

# COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING MINUTES

*TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2021 – 6:30 p.m.*  
**COUNCIL CHAMBERS – OLEAN MUNICIPAL BUILDING**

IN ATTENDANCE WERE: ALDERMEN CRAWFORD, WITEE, PANUS, GONZALEZ, BARNARD, ROBINSON, AND ANASTASIA. OTHERS: MAYOR WILLIAM AIELLO; LENS MARTIAL, CITY CLERK; FRED SARADIN, CITY AUDITOR; BOB RING, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS; BRAD CAMP, WATER AND SEWER SUPERINTENDENT, 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 #54-21: (Aiello) To authorize the transfer of \$14,229.29 from General Fund Contingency to line item 4068.455 for costs associated with mosquito larvae spraying.

Mayor Aiello explained that as the Council is aware, over the past several years the City has decided not to include money in the budget for mosquito spraying with the understanding that if the County does spray for mosquitos, the cost will be taken from General Fund Contingency. He explained that the County did spray and we have received a bill, so he is asking for money to be transferred from Contingency so that the bill can be paid.

Alderman Crawford explained that some years we won out and the County didn't have to spray, but this year we have to pay up. He asked if all municipalities have to pay. Mayor Aiello explained that the Towns of Allegany, Carrollton, Little Valley, Hinsdale, Olean, and Portville, as well as the Cities of Olean and Salamanca opted into spraying and have to pay. Alderman Crawford explained that it is really interesting to see what County tax dollars won't cover and explained that this is a County issue, He explained that this may be something that we want to reach out and talk to them about, especially since they run a pretty big surplus every year.

Alderman Gonzalez explained that he is not going to vote "no" and not pay the bill, but he feels that it is ridiculous that we pay this as we are all taxpayers and we all pay County taxes. Mayor Aiello explained that he will take this up with the County Legislators.

A motion to approve PL #54-21 was made by Alderman Witte, seconded by Alderman Crawford. Voice vote, ayes all. Motion carried. Referred to Regular Meeting for Resolution.

2. Adjournment

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