



**THE CITY OF POUGHKEEPSIE
NEW YORK**

**COMMON COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES**

Monday, September 19, 2011 6:30 p.m.

City Hall

I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

ROLL CALL

All present

II. REVIEW OF MINUTES:

Public Hearing 1-3-11							
			Yes/Aye	No/Nay	Abstain	Absent	
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III. READING OF ITEMS by the City Chamberlain of any resolutions not listed on the printed agenda.

ADD:

VII. MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS:

- 1. FROM ASSISTANT CORPORATION COUNSEL ACKERMANN, Resolution R11-80, waiving the thirty (30) day notice period for the liquor license renewal application for Andy's Restaurant, Inc.**

IV. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: Three (3) minutes per person up to 45 minutes of public comment on any agenda and non-agenda items.

Joe Lapore 11 Marie Court – Is the president and owner of LCS facility group on Cottage Street and this month LCS is celebrating 10 years of business. He extends an invitation to celebrate with the company on Friday Sept. 23rd.

Jeremy Doxsee 21 Rosiland Road – One U.S. senator I respect and admire is Lindsey Graham. He has stated that elections have consequences; he tries to work in a bipartisan fashion as much as his conscience will allow. Along those lines I have tried to limit my appearance here. I have not completely agreed with how this administration has run the city but nonetheless I have left it alone. Mayor Tkazyik will be running for another 4 years on business as usual, and that generates some concerns and questions on my behalf. I am hoping that over the next 7 weeks this administration will address the issues of the voters. Whatever happened to the completed zoning ordinance that staff put several hundred hours into, that city tax dollars went into. It would be a tremendous tool for the city but I assume I has been shelved. The lack of engagement in the downtown concerns me with this administration. You do have an organization Middle Main, and apparently no one from the city attends on a regular basis. This is a dynamic, grass roots, community development organization in the downtown and it is discouraging to see that no one from city hall is regularly there. For every restaurant that has opened in the downtown another one has failed. I look at so many buildings sitting empty, and I don't see any engagement. Why should 4 more years been given to business as usual if there is no engagement.

Constantine Kazolias 47 Noxon Street – I don't support Governor Perry, we have had 3 Presidents from Texas and 3 wars, and we don't need a fourth one. I have no intention of attending any more board of education meetings because to me they are nothing more than a jobs program. When I as attending the Board of Education meetings, they promised us that they would have full day kindergarten. When the representative from the Board of Elections come into these polls without ID and like gang busters it is uncalled for. This upset the democratic poll watcher. Let's not have this in the future, if they come in let them have their ID cards, who they are with, because it is a serious matter when he goes in and starts going through books looking at this and that without any ID. I hope corrective measures will be taken in the future.

V. MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Tkazyik – The million fathers march was a huge success at Krieger school, Warren school, and Morris school. It was great seeing their smiling

faces in the rain with their umbrellas on the first day of school. They were happy to see us there, and we look forward to more of these collaborative efforts with the school district. Representatives from FEMA have been here they have had a profound impact in the city even attending some of our block parties, talking with residents and going door to door. They are also here tonight if anyone needs information or assistance regarding that. Tentatively the FEMA recovery center will be Oct. 2nd, 3rd, and 4th 8am to 8pm. The location is still yet to be determined. The city's zoning code is certainly not put on the back burner; the council was briefed on that this past summer regarding the 2 state studies that are going on the Department of State and TOD report will soon be received. And the land use collaboration Corporation Counsel office has been working through the fellows program and patterns for progress regarding future help and assistants in relation to further brown field development along the Hudson River. Staff is still diligently working on that and receiving input from both residents who have development plans. Corporation Counsel Morgan mentioned to you a few months ago in your report that that information will be provided to you once received. We participate with Middle Main regularly. I have spoken at 2 of their events, went to their luncheon when 40 young people came out to help clean up and pick up debris and fixed up some city owned properties. We do try to make a regular impact with those sessions and we are on the phone with Elizabeth all the time. Any way we can assist in relation to their grants or districts we are happy to do so. Also working with Hudson River Housing and supporting business downtown.

VI. CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS:

Chairman Klein – Thanks the efforts of the school district kicking off the year with the million fathers march. It was great to see all the kids out there. Also wish to commend councilwoman Flowers and the exempts for the commemoration of the 9/11 10 year anniversary event. Adding to the Mayor's comments about the zoning ordinance, it is something that the city and the council does take seriously. We have excellent professionals who work both within the administration and without on that. I have attended Middle Main events as have other members of the council and we all share concerns for the downtown not just our individual wards.

VII. MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS:

- 1. A motion was made by Councilmember Herman and seconded by Councilmember Parise to receive and print.**

Asst Corp. Counsel Ackermann – Introduces the resolution as a request for Andy's Place to renew its liquor license. What is being asked is that the 30 day notice period as required by state law that the municipality has that waived. The nuisance

committee and police department have reviewed the request and have no objection to the council's action today. Then the liquor authority would receive notice that the city has no objection.

**R-E-S-O-L-U-T-I-O-N
(R-11-80)**

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER HERMAN

WHEREAS, ANDY'S RESTURANT, INC., d/b/a ANDY'S PLACE has notified the City of Poughkeepsie of its intent to renew is liquor license for the premises known as 45 Dutchess Avenue, Poughkeepsie, New York; and

WHEREAS, New York State Alcoholic Beverage Control Law Section 64 requires every applicant, whether new or existing, to notify the municipality of their intent to file an application or renewal with the State or obtain a waiver from the municipality; and

WHEREAS, the request been reviewed by the nuisance committee and has no objection to the application of ANDY'S RESTURANT, INC. d/b/a/ ANDY'S PLACE and has had sufficient time to investigate the proposed renewal; and

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Common Council of the City of Poughkeepsie by copy of this resolution to the New York State Liquor Authority hereby waives the notice requirement pursuant to NYS ABC § 64 for ANDY'S RESTURANT, INC. d/b/a ANDY'S PLACE and acknowledges its intent to renew its liquor license.

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SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER PARISE

Councilman Herman makes a motion and is seconded by Councilman Parise to go into executive session.

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Mayor Tkazyik – Makes a brief announcement that the FEMA recovery center will be Oct. 2nd, 3rd and 4th from 8am – 8pm at the D.C. Sheriff’s office on N. Clinton Street. Clarifying the confusion in his comments, about the exact location as reported in the Poughkeepsie Journal that morning, contrary to what had been previously known to the Mayor’s office of the Crannell Street lot.

VIII. ORDINANCES AND LOCAL LAWS:

There are none.

IX. PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

- 1. FROM STEVE WOOD**, a notice of personal injury sustained on June 5, 2011. **Referred to Corporation Counsel**
- 2. FROM MARK TALLARDY**, a notice of property damage sustained in August, 2011. **Referred to Corporation Counsel**
- 3. FROM MICHAEL JOBS**, a notice of property damage sustained on July 15, 2011. **Referred to Corporation Counsel**
- 4. FROM SUZANNE N. RICHMOND**, a notice of property damage sustained on July 26, 2011. **Referred to Corporation Counsel**

X. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Councilwoman Solomon – Would like to state that the brick sidewalk on Main Street, between S. Hamilton and S. Clinton, is worth your life to walk on. It needs attention soon.

Councilman Mallory – Last meeting requested a report on the rental units that city had from Royal Carting. The trucks and what budget line it comes from. **Answered by Commissioner of Finance Bunyi that he will get it to him.**

Councilwoman Flowers – Would like to thank the FEMA representatives for all the work they are doing. Thanks them for coming to the block party on Sept. 10th. Making sure everyone was registered and alerting them of the process. Heard residents state that FEMA was very courteous and professional and understanding of their needs. Additionally, asks the council to participate in the LCS ribbon cutting. Joe Lapore [owner of LCS] is one of the businesses in the city that really helps the community; he was even the sponsor of our community block party. He is also a sponsor of the Student Athletic Basketball Program.

Mayor Tkazyik – Adds that it was a city owned property which Mr. Lapore bought 10 years ago, revitalized and refurbished it and cleaned up that portion of Cottage Street. He invested a lot of money into it.

XI. NEW BUSINESS:

Councilman Parise – October 2nd will be the taste of Little Italy in the little Italy district at Mt. Carmel Square. We will have live music, cannolli eating contest. So come down and enjoy, FEMA will be there as well. At 7pm singer Giada Viletti will perform at the Mt. Carmel Church, and that is a free concert. The following Sunday is our Pulaski Day Parade, starts at Bridge Street and march to the park, afterwards a Polka dance at the Polish Club.

Mayor Tkazyik – October 1st and 2nd is the Kids Expo in Waryas Park. December 2nd will be the festival of lights.

Councilwoman Solomon – On October 15th we will have Autumn in the park at Bartlett Park. From 12noon to 4pm, free pony rides, petting zoo, and a cow. It has come to my attention that most city kids have never seen a cow and we will have a heffer.

Councilwoman Flowers – DCC is having its 9th annual black college fair on Thursday Sept. 22 from 3 to 7pm at Poughkeepsie High School. They will have financial information, colleges come from different areas. And please spread the word so our kids can explore their college opportunities. We were able to put that block party together very quickly thanks to help from many organizations, since many of the residents didn't have power for weeks leading up to that. She thanks those who got involved and put it together. Special thank you to Trinity Temple 7th day Adventist for the food pantry they ran, also Red Cross brought cleaning supplies and food and bottled water, and the exempt firemen donated the hot dogs and hamburgers, also Steward's donated the ice cream. Without them along with others it wouldn't have been possible. There was one Central Hudson employee, Mr. Sifert- Hamilton, who was there restoring the power, and he has been reaching out to people in the community finding plumbers and electricians who might be able to donate their time to get some of the less fortunate residents up and running, since they can't afford it. There are still many residents in the 5th and 3rd wards without gas, no heat or hot water even though they have electric.

XII. ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Councilwoman Solomon and seconded by Councilmember Herman moved to adjourn meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Dated: December 15th, 2011

Official Minutes of Common Council Meeting of September 19, 2011

I hereby certify that this true and correct copy of the Minutes of the Common Council Meeting held on Monday, September 19, 2011 at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Deputy City Chamberlain



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*6:00 Special Informational Meeting
Presentation by Building Inspector Gary Beck*

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