

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL

Tuesday, February 25, 2020

Olean Municipal Building - Council Chambers – 6:35 p.m.

1. ROLL-CALL

2. INVOCATION

Dear Creator of all, we ask that you look kindly on this gathering. Grant us the wisdom to see these issues from their true perspective. Guide our hearts and minds to seek understanding and knowledge to benefit all whom reside in our community. Amen.

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, February 11, 2020 at 6:55 p.m.”

PRESENT: Aldermen Gonzalez, Witte, Panus, Dougherty, Crawford, Smith, and Anastasia

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; Keri Stephen, Community Development Program Coordinator; Jeff Rowley, Police Chief; Tim Richardson, Fire 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

9. PROPOSED LEGISLATION & REFERRALS

PL #12-20: (Aiello) To authorize the Mayor to submit a grant application to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) under its Assistance to Firefighters’ Grant Program for funding associated with the purchase of a brush truck. *Referred to Committee of the Whole Tuesday, February 25, 2020 by Council President.*

PL #13-20: (Aiello) To amend ambulance billing rates in accordance with the schedule provided by Professional Ambulance Billing, LLC. *Referred to Committee of the Whole Tuesday, February 25, 2020 by Council President.*

PL #14-20: (Aiello) To authorize a one year leave of absence for employee number 105250. *Referred to Regular Meeting Tuesday, February 25, 2020 for Resolution by Council President.*

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

11. FINANCE-BILLS

By Alderman _____ Seconded by Alderman _____

The Auditor has processed bills and claims against the City of Olean as per list submitted to each Alderman and recommends payment thereof.

WHEREAS, the Auditor has presented to the Common Council, bills and claims against the City of Olean totaling \$1,436,777.31 for the budget and recommends payment thereof.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the same be and are hereby audited and allowed, and the Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to draw warrants for the payment thereof at the amounts set opposite each respective claim.

12. RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION #14-20

PL #12-20

By Alderman _____, Seconded by Alderman _____

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA) UNDER ITS ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS' GRANT PROGRAM FOR FUNDING ASSOCIATED WITH THE PURCHASE OF A BRUSH TRUCK

WHEREAS, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has made available \$315,000,000 in funding to fire departments across the country through their Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG); and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the AFG is to enhance the safety of the public and firefighters with respect to fire-related hazards by providing direct financial assistance to eligible fire departments, nonaffiliated Emergency Medical Services organizations, and State Fire Training Academies; and

WHEREAS, this funding is for critically needed resources to equip and train emergency personnel to recognized standards, enhance operations efficiencies, foster interoperability, and support community resilience; and

WHEREAS, the City of Olean has defined a need for a brush truck to better aid the Fire Department in its operations; and

WHEREAS, the AFG funding provides an opportunity for 95% funding for the purchase of said brush truck; and

WHEREAS, the City of Olean has appropriated a local match not to exceed \$6,250 from line item 3410.447, "Miscellaneous Fees and Services";

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Common Council authorizes the Mayor of the City of Olean to sign and submit a grant application to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) under its Assistance to Firefighters' Grant Program (AFG) for funding associated with the purchase of a brush truck.

RESOLVED, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to sign any and all contracts, documents and agreements associated with said grant.

RESOLVED, that this Resolution is hereby effective immediately.

RESOLUTION #15-20

PL #13-20

By Alderman _____, Seconded by Alderman _____

TO AMEND AMBULANCE BILLING RATES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE SCHEDULE PROVIDED BY PROFESSIONAL AMBULANCE BILLING, LLC

RESOLVED, that the City of Olean Common Council hereby amends Resolution #13-13 and revises and established the fees for ambulance services by the City of Olean Fire Department as follows:

<i>Service Level</i>	<i>New Rate</i>
ALS2	\$1350
ALS1	\$1150
BLS	\$850
PI	\$575
MLS	\$25

RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall be effective immediately.

RESOLUTION #16-20

PL #14-20

By Alderman _____, Seconded by Alderman _____

TO AUTHORIZE A ONE YEAR LEAVE OF ABSENCE FOR EMPLOYEE NUMBER 105250

RESOLVED, that upon review of the request received, the Common Council of the City of Olean authorizes a one year leave of absence for employee number 105250.

RESOLVED, that this Resolution is effective immediately.

13. ADJOURNMENT