CITY OF ITHACA CITY COUNCIL MEETING August 20, 2025 4:00 PM

The rescheduled regular meeting of the City of Ithaca City Council was called to order by Mayor Brett Baublitz at 4:00pm. and followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Present were Mayor Brett Baublitz, Councilpersons James Andrew, Rob Endter, Clark Hubbard, Rick Koppleberger and Kristyn Roethlisberger. Staff present was City Manager Jamey Conn and City Clerk Cathy Cameron.

Absent was Councilperson Alison Lombardi.

Additional staff present was Water & Sewer Superintendent Jarred Waldron.

Audience in attendance was Shannon McKnight.

Moved by Hubbard, second by Koppleberger to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held August 5, 2025. Motion carried.

Moved by Koppleberger, second by Hubbard to excuse Councilperson Lombardi. Motion carried.

Mayor Baublitz asked for approval of the agenda and for any items to be removed from the Consent Agenda.

Moved by Hubbard, second by Roethlisberger to approve the Agenda including the Consent Agenda. Motion carried.

Public Comment

Mayor Baublitz asked for public comment. There was none.

Consent Agenda

Moved by Hubbard, second by Andrew to approve the consent agenda items as listed:

- City Manager's written report included updates and information on Westwind Lots, Police Contract, US-27 Motor Tour, DPW Interviews, Pine River Street and B#4 Run/Walk.
- Ithaca Unit Report July 2025.
- Financial Reports July 2025.
- Claims submitted to the Ways and Means Committee by City Treasurer Klifman and recommended for payment: Accounts Payable Checks #50833-50872, #1037(A), 34(A), #1258 and Payroll Checks #17112-17116, DD #3378-3391, EFT #2041-2045 as listed in the Check Register Book.
- Correspondence received was none.

Motion carried by Roll Call Vote:

Aves: (6) Koppleberger, Roethlisberger, Andrew, Endter, Hubbard, Baublitz

Nos: (0) None Absent: (1) Lombardi

Committee/Department Reports

There was none.

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City Manager Comments

Manager Conn reported that he received a call from a person who is relocating from the Lansing area, that is interested in purchasing a lot in Westwind's. A few days later, her realtor called with news that the same contractor/developer is interested in purchasing all six available lots to build houses on. He informed council that he has been in communications with this developer since then. Discussion was held. Council authorized Manager Conn to negotiate price and terms with the developer, to bring back to council for consideration.

Manager Conn informed council that he will be meeting with the Interim County Administrator next week to discuss the police services contract. He inquired if any council wanted to be in attendance with him at the meeting. Consensus of the Council was to just have himself meet with the county for negotiations and report back to council with the information.

Manager Conn provided an update on the DPW interviews to fill the open full-time position.

Unfinished Business

There was none.

New Business

Manager Conn presented the EGLE Administrative Consent Order Response draft from our legal team with their notes added on the side for our review. Discussion was held.

Moved by Hubbard, second by Andrew to approve the EGLE Administrative Consent Order Response as submitted and authorize its submission to EGLE. Motion carried.

Manager Conn presented the Isabella Corporation Change Order for the Pine River Street Project. The overall project with changes made came back to \$1,350 in the city's favor.

Moved by Andrew, second by Endter to accept the change order from Isabella Corporation. Motion carried.

Clerk Cameron requested Council to appoint Treasurer Klifman to the Election Commission for the November General Election 2025. By Charter the City Assessor will also serve on the commission.

Moved by Koppleberger, second by Hubbard to appoint Treasurer Klifman to the Election Commission. Motion carried.

Public Comment

Mayor Baublitz asked for public comments. There was none.

Announcements

Mayor Baublitz asked Water & Sewer Superintendent Waldron a few questions regarding EGLE.

Moved by Hubbard, second by Roethlisberger to adjourn. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 4:19pm.

Approved 9-2-2025

Cathy Cameron

Cathy Cameron, City Clerk