State of Alabama)

City of Oneonta, November 28, 2023

County of Blount)

## **Council Meeting Minutes**

The Mayor and City Council met during a scheduled public hearing at 5:40 p.m. with a 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, Bradley, McAlpine, Pierce, and Underwood. Also, present in the meeting were Alex Smith, Allie Allcorn, Brandon Horton, Oneonta Sophomore Tackle Football Team and family, Bill Hendrickson, Tara Murphree, and Amanda Cole.

Mayor Phillips opened the public hearing at 5:40 p.m. to discuss the alcohol license application on behalf of El Patron Oneonta, LLC. The Mayor stated this is the previous location of La Cazuela Mexican Cuisine by Wal-Mart. Mayor Phillips mentioned the alcohol license will remain the same this is simply a transfer of business owner. Brandon Horton stated El Patron has another location and is compliant with the ABC Board. There being no comment or further discussion, Mayor Phillips closed the public hearing at 5:42 p.m.

Mayor Phillips opened the scheduled 5:45 p.m. work session. The Mayor stated items one and two are standard items and three is to consider approving the November 14, 2023 council meeting minutes as written.

The Mayor mentioned agenda item four is to consider approving the alcohol license application on behalf of El Patron Oneonta, LLC. Mayor Phillips stated there was just a public hearing held to discuss the application and there were no comments.

Mayor Phillips stated agenda five is to consider approving the Proclamation Recognizing Oneonta Sophomore Tackle Football Team and he thanked everyone for attending the meeting tonight.

The Mayor mentioned the Oneonta Business Association is agenda item six. Mayor Phillips stated agenda items seven and eight are standard agenda items and agenda item nine is to consider entering into an executive session to discuss the sale of property.

Mayor Phillips closed the work session at 5:47 p.m.

Assistant Fire Chief Ivey and David Langham entered the council chambers.

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

Councilman Bradley gave the invocation.

The Oneonta Sophomore Tackle Football Team led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilman McAlpine made a motion to approve the minutes of November 14, 2023, as written. Councilman Alexander seconded and the motion carried with all ayes.

Councilman Alexander made a motion to approve the alcohol license application on behalf of El Patron Oneonta, LLC. Councilwoman Pierce seconded and the motion carried with all ayes.

Councilman Bradley read Proclamation Recognizing Oneonta Sophomore Tackle Football Team. Councilman Bradley made a motion to approve the Proclamation Recognizing Oneonta Sophomore Tackle Football Team. Councilman McAlpine seconded and the motion carried with all ayes.

Bill Hendrickson gave a brief update on behalf of the Oneonta Business Association. Bill stated the OBA is gearing up for Christmas and has many events coming up. He mentioned the tree lighting ceremony will be December 7, 2023, from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

Allie Allcorn had nothing to report.

Mayor Phillips stated Fieldstone Drive is still impassable due to issues finding a pipe for the project but we are hoping to have it fixed within the next few weeks.

Councilwoman Underwood read a special accommodation letter recognizing the following firefighters rendering aid after an incident on November 20, 2023, involving Officer Ryan Pinyan: Lt. Leslie Loggins, Logan Dyar, Josh Lozinski, Michael Darby, and Thomas Falkner. Mayor Phillips asked everyone to keep Officer Pinyan in their thoughts and prayers.

Councilman Alexander made a motion to enter into an executive session to discuss the sale of the property at 6:11 p.m. Councilman Bradley seconded and the motion carried with all ayes.

Present in the executive session were Mayor Phillips; Council Members: Alexander, Bradley, McAlpine, Pierce, and Underwood. Also, present were Alex Smith, Allie Allcorn, Brandon Horton, David Langham, and Amanda Cole. The executive session began at 6:15 p.m.

Councilman Bradley made a motion to exit the executive session at 7:03 p.m. Councilman McAlpine seconded and the motion carried with all ayes. Councilwoman Pierce made a motion to adjourn the council meeting at 7:03 p.m. Councilman Alexander seconded and the motion carried with all ayes.

Mayor	City Clerk