



City Council **Minutes**  
The City of Cortland  
**July 3, 2018**

Council Meeting #12  
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25 Court Street  
7:03 PM

Present: Mayor Brian Tobin, Aldermen Gary Thomas, John C. Bennett, Carlos Ferrer, Troy Beckwith, William Carpenter, and Thomas Michales

Excused: Aldermen Michelle Mastropolo and Kathryn J. Silliman

Staff Present: Corporation Counsel Ric VanDonsel, Director of Administration and Finance Mack Cook, Superintendent of Wastewater Bruce Adams, City Clerk Raymond A. Parker, and Police Chief Catalano.

Public Comments

- Bill Fiske signed up for public comment; he requested to address the council regarding item #9. Fiske cited the regulation text regarding snowfall and the clearing thereof from sidewalks. Fiske noted the ordinance does not allow enough time to rectify significant damage such as “cracks” and deformation.

Ward Reports

- *3<sup>rd</sup> Ward*: Some pothole complaints
- *4<sup>th</sup> Ward*: Meeting with representative from the Cemetery and State Depts. took place.
- *5<sup>th</sup> Ward*: Communicated with David Yaman on working with a construction project.
- *6<sup>th</sup> Ward*: Easy Street Issues addressed; doing work with coding in recent homes.
- *7<sup>th</sup> Ward*: Complaints of blowing grass into the streets; Taste of Downtown to arrive soon.
- *8<sup>th</sup> Ward*: 2 Major calls took place; a photo of an abandoned property has been submitted; one particular property is experiencing an insect problem that is spreading to the rest of the neighborhood; a vehicle without plates has been regularly spotted.

Mayor’s Report

- Zoning Updates Workshop to be held 5pm tomorrow.
- Downtown Music Series to begin this upcoming Friday.
- Dwyer Park Fireworks to be held tonight.

Minutes: Consideration to file past meeting’s minutes.

Motioned by: Alderman Bennett  
Seconded by: Alderman Carpenter

Approved: Ayes – 6  
Nays – 0

**Resolution #152 of 2018** - Resolution to approve the Special Event Application including all permits for the Dairy Dash 5k on July 14, 2018 8:30AM – 9:30AM, AND to waive the application fees for the Dairy Dash 5k.

Motioned by: Alderman Thomas  
 Seconded by: Alderman Carpenter

Approved: Ayes – 6  
 Nays – 0

**Resolution #153 of 2018** - Resolution to approve the Special Event Application including all permits for the Mid-Summer Nights Dream play in Courthouse Park on August 10, 2018 from 4:30PM-10P, AND to waive the application fees for Mid-Summer Nights Dream.

Motioned by: Alderman Thomas  
 Seconded by: Alderman Carpenter

Approved: Ayes – 6  
 Nays – 0

**Resolution #154 of 2018** – Resolution to approve the Street Closure Application for the Brockway Truck Show August 11, 2018 from 8:30 AM – 4 PM, AND to waive the application fees for the Brockway Truck Show.

Motioned by: Alderman Bennett  
 Seconded by: Alderman Carpenter

Approved: Ayes – 6  
 Nays – 0

**Resolution #155 of 2018** - Resolution to accept, recognize and appropriate the following to the Fire Department.

<u>From</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Recognized Budget Line</u>	<u>Appropriated Budget Line</u>
Cortland County	\$1,103.00	A3410-44389	A3410-542002
Cortland County	\$2,452.75	A3410-44389	A3410-542002
Cortland County	\$11,789.99	A3410-44389	A3410-510403
Contentos	\$2,500	A3410-42665	

Motioned by: Alderman Bennett  
 Seconded by: Alderman Beckwith

Approved: Ayes – 6  
 Nays – 0

**Resolution #156 of 2018** - Resolution to accept, recognize and appropriate the following donations in the Fire Department trust and Agency Account. (See attached list of donations)

Motioned by: Alderman Carpenter  
 Seconded by: Alderman Thomas

Approved: Ayes – 6

Nays – 0

**Resolution #157 of 2018** - Resolution to approve the Local Law regarding Sidewalk regulations.

Motioned by: Alderman Carpenter  
Seconded by: Alderman Bennett

Discussion: The council yields to the validity of the concerns of Bill Fiske during public comment. The council rescinds the motion to pass this resolution; instead, council motions to table this item to remedy the concerns brought up by the public in the local law, and re-discuss on July 17<sup>th</sup>.

Motioned by: Alderman Ferrer  
Seconded by: Alderman Bennett

Approved: Ayes – 6  
Nays – 0

**Resolution #158 of 2018** - Resolution to appoint Diane Chu to the Environmental Advisory Committee.

Motioned by: Alderman Thomas  
Seconded by: Alderman Carpenter

Approved: Ayes – 6  
Nays – 0

**Resolution #159 of 2018** - Resolution to grant permission for the Cortland City Police Department to conduct their annual sale of abandoned bicycles turned into the department over the past year on July 7, 2018 from 8:00 AM to 11:00 AM at the drill area of the Armory on Wheeler Ave. All bicycles will be \$25 and all proceeds from the sale will be split evenly between the Water Works Deer Fund and the 9/11 Memorial Foundation.

Motioned by: Alderman Carpenter  
Seconded by: Alderman Michales

Approved: Ayes – 6  
Nays – 0

**Resolution #160 of 2018** – Resolution to authorize the following grant submissions:

Motioned by: Alderman Thomas  
Seconded by: Alderman Carpenter

Approved: Ayes – 6  
Nays – 0

**Resolution #161 of 2018** – Resolution to approve the Local Waterfront Revitalization Program grant for the Northeast Gateway/Clinton Avenue streetscape improvements

Motioned by: Alderman Thomas  
Seconded by: Alderman Carpenter

Approved: Ayes – 6  
Nays – 0

**Resolution #162 of 2018** – Resolution to approve the Local Waterfront Revitalization Program grant for an update and adoption of the Tioughnioga River Local Waterfront Revitalization Program Plan

Motioned by: Alderman Thomas  
Seconded by: Alderman Carpenter

Approved: Ayes – 6  
Nays – 0

**Resolution #163 of 2018** – Resolution to approve the Public Infrastructure Community Development Block Grant for Phase 2 of the Clinton Avenue Water Main Replacement Project

Motioned by: Alderman Thomas  
Seconded by: Alderman Carpenter

Approved: Ayes – 6  
Nays – 0

**Resolution #164 of 2018** – Resolution to approve the Economic Development Community Development Block Grant for a Microenterprise Assistance Program (MAP)

Motioned by: Alderman Thomas  
Seconded by: Alderman Carpenter

Approved: Ayes – 6  
Nays – 0

**Resolution #165 of 2018** – Resolution to approve the Public Facilities Community Development Block Grant for renovation of the Randall Park Tennis Courts.

Motioned by: Alderman Thomas  
Seconded by: Alderman Carpenter

Approved: Ayes – 6  
Nays – 0

**Resolution #166 of 2018** – Resolution to approve the New York Main Street Anchor Grant for the redevelopment of 83-85 Main Street.

Motioned by: Alderman Thomas  
Seconded by: Alderman Carpenter

Approved: Ayes – 6  
Nays – 0

**Resolution #167 of 2018** – Resolution to approve the 2018 CFA Local Government Efficiency Grant jointly with the village of Homer for \$400,000 to fund phase 4 of the smart water meter project.

Motioned by: Alderman Thomas  
Seconded by: Alderman Carpenter

Approved: Ayes – 6  
Nays – 0

**Item #19** – Discussion on the Chapter 300-11 of the City Zoning and the potential to enhance, promote, and stabilize single-family homes in the city.

This item was tabled until July 17<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

**Adjournment:** Motion to Adjourn

Motioned by: Alderman Thomas  
Seconded by: Alderman Beckwith

Approved: Ayes – 6  
Nays – 0

**I, RAYMOND A. PARKER, CITY CLERK FOR THE CITY OF CORTLAND, NEW YORK, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT SAID RESOLUTIONS WERE ADOPTED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CORTLAND, HELD ON THE 3<sup>rd</sup> DAY OF JULY, 2018. I FURTHER CERTIFY THE FOREGOING RESOLUTIONS WERE PRESENTED TO THE MAYOR IN THE TIME REQUIRED FOR HIS CONCURRENCE IN ADOPTION OR REJECTION BY VETO POWER.**

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**RAYMOND A. PARKER, CITY CLERK**

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**MAYOR BRIAN TOBIN**