

The City Council met in regular session in the Council Chambers on Wednesday, March 4, 2015 at 9:00 A.M.

Council Members present: Horan-Kunco, Kwitowski, Merski, Winarski, Witherspoon & Brennan. 6. Nays. 0. Mr. Jones absent

On motion of Mrs. Horan-Kunco, Seconded by Mr. Merski the reading of the minutes of the Meeting of March 4, 2015 were dispensed with and same adopted with copies furnished to the members of City Council by yeas Council Members Brennan, Horan-Kunco, Kwitowski, Merski, Winarski and Witherspoon. 6. Nays. 0.

Copies of the bills under date of March 6, 2015 and March 13, 2015 were given to City Council and same adopted by yeas Council Members Brennan, Horan-Kunco, Kwitowski, Merski, Winarski and Witherspoon. 6. Nays. 0.

Mr. Merski, Council File No. 15,910 Pending Official File Ordinance 8- 2015

An ordinance approving the plan of the Erie Sewer Authority for the issuance of an aggregate amount not to exceed **\$30,000,000** Taxable [Sewer Revenue Bonds](#), Series of 2015A and Tax Exempt Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series of 2015B and setting forth the amount, interest rates and maturity dates of the bonds; Authorizing the Authority to proceed with the plan of financing; Authorizing the execution and delivery of a lease agreement and the incurrence of lease rental debt thereby; Authorizing the specified officers of the City of Erie to prepare and certify the debt statement, and to do all other acts necessary to carry out the provisions of the ordinance; Setting forth the payment of the Sewer Revenue Bonds and the source of such payments; Repealing all inconsistent ordinances and providing that the ordinance is effective immediately.

March 4, 2015. City Council on motion of Mr. Merski, Seconded by Mr. Brennan having read Council File No. 15,910, now known as Pending Official File Ordinance No. 8-2015 does hereby adopt on **Final Passage** by yeas Council Members Horan-Kunco, Kwitowski, Merski, Winarski and Witherspoon, Brennan. 6. Nays 0.

March 4, 2015, Signed by the President. Attested by the City Clerk.

Mr. Kwitowski, Council File No. 15,911

An ordinance appropriating the sum of **\$13,500.00** from unappropriated and unanticipated revenue from the Sisters of Mercy for the purchase of police equipment, fire prevention supplies or equipment and winter maintenance equipment.

March 4, 2015. City Council on motion of Mr. Merski, Seconded by Mr. Witherspoon, having read Council File No. 15,910, does hereby adopt on **First Reading** by yeas Council Members Horan-Kunco, Kwitowski, Merski, Winarski and Witherspoon, Brennan 6. Nays 0.

March 4, 2015, Signed by the President. Attested by the City Clerk.

Mr. Kwitowski, Seconded by Mrs. Horan-Kunco, Resolved etc.

That the following individual as Probationary Patrolman at the current salary of **\$40,805.21** in the City of Erie Bureau of Police as they appear on the current Civil Service Eligibility List for the probation period of one year from the date of his appointment on Thursday, March 5, 2015.

1. **Joshua Allison**-1325 Chelsea Avenue, Erie, PA 16505
2. Brandon Green-5503 Lake Shore Drive, Erie, PA 16505
3. Christopher O'Connell- 645 East 34th Street, Erie, PA 16504

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Mr. Kwitowski, Seconded by Mrs. Horan-Kunco, Resolved etc.

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1. **Brandon Green** 5503 Lake Shore Drive, Erie, PA 16505
2. Christopher O'Connell 645 East 34th Street, Erie, PA 16504
3. Steven Krupinski 4424 Perkins Street, Erie, PA 16509

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March 4, 2015 Signed by the President. Attested by the City Clerk.

Mr. Winarski, Seconded by Mr. Kwitowski, Resolved etc.

WHEREAS, the Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine ("LECOM") has been designated as a recipient of a \$2,000,000.00 grant from the Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program (RACP) of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the assist in the planning and construction of a 30 chair dental operatory in the City of Erie, PA; and

WHEREAS, the City of Erie, PA has agreed to act as a host municipality/grantee as part of the grant application approval process in administration; and

WHEREAS, the Pennsylvania Department of Health 2009, 2011 and 2013 Pulse of Pennsylvania's Dentist Hygienist Workforce indicates that the development of the infrastructure to educate and train new dentists should be a priority in this Commonwealth.

WHEREAS, it is deemed to be to the mutual benefit of the City of Erie, PA and the LECOM, the County of Erie and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to assist the LECOM in the development of the 30 chair dental operatory; and

WHEREAS, the LECOM Dental School Program will have a significant economic impact on the City of Erie, County of Erie and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in that, within the next five (5) months, a minimum of twenty (2) new professional, administrative and staff jobs not previously existing in the Erie, PA economy will be created; and

WHEREAS, the LECOM Dental School Program has created new construction jobs for a period covering twelve (12) months of construction; and

WHEREAS, there is significant shortage of dentist within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to serve its general population and the Erie County has only 142 dentists or 2.3% of the 6,261 dentists providing direct patient care in Pennsylvania;

WHEREAS, in March 2006, Erie County was designated as a low income Dental Health Professional Shortage Area ("DHPSA") with the documented need of 11.6 fulltime equivalent general dentists. According to the DHPSA, Erie County has 82,880 residents who are below 200% of the poverty level. This implies that approximately 46,400 Erie County residents are without dental care.

WHEREAS, in 2008 the Department of Health and Human Services has recognized over 4,000 DHPSAs in which 48,000,000 people now reside. According to 2008 public health data, Pennsylvania ranks 9th in the nation in its number of DHPSAs.

WHEREAS, Pennsylvania meets 2 of 8 policy benchmarks aimed at addressing children's dental health needs and received a graded of "F" from the Pew Center on the State's Study entitled "The Cost of Delay State Dental Policies Fail One In Five Children" published in February 2010.

WHEREAS, the three current dental schools are graduating capacity classes, but in each calendar year, due to a variety of causes including retirement, physical reasons, family reasons, career change, return to school and financial reasons, the need for dentists in the Commonwealth is increasing; for example, 59.4% of all dentists practicing in the Commonwealth are above the age of 50 years. In Erie County, PA, 63.4% of all practicing dentists are above the age of 50 years.

WHEREAS, Millcreek Health System has a significant economic impact on Erie County, Pennsylvania. According to a recent study completed by Tripp Umbach Research, Millcreek Health System's annual economic impact on Erie County is \$136.2 million. This economic impact will only be enhanced with the operation of thirty (3) chair dental operatory.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Erie supports the Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program Grant to the LECOM, Dental School in the amount of \$2,000,000.00 for the purpose of constructing and operating of a thirty (30) chair dental operatory in the City of Erie.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in conjunction with the expenditures of the funds by the LECOM, Dental School, the City of Erie will reimburse the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the Commonwealth's share of any expenditures found to be ineligible.

This Resolution has been adopted by the City Council of Erie, PA on the _____ day of _____, 2015.

CITY OF ERIE, PA

By: _____
David Brennan, President
City Council

This resolution has been approved by Joseph E. Sinnott, Mayor of the City of Erie, on _____, 2015.

CITY OF ERIE, PA

By: _____
Joseph E. Sinnott, Mayor

CERTIFICATE

I, the undersigned, being the Clerk of the City of Erie, PA do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution duly adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council held on _____, 2015. Witness my hand and seal this _____ day of _____, 2015.

Rose Robie, City Clerk

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March 4, 2015. City Council adopt by yeas Council Members Brennan, Horan-Kunco, Kwitowski, Merski, Winarski and Witherspoon. 6. Nays. 0.
March 4, 2015 Signed by the President. Attested by the City Clerk.

Mr. Merski, Seconded by Mr. Brennan, Resolved etc.

That the proper City officials file a [County Aid](#) application for the reimbursement of Liquid Fuels Tax monies for 2015 in the sum of **\$127,365.00**.

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March 4, 2015 Signed by the President. Attested by the City Clerk.

Mr. Winarski, Seconded by Mr. Witherspoon, Resolved etc.

That the proper City officials enter into a Consent Agreement between the City of Erie, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Environmental Protection, and Erie Sewer Authority to settle violations of the Clean Stream Law and NPDES permit and provide a payment of **\$3,116.00**.

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March 4, 2015 Signed by the President. Attested by the City Clerk.

Mrs. Horan-Kunco, Seconded by Mr. Winarski, Resolved etc.

That the Mayor and other appropriate officials hereby approve the [release of the following liens](#) against 329 East 3rd Street (Index No. 14010012011700), together with any accrues interest and/or penalties, to allow for sale of the property by the Erie Redevelopment Authority:

1998	-	\$619.50
1999	-	\$ 73.50
1999	-	\$178.50
2000	-	\$ 42.00

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By Mrs. Horan-Kunco, Seconded by Mr. Merski, Resolved etc.

That the Mayor and City Controller are authorized and directed to execute **contracts** between the City of Erie and the following individuals and/or companies for goods and/or services as noted and the City Council does hereby ratify and confirm the said transactions which are to be charged to the respective Budget Code Numbers, viz:

1. **EJ USA, Inc.**, 301 Spring Street, East Jordan, MI 49727, for various street/highway castings for the Bureau of Sewers of the City of Erie at unit prices per bid **#1708-15**.
2. **[Jamestown Iron Works, Inc.](#)**, 2022 Allen Street Extension, Falconer, NY 14733, for various street/highway castings for the Bureau of Sewers of the City of Erie at unit prices per bid **#1708-15**.

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By Mrs. Horan-Kunco, Seconded by Mr. Merski, Resolved etc.

That the Purchasing Agent is authorized and directed to issue **purchase orders** to the following individuals and/or companies for goods and/or services as noted and the City Council does hereby ratify and confirm the said transactions which are to be charged to the respective Budget Code Numbers, viz:

1. **C&T Electric**, 6870 Antolik Road, Girard, PA 16417 for the emergency purchase of a 20-KW RES Air Cooled Kohler Generator to replace the current malfunctioning [generator at the City of Erie Radio Tower](#) for the Municipal Garage at a total amount of **\$5,385.00**.
2. **Marshal & Stevens Inc.**, 601 South Figueroa Street, Suite 2301, Los Angeles, CA 90017, in order to fund the City of Erie's share of a **\$45,000** property appraisal that will be used to determine the value of the Erie Insurance Group Properties. The amount, **\$15,750**, which includes fees, represents 35% of the appraisal's total cost.
3. **Telog Instruments**, 830 Canning Parkway, Victor, NY 14564 for a Weather Storm module license for the existing Telog Enterprise Software for the Bureau of Sewers at a total cost of **\$2,500.00**.
4. **SMB Electronics, Inc.**, 628 California Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15202 for the annual [maintenance agreement for the Police Radio](#) & Telephone Recording System for the Bureau of Police at a total amount of **\$3,495.00**.

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March 4, 2015 Signed by the President. Attested by the City Clerk.

March 4, 2015 City Council on motion of Mrs. Horan-Kunco, Seconded by Mr. Merski **adjourned** at 9:44 A.M. by yeas Council Members Brennan, Horan-Kunco, Kwitowski, Merski, Winarski and Witherspoon. 6. Nays. 0.

President of City Council

Attest:

City Clerk