

# **Journal of Proceedings**

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

March 9, 2021

***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, March 9, 2021 at 7:05 p.m.*

***PRESENT:*** Aldermen Crawford, Witte, Panus, Gonzalez, Robinson, and Anastasia

***ABSENT:*** None

***OFFICIALS:*** Mayor William Aiello; Lens Martial, City Clerk; Fred Saradin, City Auditor; Keri Kerper, Community Development Program Coordinator; Bob Ring, Director of Public Works; Tim Richardson, Fire Chief, and Tiffany Taylor, Managerial Confidential Administrative Secretary

*At this time a prayer was given by Mr. Martial, followed by a salute to the flag.*

***READING, CORRECTING, AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS REGULAR MEETING***

*A motion to approve the minutes of the February 23 2021 Regular Meeting was made by Alderman Crawford, seconded by Alderman Anastasia. Voice vote, ayes all. Motion carried.*

***COMMITTEE REPORTS & UNFINISHED COUNCIL BUSINESS***

*Report from Committee of the Whole on PL #09-21, to authorize the Mayor to sign and submit two grant applications to the New York State Department of Transportation under the BRIDGE NY program for costs associated with the replacement of the Front Street Culvert at Johnson Brook and the Brook Street Culvert at Kings Brook. Committee recommends approval. Referred to City Attorney for Resolution.*

***COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR***

*Mayor Aiello explained that after much consideration, he would like to bring forth an appointment for Linda Edstrom as Alderman of Ward 4. He explained that she is well respected by residents of Ward 4, and was former Alderman of Ward 4 for three terms. He explained that she has represented the City as a County Legislator and is aware of issues in Ward 4 and the City. He explained that she is familiar with the City budget and operations of the City. He explained that he will later put forth Resolution 12-21. He explained that the resolution requires a 2/3 majority vote, and does not require sponsors per the City Attorney.*

***MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS***

*None*

***CITY OFFICIAL REPORTS***

*Quarterly Report of the City Auditor – nine months ended February 28, 2021*

*Monthly Report of the City Auditor – month ended February 2021*

***PROPOSED LEGISLATION AND REFERRALS***

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*PL #08-21: (Aiello) To authorize the transfer of up to \$6,265 from General Fund Contingency to line item 1010.441 for costs associated with updating the City of Olean Code of Ordinances. Referred to Regular Meeting March 9, 2021 for Resolution by Council President.*

*PL #09-21: (Aiello) To authorize the Mayor to sign and submit two grant applications to the New York State Department of Transportation under the BRIDGE NY program for costs associated with the replacement of the Front Street Culvert at Johnson Brook and the Brook Street Culvert at Kings Brook. Referred to Committee of the Whole Tuesday, March 9, 2021 for Resolution by Council President.*

## **PUBLIC COMMENT/INPUT**

None

## **FINANCE / BILLS**

None

## **RESOLUTIONS**

*A motion to suspend the rules was made by Alderman Crawford, seconded by Alderman Gonzalez. Voice vote, ayes all. Motion carried.*

*A motion to amend the agenda to include Resolution #12-21 was made by Alderman Panus, no second. Motion defeated.*

### **RESOLUTION #10-21**

#### **PL #08-21**

*By Alderman Crawford, Seconded by Alderman Witte*

#### **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM GENERAL FUND CONTINGENCY TO LINE ITEM 1010.441, LEGISLATIVE BOARD – PRINTING, FOR COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH UPDATING THE CITY OF OLEAN CODE OF ORDINANCES**

**RESOLVED**, that the following transfer be authorized for costs associated with the replacement of Dispatch computers:

<i>Account #</i>	<i>Description – General</i>	<i>Transferred From</i>	<i>Transferred to</i>
<i>A-01-5-1990.590</i>	<i>General Fund Contingency</i>	<i>up to \$6,265</i>	
<i>A-01-5-1010.441</i>	<i>Legislative Board - Printing</i>		<i>Sup to \$6,265</i>

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this Resolution is effective immediately.

**ROLL CALL, AYES ALL. MOTION CARRIED.**

### **RESOLUTION #11-21**

#### **PL #09-21**

*By Alderman Panus, Seconded by Alderman Witte*

**TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO SIGN AND SUBMIT TWO GRANT APPLICATIONS TO THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION UNDER THE BRIDGE NY PROGRAM FOR COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE REPLACEMENT OF THE FRONT STREET CULVERT AT JOHNSON BROOK AND THE BROOK STREET CULVERT AT KINGS BROOK**

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**WHEREAS**, the New York State Department of Transportation has funding available in the amount of \$200 million under the BRIDGE NY program for enhanced assistance for local governments to rehabilitate and replace bridges and culverts with emphasis on projects that address poor structural conditions, mitigate weight restrictions or detours, facilitate economic development or increase competitiveness, improve resiliency and/or reduce the risk of flooding; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Olean desires to submit two applications for culvert replacement funding: (i) Front Street Culvert at Johnson Brook and (ii) Brook Street Culvert at Kings Brook; and

**WHEREAS**, if awarded, program funding would provide one hundred percent (100%) of the cost of culvert replacement, including design/engineering, right-of-way, construction and construction inspection costs;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Common Council of the City of Olean does hereby authorize the Mayor to sign and submit two grant applications to the New York State Department of Transportation under the BRIDGE NY program for costs associated with the replacement of the Front Street Culvert at Johnson Brook and the Brook Street Culvert at Kings Brook.

**RESOLVED**, that this Resolution is effective immediately.

**ROLL CALL, AYES ALL. MOTION CARRIED.**

## ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Witte explained that there was a COVID clinic last weekend at JCC and she was told by New York State and the County that they were very impressed by the way this was handled. She explained that this was the one dose Johnson & Johnson vaccine and it was given to 3,500 people. She gave kudos to Paula Snyder who was wonderful in helping arrange the clinic. She explained that she was thrilled to be a part of this and the community was very helpful. People came to Olean for the vaccine and shopped and ate out while they were here, so hopefully this will reflect in our economy. She thanked everyone who was involved.

Motion to adjourn was made by Alderman Crawford, seconded by Alderman Gonzalez. Voice vote, ayes all. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:20 p.m.

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Lens Martial, City Clerk

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Mayor William J. Aiello

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John Crawford, Council President

I hereby approve the foregoing minutes

Dated: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

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*I, Lens Martial, 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.*

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*Lens Martial, City Clerk*