

State of Alabama)  
City of Oneonta, October 10, 2023  
County of Blount)

### ***Council Meeting Minutes***

The Mayor and City Council met during the regularly scheduled work session at 5:45 p.m. and a council meeting at 6:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Phillips; Council Members: Alexander, McAlpine, Pierce, and Underwood. Also, present in the meeting were Alex Smith, Allie Allcorn, Brandon Horton, Roland McCoy, Nate Butler, Nathaniel Butler, Harvey Kyle, Timothy Alexander, and Amanda Cole. Councilman Bradley was not present for the meeting.

Mayor Phillips opened the scheduled 5:45 p.m. work session. The Mayor stated items one and two are standard items and item three is to consider approving the September 26, 2023 budget work session minutes as written. There was no comment. Mayor Phillips stated that item four is to consider the September 26, 2023 council minutes as written. There was no comment.

The Mayor stated agenda item five is to approve the 2024 holiday schedule. Mayor Phillips mentioned the presented days are the same as last year's schedule. There were no comments.

Mayor Phillips asked Brandon Horton to review agenda item six concerning a utility easement located at the drill field. Brandon mentioned the fire department and police department have been working to establish power at the training facility. He stated currently the departments use generators for power when utilizing the field but APCO is requesting a utility easement to establish permanent power at the drill field. He mentioned it is all on city property and there will be no cost to the city.

Mayor Phillips stated agenda items seven through eleven are departmental reports.

Allie Allcorn opened a discussion about purchasing a new brush truck from the documents presented to the council members. Roland McCoy stated he would like to either purchase the Mack Truck or the Peterbilt. He mentioned the Mack Truck has the longest hydraulic warranty which is what has caused so many issues. Councilman McAlpine asked if we have to finance the truck or could the city pay for the full amount. Allie Allcorn stated we can do but she would prefer financing due to the impending projects currently going on. After much discussion, there was a consensus of purchasing the Mack Truck.

Mayor Phillips closed the work session at 5:53 p.m.

Mayor Phillips opened the council meeting at 6:00 p.m.

Timothy Alexander gave the invocation.

Mayor Phillips led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilman Alexander made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 26, 2023, budget work session as written. Councilman McAlpine seconded and the motion carried with all eyes.

Councilwoman Pierce made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 26, 2023, council meeting as written. Councilwoman Underwood seconded and the motion carried with all ayes.

Councilwoman Pierce made a motion to approve the 2024 holiday schedule. Councilman McAlpine seconded and the motion carried with all ayes.

Mayor Phillips mentioned Brandon Horton reviewed the utility easement during the work session and entertained any additional comments. There were no additional comments. Councilwoman Underwood made a motion to approve the utility easement located at the Oneonta Drill Field on behalf of Alabama Power. Councilwoman Pierce seconded and the motion carried with all ayes.

Councilwoman Pierce reviewed the September fire department report.

Councilman McAlpine reviewed the September library report.

Mayor Phillips reviewed the park and recreation report due to Councilman Bradley's absence.

Councilwoman Underwood reviewed the September police report.

Councilman Alexander reviewed the September public works report. Brandon Horton mentioned ALDOT will be working on installing cameras to the traffic lights to conduct traffic wait time studies.

Allie Allcorn requested a motion to approve the purchase of the Mack Truck from Ingram Equipment Company in the amount of \$247,975.00 for delivery by March 2024. Councilman Alexander made a motion to approve the purchase of the Mack Truck from Ingram Equipment Company in the amount of \$247,975.00 for delivery by March 2024. Councilwoman Underwood seconded and the motion carried with all ayes.

Allie congratulated Drake Williams and Fransico Lopes Marques for receiving their CDLs and congratulated Aleyda Villegas for receiving her Revenue Certification.

Mayor Phillips stated the band director wanted to thank the city for everything they assisted with during the marching band festival. The Mayor reminded everyone of the Covered Bridge Festival this Saturday.

Councilman McAlpine reminded everyone of a Pickleball Tournament being held on November 18<sup>th</sup> to raise money for two youth members from the community.

Mayor Phillips thanked everyone for attending the community and entertained a motion to adjourn the council meeting. Councilman McAlpine made a motion to adjourn the council meeting at 6:10 p.m. Councilman Alexander seconded and the motion carried with all ayes.

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Mayor

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City Clerk

