

COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF SCRANTON

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HELD:

Monday, May 23rd, 2019

LOCATION:

Council Chambers  
Scranton City Hall  
340 North Washington Avenue  
Scranton, Pennsylvania

Maria McCool, RPR  
Official Court Reporter

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- PATRICK ROGAN, PRESIDENT
- TIMOTHY PERRY, VICE PRESIDENT - absent
- WAYNE EVANS
- WILLIAM GAUGHAN - absent
- KYLE DONAHUE
  
- LORI REED, CITY CLERK
- KATHY CARRERA, ASSISTANT CITY CLERK
- AMIL MINORA, ESQUIRE - SOLICITOR

1 (Pledge of Allegiance recited and a  
2 moment of reflection observed.)

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4 MR. ROGAN: Roll call, please.

5 MS. CARRERA: Mr. Perry. Mr.  
6 Donahue.

7 MR. DONAHUE: Here.

8 MS. CARRERA: Mr. Evans.

9 MR. EVANS: Here.

10 MS. CARRERA: Mr. Gaughan. Mr.  
11 Rogan.

12 MR. ROGAN: Here. There will be a  
13 motion to move items 5-F and 5-G to Seventh  
14 Order for final vote based on the attached  
15 emergency certificates. There will be a second  
16 opportunity to speak in Seventh Order prior to  
17 final passage of these pieces of legislation  
18 specifically. Please dispense with the reading  
19 of the minutes.

20 MS. REED: THIRD ORDER. 3-A.  
21 MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MEMBERS  
22 OF SCRANTON HOUSING AUTHORITY HELD APRIL 1,  
23 2019.

24 MR. ROGAN: Are there any comments?  
25 If not, received and filed.

1 MS. REED: 3-B. TAX ASSESSOR'S  
2 RESULTS REPORT FOR HEARING DATE HELD MAY 8,  
3 2019.

4 MR. ROGAN: Any comments? Received  
5 and filed.

6 MS. REED: 3-C. TAX ASSESSOR'S  
7 REPORT FOR HEARING DATE TO BE HELD MAY 29,  
8 2019.

9 MR. ROGAN: Are there any comments?  
10 Received and filed.

11 MS. REED: 3-D. MINUTES OF THE  
12 SCRANTON FIREFIGHTERS PENSION COMMISSION  
13 MEETING HELD APRIL 17, 2019.

14 MR. ROGAN: Are there any comments?  
15 If not, received and filed.

16 MS. REED: 3-E. MINUTES OF THE  
17 NON-UNIFORM MUNICIPAL PENSION BOARD MEETING  
18 HELD APRIL 17, 2019.

19 MR. ROGAN: Are there any comments?  
20 If not, received and filed.

21 MS. REED: 3-F. MINUTES OF THE  
22 SCRANTON POLICE PENSION COMMISSION MEETING HELD  
23 APRIL 17, 2019.

24 MR. ROGAN: Are there any comments?  
25 If not, received and filed.

1 MS. REED: 3-G. MINUTES OF THE  
2 COMPOSITE PENSION BOARD MEETING HELD APRIL 17,  
3 2019.

4 MR. ROGAN: Any comments? Received  
5 and filed.

6 MS. REED: 3-H. AGENDA FOR THE  
7 NON-UNIFORM MUNICIPAL PENSION BOARD MEETING  
8 HELD MAY 15, 2019.

9 MR. ROGAN: Any comments? Received  
10 and filed.

11 MS. REED: 3-I. CONTROLLER'S REPORT  
12 FOR MONTH ENDING APRIL 30, 2019.

13 MR. ROGAN: Any comments? Received  
14 and filed. Do any Council members have  
15 announcements at this time? I have two. This  
16 Monday, May 27th, City Hall will be closed in  
17 observance of Memorial Day.

18 DPW will be off on Monday. Refuse  
19 and red recycling will be one day behind next  
20 week. Council's next meeting will be on  
21 Monday, June 3rd at 6 p.m. And the public  
22 hearing Item 6-A on tonight's agenda transfer  
23 of liquor license has been continued to Monday,  
24 June 3rd at 5:30 p.m.

25 MS. REED: FOURTH ORDER.

1 CITIZENS PARTICIPATION.

2 (The following speakers offered  
3 public comment as follows:

4 Joan Hodowanitz spoke on city  
5 business and matters of general concern.

6 Ron Ellman spoke on matters of  
7 general concern.

8 MR. ROGAN: Is there anyone else who  
9 would like to address Council?

10 (No response.)

11 MR. ROGAN: Mr. Donahue, any motions  
12 or comments?

13 MR. DONAHUE: I have nothing.

14 MR. ROGAN: Mr. Evans, any motions  
15 or comments?

16 MR. EVANS: I didn't plan on  
17 commenting on this but when Councilman Rogan  
18 announced earlier about the passing of Ed  
19 Pisano, I feel I have to comment a little bit  
20 on that.

21 I'm really saddened by the news. Ed  
22 was my friend. He was a great neighborhood  
23 leader, and one of the best DPW Directors the  
24 City ever had. Ed Pisano while on this earth  
25 made a difference in the city that he really

1 loved so much. He'll be greatly missed by  
2 everybody that knew Ed.

3 And at the end of every meeting over  
4 the last few months I said the following  
5 phrase, "Every day is your chance to make this  
6 city a little better."

7 Ed Pisano every single day of his  
8 life made this city a little better. So God  
9 bless you, Ed, and his family. All the best.  
10 And that's all I have for this week.

11 MR. ROGAN: Thank you. I have  
12 nothing at this time.

13 MS. REED: 5-B. FOR INTRODUCTION – A  
14 RESOLUTION – RE-APPOINTMENT OF DAVID J.  
15 WENZEL, 7 PHILLIPS DRIVE, SCRANTON,  
16 PENNSYLVANIA, 18505 AS A MEMBER OF THE SHADE  
17 TREE COMMISSION FOR AN ADDITIONAL FIVE (5)  
18 YEAR TERM EFFECTIVE APRIL 24, 2019. MR.  
19 WENZEL'S PRIOR TERM 2 EXPIRED ON OCTOBER 29,  
20 2018 AND WAS HELD OVER TO APRIL 24,  
21 2019. HIS NEW TERM WILL EXPIRE ON OCTOBER 29,  
22 2023.

23 MR. ROGAN: At this time I'll  
24 entertain a motion that item 5-B be introduced  
25 into its proper committee.

1 MR. EVANS: So moved.

2 MR. DONAHUE: Second.

3 MR. ROGAN: On the question. All  
4 those in favor signify by saying aye.

5 MR. DONAHUE: Aye.

6 MR. EVANS: Aye.

7 MR. ROGAN: Aye. Opposed? The ayes  
8 have it and so moved.

9 MS. REED: 5-C. FOR INTRODUCTION -  
10 A RESOLUTION - RE-APPOINTMENT OF JOSEPH A.  
11 RICCARDO, JR., 1002 FROUDE AVENUE, SCRANTON,  
12 PENNSYLVANIA, 18505 AS A MEMBER OF THE SHADE  
13 TREE COMMISSION FOR AN ADDITIONAL FIVE (5) YEAR  
14 TERM EFFECTIVE APRIL 24, 2019. MR. RICCARDO'S  
15 PRIOR TERM EXPIRED ON DECEMBER 7, 2018 AND WAS  
16 HELD OVER UNTIL APRIL 24, 2019. HIS NEW TERM  
17 WILL EXPIRE ON DECEMBER 7, 2023.

18 MR. ROGAN: At this time I'll  
19 entertain a motion that Item 5-C be introduced  
20 into its proper committee.

21 MR. EVANS: So moved.

22 MR. DONAHUE: Second.

23 MR. ROGAN: On the question? All  
24 those in favor signify by saying aye.

25 MR. DONAHUE: Aye.

1 MR. EVANS: Aye.

2 MR. ROGAN: Aye. Opposed? The ayes  
3 have it and so moved.

4 MS. REED: 5-D. FOR INTRODUCTION -  
5 A RESOLUTION - AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF  
6 THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS OF THE CITY OF  
7 SCRANTON TO SIGN AND SUBMIT THE PENNSYLVANIA  
8 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION ("PENNDOT")  
9 APPLICATION FOR TRAFFIC SIGNAL APPROVAL FOR  
10 TRAFFIC SIGNAL PERMIT NO. 6357 FOR TRAFFIC  
11 SIGNAL REPLACEMENT AT GREEN RIDGE STREET (SR  
12 6011) AND WYOMING AVENUE (SR 3025).

13 MR. ROGAN: At this time I'll  
14 entertain a motion that Item 5-D be introduced  
15 into its proper committee.

16 MR. EVANS: So moved.

17 MR. DONAHUE: Second.

18 MR. ROGAN: On the question? All  
19 those in favor signify by saying aye.

20 MR. DONAHUE: Aye.

21 MR. EVANS: Aye.

22 MR. ROGAN: Aye. Opposed? The ayes  
23 have it and so moved.

24 MS. REED: 5-E. FOR INTRODUCTION -  
25 A RESOLUTION - AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND

1 OTHER APPROPRIATE CITY OFFICIALS TO GRANT A  
2 SPECIAL ENCROACHMENT PERMIT TO CROCUS CAFÉ TO  
3 OPERATE AN OUTDOOR CAFÉ AT 323 NORTH WASHINGTON  
4 AVENUE, SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA.

5 MR. ROGAN: At this time I'll  
6 entertain a motion that Item 5-E be introduced  
7 into its proper committee.

8 MR. EVANS: So moved.

9 MR. DONAHUE: Second.

10 MR. ROGAN: On the question? All  
11 those in favor signify by saying aye.

12 MR. DONAHUE: Aye.

13 MR. EVANS: Aye.

14 MR. ROGAN: Aye. Opposed? The ayes  
15 have it and so ordered.

16 MS. REED: 5-F. FOR INTRODUCTION -  
17 A RESOLUTION - AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 170,  
18 2017, ENTITLED "AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND OTHER  
19 APPROPRIATE CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE AND ENTER  
20 INTO A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT WITH  
21 LOCAL LODGE 2462 OF THE INTERNATIONAL  
22 ASSOCIATION OF MACHINISTS AND AEROSPACE WORKERS  
23 IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS AND PROVISIONS OF  
24 A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING RATIFIED BY THE  
25 MEMBERSHIP" BY ENTERING INTO A SUPPLEMENTAL

1 3 AGREEMENT BETWEEN LOCAL LODGE NO. 2462 OF THE  
2 INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF MACHINISTS AND  
3 AEROSPACE WORKERS, AFL-CIO AND THE CITY OF  
4 SCRANTON IN ORDER TO STRENGTHEN THE IAM  
5 NATIONAL PENSION FUND. (EMERGENCY CERTIFICATE  
6 ATTACHED).

7 MR. ROGAN: At this time I'll  
8 entertain a motion that Item 5-F be introduced  
9 into its proper committee.

10 MR. EVANS: So moved.

11 MR. DONAHUE: Second.

12 MR. ROGAN: On the question? All  
13 those in favor signify by saying aye.

14 MR. DONAHUE: Aye.

15 MR. EVANS: Aye.

16 MR. ROGAN: Aye. Opposed? The ayes  
17 have it and so moved.

18 MS. REED: 5-G. FOR INTRODUCTION -  
19 A RESOLUTION - AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 214,  
20 2017, ENTITLED "AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND OTHER  
21 APPROPRIATE CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE AND ENTER  
22 INTO A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT WITH  
23 LOCAL LODGE 2305 OF THE INTERNATIONAL  
24 ASSOCIATION OF MACHINISTS AND AEROSPACE WORKERS  
25 IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS AND PROVISIONS OF

1 A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING RATIFIED BY THE  
2 MEMBERSHIP" BY ENTERING INTO A SUPPLEMENTAL  
3 AGREEMENT BETWEEN LOCAL LODGE NO. 2305 OF THE  
4 INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF MACHINISTS AND  
5 AEROSPACE WORKERS, AFL-CIO AND THE CITY OF  
6 SCRANTON IN ORDER TO STRENGTHEN THE IAM  
7 NATIONAL PENSION FUND. (EMERGENCY CERTIFICATE  
8 ATTACHED).

9 MR. ROGAN: At this time I'll  
10 entertain a motion that Item 5-G be introduced  
11 into its proper committee.

12 MR. EVANS: So moved.

13 MR. DONAHUE: Second.

14 MR. ROGAN: On the question? All  
15 those in favor signify by saying aye.

16 MR. DONAHUE: Aye.

17 MR. EVANS: Aye.

18 MR. ROGAN: Aye. Opposed? The ayes  
19 have it and so moved.

20 MR. EVANS: I make a motion to  
21 suspend the rules to move Items 5-F and 5-G to  
22 Seventh Order to be considered for final  
23 passage based on the attached emergency  
24 certificates.

25 MR. DONAHUE: Second.

1 MR. ROGAN: On the question? All  
2 those in favor signify by saying aye.

3 MR. DONAHUE: Aye.

4 MR. EVANS: Aye.

5 MR. ROGAN: Aye. Opposed? The ayes  
6 have it and so moved.

7 MS. REED: SIXTH ORDER. 6-A.

8 READING BY TITLE - FILE OF THE COUNCIL NO. 63,  
9 2019 - AN ORDINANCE - APPROVING THE TRANSFER OF  
10 A RESTAURANT LIQUOR LICENSE OWNED BY RDRM,  
11 INC., HC 2, BOX 177, THORNHURST  
12 TOWNSHIP, THORNHURST, PA 18424-0177 LICENSE NO.  
13 R-16828 TO GIANT FOOD STORES, LLC FOR USE AT  
14 1600 NAY AUG AVENUE, LACKAWANNA COUNTY,  
15 SCRANTON, PA 18509 AS REQUIRED BY THE  
16 PENNSYLVANIA LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD.

17 MR. ROGAN: You've heard reading by  
18 title of Item 6-A. What is your pleasure?

19 MR. EVANS: I move that Item 6-A  
20 pass reading by title.

21 MR. DONAHUE: Second.

22 MR. ROGAN: On the question? All  
23 those in favor signify by saying aye.

24 MR. DONAHUE: Aye.

25 MR. EVANS: Aye.

1 MR. ROGAN: Aye. Opposed? The ayes  
2 have it and so moved.

3 MS. REED: 6-B. READING BY TITLE -  
4 FILE OF THE COUNCIL NO. 64, 2019 - AN  
5 ORDINANCE - AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND OTHER  
6 APPROPRIATE CITY OFFICIALS TO ACCEPT ON BEHALF  
7 OF THE CITY OF SCRANTON THIS QUITCLAIM DEED  
8 CONVEYING TITLE TO THE CITY OF SCRANTON, THE  
9 PROPERTY FORMERLY OWNED BY THE LACKAWANNA  
10 COUNTY LAND BANK KNOWN AS 100 BLOCK KEYSER  
11 AVENUE, SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA, 18504  
12 AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN EXHIBIT "A" ATTACHED  
13 HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF.

14 MR. ROGAN: You've heard reading by  
15 title of Item 6-B. What is your pleasure?

16 MR. EVANS: I move that Item 6-B  
17 pass reading by title.

18 MR. DONAHUE: Second.

19 MR. ROGAN: On the question? All  
20 those in favor signify by saying aye.

21 MR. DONAHUE: Aye.

22 MR. EVANS: Aye.

23 MR. ROGAN: Aye. Opposed? The ayes  
24 have it and so moved.

25 If anyone would like to address

1 Council on the emergency legislation you may do  
2 so at this time.

3 (Joan Hodowanitz spoke on  
4 legislation.)

5 MS. REED: SEVENTH ORDER. 7-A  
6 FORMALLY 5-F FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE COMMITTEE  
7 ON RULES FOR ADOPTION RESOLUTION NO. 119 2019  
8 AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 170 2017, ENTITLED  
9 "AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND OTHER APPROPRIATE  
10 CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE AND ENTER INTO A  
11 COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT WITH LOCAL  
12 LODGE 2462 OF THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF  
13 MACHINISTS AND AEROSPACE WORKERS IN ACCORDANCE  
14 WITH THE TERMS AND PROVISIONS OF A MEMORANDUM  
15 OF UNDERSTANDING RATIFIED BY THE MEMBERSHIP" BY  
16 ENTERING INTO A SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN  
17 LOCAL LODGE NO. 2462 OF THE INTERNATIONAL  
18 ASSOCIATION OF MACHINISTS AND AEROSPACE  
19 WORKERS, AFL-CIO AND THE CITY OF SCRANTON IN  
20 ORDER TO STRENGTHEN THE IAM NATIONAL  
21 PENSION FUND. (EMERGENCY CERTIFICATE ATTACHED).

22 MR. ROGAN: As Chairperson for the  
23 Committee on Rules, I recommend final passage  
24 of Item 7-A.

25 MR. EVANS: Second.

1 MR. ROGAN: On the question. Roll  
2 call, please.

3 MS. CARRERA: Mr. Donahue.

4 MR. DONAHUE: Yes.

5 MS. CARRERA: Mr. Evans.

6 MR. EVANS: Yes.

7 MS. CARRERA: Mr. Rogan.

8 MR. ROGAN: Yes. I hereby declare  
9 Item 7-A legally and lawfully adopted.

10 MS. REED: 7-B. FORMALLY 5-G FOR  
11 CONSIDERATION BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES FOR  
12 ADOPTION RESOLUTION NO. 120 2019. – AMENDING  
13 RESOLUTION NO. 214, 2017, ENTITLED “AUTHORIZING  
14 THE MAYOR AND OTHER APPROPRIATE  
15 CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE AND ENTER INTO A  
16 COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT WITH LOCAL  
17 LODGE 2305 OF THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF  
18 MACHINISTS AND AEROSPACE WORKERS IN ACCORDANCE  
19 WITH THE TERMS AND PROVISIONS OF A MEMORANDUM  
20 OF UNDERSTANDING RATIFIED BY THE MEMBERSHIP” BY  
21 ENTERING INTO A SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN  
22 LOCAL LODGE NO. 2305 OF THE INTERNATIONAL  
23 ASSOCIATION OF MACHINISTS AND AEROSPACE  
24 WORKERS, AFL-CIO AND THE CITY OF SCRANTON IN  
25 ORDER TO STRENGTHEN THE IAM NATIONAL PENSION

1           FUND. (EMERGENCY CERTIFICATE ATTACHED).

2                   MR. ROGAN: As Chairman for the  
3           Committee on Rules, I recommend final passage  
4           of Item 7-B.

5                   MR. EVANS: Second.

6                   MR. ROGAN: On the question. Roll  
7           call, please.

8                   MS. CARRERA: Mr. Donahue.

9                   MR. DONAHUE: Yes.

10                  MS. CARRERA: Mr. Evans.

11                  MR. EVANS: Yes.

12                  MS. CARRERA: Mr. Rogan.

13                  MR. ROGAN: Yes. I hereby declare  
14           Item 7-B legally and lawfully adopted. If  
15           there is no further business I'll entertain a  
16           motion to adjourn.

17                  MR. EVANS: Motion to adjourn.

18                  MR. ROGAN: This meeting is  
19           adjourned.

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