

# **CITY OF BATAVIA – CONFERENCE MINUTES**

## **MONDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2016**

Present were Council President Jankowski and Councilpersons Canale, Hawley, Viele, Briggs, Pacino, McGinnis, Christian and Tabelski.

### **Call to Order**

Council President Jankowski called the meeting to order immediately following the business meeting at 7:50 PM.

### **Public Comments**

None.

### **Council Response to Public Comments**

None.

### **Councilperson Tabelski for appointment to GAM**

Councilperson Briggs thanked Councilperson Tabelski for agreeing to be involved with GAM. She also noted that there needed to be a Youth Board representative from Council so if anyone was interested to let her and Councilperson Pacino know. Council agreed to move the item to the next business meeting.

### **Appoint Members to City Committees/Boards**

Council President Jankowski felt that a background check should be considered for board appointments. Mr. Molino asked NYCOM and was waiting to hear on best practices regarding that topic. Council agreed to move the item to the next business meeting.

### **Dwyer Stadium Lease and Sublease Extension Agreement**

Mr. Molino noted that every two years we continue lease agreements to operate the facility and manage the Muckdogs. He noted there was no change in the terms and recommended continuing the agreement. Council agreed to move the item to the next business meeting.

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Councilperson Pacino asked if the City could make an owner do something with a building they've purchased and done nothing with. Mr. Molino noted that anyone can do anything with a property as long as it's compliant with code. He noted that we are willing to help with development but the owner's need to show interest. Council President Jankowski noted that there were other projects around the building so hopefully that would make the property valuable and someone would want to do something with it. Mr. Molino stated that it was very challenging to take an old building and redevelop it but the City was there to help. Councilperson Canale understood the frustration but

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noted that the owner had also turned other properties into viable businesses so he didn't think we should attack him.

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Councilperson Christian wished everyone a Merry Christmas and noted that she was going to miss Councilperson Hawley. Council President Jankowski thanked Councilperson Hawley, noted it had been a pleasure to work with him and he would be missed. Councilperson Hawley moved to the Town of Batavia and could no longer serve on Council.

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**Conference Meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Heidi J. Parker  
Clerk-Treasurer**