

The regular meeting of the Mechanicville City Council was held at the Senior Center, North Main Street, Mechanicville, NY, on Wednesday, February 2, 2011. Comm. Seber opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Mayor Sylvester - absent
Comm. Seber - present
Comm. Chauvin - present
Comm. Higgins - present
Comm. Hipwell - present

Comm. Hipwell led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Comm. Seber, seconded by Comm. Hipwell, moved that the minutes of the regular meeting of January 19, 2011 be accepted as prepared. Roll Call: Affirmative – all. Negative – none.

Comm. Seber rescheduled the presentation from the Charter Committee to the March 2nd meeting.

Comm. Chauvin had nothing to report at this time.

Comm. Higgins spoke about the snow emergency.

Comm. Hipwell reported that on March 19th a dance will be held at the Community Service Center for 6th to 8th graders from 7 to 10:00 p.m. Warned people to be careful with all the snow and ice that is hanging from houses.

Chief Waldron reported that they towed 36 cars and issued 100 tickets during the snowstorm. Thanked Comm. Higgins for doing such a great job.

Comm. Seber said they will close the regular meeting to go into a public hearing on Ordinance 2011-1 To Amend Section 183-22A(1) Of The City Code To Provide For A Snow Emergency Declaration.

Comm. Hipwell, seconded by Comm. Higgins, moved that the regular meeting be closed at 7:05 p.m. to open the public hearing. Roll Call: Affirmative – all. Negative – none.

Comm. Seber said the ordinance provides for a snow emergency to be in effect when the snow in the city reaches 3 inches and that Comm. Higgins will notify the police department and the news media that a snow emergency is in effect.

No one had any questions on this.

Motion made by Comm. Chauvin, seconded by Comm. Hipwell, that the public hearing be adjourned at 7:06 p.m. and that the regular meeting be re-opened. Roll Call: Affirmative – all. Negative – none.

Comm. Seber opened the meeting up to public comment.

Bob Murphy, 141 South 2nd Street, said the snow emergency law should be consistent. Said the last time it snowed, the people on his street moved their cars to one side of the road but the police came by

and said there wasn't a snow emergency. Said there has to be consistency in the snow emergency law.

Sam Carabis, Elizabeth Street, talked about snow removal.

Dennis Baker, Broadway and Nick Izzo, Mulberry Street, also talked about the snow removal and complimented DPW on doing a good job of removing the snow.

Comm. Seber said next on the agenda was Final Consideration of Ordinance 2011-1 to Amend Section 183-22 of the Mechanicville City Code Snow Emergencies.

Motion made by Comm. Higgins, seconded by Comm. Chauvin. Roll Call: Affirmative – all. Negative – none.

Comm. Seber read RES. NO. 19-11 APPOINTING FAITH FRUCI
DEPUTY COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Introduced by Comm. Hipwell, seconded by Comm. Chauvin. Roll Call: Affirmative – all. Negative – none.

Comm. Seber read RES. NO. 20-11 APPOINTMENT OF AUSTIN
MCGUIRE AS A FULL TIME POLICE OFFICER

Introduced by Comm. Chauvin, seconded by Comm. Higgins. Roll Call: Affirmative – all. Negative – none.

Comm. Chauvin read RES. NO. 21-11 PAYROLL AND VOUCHERS

Introduced by Comm. Chauvin, seconded by Comm. Seber. Roll Call: Affirmative – all. Negative – none.

No new or old business.

Comm. Chauvin, seconded by Comm. Higgins, moved that the meeting be adjourned at 7:32 p.m. Roll Call: Affirmative – all. Negative – none.