A Special Meeting of the Mechanicville City Council was held in the Court Chambers of City Hall, 36 North Main Street, Mechanicville, NY on Wednesday, June 25, 2014. Mayor Baker opened the meeting at 3:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Mayor Baker - present

Comm. Seber - present
Comm. Gilheany - present
Comm. Higgins - present
Comm. Hipwell - present

Mayor Baker led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Comm. Gilheany, seconded by Comm. Seber, moved that RES. NO. 56-14 and RES. 57-14 be tabled until the next regular meeting. Roll Call: Affirmative – all. Negative – none.

Comm. Seber read RES. NO. 58-14 APPOINTING PAUL PECOR AS FULL-TIME POLICE OFFICER EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.

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

Comm. Seber read RES. NO. 59-14 APPOINTING IAN FOARD FULL-TIME POLICE OFFICER EFFECTIVE THURSDAY, JULY 3, 2014.

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

Comm. Seber read RES. NO. 60-14 APPOINTING ZACHARY PASTORE FULL-TIME POLICE OFFICER EFFECTIVE THURSDAY, JULY 3, 2014.

Introduced by Mayor Baker, seconded by Comm. Gilheany. Roll Call: Affirmative – all. Negative – none.

Chief Waldron thanked the council for the Police Department. Even with hiring the 3 officers they will save \$77,000. John LeClaire will be retiring this Friday and will be replaced with a dispatcher. With using dispatchers there will be a savings of over ½ million dollars. Said they will save money with putting on Ian Foard who will make \$29,000 to replace Sgt. Rocco who made \$60,000. He appreciates their support.

Comm. Seber asked if there would be the same number of police officers on the street.

Chief Waldron said yes, there still will be two.

Mayor Baker thanked them for their support and said he wants the elderly to feel safe out there. Also wanted to talk about tag days, he doesn't want to have them this year, next year and probably the year after that.

Comm. Gilheany said she has no problem with that because it's dangerous for the people to be out on the streets.

Mayor Baker said especially with the bridges being fixed and the road blocked, people can't get around as it is and it's dangerous for anybody standing in the road.

Chief Waldron said the firemen are trying to do their job but it is practically impossible to get out at 4:00 with all the traffic.

Mayor Baker wants to make sure the fire department knows that they appreciate everything they do. Another thing is he would like to consider having two meetings a month in the summer. Told them to think about it because there are so many things going on.

Comm. Hipwell asked if the 3 police officers they are putting on went to school yet.

Chief Waldron said they will be going on July 9th for 6 months and when they graduate they will go on a 3 month ride along with other policemen. They will hire part-timers and they won't cost the city anything unless they use them.

Comm. Gilheany, seconded by Comm. Hipwell, moved that the meeting be adjourned at 3:10 p.m. Roll Call: Affirmative – all. Negative – none.