THE CITY OF POUGHKEEPSIE
NEW YORK

COMMON COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES

Tuesday, September 20, 2010 6:30 pm City Hall

I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

ROLL CALL

All present

II. REVIEW OF MINUTES:

Common Council Minutes of April 5, 2010

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Common Council Minutes of July 28, 2010

CCM Minutes 7-28-10						
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III. READING OF ITEMS by the City Chamberlain of any resolutions not listed on the printed agenda.

IV. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: Three (3) minutes per person up to 45 minutes of public comment on any agenda and non-agenda items.

Ken Stickle Catharine Street: I wish I had got here earlier so I could ask Rich DuPilka this question. When is the city going to end up repairing or buying a new street sweeper? The size of the city, we have these little cleaners that go around. They are alright for cleaning up the sidewalks. Our streets are filthy. I asked a couple of years ago, whatever happened to the water truck we used to have that used to go down and spray the water down the middle of the road. I was told by the last Department of Public Works Commissioner that the water truck wore itself out and was not worth fixing. When it comes to cleaning the city, where do we break it down what is worth keeping the city clean? The streets, so on and so forth, we are trying to clean up the image of the City of Poughkeepsie. We do not want to look like downtown Newburg. We do not want to look like downtown Kingston. I know those guys are in financial hardship and we are doing better than them. But I do believe that we can afford at least one street sweeper. It should be repaired, it should be out working. I have not seen a full sized street sweeper out doing anything in months. I cannot remember the last time we actually did have one out on the street. The little guys that we have rolling along, they are not doing the job. You got 10 guys out doing that job when you could have one guy if you put the machine out on the street, have the cars on the side that they are not supposed to be parked. He could be doing the job that he is supposed to be doing. The other thing, I would really like the City Council to try to pass a resolution, every property owner go out, clean the grass or whatever is between the curbing and the street, get that cleaned up. That is a big way of trapping garbage in front of your property. The tax payers need to help the City of Poughkeepsie, but the City needs to help us. I keep asking for these things, and we are not getting them. I am hoping to see that we get the street sweeper back up on the street again very quickly. Thank you.

V. MAYOR'S COMMENTS:

Mayor Tkazyik: The City did just purchase a new green machine sweeper. Now it's not the huge one that we're used to, but it is a scaled back version because we have to purchase a new garbage truck. The priority was the garbage truck, which you will be seeing before you shortly because we will have to go out and use funds for that which is in the 2010 Budget, and also the new green machine that we just got with grants. So, that you should be seeing out there on the streets, but you will also see some changes in relation to that with the 2011 Budget. Because depending on costs and cost saving measures, we may contract the sweeping out. We are looking at possibly collaborating with the Town of Poughkeepsie to save and share costs with the sweeper. But we did just get a green machine to address a lot of those needs. But we do have to purchase a new garbage truck, that we desperately need. We are moving forward with that as well.

Also this weekend is Kids Expo Weekend at Waryus Park. The 25th and 26th. We are doing a new venue this year, down in the park. It is going to be a great time for families and kids to come together. It's going to be a lot of activities so we look to seeing everyone down there at Waryus Park.

Also tomorrow, at 11 o'clock at the Crannel Street parking lot, I am going to announce that we have a supermarket for the City of Poughkeepsie. Save A Lot Supermarket will be coming to the city. An 18,000 square foot supermarket on the Crannel Street lot which will be sold and put on the tax rolls. They will purchase about a third of the Crannel Street parking lot from the City for $75,000 and to create new jobs here downtown. This is a need in our city. This is something that the community has been asking for for a long time. Something that is going to serve all the residents of the city, and something that we will be able to be proud of in the end. I encourage members of the Council to be there tomorrow at 11 in the Crannel Street lot. We will look forward to working with Save A Lot officials because you will be seeing that probably sometime in the October agenda for property sale. Then we will go on to work with the planning board and planning department for getting site plan review and approval. It was a long time waiting but with a lot of patience and a lot of persistence, we were able to make this come to fruition here in the City of Poughkeepsie.

Last but not least, we're all looking on the budget. Department heads, Division heads, the Commissioner of Finance, the City Administrator and myself have been meeting with each of them, going line by line to the best that we can. We will be releasing the 2011 Budget again on Friday, October 15, pursuant to City Charter, and you guys should be receiving the tentative review dates for the budget. My assistant should be emailing you out proposed dates for those reviews. Last year we did it in five sessions. We think that is sufficient, maybe less if we're lucky because we don't think that there is going to be a lot of change when we give you the final number. We look forward to working with the members of Council during the budget process as well.

VI. CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS:

VII. MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS:

VIII. ORDINANCES AND LOCAL LAWS:

1. **A motion was made by Councilmember Herman and seconded by Councilmember Parise to receive and print.**

   Assistant Corporation Counsel Ackerman informed the Council of Ordinance O-10-26, which is an amendment of Chapter 13 of the City Code changing parking regulations for a portion of Garden Street.

ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 13, §§13-191.1 and 13-197.4, OF THE MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC ORDINANCE (O-10-26)

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER HERMAN

SECTION 1. Section 13-191.1 of the Motor Vehicles and Traffic Ordinance entitled "Two-hour parking, 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. except Saturdays, Sundays and holidays" is amended by certain additions and deletions to read as follows:

Section 13-191.1 Two-hour parking, 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. except Saturdays, Sundays and holidays

When appropriate signs giving notice thereof are erected, parking on the following streets or parts of streets shall be limited to two hours between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., except Saturdays, Sundays and holidays:

Garden Street, west side, [~~between Mill Street and Mansion Street~~] **beginning at a point 265 feet north of the intersection with Mill Street and continuing northerly to the intersection with Mansion Street.**

SECTION 2. Section 13-197.4 of the Motor Vehicle and Traffic Ordinance entitled "Six-hour parking, 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday" is amended by the following addition:

Section 13-197.4 Four-hour parking, 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday

When appropriate signs giving notice thereof are erected, parking upon the following streets or parts of streets or parking lots shall be limited to four hours between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday:

<u>Garden Street, west side, beginning at a point 65 feet north of the intersection with Mill Street and continuing 200 feet northerly therefrom.</u>

SECTION 3. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER PARISE

Underline and bold denotes **<u>ADDITION</u>**
Brackets and strikethrough denote [~~DELETION~~]

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IX. PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

1. **FROM COMISSIONER OF FINANCE BUNYI,** a communication regarding the operation of Spratt Pool.

2. **FROM RANDY HAZEN,** a notice of personal injury sustained on June 5, 2010. **Referred to Corporation Counsel**

X. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Councilmember Herman wanted to know if the speed signs on Hooker had been installed.

Councilmember Flowers inquired about the status of the benches and tables on College Hill.

Councilmember Coates wanted to know how the Administration planned on addressing the issue of absentee landlords.

Councilmember Solomon wanted to inform the Council that 37 Adrience Avenue has been abandoned but has not been boarded up.

Councilmember Johnson requested that the City Administrator and the Mayor revisit the staffing and scheduling of events of city workers. She also informed the Council that there was an arsonist in her ward. She also stated that all of the medians in her ward have been adopted.

Councilmember Mallory inquired about the Historic Preservation Ordinance.

XI. NEW BUSINESS:

Councilmember Coates thanked the Mayor, City Council, City Administrator, Corporate Counsel Office, Commissioner of Public Works, and Captain Pape for their response to the residents regarding the parking issues. He also attended the two day Superintendents Conference and another meeting regarding gang activity. Regarding police response time, Councilmember Coates is continuing to have conversations with the police department.

Mayor Tkazyik said that there would be more new officers.

Councilmember Mallory wanted to know about the report on advertising on buses. He also wanted to know if the bus shelters had been repaired yet. He also inquired about whether or not Poughkeepsie had pursued grants to create a welcome center like Beacon recently had done.

Councilmember Flowers wanted to thank those who had come to help clean up College Hill. She also wanted to thank Adopt a Block for helping to clean up Clinton Street.

Councilmember Coates also wanted to devise a resolution for recognizing the Faith Assembly of God for their contributions to the community.

XII. ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Chairman Klein and Councilmember Herman moved to adjourn meeting at 7:27 p.m.

Dated: March 2, 2011

I hereby certify that this true and correct copy of the Minutes of the Common Council Meeting held on Tuesday, September 20, 2010 at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Deanne L. Flynn
City Chamberlain

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