

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON
September 14, 2022

The regular meeting of the Mechanicville City Council was held at the Senior Center, 178 North Main Street, Mechanicville, New York on Wednesday September 14, 2022.

Mayor Butler: Called the meeting to order at 6:02 P.M.

Mayor Butler led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Roll Call:	Mayor Butler	Present
	Commissioner Seber	Present
	Commissioner Johnson	Present
	Commissioner Hosley	Present

Motion to accept the August 10, 2022 Meeting Minutes:

Motion: Mayor Butler Seconded by: Commissioner Seber

AYES: 4 NAYES: 0

Commissioner Reports:

Mayor Butler stated the construction on the Hemstreet Park Bridge is complete on the top of the bridge so there will not be any more delays with traffic but they will still be working underneath so you may see some construction vehicles in the area. ADA compliant ramps at the intersections on Central Avenue are being worked on and they are hoping to have them completed by the end of the week, and are hoping within the next few weeks begin repairing the 65-75 structures that need to be brought back up to grade which will take another two weeks and not till then will they begin blacktopping. Mayor Butler stated the Town of Halfmoon is going to replace the culvert by Cascades therefore starting September 19th the south end of main street will not be available for traffic and the school system has been made aware and this will last at least four (4) weeks.

Commissioner Seber stated the water meters have been read and they are working on the problems that arise when the meters are read. He went on to say the bill will be sent out by October 1st and will be due by October 31st. Commissioner Seber stated the sidewalk bids were open and there was only 1 bidder which the City came in way too high so there is a resolution to reject the bid. He went on to say this is the 3rd set of bids this year in which two (2) of them were just way too high and one (1) they didn't receive any bids. He added it was very disappointing but the City would try it again in the spring.

Commissioner Johnson gave his treasurers report which is attached to the minutes.

Commissioner Hosley stated over forty (40) Seniors attended the County picnic where they ate, danced, and had a terrific time and they will be going to see pretty woman at Proctor's on November 9th. He went on to say that on October 13th two gentlemen will be coming in to meet with the Seniors discussing Medicare and Medicaid since this is the time of year people can change their plans. He added they will meet with people individually where they will collect health information and medications that are taken and they will input everything in the computer and then they tell you what the best plan is for you, he stated he has personally met with them and he was very pleased with it. Lastly, Commissioner Hosley stated today was the last day to purchase a banner with a guarantee they will be hung before spring any banners ordered after today will be put on a list to be put up in the spring first come first served basis. As if today he stated there were three hundred and one (301) banners sold and stated this would have never been possible if it weren't for his Secretary Kim Noonan and Deputy Commissioner April.

Chief Rabbitt gave his monthly report which is attached to the minutes, he went on to say on August 31st they did a community NARCAN training at the Community Center where they trained over 20 community members and provided them with kits, they still have some left if anyone is interested they need to contact the Police Department. He went on to say Drug Take Back day is October 29th at CVS on Central Avenue.

Public Comment:

Tom Mahoney of The Express asked for clarification of the South Main Street culvert project.

Mayor Butler explained they are taking the culvert out and the road will be closed completely.

Ed Landy of 162 Railroad Street stated he is the Family Day Committee Chairperson and the City has been giving the Committee \$3000 the past several years and they are looking to see if that can be increased to \$5000.

Mayor Butler stated that they get more than \$3000 since the City pays overtime for both Police and DPW workers and the DPW workers getting the park ready for the day which probably is closer than \$10,000 but they will see what they can do.

Ed Landy stated he appreciates it.

Barb McGuire of 101 South Second Avenue asked how the resolution to pay mileage for 10 miles a day came about.

Mayor Butler stated he had a discussion with Andrew and that is what they came up with.

Barb McGuire asked if there was a reason he wasn't using a City vehicle.

Mayor Butler stated at this time they do not have an extra vehicle for him to use.

Barb McGuire stated she knows that if there is an accident it is on you but is there other liability the City would be responsible for.

Commissioner Seber stated anyone driving work related is covered under the City's policy.

Barb McGuire asked the City Attorney to confirm this.

City Attorney Lyn Murphy stated driving to and from work you are not covered but if you are engaged in the business of the City you would be covered.

Barb McGuire asked who came up with the \$5000 agreement with David Sims.

Mayor Butler stated the negotiations between the City and CSEA.

Barb McGuire stated in the MOA it appears he was fired unjustly and she wants to know who mistake that was.

Mayor Butler stated he does not believe that is what is stated and that is just her interpretation.

Barb McGuire stated it seems there is no reason listed on the resolution as to why Matt Coreno is being made permanent.

Mayor Butler stated he feels Matt deserves this and has proven his ability over the past several months and believes that is a needed position.

Barb McGuire asked if this means the Mayor would no longer be involved with DPW.

Mayor Butler stated he will still be doing it part-time.

Barb McGuire asked where the City stood on the garbage disposal.

Commissioner Seber stated the only thing that has changed is the City is now getting about \$1500 back per month for the recyclables and he is hoping one way or another they will have it resolved by the next meeting.

Barb McGuire stated there was one (1) free banner in the beginning and asked if there were any other free banners given out.

Commissioner Hosley stated none that he is aware of.

Kim Dunn of 250 South Main Street stated she thinks the working supervisor position is needed and is happy they are doing it but stated that it appears the Council is appointing someone as Commissioner of Public Works.

Commissioner Seber stated that was not accurate and there are no plans at this time to appoint a Commissioner.

Kim Dunn asked Mayor Butler if he would still be getting \$500 a week and how long that would be happening for.

Mayor Butler stated that was correct and he would be doing it until someone is elected.

Kim Dunn stated she went to the Civil Service meeting and there were two (2) resignations but there have not been any resolutions for this and they did not have the resignation letter.

Mayor Butler stated that is on him he has not had a chance to meet up with them to get the letters.

Kim Dunn stated that he already filled out the 426A but has not yet received the resignation letters but once he does they will have a resolution to accept them.

Mayor Butler stated that was correct.

Kim Dunn stated he has come up several times in the past and the previous Attorney and the insurance company have stated in the past employees should not be using their personal vehicles. She stated it is her personal opinion that it is a liability for them to use their personal vehicle. She went on to say that she is not following the money being disbursed in the MOA resolution.

Commissioner Seber stated they are settlements of grievances.

Kim Dunn asked if monetary settlements are typically given.

Commissioner Seber stated it is not without precedent.

Kim Dunn asked how much in addition to the standard employee benefits did Jim Herkel get paid.

Commissioner Seber stated he was paid his unused vacation time and he was employed and paid up to September 9th.

Kim Dunn asked from when until September 9th was he put on paid administrative leave.

Mayor Butler stated September 7th.

Commissioner Seber summarized he was paid through the week ending September 9th and for his unused vacation time. He went on to say he worked on the 7th of September and was paid for the 8th and 9th of September.

John Snyder of 706 Park Avenue asked if the City would be holding the Fall Cleanup at the DPW garage.

Mayor Butler stated they would not be but residents could bring their stuff over there during normal business hours daily.

John Snyder stated he had some code issues across from his house and he reached out to the Code Enforcement Officer and it was rapidly fixed.

Lydia Tironi of 138 North Second street stated the intersection between Mabbett, Railroad, and Broadway is very dangerous and she feels something needs to be done and suggested possible speed bumps.

Resolutions:

RESOLUTION 94-2022 Re-appointment of Zoning Board of Appeals Members

Moved by: Mayor Butler
Seconded by: Commissioner Johnson

AYES: 4 NAYS: 0

RESOLUTION 95-2022 Mileage

Moved by: Mayor Butler
Seconded by: Commissioner Hoslet

AYES: 4 NAYS: 0

RESOLUTION 96-2022 Sidewalk Bid

Moved by: Commissioner Seber
Seconded by: Mayor Butler

AYES: 4 NAYS: 0

RESOLUTION 97-2022 Dam Improvement Contract Award

Moved by: Mayor Butler
Seconded by: Commissioner Hosley

AYES: 4 NAYS: 0

RESOLUTION 98-2022 CSEA Memorandum of Agreement

Moved by: Mayor Butler
Seconded by: Commissioner Johnson

AYES: 4 NAYS: 0

RESOLUTION 99-2022 Resignation - Police

Moved by: Mayor Butler
Seconded by: Commissioner Hosley

AYES: 4 NAYS: 0

RESOLUTION 100-2022 Dodge Durango

Moved by: Mayor Butler
Seconded by: Commissioner Hosley

AYES: 4 NAYS: 0

RESOLUTION 101-2022 Part-Time Police Officer

Moved by: Mayor Butler
Seconded by: Commissioner Hosley

AYES: 4 NAYS: 0

RESOLUTION 102-2022 Resignation - Police

Moved by: Mayor Butler
Seconded by: Commissioner Hosley

AYES: 4 NAYS: 0

RESOLUTION 103-2022 Working Supervisor

Moved by: Commissioner Hosley
Seconded by: Mayor Butler

AYES: 4 NAYS: 0

RESOLUTION 104-2022 Code Enforcement Officer

Moved by: Mayor Butler
Seconded by: Commissioner Hosley

AYES: 4 NAYS: 0

RESOLUTION 105-2022 Budget Amendment

Moved by: Commissioner Johnson
Seconded by: Mayor Butler

AYES: 4 NAYS: 0

RESOLUTION 106-2022 Payroll and Vouchers

Moved by: Commissioner Johnson
Seconded by: Commissioner Hosley

AYES: 4 NAYS: 0

NEW BUSINESS:

Commissioner Hosley stated that Sheriff Michael Zurlo met with the Seniors to introduce the Yellow Dot Program. He explained the Yellow Dot Program is a program in which you place a yellow dot on your rear windshield of your car which is an indication to first responders that there is paperwork in the glove box containing important contact and medical information in the event the person is unable to provide it. It was mentioned that this can also be done on the front door of a house indicating the paperwork is in the freeze again in the instance you need medical assistance and are unable to provide it.

OLD BUSINESS: None

Close Meeting: 6:39 P.M.

Moved by: Mayor Butler

Seconded by: Commissioner Johnson

AYES: 4 NAYS: 0

City of Mechanicville
Treasurer's Report for the Month of August 2022

	Balance 8/1/2022	Receipts	Disbursements	Balance 8/31/2022
General Fund:				
Checking	3,760,982.31	192,788.86	598,556.36	3,355,214.81
Petty Cash	400.00	0.00	0.00	400.00
Total General Fund	<u>3,761,382.31</u>	<u>192,788.86</u>	<u>598,556.36</u>	<u>3,355,614.81</u>
City Clerk Account	<u>0.00</u>	<u>2,650.00</u>	<u>2,650.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Payroll	<u>-3,467.92</u>	<u>271,887.00</u>	<u>268,929.46</u>	<u>-510.38</u>
Capital Fund	<u>1,240,022.59</u>		<u>312,792.20</u>	<u>927,230.39</u>
Escrow Account	<u>10,328.21</u>	<u>9.25</u>		<u>10,337.46</u>
Central Ave Drainage Project	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Community Development				
Home Grant Program	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
USDA Revolving Loan Funds	<u>71,493.72</u>	<u>500.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>71,993.72</u>
Total Community Development	<u>71,493.72</u>	<u>500.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>71,993.72</u>
Total Cash	<u>5,086,623.77</u>	<u>467,835.11</u>	<u>1,182,928.02</u>	<u>4,371,530.86</u>

City of Mechanicville Treasurer's Report for the Month of August 2022

	General Fund	City Clerk	Payroll	Capital Fund	Escrow Account	Central Ave Drain	2015 Home Grant	USDA
Balance 8/1/22								
Checking	3,760,982.31	0.00	-3,467.92	1,240,022.59	10,328.21	0.00	0.00	71,493.72
Petty Cash	400.00							
Total	<u>3,761,382.31</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>-3,467.92</u>	<u>1,240,022.59</u>	<u>10,328.21</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>71,493.72</u>
Add Cash Receipts:								
Taxes, Penalties & Interest	11,765.09							
School Taxes & Penalties	11,146.34							
Water & Sewer Revenues	44,690.89							
Sales Tax	73,210.00							
State Aid and Grants	7,001.17							
Interest								
Transfers			271,887.00		9.25			
Capital Projects								
BAN/Bond Proceeds								
Other	44,975.37	2,650.00						500.00
Total Cash Receipts	<u>192,788.86</u>	<u>2,650.00</u>	<u>271,887.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>9.25</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>500.00</u>
Less Cash Disbursements:								
Payrolls	271,745.89		268,929.46					
Warrants	326,810.47	2,650.00		312,691.16				
Debt Service Payments				101.04				
Transfers								
Total Cash Disbursements	<u>598,556.36</u>	<u>2,650.00</u>	<u>268,929.46</u>	<u>312,792.20</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Book Balance 8/31/22	<u>3,355,614.81</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>-510.38</u>	<u>927,230.39</u>	<u>10,337.46</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>71,993.72</u>
Less: Deposits in Transit	6,813.10	0.00						
Add: O/S Checks	143,587.07	2,650.00	11,756.48					
Bank Balance 8/31/22	<u>3,492,388.78</u>	<u>2,650.00</u>	<u>11,246.10</u>	<u>927,230.39</u>	<u>10,337.46</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>71,993.72</u>

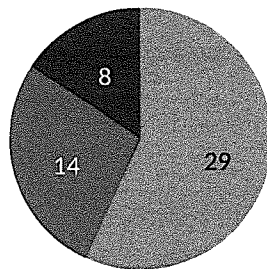
August 2022 Report

August 1, 2022 - August 31, 2022



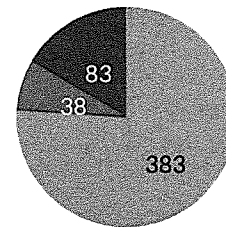
Warrants	EMS/Fire	Arrests	Total Incidents Month	Total Incidents YTD
Active Warrants 46	EMS/Fire Calls 60	Monthly 41	475	3719
Cleared Warrants YTD 60	EMS/Fire Calls YTD 521	YTD 335	Domestic Incidents Month 28	Domestic Incidents YTD 212

MONTHLY ARREST CHARGES



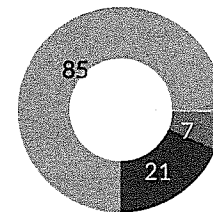
Misdemeanor (56.86%) Violation (27.45%)
 Felony (15.69%)

YEAR TO DATE ARREST CHARGES



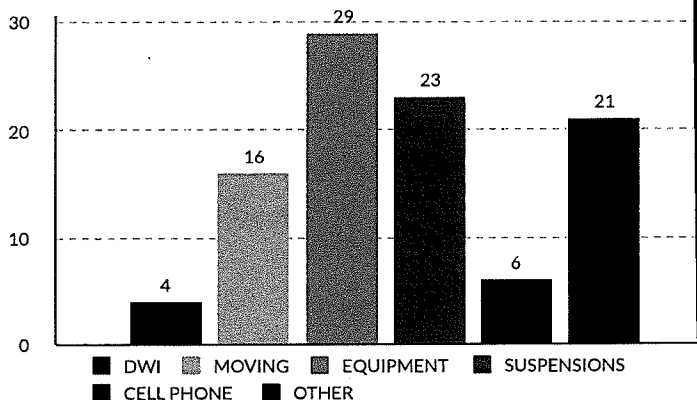
Misdemeanor (75.99%) Violation (7.54%)
 Felony (16.47%)

YTD TRAFFIC CRASHES



PROPERTY DAMAGE (75.22%)
 PERSONAL INJURY (6.19%)
 HIT AND RUN (18.58%)

MONTHLY TRAFFIC TICKETS 99



YEAR TO DATE TRAFFIC TICKETS 918

