

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Casale called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Casale led the Pledge of Allegiance.

A moment of silence was observed for those who serve and have served in the United States military.

ROLL CALL

Present:

Councilmembers Councilmember Lee Kyriacou, At Large (LK); George Mansfield, At Large (GM); Terry Nelson, Ward One (TN); Jodi McCredo, Ward Three (JM); Amber Grant, Ward Four (AG) and Mayor Randy Casale (RC)

Total: 6, quorum present

Also Present:

City Administrator Anthony Ruggiero (AR); City Attorney Nick Ward-Willis (NWW)

Excused:

John Rembert, Ward Two (JR)

1ST OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Speakers:

- Tom Dicastro spoke about the firehouse studies and urged Council members to visit each to understand their needs.
- Dennis Pavelock spoke about keeping all three firehouses and complaints about dog feces in Green Street Park.
- Stosh Yankowski spoke about the Verizon lease and plans for future proposed sites.
- Melissa Holland spoke about the potential for an increase in traffic when the new buildings are occupied and asked if there is a plan.
- Theresa Kraft spoke about the Tioronda Bridge.

PUBLIC HEARING

- **A continuation of a public hearing to receive public comment on a proposed Local Law to delete Chapter 183 entitled "Signs" and to amend Chapter 223 Sections 15 and 63 of Code of the City of Beacon, concerning sign regulations in the City of Beacon**

Speakers:

- Catherine Cole questioned if the law would affect real estate signs.
- Dennis Pavelock asked about real estate signs.

- Motion made by JM, seconded by AG to **adjourn the public hearing to January 22, 2019.**
The motion was carried unanimously by voice vote.

- **A public hearing to receive public comment on a proposed local law to create Chapter 42 of the Code of the City of Beacon to establish a Municipal Identification Program in the City of Beacon**

Speakers:

- Vanessa Cid spoke in favor of Municipal IDs.
- Diana Lopez from Kington spoke in favor of Municipal IDs.

- Julie Winterbottom spoke in support of Municipal IDs.
- Barry Skura Hudson Valley NY Civil Liberties Union spoke in favor of Municipal IDs.
- Ava Bynum spoke in favor of Municipal IDs.
- Vanessa Lawson spoke in favor of Municipal IDs.
- Tina Bernstein spoke in favor of Municipal IDs.
- Antonia Maeck spoke in favor of Municipal IDs.
- Dennis Pavelock questioned the need for Municipal IDs and asked why people couldn't go to DMV for one.
- Jess Conway spoke in favor of Municipal IDs.
- Nicole Wooten thanked the Council and the Mayor and spoke in support of Municipal IDs.
- Veronica Finnegan spoke in support of Municipal IDs.

➤ Motion made by AG, seconded by JM to **close the public hearing**. The motion was carried unanimously by voice vote.

A public hearing to receive public comment on a proposed local law to repeal Chapter 223, Article III, Section 24.8 and to amend Chapter 223, Attachment 2 of the Code of the City of Beacon concerning amusement centers containing only vintage amusement devices

Speakers:

- Mayor Casale read into record an email he received from Paulette-Meyers Rich (see attached).
- Theresa Kraft asked if this was a way to bring in a large amusement center.
- Dennis Pavelock agrees with lifting the ban and suggested keeping an amusement center by itself.

➤ Motion made by TN, seconded by GM to **close the public hearing**. The motion was carried unanimously by voice vote.

COUNCIL REPORTS

- AG- thanked all for coming out and speaking at the meeting. Requests the Historic Property list be put on for a January workshop.
- LK – does not support the resolution re: the Tioronda Bridge as drafted with respect to residential properties. Spoke about the Bridge being in the historic overlay zone and requiring a certificate of appropriateness before any alteration can occur. Would like to see an Historic Bridge designer develop a plan.
- no report
- GM – wished all safe and happy holidays.
- JM –thanked all for feedback and wished all safe and happy holidays
- TN – thanked all for their participation, email and phone calls. Wished all happy holidays.
- RC – announced board vacancies and possible vacancies; will be taking applications. Discussed a petition received regarding the Tioronda Bridge and that it needed to be vetted.
- AR – announced this was the last meeting of the year; shared City Hall's holiday hours and announced that the City will be initiating a public notification system called Swift911 which will be operational early 2019.

LOCAL LAWS AND RESOLUTIONS

1. **A resolution adopting a Local Law to create Chapter 42 of the code of the City of Beacon to establish a Municipal Identification Program in the City of Beacon**
 - ▷ A motion was made by TN, seconded by AG **to adopt**. The **motion was carried** unanimously by roll call vote.
2. **A resolution setting a public hearing for February 4, 2019 to receive public comment on a proposed Local Law to amend Section 223-24.5 of the Code of the City of Beacon and to refer proposed local law to the Dutchess County Planning Board and the City Planning Board for a report and recommendation**
 - ▷ A motion was made by TN, seconded by GM **to adopt**. The **motion was carried** unanimously by voice vote.
3. **A resolution adopting a policy for banners across Main Street**
 - ▷ A motion was made by TN, seconded by JM **to adopt**. The **motion was carried** unanimously by roll call vote.
4. **A resolution authorizing execution of agreement with Weston & Sampson for Site Improvement Design Services at The Pete And Toshi Seeger Riverfront Park**
 - ▷ A motion was made by TN, seconded by GM **to adopt**. The **motion was carried** unanimously by roll call vote.
5. **A resolution authorizing lease with Verizon Wireless to allow co-location of a rooftop antenna on Mase Hook and Ladder Building**
 - ▷ A motion was made by TN, seconded by GM **to adopt**. The **motion was carried** unanimously by roll call vote.
6. **A resolution ratifying award of contract with McMillen Bros. for emergency replacement of furnace in Memorial Building**
 - ▷ A motion was made by JM, seconded by TN **to adopt**. The **motion was carried** unanimously by roll call vote.
7. **A resolution referring the Tioronda Bridge Historic Preservation question to Planning Board**
 - ▷ A motion was made by LK, seconded by AG to amend the language of the resolution. The **motion was carried** unanimously by voice vote.
 - ▷ A motion was made by GM, seconded by TN to adopt the amended resolution. The **motion was carried** unanimously by voice vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- ▷ A motion was made by JM, seconded by TN **to approve** the minutes from December 3, 2018. The **motion was carried** unanimously by voice vote.

Budget Amendments:

- A **motion was made** by LK, seconded by JM **to approve** the Budget Amendments. The **motion was carried** unanimously by voice vote.

2ND OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

No speakers.

Adjournment:

- A motion was made by TN, seconded by JM to adjourn the meeting. The motion was carried unanimously by voice vote.

Next Council Meeting is Monday, January 7, 2019 at 7:00 PM.

Next Council Workshop is Monday, January 7, 2018 at 7:00 PM.

A video recording of this meeting in its entirety can be found here -<http://www.cityofbeacon.org/Government/videos.htm>

Submitted by Lisa Edelson

COUNCIL MEETING SIGN-IN SHEET

DATE: 12 / 17 / 2018

Print Name (clearly – so we can spell it correctly in the record)	General Comment	Public Hearing Topic	Preferred contact information
✓ Vanessa Cid	✓	Municipal I.D	
		arcade	
✓ Dennis Pavelock	✓	arcade	
✓ Tom DiGastri	✓		
✓ Diana Lopez		Municipal ID	
✓ STOSH YAKOWSKI	✓		
✓ Julie Winterbottom		Municipal ID	
✓ BARRY SKURA		Municipal ID	
✓ Ava / Bynum		Municipal ID	
✓ Vanessa Lawson		Municipal ID	
✓ MELISSA HOWARD	✓		
✓ Tina Bernstein		Municipal ID	
ANTONIA MAXUK	✓	" "	

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General Comment

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