

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF WATERTOWN
April 16, 2012
7:00 P.M.**

Mayor Jeffrey E. Graham Presiding

Present: Council Member Roxanne M. Burns
Council Member Joseph M. Butler, Jr.
Council Member Teresa R. Macaluso
Council Member Jeffrey M. Smith
Mayor Graham

Also Present: Mary M. Corriveau, City Manager
Robert J. Slye, City Attorney

City staff present: Jim Mills, Ken Mix, Kurt Hauk, Elliott Nelson, Gary Pilon, Chief Herman, Chief Goss, Amy Pastuf, Gene Hayes, Mike Sligar, Shawn McWayne, Beth Morris, Erin Gardner, John VanBrocklin, Brian Phelps, Pat Keenan and Mike Lumbis

The City Manager presented the following reports to Council:

- Resolution No. 1 - Appointment to the Board of Assessment Review, Dean Gillan
- Resolution No. 2 - Appointment to the Transportation Commission – JoAnna Fassett
- Resolution No. 3 - Appointment to the Transportation Commission – Robert Freeman III
- Resolution No. 4 - Reappointment to the Transportation Commission – Jennie Adsit
- Resolution No. 5 - Adopting Revised Guidelines and Administrative Procedures for the Rental Rehabilitation Program
- Resolution No. 6 - Establishing Standard Work Day and Reporting For Mayor of City of Watertown
- Resolution No. 7 - Accepting Bid for the Purchase of a New and Unused Lift Pump for the Waste Water Treatment Plant, K.J. Electric
- Resolution No. 8 - Accepting Bid for the Purchase of Press Plates and Cloths for the Waste Water Treatment Plant, Universal Filtration and Pumping Solutions, Inc.
- Resolution No. 9 - Approving Agreement for Professional Services for Western Outfall Trunk Sewer Upgrade, GYMO P.C.
- Ordinance No. 1 - Amending City Municipal Code § A320, Fees
- Ordinance No. 2 - Changing the Approved Zoning Classification of 703 through 719 Washington Street, Parcels 11-12-126, 11-12-125, 11-12-124, and 11-12-123, from Limited Business District to Neighborhood Business District
- Public Hearing Authorizing Spending From the Duffy Fairgrounds Stadium Reserve Fund
- Public Hearings for 2012-13 Operating Budgets and 2012-13 through 2016-17 Capital Budget Boards and Commissions
- Sales Tax Revenue – March 2012, Third Quarter Results

- April 9, 2012 Letter From Holly White, Jefferson County Office for the Aging
- Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Proposed Budget Presentation

Complete Reports on file in the office of the City Clerk

Meeting opened with a moment of silence.

Pledge of Allegiance was given.

The reading of the minutes of the regular meeting of April 2, 2012 and the adjourned meeting of April 9, 2012 was dispensed and accepted as written by motion of Council Member Jeffrey M. Smith, seconded by Council Member Joseph M. Butler, Jr. and carried with all voting in favor thereof.

PRESENTATIONS

Mayor Graham interrupted the regular course of business to present a thank you from Governor Cuomo for the City's assistance in advocating for the recent Pension Reform Bill.

Mrs. Corriveau interrupted the regular course of business to introduce Laura Oakes and Kari Robertson from the North Country Arts Council. Mrs. Robertson read a poem that she presented at the 2nd Annual Muse held on March 24, 2012.

COMMUNICATIONS

A Notice of Petition was received from Verizon New York, Inc for an assessment review.

A Notice of Petition was received from Erie Boulevard Hydropower LP for an assessment review.

Above was placed on file in the office of the City Clerk.

A claim against the city was received from David Fleckenstein, 472 Barben Ave, for the sum of \$742.43 for damages occurring on March 11th and March 13th 2012.

Above claim has been referred to the Board of Audit.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Nickolas Darling, 1358 Loomus Drive addressed the chair to thank Mary Corriveau for her service to the City. He stated that she has done an exemplary job and her leaving will be the City of Watertown's loss. He added that the City is a better place because of her.

Steve Clark, 725 Coffeen Street addressed the chair to state that he and his wife are fundraising to erect a lighthouse or a wishing well within the City which could be lighted to represent

various organizations. This could take the place of changing the lights of the Clock Tower and the City would not have to be involved in the up keep.

Mayor Graham thanked him for presenting this idea and suggested that once the idea is refined he could bring it to the manager's office.

Carolyn Fitzpatrick, 837 Holcomb Street, Jefferson County Board of Legislators Chairwoman, stated that she was addressing Council as a taxpayer. She stated that Mrs. Corriveau's love and passion for the City will not go untold. She listed Mrs. Corriveau's most important accomplishment was to bridge together the City of Watertown, Fort Drum and the County. She thanked Mrs. Corriveau for making this a great place to live and always having an open door policy.

Danny Francis, 463 Harris Drive addressed the chair to ask if there is an Assistant City Manager and wondered if the person in that position should be appointed as interim. He stated that this would make more sense then appointing Mr. Krol who is already being paid to find a City Manager.

PUBLIC HEARING

At 7:30 P.M. Mayor Graham asked the City Clerk to read the notice of Public Hearing Concerning Authorizing Spending From the Duffy Fairgrounds Stadium Reserve Fund

Mayor Graham declared the hearing open at 7:30 P. M.

No one addressed the chair

Mayor Graham declared the hearing closed at 7:30 P.M.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 1 - Appointment to the Board of Assessment Review, Dean Gillan

Introduced by Council Member Roxanne M. Burns

RESOLVED that the following individual is appointed to the Board of Assessment Review effective immediately to fill the unexpired term of David L. Bush, such term expiring on September 30, 2015:

Dean Gillan
112 South Indiana Avenue
Watertown, New York 13601

Seconded by Council Member Jeffrey M. Smith and carried with all voting yea.

Resolution No. 2 - Appointment to the Transportation Commission – JoAnna Fassett

Introduced by Council Member Jeffrey M. Smith

RESOLVED that the following individual is appointed to the Transportation Commission for a three-year term, such term expiring on April 1, 2015:

JoAnna Fassett
247 Factory Street
Watertown, New York 13601

Seconded by Council Member Teresa R. Macaluso and carried with all voting yea.

Resolution No. 3 - Appointment to the Transportation Commission – Robert Freeman III

Introduced by Council Member Jeffrey M. Smith

RESOLVED that the following individual is appointed to the Transportation Commission for a three-year term, such term expiring on April 1, 2015:

Robert Freeman III
1067 Marble Street
Watertown, New York 13601

Seconded by Council Member Joseph M. Butler, Jr. and carried with all voting yea.

Resolution No. 4 - Reappointment to the Transportation Commission – Jennie Adsit

Introduced by Council Member Roxanne M. Burns

RESOLVED that the following individual is reappointed to the Transportation Commission for a three-year term, such term expiring on April 1, 2015:

Jennie Adsit
421 Tilden Street
Watertown, New York 13601

Seconded by Council Member Joseph M. Butler, Jr. and carried with all voting yea.

Resolution No. 5 - Adopting Revised Guidelines and Administrative Procedures for the Rental Rehabilitation Program

Introduced by Council Member Jeffrey M. Smith

WHEREAS the City of Watertown has received Small Cities Community Development Block Grant funding from the New York State Office of Community Renewal (OCR) to implement a local rental rehabilitation program, and

WHEREAS the City has agreed to administer that program in compliance with rules and regulations established by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and published in the Code of Federal Regulations at 24 CFR Part 570, and

WHEREAS local Guidelines and Administrative Procedures were adopted by the City Council on January 20, 2009 when initial funding was received for this program, and revisions were approved by the City Council on December 21, 2009 and July 1, 2010, and

WHEREAS revisions have been made to the Guidelines and Administrative Procedures for the additional funding that has been received from OCR in 2011,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the revisions to the Guidelines and Administrative Procedures for the City of Watertown's Rental Rehabilitation Program are hereby adopted and shall become effective immediately for all rental rehabilitation activities conducted with Small Cities Community Development Block Grant funding in the City of Watertown.
Seconded by Council Member Teresa R. Macaluso and carried with all voting yea.

Resolution No. 6 - Establishing Standard Work Day and Reporting For Mayor of City of Watertown

Introduced by Council Member Teresa R. Macaluso

BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Watertown hereby establishes the following as standard work days for elected and appointed officials and will report the following days worked to the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System based on the record of activities maintained and submitted by these officials to the Clerk of this body.

		Elected Officials			
Title	Name	Standard Work Day (Hrs/day)	Term Begins/Ends	Employer Record of Time Worked (Y/N)	Days/Month (based on Record of Activities)
Mayor	Jeffrey E. Graham	6 hours	01/01/12-12/31/15	N	21.61 days

On this 16th day of April, 2012,

_____ Date enacted _____
 (Signature of Clerk)

I, Ann M. Saunders, Clerk of the governing board of the City of Watertown, of the State of New York, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing with the original resolution passed by such board, at a legally convened meeting held on the 16th day of April, 2012 on file as part of the minutes of such meeting, and the same is a true copy thereof and whole of such original.

I further certify that the full board consists of 5 members and that 5 of such members were present at such meeting and that 5 of such members voted in favor of the above resolution.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the City of Watertown.
Seconded by Council Member Jeffrey M. Smith and carried with all voting yea.

Resolution No. 7 - Accepting Bid for the Purchase of a New and Unused Lift Pump for the Waste Water Treatment Plant, K.J. Electric

Introduced by Council Member Teresa R. Macaluso

WHEREAS the City Purchasing Department has advertised and received sealed bids for the purchase of a New and Unused Lift Pump for the Waste Water Treatment Plant, and

WHEREAS invitations to bid were issued to four (4) prospective bidders, with two (2) sealed bids received, and

WHEREAS on Wednesday, April 11, 2012, at 11:00 a.m. in the City Purchasing Department, the bid received was publicly opened and read, and

WHEREAS City Purchasing Agent Amy M. Pastuf reviewed the bids received with Chief Waste Water Treatment Plant Operator Mark Crandall and his staff, and it is their recommendation that the bid be awarded to K.J. Electric in the amount of \$20,820 as the lowest bidder meeting City specifications,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Watertown hereby accepts the bid submitted by K.J. Electric as the lowest qualified bidder meeting City specifications, for the purchase of a New and Unused Lift Pump for the Waste Water Treatment Plant in the amount of \$20,820.

Seconded by Council Member Roxanne M. Burns and carried with all voting yea.

Resolution No. 8 - Accepting Bid for the Purchase of Press Plates and Cloths for the Waste Water Treatment Plant, Universal Filtration and Pumping Solutions, Inc.

Introduced by Council Member Jeffrey M. Smith

WHEREAS the City Purchasing Department has advertised and received sealed bids for the purchase of Press Plates and Cloths for the Waste Water Treatment Plant, and

WHEREAS invitations to bid were issued to three (3) prospective bidders, with three (3) sealed bids received, and

WHEREAS on Wednesday, April 11, 2012, at 11:00 a.m. in the City Purchasing Department, the bid received was publicly opened and read, and

WHEREAS City Purchasing Agent Amy M. Pastuf reviewed the bids received with Chief Waste Water Treatment Plant Operator Mark Crandall and his staff, and it is their recommendation that the bid be awarded to Universal Filtration and Pumping Solutions, Inc. in the amount of \$69,457 as the lowest bidder meeting City specifications,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Watertown hereby accepts the bid submitted by Universal Filtration and Pumping Solutions, Inc. as the

lowest qualified bidder meeting City specifications, for the purchase of Press Plates and Cloths for the Waste Water Treatment Plant in the amount of \$69,457.

Seconded by Council Member Joseph M. Butler, Jr. and carried with all voting yea.

Resolution No. 9 - Approving Agreement for Professional Services for Western Outfall Trunk Sewer Upgrade, GYMO P.C.

Introduced by Council Member Roxanne M. Burns

WHEREAS the City of Watertown wishes to contract for engineering services to design and evaluate the Western Outfall Trunk Sewer Upgrade, and

WHEREAS the Agreement for Professional Services with GYMO P.C., a copy of which is attached and made part of this resolution, is scheduled to provide these services by February 2013, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Watertown hereby approves the Agreement for Professional Services between the City of Watertown and GYMO P.C. for engineering services to design and evaluate the Western Outfall Trunk Sewer Upgrade for a cost not to exceed \$114,850, a copy of which is attached and made a part of said resolution,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that City Manager Mary M. Corriveau is hereby authorized and directed to execute the Agreement on behalf of the City of Watertown.

Seconded by Council Member Jeffrey M. Smith and carried with all voting yea.

The Resolution “Authorizing Spending From the Duffy Fairgrounds Stadium Reserve Fund” (Introduced on April 2, 2012; public hearing held this evening; appears in its entirety on page 90 of the 2012 Minutes Book).

At the call of the chair, a vote was taken on the foregoing resolution and carried with all voting yea.

ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. 1 - Amending City Municipal Code § A320, Fees

Introduced by Council Member Jeffrey M. Smith

BE IT ORDAINED that Article IA, Vital Records; Commissioner of Deeds of the City Code of the City of Watertown is amended to be named City Clerk Fees

and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that Section A320-1.1 of the City Code of the City of Watertown is amended for only there herein-references paragraphs to read as follows:

§ A320-1.1. Birth, death and marriage certificates.

- A. The City Clerk shall charge and receive from the applicant a fee of \$10 for each certified copy of the record of any birth, death or marriage and \$5 for each certified copy of the record paternity acknowledgement issued by such clerk.
- B. Fees for genealogical searches shall be \$22.
- D. The fee for an heirloom record of marriage shall be \$15.

and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the City Code of the City of Watertown is amended by adding the following Section to read as follows:

§ A320-1.2. Marriage licenses and wedding ceremonies.

- A. Marriage license: \$40.
- B. Duplicate marriage license: \$20.
- C. Marriage solemnization (ceremony): \$50.
- D. Marriage photos: \$15 per sheet and \$5 per 4x6 photo.

and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the City Code of the City of Watertown is amended by adding the following Section to read as follows:

§ A320-2.1. Business permits and licenses.

- A. Garbage collector, private, per year: \$100, plus \$30 per vehicle.
- B. Liquidation sale, per month: \$500 for original application of 30 days, and \$50 per 30 day renewal. If sale is completed within 60 days, all fees described in this paragraph are refunded to the applicant except for \$75.
- C. Transient retail business, first three (3) days: \$300.
- D. Transient retail business, each additional day after three (3), \$100.
- E. Vending in designated public places, per year: \$250.
- F. Vending on public streets, per year: \$50.

and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that Section A320-4 of the City Code of the City of Watertown is amended to read as follows:

§ A320-4. Schedule of fees.

A. The schedule for general admission to the City's Fairgrounds Municipal Arena shall be established and enforced as follows:

- (1) Public skating session: \$2 per person, per session.
- (2) Minor hockey and figure skating: \$70 per hour.
- (3) High school and college practice: \$70 per hour.
- (4) Adult and out-of-town groups: \$80.
- (5) Rock and Skate: \$3 per person, per session.
- (6) Events where admission or donation is charged: \$100 per hour.
- (7) Shows and events: \$500 per day; \$250 per day to reserve the Arena prior or post event; plus additional expenses agreed upon and included in the contract.
- (8) Performances: \$1,000 per day; \$500 per day to reserve Arena prior or post event; plus additional expenses agreed upon and included in the contract.
- (9) Use of the Arena by the Jefferson County Agriculture Society during Jefferson County Fair week: \$2,500 for the calendar year beginning January 1, 2012 and \$3,000 for the calendar year beginning January 1, 2013 and thereafter.
- (10) (Reserved)
- (11) Non-prime ice rates and usage credit program: Non-prime-time is between the hours of 6:00a.m. and 7:30a.m. and 10:30p.m. to 12:00 midnight. The non-prime-time hourly rate is \$42. Once time has been scheduled, it is non-cancelable and the scheduler will be charged. Usage credits are calculated as follows: for every four (4) hours of non-prime-time usage during a season, the user earns one (1) hour credit of non-prime-time usage. Usage credits must be used within the season earned.

B. Admission for general skating shall be payable upon entry to the facility. There

shall be no charge for spectators at general skating sessions.

- C. Reserving the use of the Arena by any group may be obtained by scheduling in advance with the City's Parks and Recreation Department and in payment of the appropriate fee as described above to the City Comptroller in advance of the reserve time use.
- D. Nothing in this section shall prohibit the City from entering into an agreement for the use of the Fairgrounds Arena, at rates other than the rates stated above. However, any such agreement shall require approval of the City Council.

and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that Section A320-6 of the City Code of the City of Watertown is amended to read as follows:

§ A320-6. Schedule of fees.

A. Fees for various business permits and licenses are as set forth below:

Type	Fee
Baseball and Softball	
Adult Leagues	\$150 per team
Youth Leagues	
Non-City resident	
T-ball	\$15 per child
Midget	\$15 per child
Grasshopper	\$15 per child
Ice skate rental, per pair	\$2
Ice skate sharpening, per pair	\$5
RV site users (Alex T. Duffy Fairgrounds)	
With utility hookup	\$20 per night
With no utility hookup	\$10 per night
Jefferson County Agriculture Society during Jefferson County Fair week (Society will be responsible for payment to the City and for collection of fees from individual sites)	\$75 per site/week
Fingerprint impressions	\$2, per card
Record of conviction checks, local	\$10 per check
Snow dump permit	\$125 per truck, up to three (3) trucks per business; \$500 flat fee for four (4) or more trucks per business
Tax certification	\$5
Tax search	\$10

and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that Section A320-9 of the City Code of the City of Watertown is amended to read as follows:

§ A320-9. Schedule of Fees.

Municipal Fairgrounds facility fees shall be as follows:

A. Municipal Fairgrounds main baseball field fees:

- (1) Single game: \$60 plus \$25 for lights.
- (2) Doubleheader (same teams): \$90 plus \$25 for lights.
- (3) Performances: \$1,000 per day; \$500 per day to reserve the field prior or post event; plus additional expenses agreed upon and included in the contract.

B. Municipal Fairgrounds main multi-use field:

- (1) \$60 per game or \$30 per hour, plus \$50 per game for lights.

C. Municipal Fairgrounds horse ring:

- (1) \$60 per show.

D. Municipal Fairgrounds rental:

- (1) \$200 per day.

E. Other athletic fields:*

- (1) Single game: \$30 per game.
- (2) Doubleheader: \$45 per game.
- (3) Performances: \$1,000 per day; \$500 per day to reserve the field prior or post event; plus additional expenses agreed upon and included in the contract.

*Other athletic fields include: Fairgrounds (3), Marble Street (2), North Elementary (5), and Kostyk field (1).

F. Tennis program:

- (1) City residents: \$5.

(2) Non-City residents: \$20.

G. Golf program:

(1) City residents: \$5.

(2) Non-City residents: \$20.

H. Saturday farmer's market at Municipal Fairgrounds:

(1) \$50 per day.

I. J.B. Wise parking lot covered walkway:

(1) \$50 per day.

J. There shall be no charge for Watertown and IHC high schools to use non-premier City-owned fields for practice.

and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this amendment shall take effect as soon as it is published once in the official newspaper of the City of Watertown, or printed as the City Manager directs.

Seconded by Council Member Joseph M. Butler, Jr.

Motion for unanimous consent moved by Council Member Jeffrey M. Smith, seconded by Council Member Joseph M. Butler, Jr. and carried with all voting in favor thereof

In regards to the \$10 charge for certified death certificate, Council Member Butler wondered if there should be any consideration for someone who needs several certified death certificate copies in order to close out financial accounts. He inquired how often requests for numerous certified copies are received.

Ann Saunders, City Clerk replied that most requests are for one to two copies but there are times when up to ten are requested depending on how many accounts have to be settled with the estate.

Council Member Macaluso stated that she did not object to the fee.

Council Member Smith said that he did not think the fee of \$10 is too much.

At the call of the chair, a vote was taken on the foregoing ordinance and carried with all voting yea except for Council Member Joseph M. Butler, Jr. voting nay.

Ordinance No. 2 - Changing the Approved Zoning Classification of 703 through 719 Washington Street, Parcels 11-12-126, 11-12-125, 11-12-124, and 11-12-123, from Limited Business District to Neighborhood Business District

Introduced by Council Member Joseph M. Butler, Jr.

BE IT ORDAINED where Hedy Cirrincione has submitted a request to change the approved zoning classification of 703 through 719 Washington Street, parcels 11-12-126, 11-12-125, 11-12-124, and 11-12-123, from Limited Business District to Neighborhood Business District, and

WHEREAS the Planning Board of the City of Watertown considered the zone change at its meetings held on March 6, 2012 and April 3, 2012, and defeated motions at both meetings recommending that the City Council approve the zone change as requested, and

WHEREAS a public hearing was held on the proposed zone change on May 7, 2012, after due public notice, and

WHEREAS the City Council has made a declaration of Negative Findings of the impacts of the proposed zone change according to the requirements of SEQRA, and

WHEREAS the City Council deems it in the best interest of the citizens of the City of Watertown to approve the requested zone change,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED that the approved zoning classification of 703 through 719 Washington Street, parcels 11-12-126, 11-12-125, 11-12-124, and 11-12-123, is hereby changed to Neighborhood Business District, and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the Zoning Map of the City of Watertown shall be amended to reflect these changes, and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED this amendment to the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Watertown shall take effect as soon as it is published once in the official newspaper of the City of Watertown, or printed as the City Manager directs.

Seconded by Mayor Jeffrey E. Graham

Motion was made by Council Member Jeffrey M. Smith to schedule a Public Hearing on the foregoing ordinance for Monday, May 7, 2012 at 7:30 P.M. Motion was seconded by Council Member Joseph M. Butler, Jr. and carried with all voting in favor thereof.

DISCUSSIONS

Public Hearings for 2012-13 Operating Budgets and 2012-13 through 2016-17 Capital

Motion was made by Council Member Roxanne M. Burns to schedule a Public Hearing on 2012 – 2013 Operating Budget and 2012 – 2013 through 2016 – 2017 Capital Budget for Monday, May 7, 2012 at 7:30 P.M. Motion was seconded by Council Member Teresa R. Macaluso and carried with all voting in favor thereof.

Budget Boards and Commissions

Mayor Graham stated that this can be considered at another time.

Sales Tax Revenue – March 2012, Third Quarter Results

A report of the Sales Tax Revenue – March 2012, Third Quarter Results was available for Council review.

April 9, 2012 Letter From Holly White, Jefferson County Office for the Aging

A letter from Holly White, Jefferson County Office for the Aging dated April 9, 2012 was given to Council for review.

Council recessed at 7:25 P.M.

Council reconvened at 7:30 P.M.

Motion was made by Council Member Council Member Joseph M. Butler, Jr. to move into Executive Session to discuss the employment history of a particular individual.

Motion was seconded by Council Member Council Member Teresa R. Macaluso and carried with all voting in favor thereof.

Council moved into Executive Session at 7:32 P.M.

Council reconvened at 7:43 P.M.

FISCAL YEAR 2012-2013 PROPOSED BUDGET PRESENTATION

Mrs. Corriveau reviewed the City's accomplishments for the fiscal year 2011-2012 highlighting the Black River Parks Projects, Franklin Street Paving, roof replacements at the City Bus Transfer Facility and the Administration Building at Thompson Park, JB Wise Parking Lot Project including the Covered Walkway, Infrastructure Improvements, the Tree Planting Program, the Winter Recreation Program in which she credited John VanBrocklin for bringing Broomball back to Watertown and the Façade and Upper Floor Apartment Improvements. She noted the legislation initiatives that were passed in regards to Noise, Dogs and the Sale of Alcohol on City Property.

In regards to the proposed budget, Mrs. Corriveau listed the challenges that the City continues to face as the growth in retirement rates, raising health insurance premiums and a structural imbalance in the General Fund. She stated that the high dependence on the fund balance cannot continue and the time has come to fix this. She indicated that retirement costs for this year will be 3.7 million dollars and will peak at 5.1 million dollars in 2014 then come down gradually but will not return to the level it was at prior to when the market fell. As far as health insurance expenses, she projected premiums to increase 5.8% for the 2012-2013 fiscal year.

Mrs. Corriveau told Council the combined City budget is 53.7 million dollars with the largest single increase being in the General Fund. She noted this is due to one time opportunity for an advance of the State Aid AIM Funding which would account for 3.1 million dollar payment for 2012-2013. In order to obtain this advance, she indicated that the chief elected official must attest that it is necessary to close a budget gap. She recommended a 3.1 million dollar appropriation for a Capital Reserve to be set up and to be used over the next four years to fund the “pay as you go” projects. She advised that there is a 2% increase in real property tax levy creating a new rate of \$7.28 per \$1,000 of assessed value. She told Council that the financial impact for a property valued at \$200,000 is \$12.84 per year. She showed Council the proposed adjustments to the Refuse Collection Program and indicated that the increases would generate an additional \$134,000 in revenue. She mentioned that the Water and Sewer Fund will not see increases this year but hopes to see growth due to Creekwood Apartments and two projects west of the City coming on line. She highlighted staffing changing within the Department of Public Works and Water Department as well as reviewed the upcoming Capital Projects. In summary, Mrs. Corriveau reviewed the City’s mission guiding principles and thanked her team for their hard work.

Council offered the following Resolution:

Resolution – Appointing John C. Krol as City Manager of the City of Watertown and Approving his Employment Agreement for Services

Introduced by

WHEREAS, the City Council of the Watertown is the appointing authority for the position of City Manager in the City of Watertown, and

WHEREAS, the current City Manager, Mary M. Corriveau, has announced her intention to vacate the position effective midnight on Tuesday, April 17, 2012, and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to appoint a City Manager, with all the power and duties of that position as contained in the Watertown City Charter and Plan C of the New York Optional City Government Law of 1914, and

WHEREAS, the Watertown City Charter empowers the Watertown City Council to enter into a contract with a City Manager for purposes of outlining the City Manager’s duties and compensation for those duties,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Watertown as follows:

John C. Krol of 41 St. Lawrence Avenue, Waddington, New York 13694 is hereby appointed to the office of City Manager of the City of Watertown effective at midnight on Tuesday, April 17, 2012, and shall take the oath of office and sign the City Clerk's oath book as soon as practicable thereafter; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Watertown hereby approves the Employment Agreement attached to, and made part of, this Resolution, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor shall sign the Employment Agreement on behalf of the City.

Seconded by Council Member Jeffrey M. Smith

Rules waived by Motion of Council Member Roxanne M. Burns, seconded by Council Member Jeffrey M. Smith and carried with all voting in favor thereof.

At the call of the chair, a vote was taken on the foregoing resolution and carried with all voting yea.

A D J O U R N M E N T

At the call of the chair, meeting was duly adjourned at 8:25 P.M. until Monday April 23, 2012 at 7:00 P.M. by motion of Council Member Joseph M. Butler, Jr., seconded by Council Member Jeffrey M. Smith and carried with all voting in favor thereof.

Ann M. Saunders
City Clerk