

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING MINUTES

TUESDAY, AUGUST 27, 2019 – 6:30 p.m.

COUNCIL CHAMBERS – OLEAN MUNICIPAL BUILDING

IN ATTENDANCE WERE: ALDERMEN CRAWFORD, WITTE, ANDREANO, GONZALEZ, SMITH, AND GEORGE. OTHERS: MAYOR WILLIAM AIELLO; LENS MARTIAL, CITY CLERK; NICHOLAS DICERBO, JR., CITY ATTORNEY; FRED SARADIN, CITY AUDITOR; JEFF ROWLEY, POLICE CHIEF; BOB BELL, FIRE CHIEF, AND TIFFANY TAYLOR, MANAGERIAL CONFIDENTIAL ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY.

Alderman Crawford called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and asked that the record show that all Aldermen were present.

1. PL #67-19: (Aiello) To award the Washington Street and North 4th Street Waterline Replacement Project.

A motion to postpone PL #67-19 to the next Committee of the Whole was made by Alderman Crawford, seconded by Alderman Andreano. Voice vote, ayes all. Motion carried.

2. Update – Gargoyle Park Building

Alderman Crawford explained that the City of Olean teamed up with Bona Responds and St. Bonaventure University, and a group of 30 to 35 volunteers from the Bona Responds group and the freshman class at SBU aided the City in repainting the building at Gargoyle Park. He explained that the front of the stage was rotted and falling apart, and Bona Responds went to Home Depot, got the materials needed and repaired the stage. He explained that group really dove into the project and did a great job. He noted that Mayor Aiello brought pizza for the group as well.

Alderman Crawford showed before and after photos to the Council, and explained that the higher areas on the building will need to be painted by City crews for safety reasons. He again thanked the University and Bona Responds volunteers for their efforts and volunteering.

Alderman Crawford explained that during the project, there were many students who asked how the park is used. He explained that the suggested adding disk golf to the park, which is a way to get the park active again with very little capital investment. He explained that it takes two employees 10 to 15 hours each week to mow, and the park is really a huge piece of land that is not being utilized. He feels that this project was a win for the City and he hopes that moving forward, the City will be able to attract more activity to the park.

3. Executive Session

A motion to enter into executive session to discuss the proposed acquisition or sale of real property was made by Alderman Crawford, seconded by Alderman Smith. Voice vote, ayes all. Motion carried. Executive session began at approximately 6:45 p.m.

A motion to adjourn from executive session was made by Alderman Crawford, seconded by Alderman Andreano. Voice vote, ayes all. Motion carried. Executive session adjourned at approximately 7:00 p.m.

4. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Alderman Crawford, seconded by Alderman George. Voice vote, ayes all. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:00 p.m.