EFFECT IMMEDIATELY**

Moved by Pirowski seconded by Lewis to adopt ordinance and make final payment to Barclay Damon

Yeas: Lewis, Pirowski

Nays: Noman, Iafallo

Passed: Jerge (counts as an affirmative vote)

Carried 3-2

**Adjournment:**

Moved by Pirowski seconded by Jerge to adjourn

Yeas: Noman, Iafallo, Jerge, Lewis, Pirowski

Carried 5-0

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Henry R. Pirowski, Council President

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Jacqueline A Caferro, City Clerk