

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD ON  
October 12, 2022

The regular meeting of the Mechanicville City Council was held at the Senior Center, 178 North Main Street, Mechanicville, New York on Wednesday October 12, 2022.

Mayor Butler: Called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

Mayor Butler led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

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

Motion to accept the September 14, 2022 Meeting Minutes:

Motion: Mayor Butler      Seconded by: Commissioner Johnson

AYES: 4                      NAYES: 0

**Commissioner Reports:**

Mayor Butler stated they have begun milling Central Avenue and will be doing so until Friday in which Friday they will be working from 8pm-8am, and Friday is the only day they will be working these hours, paving is scheduled to begin next week. He announced there will be a Veteran's Day Ceremony on Friday November 11<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 am in Tallmadge Park. He added he has been notified the Holiday Train will be returning to Mechanicville on November 27<sup>th</sup> but does not have the arrival time at this point, he will let everyone know the time at the next meeting. Mayor Butler congratulated the Mechanicville-Stillwater breast cancer committee for a beautiful day in the park. He stated as of today they have raised over \$50,000 and more money is still coming in.

Commissioner Seber stated that the water collection is going smoothly and that there is no resolution with the trash situation at this point but they have a meeting next week so he hopes to have an answer either way at the next meeting. He added there will be an executive session after the meeting for Police negotiations and they will not be taking any action after.

Commissioner Johnson gave the treasurers report which is attached to the minutes. He added his office is working on the budget at this time and has met with a few of the Commissioners already and has more meetings set up in the next week or so. He went on to say he will be

having a budget workshop on November 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm at the Senior Citizen Building 178 North Main Street. He added he will be allowing the public to speak each person who wishes to speak will have two (2) minutes. Commissioner Johnson stated his office is creating a new time sheet for the employees as their paycheck stubs will now have the time off information on them.

Commissioner Hosley thanked everyone who purchased banners for their patience with them being put up. He added there is always a lot of negativity talks about within the city but with the purchase of so many banners it shows people still have an incredible amount of pride for their city. He added there would be two gentlemen at the Senior Center on Thursday at 1:00 pm to help residents with questions regarding Medicare and Medicare supplements and all residents are welcome to attend. He stated his office will be doing the memory trees again this year and at this time they do not have a price or arrival date but if residents are interested, they can call and reserve their tree and next week the map will be ready for people to pick their tree location. He went on to say there has been extensive electrical work done in the park and there is a new plan for keeping them upright this year. Commissioner Hosley stated the high school choir is putting on a concert for the Seniors on Monday October 17<sup>th</sup>.

Chief Rabbitt gave his monthly report which is attached to the minutes, he went on to say there is a receptacle in the Police lobby for unwanted medications, he added anything that you can bring to the drug take backs you can bring there. He announced the drug take back will be held on October 29<sup>th</sup> from 10 am – 2 pm at CVS on Central Avenue. He went to say the Police Department will be teaming up with the Elks for the Trunk or Treat on October 30<sup>th</sup>.

**Public Comment:**

Marylou Cebula of 28 Lee Street asked if everyone in City Hall including the Commissioners would have the time on their paystubs.

Commissioner Johnson stated that is for sick leave and annual leave balance and the Commissioners don't have a balance to keep track of. She asked if the resolution in regards to the rate increase for administering exams or physical agility test for civil service was for the person who oversees the test.

Commissioner Seber stated it was for whoever monitors/proctors the test.

Dave Hicks of 241 First Avenue asked if there were any parameters given for the eldercare transportation since his past experiences have not been successful. He asked if anything was going forward with the dredging.

Commissioner Seber stated they signed the contracts for the dam work today and it can't start before November 1<sup>st</sup>. He went on to say the bids for the dredging were over what they have so the Council needs to make a decision on whether they want to re-bid it in the spring, come up with some more money, or borrow some more money. Commissioner Seber stated the dredging portion is probably not going to begin until spring.

Dave Hicks asked what the problem was with the water.

Mayor Butler and Commissioner Seber stated they did not know there was problem with the water.

Dave Hicks asked if the 85 Chevrolet van being auctioned off was the animal control van.

Mayor Butler stated they are still using the animal control van the one being auctioned off is the big green box van.

Dave Hicks stated when unwanted drugs are turned in the labels need to be removed.

Chief Rabbitt stated he is aware of that and it is stated on the container where you put them.

Dave Hicks stated it would be easier to understand the budget report if it where in a graph. He added arrows need to be put on First Avenue as many cars go the wrong way off of Central Avenue. Lastly, he asked if anyone has talked to the higher ups about meter consolidation.

Kim Dunn of 250 South Main Street asked how much the City received in grant money and if it has been awarded yet.

Commissioner Seber stated it was \$600,000 and has not been awarded yet it is in the administrative phase.

Kim Dunn asked if they received a lot of applications.

Commissioner Seber stated they had and this cycle is different than the others as it is set up for single family homes not two-family homes.

Kim Dunn asked where the City stood with people who challenged their assessments.

Commissioner Seber stated two (2) cases went to small claims court in which the City won one (1) and lost one (1), there is one (1) in Supreme Court that has not been heard yet, and the high-rise is also in Supreme Court but has not been heard yet.

Kim Dunn stated there should be more than one (1) budget workshop and only allowing two (2) minutes is ridiculous. She asked if there is an idea of the trash costs.

Commissioner Seber stated right now the billing is at \$80 a ton which is what they are negotiating but added the City is now getting a \$1500 rebate every month for recycling rebates.

Kim Dunn asked why it is never advertised when there are jobs opened in City. She said it is nice that there is something on the webpage about the Central Avenue road work but that should have been done all along and there should be information on the webpage about where NYSEG is working. She added the City needs to do a lot better with the webpage and informing the public.

**Resolutions:**

RESOLUTION 107-2022 Eldercare Agreement

Moved by: Mayor Butler

Seconded by: Commissioner Hosley

AYES: 4 NAYS: 0

RESOLUTION 108-2022 DPW Laborer

Moved by: Mayor Butler

Seconded by: Commissioner Hosley

AYES: 4 NAYS: 0

RESOLUTION 109-2022 Civil Service Test Administrator Rate

Moved by: Mayor Butler

Seconded by: Commissioner Hosley

AYES: 4 NAYS: 0

RESOLUTION 110-2022 Auction Bids

Moved by: Commissioner Seber

Seconded by: Mayor Butler

AYES: 4 NAYS: 0

RESOLUTION 111-2022 Motor Equipment Operator (MEO)

Moved by: Mayor Butler

Seconded by: Commissioner Johnson

AYES: 4 NAYS: 0

RESOLUTION 112-2022 Budget Transfers

Moved by: Commissioner Johnson  
Seconded by: Mayor Butler

AYES: 4    NAYS: 0

RESOLUTION 113-2022 Budget Amendments

Moved by: Commissioner Johnson  
Seconded by: Commissioner Hosley

AYES: 4    NAYS: 0

RESOLUTION 106-2022 Payroll and Vouchers

Moved by: Commissioner Johnson  
Seconded by: Commissioner Hosley

AYES: 4    NAYS: 0

NEW BUSINESS:    None

OLD BUSINESS:    None

Close Meeting:    6:27 P.M.

Moved by:    Mayor Butler  
Seconded by: Commissioner Johnson

AYES: 4    NAYS: 0

Executive Session

Meeting Adjournment:    7:25 P.M.

Moved by:    Mayor Butler  
Seconded by: Commissioner Hosley

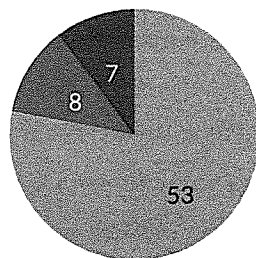
# September 2022 Report

September 1, 2022 - September 30, 2022



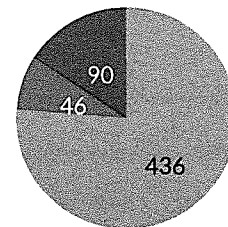
| Warrants                          | EMS/Fire                         | Arrests              | Total Incidents Month                 | Total Incidents YTD                  |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Active Warrants<br><b>43</b>      | EMS/Fire Calls<br><b>59</b>      | Monthly<br><b>48</b> | <b>465</b>                            | <b>4184</b>                          |
| Cleared Warrants YTD<br><b>67</b> | EMS/Fire Calls YTD<br><b>580</b> | YTD<br><b>383</b>    | Domestic Incidents Month<br><b>21</b> | Domestic Incidents YTD<br><b>233</b> |

## MONTHLY ARREST CHARGES

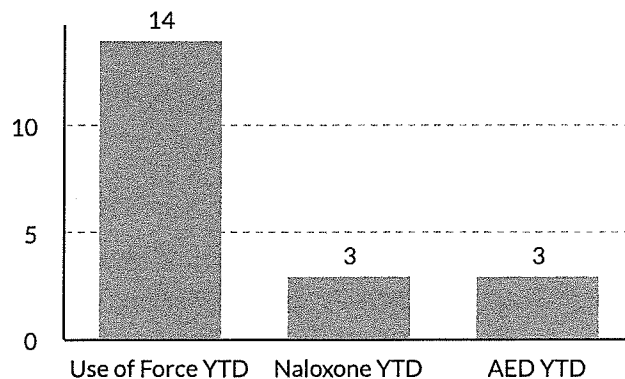


Misdemeanor (77.94%)   Violation (11.76%)  
 Felony (10.29%)

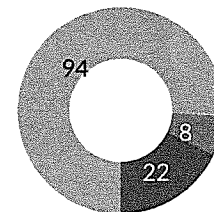
## YEAR TO DATE ARREST CHARGES



Misdemeanor (76.22%)   Violation (8.04%)  
 Felony (15.73%)

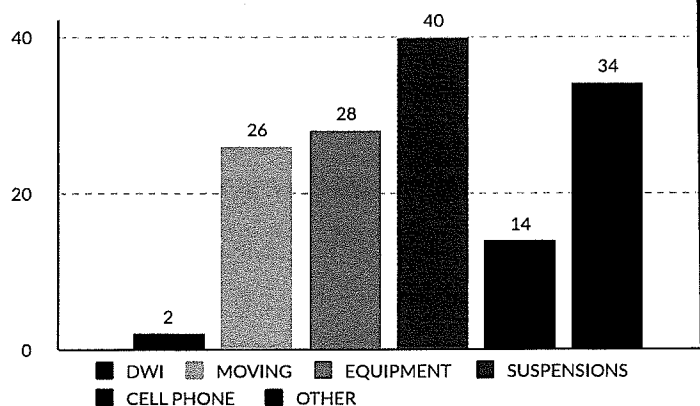


## YTD TRAFFIC CRASHES

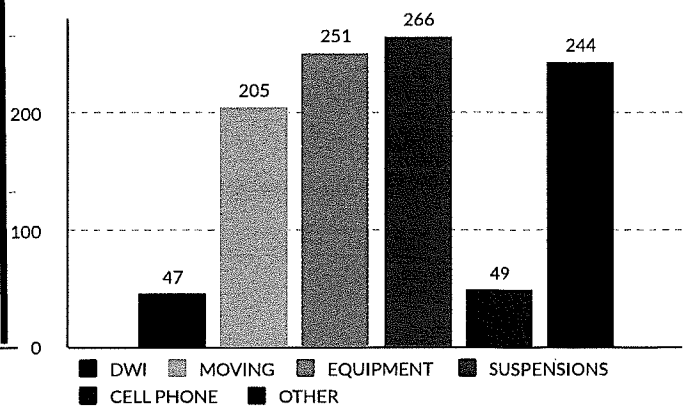


PROPERTY DAMAGE (75.81%)  
 PERSONAL INJURY (6.45%)  
 HIT AND RUN (17.74%)

## MONTHLY TRAFFIC TICKETS 144



## YEAR TO DATE TRAFFIC TICKETS 1062



# **City of Mechanicville** **Treasurer's Report for the Month of September 2022**

|                                     | Balance 9/1/2022    | Receipts          | Disbursements     | Balance 9/30/2022   |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| <b>General Fund:</b>                |                     |                   |                   |                     |
| Checking                            | 3,355,214.81        | 301,961.74        | 681,484.24        | 2,975,692.31        |
| Petty Cash                          | 400.00              | 0.00              | 0.00              | 400.00              |
| <b>Total General Fund</b>           | <b>3,355,614.81</b> | <b>301,961.74</b> | <b>681,484.24</b> | <b>2,976,092.31</b> |
| <b>City Clerk Account</b>           | <b>0.00</b>         | <b>2,700.00</b>   | <b>2,700.00</b>   | <b>0.00</b>         |
| <b>Payroll</b>                      | <b>-510.38</b>      | <b>168,722.93</b> | <b>166,760.27</b> | <b>1,452.28</b>     |
| <b>Capital Fund</b>                 | <b>927,230.39</b>   | <b>1,927.24</b>   | <b>120,954.50</b> | <b>808,203.13</b>   |
| <b>Scrow Account</b>                | <b>10,337.46</b>    | <b>10.20</b>      |                   | <b>10,347.66</b>    |
| <b>Central Ave Drainage Project</b> | <b>0.00</b>         | <b>0.00</b>       | <b>0.00</b>       | <b>0.00</b>         |
| <b>Community Development</b>        |                     |                   |                   |                     |
| Home Grant Program                  | 0.00                | 0.00              | 0.00              | 0.00                |
| SDA Revolving Loan Funds            | 71,993.72           | 833.34            | 0.00              | 72,827.06           |
| <b>Total Community Development</b>  | <b>71,993.72</b>    | <b>833.34</b>     | <b>0.00</b>       | <b>72,827.06</b>    |
| <b>Total Cash</b>                   | <b>4,371,530.86</b> | <b>476,155.45</b> | <b>971,899.01</b> | <b>3,875,787.30</b> |

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Treasurer's Report for the Month of September 2022**

|                             | <u>General Fund</u> | <u>City Clerk</u> | <u>Payroll</u>    | <u>Capital Fund</u> | <u>Escrow Account</u> | <u>Central Ave Drain</u> |
|-----------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| Balance 9/1/22              |                     |                   |                   |                     |                       |                          |
| Checking                    | 3,355,214.81        | 0.00              | -510.38           | 927,230.39          | 10,337.46             | 0.00                     |
| petty Cash                  | 400.00              |                   |                   |                     |                       |                          |
| Total                       | <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>              |
| Cash Receipts:              |                     |                   |                   |                     |                       |                          |
| Taxes, Penalties & Interest | 69,028.41           |                   |                   |                     |                       |                          |
| School Taxes & Penalties    | 43,058.93           |                   |                   |                     |                       |                          |
| Water & Sewer Revenues      | 7,632.79            |                   |                   |                     |                       |                          |
| Sales Tax                   | 71,654.00           |                   |                   |                     |                       |                          |
| State Aid and Grants        | 18,362.81           |                   |                   |                     |                       |                          |
| Interest                    |                     |                   |                   |                     | 10.20                 |                          |
| Transfers                   |                     |                   | 168,722.93        |                     |                       |                          |
| Capital Projects            |                     |                   |                   |                     |                       |                          |
| AN/Bond Proceeds            |                     |                   |                   |                     |                       |                          |
| Other                       | 92,224.80           | 2,700.00          |                   | 1,927.24            |                       |                          |
| Total Cash Receipts         | <u>301,961.74</u>   | <u>2,700.00</u>   | <u>168,722.93</u> | <u>1,927.24</u>     | <u>10.20</u>          | <u>0.00</u>              |
| Cash Disbursements:         |                     |                   |                   |                     |                       |                          |
| Payrolls                    | 168,722.93          |                   | 166,760.27        |                     |                       |                          |
| Checks                      | 322,761.31          | 2,700.00          |                   | 120,917.50          |                       |                          |
| Debt Service Payments       | 190,000.00          |                   |                   | 37.00               |                       |                          |
| Transfers                   |                     |                   |                   |                     |                       |                          |
| Total Cash Disbursements    | <u>681,484.24</u>   | <u>2,700.00</u>   | <u>166,760.27</u> | <u>120,954.50</u>   | <u>0.00</u>           | <u>0.00</u>              |
| Book Balance 9/30/22        | <u>2,976,092.31</u> | <u>0.00</u>       | <u>1,452.28</u>   | <u>808,203.13</u>   | <u>10,347.66</u>      | <u>0.00</u>              |
| Deposits in Transit         | 100,825.75          | 0.00              |                   |                     |                       |                          |
| O/S Checks                  | 142,880.13          | 2,588.00          | 7,298.77          |                     |                       |                          |
| Book Balance 9/30/22        | <u>3,018,146.69</u> | <u>2,588.00</u>   | <u>8,751.05</u>   | <u>808,203.13</u>   | <u>10,347.66</u>      | <u>0.00</u>              |