

COMMON COUNCIL MEETING

April 2, 2013

7:00 P.M. Call Meeting to Order
Salute to the Flag of the United States
Public Comments
Minutes of March 19, 2013
Ward Reports
Mayor's Report
Proclamation
PINK SHEET Sign off

AGENDA:

1. Discussion to allow Boy Scout Troop 79, Tyler Totman to construct a shelter for the DMV road testing site on the River Street side of Dexter Park (Jan Dempsey)
2. Consideration of a Resolution to name the meeting room in the Beaudry Park Building in honor of Theodore Fenstermacher (John McNerney)
3. Consideration of a Resolution to authorize the closure of Central Ave. from Greenbush through Pendleton St. at the East Court Street railroad crossing on Sunday, April 21 from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. to accommodate the activities of Cortland Blooms (Sustainable Cortland)
4. Consideration of a Resolution to permit the painting of green footsteps on between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. on Sunday April 21, 2013 on the street pavement from Greenbush railroad crossing through Pendleton St. at the East Court Street railroad crossing to accommodate the activities of Cortland Blooms (Sustainable Cortland)
5. Consideration of a Resolution to provide \$6,600 in Community Development Program Income to Access to Independence to assist in the administration of a recently awarded fiscal year 2012 Access to Home Program for projects located In the City of Cortland (Thoma Development)
6. Consideration of a Resolution to approve modifications to the City's Community Development Business Loan program pursuant to recommendations by the City's Community Development Loan Committee and discussion of "defederalization" of City's Community Development Block Grant program income (Thoma Development)
7. Consideration of a Resolution to approve an increase in the amount that can be provided in assistance under the Community Development Program Income-funded emergency Repair Program, when deemed necessary and appropriate (Thoma Development)

8. Consideration of a Resolution to allow the Mayor to close the parking lot between the Marketplace Mall and the VFW from 12:00 noon until 10:30 p.m. for the Main Street Music Series each day on the following dates: (Cheryl Michales)

July 12
July 19
July 26
August 2
August 9

9. Consideration of a Resolution to introduce a local law to establish a real estate property tax exemption for new construction and major rehabilitation of mix use properties in the Central Business District (Rich Cunningham)

10. Consideration of a Resolution to set a date, time and location for public comment on the proposed local law establishing a real estate property tax exemption for new construction and major rehabilitation of mix use properties in the Center Business District (Rich Cunningham)

11. Consideration of a Resolution to allow the Mayor to declare April as Fair Housing Month (Thoma Development)

12. Consideration of a Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Grant Disbursement Agreement with Central New York Regional Planning & Development Board. This agreement allows CNYRPDB to grant Cortland \$30,000 towards the wastewater department's greenhouse gas reduction project of replacing centrifugal aeration blowers with high-efficiency turbo blowers (Bruce Adams)

13. Discussion of hiring of Antea Group to audit the wastewater department's Risk Management Program compliance. This is the second step in satisfying the EPA's citation of the department's RMP implementation as not fully compliant. The first step was hiring Soaring Eagle Safety Consultants to assist the department in addressing its non-compliance issues (Bruce Adams)

14. Consideration of a Resolution to retain the firm of Troy & Banks of Buffalo, New York to audit for the purpose of verifying the accuracy of payments paid or due the City from Time Warner Cable pursuant to the Franchise Agreement between the City and timer Warner Cable. Troy & Banks will receive as its compensation for services rendered a contingency fee of forty percent (40%) of the underpayments identified. If there is no recoverable underpayment, there will be no fee payable (Mack Cook)

15. Consideration of a Resolution to retain the firm of Troy & Banks of Buffalo, New York to conduct a survey of the City's Gross Receipt Tax on the natural gas

and electricity service accounts for the purpose of securing refunds or credit resulting from discovery of charges or costs in excess of those permitted or allowed by applicable contracts, tariffs, statutes, rules and regulations and/or from overcharges or billing errors. In addition, Troy & Banks will audit the City's Gross Receipts Tax received from National Grid. Troy & Banks will receive as its compensation for services rendered a contingency fee of forty percent (40%) of the underpayments identified. If there are no refunds or credits, there will be no fee payable (Mack Cook)

16. Consideration of a Resolution to encumber \$95,219 in the General Fund as of December 31, 2012 in the departments and accounts as follows:
(Mack Cook)

RECOMMENDED ENCUMBRANCES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

DEPARTMENT	PURPOSE	ACCOUNT	REQUESTED AMOUNT	RECOMMENDED AMOUNT	DIFFERENCE	REASON
Finance	In-Rem Fees	A1325-41502	\$ 6,997	\$ 6,997	\$ -	
Police	Retro Contract Settlement	A3120-10300	\$ 12,000	\$ 12,000	\$ -	
Police	Vehicles	A3120-206	\$ 29,456	\$ 29,456	\$ -	
Police	Fuel	A3120-402	\$ 4,754	\$ 4,754	\$ -	
Police	Uniforms	A3120-408	\$ 5,624	\$ 5,366	\$ (258)	Available Budget
Police	Academy	A3120-4161	\$ 2,591	\$ 2,591	\$ -	
Police	Academy	A3120-41603	\$ 1,916	\$ 1,916	\$ -	
Fire	Software Implementation	A3410-415	\$ 14,060	\$ 14,060	\$ -	
Fire	Shift Manning	A3410-1041	\$ 4,760	\$ 4,760	\$ -	
Fire	Emergency Call In	A3410-10402	\$ 2,245	\$ 2,245	\$ -	
Fire	Out of Title Pay	A3410-109	\$ 344	\$ 344	\$ -	
Youth Bureau	Restricted donations	A7310-405	\$ 555	\$ 555	\$ -	
Youth Bureau	Maintenance	A7100-206	\$ 10,176	\$ 10,176	\$ -	
Codes	Grass & Snow Removal	A3621-414	\$ 1,500	\$ -	\$ (1,500)	Available Budget
Total			\$ 96,977	\$ 95,219		

17. Consideration of a Resolution to accept \$10,000 from the Seven Valley Health Coalition to offset the City's expenditure for the conceptual design work on the I-81 Gateway Project (Mack Cook)

18. Consideration of a Resolution to have \$800.00 of the \$2,000 LGRMIF award be appropriated to Account A3621-415 (Professional Services) (Chief Glover)