

# COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING MINUTES

*June 26, 2018 – 6:30 p.m.*

## COUNCIL CHAMBERS – OLEAN MUNICIPAL BUILDING

IN ATTENDANCE WERE: ALDERMEN ANDREANO, GONZALEZ, DOUGHERTY, SMITH, AND GEORGE. OTHERS: 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, AND TIFFANY TAYLOR, MANAGERIAL CONFIDENTIAL ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY.

Alderman Andreano called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and asked that the record show that all Aldermen were present except Aldermen Witte and Crawford, who were excused.

1. PL #64-18: (Aiello) To authorize the transfer of \$95,000 from Sewer Fund to line item G-09-3-8120.301 – Sewer Fund Capital Outlay.

Mayor Aiello explained that this was discussed in Committee last week. Mr. Ring added that the Sewer Fund Balance is currently around \$2.5 million, which was built up when sewer rates were raised to pay for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Project. The funding will be used to line the sewer system's corrugated metal pipe.

Alderman Gonzalez explained that he feels that this is a good idea, and a critical part of the sewer infrastructure plan. He feels that accelerating a five year project into a three year project is a good use of the Fund Balance.

A motion to approve PL #64-18 was made by Alderman Gonzalez, seconded by Alderman Dougherty. Voice vote, ayes all. Motion carried. Referred to Regular Meeting for Resolution.

2. PL #69-18: (Aiello) To authorize the Mayor to execute a lease agreement with St. John's for the use of the facility located at 921 North Union Street, Olean.

Mayor Aiello explained that we have been leasing this facility for over twenty years for the City's winter recreation program. There has been no change in the cost to the City since 2011-2012, and St. John's is now requesting an increase in the lease fee. Mayor Aiello continued that after negotiations between the City and St. John's, it was decided to increase the previous annual payment of \$13,500 by \$750 in the first contract year to \$14,250, and by another \$750 in the second contract year to \$15,000. He explained that there is money in the budget to cover the cost for this year, and as it has been done historically, the cost will be budgeted in the 2019-2020 budget as well.

Alderman George explained that he is in support of the program at St. John's, as it is a great fit for the community. Alderman Andreano added that this is a great opportunity for the City to continue the safe haven that children have to go to after school.

A motion to approve PL #69-18 was made by Alderman George, seconded by Alderman Andreano. Voice vote, ayes all. Motion carried. Referred to Regular Meeting for Resolution.

### 3. Adjournment

Prior to adjournment, Alderman Smith explained that less than an hour before the meeting started, there was a vehicle fire in the parking lot of his hardware store. He explained that it was a bad fire within feet of the store's propane tank fill station. The store and adjacent property were evacuated for safety purposes, and the police and fire departments arrived quickly to put out the fire. No one was injured. Alderman Smith commended the fire and police departments for the good jobs that they did, stating that they aided in averting a potential tragedy.

A motion to adjourn was made by Alderman Gonzalez, seconded by Alderman Dougherty. Voice vote, ayes all. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at approximately 6:35 p.m.