

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL

Tuesday, January 8, 2019 – 6:35 p.m.

Olean Municipal Building - Council Chambers

- 1. ROLL-CALL**
- 2. INVOCATION**
- 3. PLEDGE**
- 4. READING, CORRECTING, AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS REGULAR MEETING:**

“The Regular Meeting of the Olean Common Council was held on Tuesday, December 18, 2018 at 6:45 p.m.”

PRESENT: Alderman Crawford, Witte, Andreano, Gonzalez, Dougherty, Smith, and George

ABSENT: None

OFFICIALS: Mayor William Aiello; Lens Martial, City Clerk; Nicholas DiCerbo, Jr., City Attorney; Fred Saradin, City Auditor; Bob Ring, Director of Public Works; Bob Bell, Fire Chief; Jeff Rowley, Police Chief, and Tiffany Taylor, Managerial Confidential Administrative Secretary.

- 5. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND UNFINISHED COUNCIL BUSINESS**
- 6. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR**
- 7. MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS**
- 8. CITY OFFICIAL REPORTS**

Monthly Report of the City Auditor – month ended November 2018

Monthly Report of the City Auditor – month ended December 2018

Quarterly Report of the City Auditor – six months ended November 30, 2018

- 9. PROPOSED LEGISLATION & REFERRALS**

PL #01-19: (Aiello) To authorize the Mayor to execute a Grant Agreement with the New York State Department of State for funding associated with the City of Olean’s Award from the Downtown Revitalization Initiative. *Referred to Committee of the Whole Tuesday, January 8, 2019 by Council President.*

PL #02-19: (Crawford) To amend the City of Olean Code of Ordinances Chapter 2, Article VI, Division 3, Audit and Compliance Committee Reporting Policy. *Referred to Finance Committee by Council President.*

PL #03-19: (Crawford) To amend the City of Olean Code of Ordinances Section 24-134 to include Winters Avenue, East, between Washington Street and Sullivan Street, and to authorize the installation of “No Parking” signs on the east side of Winters Avenue. *Referred to Public Safety Committee by Council President.*

PL #04-19: (Aiello) To authorize the subdivision of a parcel located at 1404 Buffalo Street in accordance with Chapter 22, Article III of the City of Olean Code of Ordinances. *Referred to Strategic Planning Committee by Council President.*

PL #05-19: (Aiello) To authorize the Mayor to sign and submit an application for funding to National Grid under the Urban/Commercial District Revitalization Program in connection with electric costs for the Walkable Olean Phase II Project. *Referred to Committee of the Whole Tuesday, January 22, 2019 by Council President.*

PL #06-19: (Aiello) To authorize the Mayor to sign and submit a Community Development Block Grant application to the New York State Office of Community Renewal under the Economic Development Program in connection with the development of a new hotel currently addressed as 1404 Buffalo Street. *Referred to Committee of the Whole Tuesday, January 22, 2019 by Council President.*

10. PUBLIC COMMENT / INPUT (5 MINUTE LIMIT PER SPEAKER)

11. FINANCE / BILLS

12. RESOLUTIONS.

RESOLUTION #01-19

PL #01-19

By Alderman _____, Seconded by Alderman _____

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF STATE FOR FUNDING ASSOCIATED WITH THE CITY OF OLEAN’S AWARD FROM THE DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION INITIATIVE

WHEREAS, the 2017 Executive and Enacted New York State budget included a \$100 million round of the Downtown Revitalization Initiative (DRI), to invest \$10 million each into ten communities Statewide to develop downtown strategic investment plans and implement key catalytic projects that advance each community’s vision for revitalization, promote sustainable economic

development, and create places where the next generation of New Yorkers can raise their families, work, and enjoy the diversity of recreational activities all within their downtowns; and

WHEREAS, the City of Olean, Cattaraugus County, Olean Business Development Corporation, the Olean CEO Executive Alliance, Urban Renewal Agency and other community organizations formed a collaborative relationship and were actively engaged in planning activities to support the revitalization and renewal of the City of Olean's downtown; and

WHEREAS, on September 29, 2017, the City of Olean was awarded \$10 million from the 2017 Downtown Revitalization Initiative; and

WHEREAS, on July 16, 2018, Governor Andrew Cuomo announced the twelve transformational projects for downtown Olean as a part of the \$10 million award highlighting historic properties, improving the streetscape and inviting new economic growth; and

WHEREAS, of the twelve projects chosen for funding with DRI grant funds, five public domain projects proposed by the City of Olean were awarded funding, including:

1. Improving the streetscape of North Union Street and State Street through beautification, appropriate lighting, seasonal banners, sidewalk replacement, and seating in front of restaurants;
2. Redesigning and improving West State Street to make it inviting and safer for pedestrians and cyclists, while accommodating traffic on the busy road, and improving pedestrian crossings, landscaping, sidewalks, lighting, and street furniture, with space for on-street parking, bump outs, and road striping to calm traffic;
3. Improving the downtown gateway corridor of South Union Street between Henley Street and South Street by eliminating a traffic signal and replacing it with roundabouts, including bump outs, medians, a bike lane, crossing enhancements, and sidewalk replacement;
4. A combination of traffic calming, streetscape and crossing improvements on East State Street including medians, landscaping, bump outs, parking improvements, and a shared use path; and
5. Improvements to Oak Hill Park designed to complement the needs of the neighborhood and downtown; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Common Council authorizes the Mayor of the City of Olean to execute a Grant Agreement for project reimbursement in the amount of \$5,450,000 with the New York State Department of State for funding associated with the Downtown Revitalization Initiative's awards for the above-referenced projects.

RESOLVED, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to sign all contracts, agreements, and associated documents in relation to this funding award upon review and approval by the City Attorney.

RESOLVED, that this Resolution is hereby effective immediately.

13. ADJOURNMENT