

**ALBANY COMMON COUNCIL
MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING**

Monday, June 2, 2008

The Common Council was convened at 7:00 p.m. and was called to order by Council President Morris.

The roll being called, the following answered to their names: Council Members Calsolaro, Conti, Ellis, Fahey, Fox, Herring, Igoe, McLaughlin, O'Brien, Rosenzweig, Sano, Scalzo, Smith, and Timmons.

Also present was the following staff: John Marsolais, Patrick Jordan, Barbara Samel, and Cashawna Parker.

Council Member O'Brien led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

- 1) Leonard Morgennbesser, 219 Tampa Ave. Albany, NY 12208 (Gun Violence in the City of Albany)
- 2) Allahson Allah, 187 N. Lake Ave., Albany, NY 12206 (Gun Violence in the City of Albany)
- 3) Leah Golby, 550 Myrtle Ave., Albany, NY 12208 (Kathina Thomas Killing)
- 4) Marlon Anderson, 491 Livingston Ave.1B, Albany, NY 12206 (Safe Streets in Albany)
- 5) James Travers, Ravena, NY (Gun Violence & Landfill bonding)
- 6) Rev. Joyce Hartwell, Clinton Ave., Albany, NY (Community Policing in Albany)
- 7) Vincent Riguso, 13 Beach Ave., Albany, NY (YIG, Police Residency and City Bond Rating)
- 8) Barry Stone, Albany, NY (Lottery Revenue)
- 9) Lynne Jackson, 223 S. Swan St. , Albany, NY (Landfill Bonding)
- 10) Robert Mosley, Albany, NY (Policing in Albany, NY)
- 11) Les Fisher, Gun Violence Task Force Member (Violence Prevention Programs)

There being no further speakers, the President declared the Public Comment Period closed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

DEFERRED

CONSIDERATION OF LOCAL LAWS

Council Member Calsolaro introduced the following, which was referred to the Law, Buildings and Code Enforcement Committee:

LOCAL LAW F-2008

A LOCAL LAW AMENDING ARTICLE X (RESIDENTIAL HOME SECURITY) OF CHAPER 133 (BUILDING CONSTRUCTION) OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF ALBANY IN RELATION TO WINDOW SECURITY

BE IT ENACTED by the Common Council of the City of Albany as follows:

Section 1. Section 133-60(C) of Chapter 133 of the Code of the City of Albany is hereby amended to read as follows:

§ 133-60. General security requirements.

C. Windows. Every window at first floor or basement levels or openings onto a fire escape or which is accessible from another building or the ground shall be equipped with a secure, operating locking device. In addition, all [such accessible] double-hung windows shall be equipped with window pins, clips or similar safety devices which, when in use, prevent the window from locking open more than four [six] inches.

Section 2. This local law shall take effect upon final passage, public hearing and filing with the Secretary of State.

Council Member Conti made a motion to hold the Local Laws on the pending agenda, which was approved by unanimous voice vote.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Planning, Economic Development and Land Use – Council Member Herring stated that the Committee would be meeting on Tuesday, June 3, 2008 to discuss Resolutions 26.31.08R, 9.12.08R and 61.92.07R.

Finance, Taxation and Assessment - Council Member Sano stated that the committee met on Wednesday, May 28, 2008 to discuss various APD & AFD bonding ordinances. All the Ordinances were favorably recommended out of committee, except Ordinance 42.52.08, which was withdrawn.

General Services, Health and Environment – Council Member O’Brien stated that the committee would meet on Wednesday, June 11, 2008 to discuss a 20 year Solid Waste Plan for the City of Albany and Ordinance 51.61.08 repealing Ordinances 31.42.08 and 32.42.08 regarding landfill expansion bonding.

CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCES

Council Member Conti introduced the following and subsequent to introduction asked for unanimous consent to move for passage of Ordinance 49.61.08, which was approved by unanimous voice vote, upon which he asked for passage and a roll call vote thereon:

Ordinance Number 49.61.08 (UC)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 25.42.08 (AN ORDINANCE AMENDING VARIOUS SECTIONS OF THE CITY CODE TO INCREASE FEES AND FINES), AS ADOPTED MAY 19, 2008 IN RELATION TO THE REPEAL OF SECTION 43 THERETO

The City of Albany, in Common Council convened, does hereby ordain and enact:

Section 1. Section 43 of Ordinance 25.42.08, as adopted by the Common Council on May 19, 2008, amending Subsection B of section 255-39 of the Code of the City of Albany is REPEALED and the prior provisions of such subsection are deemed reinstated.

Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect immediately and be deemed to have been in full force and effect retroactive to the effective date of Ordinance 25.42.08 as adopted by the Common Council on May 19, 2008.

Passed by the following vote of all the council Members elected voting in favor thereof:

Affirmative -- Calsolaro, Conti, Fahey, Fox, Herring, Igoe, McLaughlin, O’Brien, Rosenzweig, Sano, Scalzo,

Negative -- Ellis

Affirmative 13 Negative 1 Abstain 0

Council Members McLaughlin, Ellis, and Smith introduced the following, which was held:

Ordinance Number 50.61.08

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CONVEYANCE OF ALL THE RIGHT, TITLE AND INTEREST OF THE CITY OF ALBANY IN AND TO 63 THIRD STREET (TAX MAP #65.74-2-19), 5 HUNTERS ALLEY (TAX MAP #65.74-3-75), 31 CATHERINE STREET (TAX MAP #76.57-5-42), 33 CATHERINE STREET (TAX MAP #76.57-5-43), 35 CATHERINE STREET (TAX MAP #76.57-5-44), 37 CATHERINE STREET (TAX MAP #76.57-5-45) AND 16 MORTON AVENUE (TAX MAP #76.57-5-17) IN THE CITY OF ALBANY, NEW YORK AT PRIVATE SALE TO PEARL OVER LOOK, INC. AND AHA SOUTH END II PROJECT, LLC

The City of Albany, in Common Council convened, does hereby ordain and enact:

Section 1. It is hereby ordered and directed that all the right, title and interest of the City of Albany in and to properties known as 63 Third Street (Tax Map #65.74-2-19), 5 Hunters Alley (Tax Map #65.74-3-75), 31 Catherine Street (Tax Map #76.57-5-42), 33 Catherine Street (Tax Map #76.57-5-43), 35 Catherine Street (Tax Map #76.57-5-44), 37 Catherine Street (Tax Map #76.57-5-45) and 16 Morton Avenue (Tax Map #76.57-5-17) be sold at private sale pursuant to the provisions of Local Law No. 4 for 1984 to Pearl Over Look, Inc. and AHA South End II Project, LLC.

SUBJECT to all easements, restrictions and rights-of-way of record.

Section 2. It is hereby determined that the aforesaid properties have been abandoned for municipal or public purposes.

Section 3. The form, content, terms and conditions of such conveyance shall be approved by the Corporation Counsel and shall be subject to the approval of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, and if approved by said Board, the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute a proper deed of conveyance for a valuable consideration.

Section 4. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

Council Member O'Brien introduced the following, which was referred to the General Services, Health and Environment Committee:

Ordinance Number 51.61.08

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE 31.42.08 ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING CERTAIN PROJECTS BY THE CITY OF ALBANY, NEW YORK AT A MAXIMUM ESTIMATED COST OF \$6,991,000.00 AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$6,991,000.00 SERIAL BONDS OF SAID CITY TO PAY THE COST THEREOF (LANDFILL EXPANSION)" AND ORDINANCE 32.42.08 ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING CERTAIN PROJECTS BY THE CITY OF ALBANY, NEW YORK AT A MAXIMUM ESTIMATED COST OF \$1,700,000.00 AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,700,000.00 SERIAL BONDS OF SAID CITY TO PAY THE COST THEREOF. (PINE BUSH RESTORATION)"

The City of Albany, in Common Council convened, does hereby ordain and enact:

Section 1. Ordinance Number 31.42.08, entitled: “An Ordinance Authorizing Certain Projects By the City of Albany, New York at a Maximum Estimated Cost of \$6,991,000.00 and Authorizing the Issuance of \$6,991,000.00 Serial Bonds of said City to Pay the Cost Thereof (Landfill Expansion),” passed by the City of Albany Common Council on May 19, 2008 is hereby repealed in its entirety.

Section 2. Ordinance Number 32.42.08, entitled: “An Ordinance Authorizing Certain Projects By the City of Albany, New York at a Maximum Estimated Cost of \$1,700,000.00 and Authorizing the Issuance of \$1,700,000.00 Serial Bonds of said City to Pay the Cost Thereof (Pine Bush Restoration),” passed by the City of Albany Common Council on May 19, 2008 is hereby repealed in its entirety.

Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

Council Member Sano asked for passage and a roll call vote thereon Ordinance 37.42.08 (As Amended) (AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING CERTAIN PROJECTS BY THE CITY OF ALBANY, NEW YORK AT A MAXIMUM ESTIMATED COST OF \$280,000.00 AND AUTHORIZING THE LEASE FINANCING OR ISSUANCE OF \$280,000.00 SERIAL BONDS OF SAID CITY TO PAY THE COST THEREOF. (APD PATROL UNIT CAMERAS)), which had been previously introduced.

Ordinance 37.42.08 (As Amended) was Co-Sponsored by Council Members Igoe, Rosenzweig, Scalzo and Timmons.

Passed by the following vote of all the council Members elected voting in favor thereof:

Affirmative -- Conti, Ellis Fahey, Fox, Herring, Igoe, McLaughlin, O’Brien, Rosenzweig, Sano, Scalzo, Smith and Timmons

Negative -- Calsolaro

Affirmative 13 Negative 1 Abstain 0

Council Member Sano asked for passage of ORDINANCE 38.42.08(As Amended) (AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING CERTAIN PROJECTS BY THE CITY OF ALBANY, NEW YORK AT A MAXIMUM ESTIMATED COST OF \$200,000.00 AND AUTHORIZING THE LEASE FINANCING OR ISSUANCE OF \$200,000.00 SERIAL BONDS OF SAID CITY TO PAY THE COST THEREOF. (MOBILE RADIOS)), which had been previously introduced.

Passed by the following vote of all the council Members elected voting in favor thereof:

Affirmative -- Conti, Fox, Herring, Igoe, McLaughlin, O’Brien, Rosenzweig, Sano, Scalzo, and Timmons

Negative -- Calsolaro, Ellis, Fahey, and Smith

Affirmative 10 Negative 4 Abstain 0

Council Member Sano asked for passage of ORDINANCE 41.52.08 (AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING CERTAIN PROJECTS BY THE CITY OF ALBANY, NEW YORK AT A MAXIMUM ESTIMATED COST OF \$515,000.00 AND AUTHORIZING THE LEASE FINANCING OR THE ISSUANCE OF \$515,000.00 SERIAL BONDS OF SAID CITY TO PAY THE COST THEREOF (REPLACEMENT OF PATROL VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT), which had been previously introduced.

Passed by the following vote of all the council Members elected voting in favor thereof:

Affirmative -- Conti, Fox, Herring, Igoe, McLaughlin, O'Brien, Rosenzweig, Sano, Scalzo, and Timmons

Negative -- Calsolaro, Ellis, Fahey, and Smith

Affirmative 10 Negative 4 Abstain 0

Council Member Sano made a motion to withdraw Ordinance 42.52.08, which was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Council Member Sano asked for passage of ORDINANCE 43.52.08 (AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING CERTAIN PROJECTS BY THE CITY OF ALBANY, NEW YORK AT A MAXIMUM ESTIMATED COST OF \$495,000.00 AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$495,000.00 SERIAL BONDS OF SAID CITY TO PAY THE COST THEREOF (INTELLIGENT TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM DESIGN)), which had been previously introduced.

Passed by the following vote of all the council Members elected voting in favor thereof:

Affirmative -- Conti, Ellis, Fahey, Fox, Herring, Igoe, McLaughlin, O'Brien, Rosenzweig, Sano, Scalzo, Smith and Timmons

Negative -- Calsolaro

Affirmative 13 Negative 1 Abstain 0

Council Member Sano asked for passage of ORDINANCE 44.52.08 (AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING CERTAIN PROJECTS BY THE CITY OF ALBANY, NEW YORK AT A MAXIMUM ESTIMATED COST OF \$220,000.00 AND AUTHORIZING THE LEASE FINANCING OR THE ISSUANCE OF \$220,000.00 SERIAL BONDS OF SAID CITY TO PAY THE COST THEREOF (TRAFFIC SIGNALS)), which had been previously introduced.

Ordinance 44.52.08 was Co-Sponsored by Council Members Conti and Scalzo.

Passed by the following vote of all the council Members elected voting in favor thereof:

Affirmative -- Conti, Ellis, Fahey, Fox, Herring, Igoe, McLaughlin, O'Brien, Rosenzweig, Sano, Scalzo, Smith and Timmons

Negative -- Calsolaro

Affirmative 13 Negative 1 Abstain 0

Council Member Sano asked for passage of ORDINANCE 45.52.08 (AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING CERTAIN PROJECTS BY THE CITY OF ALBANY, NEW YORK AT A MAXIMUM ESTIMATED COST OF \$54,000.00 AND AUTHORIZING THE LEASE FINANCING OR THE ISSUANCE OF \$54,000.00 SERIAL BONDS OF SAID CITY TO PAY THE COST THEREOF (VARIABLE MESSAGE BOARD)), which had been previously introduced.

Ordinance 45.52.08 was CO-Sponsored by Council Member Scalzo.

Passed by the following vote of all the council Members elected voting in favor thereof:

Affirmative -- Conti, Fox, Herring, Igoe, McLaughlin, O'Brien, Rosenzweig, Sano, Scalzo, Smith and Timmons

Negative -- Calsolaro, Ellis, and Fahey

Affirmative 11 Negative 3 Abstain 0

Council Member Sano asked for passage of ORDINANCE 47.52.08 (AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING CERTAIN PROJECTS BY THE CITY OF ALBANY, NEW YORK AT A MAXIMUM ESTIMATED COST OF \$440,000.00 AND AUTHORIZING THE LEASE FINANCING OR THE ISSUANCE OF \$440,000.00 SERIAL BONDS OF SAID CITY TO PAY THE COST THEREOF (PUMPER TRUCK)), which had been previously introduced.

Passed by the following vote of all the council Members elected voting in favor thereof:

Affirmative -- Conti, Fahey, Fox, Herring, Igoe, McLaughlin, O'Brien, Rosenzweig, Sano, Scalzo, Smith and Timmons

Negative -- Calsolaro and Ellis

Affirmative 12 Negative 2 Abstain 0

Council Member Sano asked for passage of ORDINANCE 48.52.08 (AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING CERTAIN PROJECTS BY THE CITY OF ALBANY, NEW YORK AT A MAXIMUM ESTIMATED COST OF \$70,000.00 AND AUTHORIZING THE LEASE FINANCING OR THE ISSUANCE OF \$70,000.00 SERIAL BONDS OF SAID CITY TO PAY THE COST THEREOF (PARAMEDIC AND BATTALION CHIEF VEHICLES)), which had been previously introduced.

Having failed to receive a two-thirds majority of all the council Members elected voting in favor thereof, the motion for passage failed by the following vote:

Affirmative -- Fox, Herring, Igoe, McLaughlin, O'Brien, Rosenzweig, Sano, Scalzo, and Timmons

Negative -- Calsolaro, Conti, Ellis, Fahey, and Smith

Affirmative 9 Negative 5 Abstain 0

The remaining ordinances on the pending agenda were held at the request of Council Member Conti.

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS

Council Members O'Brien and Calsolaro offered the following, asked for passage and a roll call vote thereon:

Resolution Number 48.61.08R

**RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALBANY
CONSENTING TO THE SHIFT OF OPERATIONS OF HONEST WEIGHT FOOD
COOPERATIVE FROM 484 CENTRAL AVENUE TO 100 WATERVLIT AVENUE WITHIN
THE EMPIRE ZONE OF THE CITY OF ALBANY**

WHEREAS, Honest Weight Food Cooperative, formed in 1976, has maintained its business operations within the City of Albany and wishes to continue operations in the future; and

WHEREAS, Honest Weight Food Cooperative needs additional space to expand operations and has acquired a facility at 100 Watervliet Avenue located within the City of Albany Empire Zone boundaries; and

WHEREAS, Honest Weight Food Cooperative, with a workforce of 50 people, plans to invest \$9 million in a new facility and equipment and will create 60 new jobs over the next 5 years at the new expanded facility in the City of Albany; and

WHEREAS, Honest Weight Food Cooperative is attempting to remain within the City of Albany by moving from 484 Central Avenue to 100 Watervliet Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the State of New York requires businesses shifting operations from a non-Empire Zone location into a zone location to get the consent of the municipality to become Empire Zone certification; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council has heard public comment that circumstances exist to warrant the relocation of Honest Weight Food Cooperative from its current space to 100 Watervliet Avenue, within the City's Empire Zone.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Albany hereby consents to the relocation of Honest Weight Food Cooperative from 484 Central Avenue to 100 Watervliet Avenue, in the Albany Empire Zone in accordance with Article 18-B of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York.

Passed by the following vote of all the council Members elected voting in favor thereof:

Affirmative -- Calsolaro, Conti, Ellis, Fahey, Fox, Herring, Igoe, McLaughlin, O'Brien, Rosenzweig, Sano, Scalzo, Smith, and Timmons

Affirmative 14 Negative 0 Abstain 0

Council Member McLaughlin offered the following, asked for passage and a roll call vote thereon:

Resolution Number 49.61.08R

RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A PAYMENT IN-LIEU-OF TAX (PILOT) AGREEMENT WITH EZRA PRENTICE HOMES REDEVELOPMENT LLC.

WHEREAS, Ezra Prentice Homes Redevelopment LLC has low income housing development within the City of Albany, located and situated at 625 South Pearl Street in the City and County of Albany, State of New York ("Property") for the purpose of rehabilitating one hundred seventy nine (179) apartments for families of low income; and

WHEREAS, the LLC is a Limited Liability Company established pursuant to section 203 of the Limited Liability Company Law and is controlled by or under common control with the Albany Housing Authority (the "AHA"); and

WHEREAS, the LLC has been formed for the purpose of providing housing facilities for persons of low income; and

WHEREAS, the LLC’s plan for the use of the Property, constitutes a “housing project” as that term is defined in Section 572 of the PHFL (the “Project”).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized and empowered to execute and enter into a PILOT agreement with the LLC in a form as approved by the Corporation Counsel, together with such other and further forms, documents and agreements necessary to amend, renew, supplement or effectuate the same.

Passed by the following vote of all the council Members elected voting in favor thereof:

Affirmative -- Calsolaro, Conti, Ellis, Fahey, Fox, Herring, Igoe, McLaughlin, O’Brien, Rosenzweig, Sano, Scalzo, Smith, and Timmons

Affirmative 14 Negative 0 Abstain 0

Council Member Ellis offered the following, asked for passage and a roll call vote thereon:

RESOLUTION NUMBER 50.61.08R

RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A PAYMENT IN-LIEU-OF TAX (PILOT) AGREEMENT WITH ACADEMY LOFTS LLC AND ACADEMY LOFTS HOUSING DEVELOPMENT FUND CORP.

WHEREAS, Academy Lofts LLC and Academy Lofts Housing Development Fund Corporation (“HDFC”) have a vacant and abandoned property within the City of Albany, located and situated at 70 North Swan Street in the City and County of Albany, State of New York (“Property”) for the purpose of constructing twenty two (22) loft style apartments, along with a cultural and arts space, for persons and families of low income; and

WHEREAS, the HDFC is a corporation established pursuant to section 402 of the Not-For-Profit Corporation Law and Article XI of the Private Housing Finance Law (“PHFL”), and is controlled by or under common control with the Albany Housing Authority (the “AHA”); and

WHEREAS, the HDFC is the sole managing member of the Company; and

WHEREAS, the Company and the HDFC have each been formed for the purpose of providing housing facilities for persons of low income; and

WHEREAS, the Company’s and the HDFC’s plan for the use of the Property, constitutes a “housing project” as that term is defined in Section 572 of the PHFL (the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, the HDFC is a “housing development fund company” as that term is defined in Section 572 of the PHFL.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized and empowered to execute and enter into a PILOT agreement with the Company and HDFC in a form as approved by the Corporation Counsel, together with such other and further forms, documents and agreements necessary to amend, renew, supplement or effectuate the same.

**Note: There was discussion from Council Member Smith in regards to the St. Joseph Center on North Swan Street.*

Resolution 50.61.08R was Co-Sponsored by Council Members Scalzo, Smith and Timmons.

Passed by the following vote of all the council Members elected voting in favor thereof:

Affirmative -- Calsolaro, Conti, Ellis, Fahey, Fox, Herring, Igoe, McLaughlin, O'Brien, Rosenzweig, Sano, Scalzo, Smith, and Timmons

Affirmative 14 Negative 0 Abstain 0

Council Member Conti asked and received majority consent to add Resolution 51.61.08R to the pending agenda, which was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Council Member Conti, Calsolaro, Ellis, Fahey, Fox, Herring, Igoe, McLaughlin, O'Brien, Rosenzweig, Sano, Scalzo, Smith and Timmons offered the following, asked for passage and a roll call vote thereon:

Resolution Number 51.61.08R(MC)

RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL RECOGNIZING AND COMMEMORATING CAPITAL PRIDE 2008

WHEREAS, the month of June is nationally recognized and celebrated as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Pride Month in commemoration of the 1969 Stonewall Rebellion which marks the birth of the modern day LGBT human rights movement; and

WHEREAS, 2008 marks the 38th anniversary of the founding of the Tri-Cities Gay Liberation Front which two years later evolved into the Capital District Gay and Lesbian Community Council; and

WHEREAS, Albany is the home of the oldest continuously operating lesbian and gay community center in the nation, located at 332 Hudson Avenue, and was the site, in 1971, of the first march on a state capital for lesbian and gay civil rights; and

WHEREAS, Albany and the Capital District respect and appreciate the diversity of its community and the variety of races, religions, genders, backgrounds and sexual orientations among its residents; and

WHEREAS, the volunteers of the Capital District Gay and Lesbian Community Council have organized a series of activities from Thursday, May 29, 2008 through Sunday, June 8, 2008 marking a celebration of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender pride across the Capital District; and

WHEREAS, the theme of this year's celebration is "Pride. Live It. Show It."; and

WHEREAS, this celebration will culminate with a parade and festival, co-sponsored by the City of Albany, in Washington Park on June 8; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate for this body to pause in its deliberations to recognize Capital Pride 2008 and the celebration of 38 years of pride in the Capital District that it represents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Common Council of the City of Albany does hereby recognize this celebration and the contributions of the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender

community to our city and does extend its congratulations and best wishes for a successful Capital Pride 2008 celebration.

Passed by the following vote of all the council Members elected voting in favor thereof:

Affirmative -- Calsolaro, Conti, Ellis, Fahey, Fox, Herring, Igoe, McLaughlin, O'Brien, Rosenzweig, Sano, Scalzo, Smith, and Timmons

Affirmative 14 Negative 0 Abstain 0

The remaining resolutions on the pending agenda were held at the request of Council Member Conti.

MISCELLANEOUS AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

RESOLVED THAT THE FOLLOWING PERSONS BE AND HEREBY ARE APPOINTED COMMISSIONERS OF DEEDS FOR THE CITY OF ALBANY, NEW YORK FOR THE TERM ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2008, AND WAIVE THE READING OF THE NAMES:

Fitzpatrick, Kathleen, Office of the County Clerk, 32 N. Russell Rd., Albany, NY 12206
Redler, Steve, 19 Matilda St., Albany, NY 12209

Council Member Herring discussed inaccurate information from public comment period.

Council President Morris discussed the petition from the taxicab owners regarding a gas surcharge.

Council Members Calsolaro, McLaughlin, Smith, Fahey, and O'Brien discussed Kathina Thomas murder.

Council Member Rosenzweig discussed partnering with Albany City School District.

Council Member Conti discussed the need for Council Members to talk to each other as a way of building more effective communication and institutional cohesion in addressing public policy concerns.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made for adjournment.

Council President Morris stated, hearing no objections, that the Council was adjourned.

A true record of the Common Council Minutes of June 2nd, 2008.

**CASHAWNA PARKER
LEGISLATIVE AIDE TO THE COMMON COUNCIL**