

Journal of Proceedings

OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OLEAN, N.Y.

January 10, 2017

**COMMON COUNCIL CHAMBERS
COUNTY OF CATTARAUGUS
STATE OF NEW YORK**

A Regular Meeting of the Olean Common Council of the City of Olean was held on Tuesday, January 10, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.

PRESENT: *Aldermen Gonzalez, Witte, Andreano, Dougherty, Crawford, Smith, and George*

ABSENT: *None*

OFFICIALS: *Mayor William Aiello; Al Utecht, City Clerk; Nicholas DiCerbo, Jr., City Attorney; Tom Windus, Director of Public Works; Bob Bell, Fire Chief; Jeff Rowley, Police Chief, and Tiffany Taylor, Managerial Confidential Administrative Secretary*

At this time a prayer was given by Ms. Taylor, followed by a salute to the flag.

COMMITTEE REPORTS & UNFINISHED COUNCIL BUSINESS

None

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

None

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS

None

CITY OFFICIAL REPORTS

None

PROPOSED LEGISLATION AND REFERRALS

PL #01-17: (Andreano) To form a task force for empowering neighborhood and encouraging proactive change throughout the City of Olean. Referred to Public Safety Committee by Council President.

PL #02-17: (Dougherty) To amend the City of Olean Code of Ordinances Section 21-5, Removal of snow and ice from sidewalks. Referred to Public Safety Committee by Council President.

PL #03-17: (Aiello) To adopt a GASB 54 Fund Balance Policy and Policy for Manual Journal Vouchers. Referred to Finance Committee by Council President.

PL #04-17: (Aiello) To authorize the creation of one part time permanent Building Inspector position. Referred to City Operations Committee by Council President.

PUBLIC COMMENT/INPUT

Alderman Gonzalez welcomed Aldermen Linda Witte and John Crawford to the Council.

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Alderman Andreano thanked the Council, the Mayor, the City Attorney and the community who kept her family in their prayers during her father's illness. She stated that he is recovering.

Alderman Crawford stated that he had received concerns regarding where citizens without a driveway should park during a snow event. Chief Rowley stated that different streets are plowed at different times, so they are able to park on alternate streets during different time intervals. This information is all on the City's website. Also, the City lots are available free of charge during snow events for residents to park, if needed. Alderman Crawford reminded residents to make arrangements for vehicles in advance if they plan to be out of town for an extended period of time, as it is hard to tell when a snow event will occur. Alderman Dougherty added that during street sweeper nights and during snow events, residents are able to park in the subway.

George Lapennas of 653 Garden Avenue stated that the intersection of North Second Street and West State Street is dangerous. It is a one way street heading south. When People come down the road to the intersection, they often find that the vehicles parking to the left of the intersection park directly up to the corner, making it very difficult to see traffic. He recommended the installation of "No Parking Here to Corner" signs to eliminate a couple of parking spaces to make the intersection safer.

He continued in stating that more advance notice of meetings, including agendas with topics, would be nice. Agendas are posted on the City's website the day before meetings, but he would like to see them posted the previous Friday.

FINANCE / BILLS

None

RESOLUTIONS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn was made by Alderman Gonzalez, seconded by Alderman Dougherty. Voice vote, ayes all. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at approximately 6:45 p.m.

Alexander Utecht, City Clerk

Mayor William J. Aiello

Paul Gonzalez, Council President

I hereby approve the foregoing minutes

Dated: ____/____/_____

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I, Alexander Utecht, City Clerk of the City of Olean, do hereby certify that the foregoing minutes of the Common Council of the City of Olean is the true and correct copy of the whole thereof.

Alexander Utecht, City Clerk