Special Council Meeting May 19, 2021

Mayor Decker:

The special meeting of the City of Port Jervis Common Council was held in the Council Chambers, 20 Hammond Street, Port Jervis, New York on Wednesday, May 19th, 2021, at 6:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance-

Kelly Decker led all present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Attendance-

All members of the Common Council were present except Chandler Campbell and Stanley Siegel. Mr. Siegel arrived just before executive session. Also, present were Deputy City Clerk Treasurer Bobbie Jo Muller. Corporation Counsel was absent.

Meeting opened at 6:00 pm by Mayor Kelly Decker.

Mayor Decker:

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the position of City Clerk Treasurer with possible appointment and DPW Seasonal Laborers, we have 3 items on for tonight.

Motion made by Gerald Oney, second by Timothy Simmons to approve the hiring of 3 temporary/seasonal DPW maintenance workers as follows: Cooper Hossann, Joseph Amato, Brenden Henn. These positions are limited to less than 1,020 hours per year.

AYE: 7 ABSENT: 2 (Campbell & Siegel) NAYS: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 CARRIED

Mayor Decker explained that we need an engineer for the ADA sidewalks on Pike Street. It is a CDBG project that has to be completed by 12/31/21 and has a recommendation from the bids from James Farr. Mr. Farr was the lowest bidder but was disqualified due to his connection to Jack Farr.

Motion by Gerald Oney, second by Kristin Trovei to hire H2M Architects & Engineers. Their total bid was \$39,200.00 for the ADA Sidewalks Project.

AYE: 7 ABSENT: 2 (Campbell & Siegel) NAYS: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 CARRIED

Stanley Siegel arrived.

A motion to adjourn to executive session by Timothy Simmons, second by Lisa Randazzo to discuss the City Clerk Treasurer position.

AYE: 8 ABSENT: 1 (Campbell) NAYS: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 CARRIED

Meeting adjourned to executive session at 6:04 pm. Meeting reconvened at 6:35 pm.

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Motion to reconvene the meeting to regular session by Lisa Randazzo, second by Timothy Simmons.

AYE: 8 ABSENT: 1 (Campbell) NAYS: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 CARRIED

Motion to set a provisional appointment for City Clerk Treasurer for Bobbie Jo Muller, starting with the beginning of the new pay period. This would be a provisional appointment at \$85,000 per year with revert rights to her current position if it doesn't work out within that year. Additionally, to remain Deputy until the end of this work week, including the current stipend.

Motion by Timothy Simmons, second by Maria Mann.

Stanley Siegel wants to add that the revert can be by either side, by her or The City and if the job is permanently appointed, the contract not to exceed 3 years.

Motion amended by Timothy Simmons and Maria Mann.

AYE: 8 ABSENT: 1 (Campbell) NAYS: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 CARRIED

Motion to advertise the Deputy position, as a provisional appointment based on a future test to be given that would have to be passed by Gerald Oney, second by Timothy Simmons.

AYE: 8 ABSENT: 1 (Campbell) NAYS: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 CARRIED

Motion to adjourn by Dominick Santini, second by Kristin Trovei.

AYE: 8 ABSENT: 1 (Campbell) NAYS: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 6:40 pm.

Next meeting is scheduled for 6:30 pm on May 24th, 2021, in-person in Council Chambers City Hall 20 Hammond Street, Port Jervis, New York.

Bobbie Jo Muller

Deputy City Clerk Treasurer