

COMMON COUNCIL AGENDA
July 19, 2016

- 7:00 PM
- Call Meeting to Order
 - Salute to the Flag of the United States
 - Public Comments
 - Mayors Report
 - Proclamation – 125th Anniversary Celebration of Cortland Regional Medical Center (August 13, 2016)
 - Minutes – Approval of minutes

AGENDA:

Item #1 – Presentation on Community Choice Aggregation Implementation Plan. (Municipal Electric Gas Association)

Item #2 – Consideration of a Resolution to accept, recognize and appropriate the following donations. (John McNerney)

Donation	Amount	Event/Project	Budget Line
McNeil Development Co.	\$100.00	Porch Fest	A-7550.5405
McNeil Development Co.	\$2,000.00	Wickwire Pool	Wickwire Pool Trust Fund
Diane and Donald Chu	\$200.00	Wickwire Pool	Wickwire Pool Trust Fund
Total Donations	\$2,300.00		

Item #3 – Consideration of a Resolution to authorize submission of an Environmental Protection Fund (EPF) application in an amount not to exceed \$500,000 for the Wickwire Pool Bathhouse. (Mack Cook)

Item #4 – Consideration of a Resolution to appropriate \$5,680.00 proceeds from the sale of (1) retired marked police vehicle from City Police Department to Account A3120.206.00 for the purchase of new police vehicles for 2016 & 2017. (Deputy Chief Paul Sandy)

Item #5 – Consideration of a Resolution to authorize the Cortland City Police to install additional cameras on Main Street as part of the continuing proactive efforts to deter criminal activity and apprehend perpetrators, making Main Street a viable area for new and existing businesses, residential housing, and citizen patronage. The proposal will authorize the installation of 15 cameras, the cost in the Fall not to exceed \$50,000 funded through the Police Departments 2016 budget. To be placed between William Street and Orchard Street, including Central Avenue, with half being installed this fall and the remaining half being installed in the spring of 2017, based upon the mapped locations provided to the council as engineered by Tyco Integrated Systems. (Deputy Chief Paul Sandy)

Item #6 – Consideration of a Resolution for authorized representative for the City of Cortland Clinton Ave. Streetscape Storm water GIGP Project No. 1293. (Mack Cook)

Item #7 – Consideration of a Resolution to accept a grant in the amount of \$2 million dollars-no match-to fund the construction of the methane gas to electricity conversion component of the Waste Water Plant upgrade project awarded by NYSERDA under Project Opportunity Notice 2828 (PON) and authorize the Mayor to execute contractual documents pertaining to the grant. (Mack Cook)

Item #8 – Consideration of a Resolution to authorize submission of a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Infrastructure application in an amount not to exceed \$750,000 for the Clinton Avenue Water Main Replacement project. (Mack Cook)

Item #9 – Consideration of a Resolution to authorize submission of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Microenterprise application in an amount not to exceed \$200,000. (Mack Cook)

Item #10 – Consideration of a Resolution to authorize submission of a Local Waterfront Revitalization Program (LWRP) Application in an amount not to exceed \$500,000 for the Tioughnioga River Pedestrian Bridge. (Mack Cook)

Item #11 – Consideration of a Resolution to Authorize the Submission of a Climate Smart Communities Grant in the Amount of Two Million Dollars. (Mack Cook)

Whereas, the City has adopted a Climate Action Plan wherein the City is committed to decreasing vehicle trips and reducing greenhouse gas emissions,

Whereas, the City has formulated a City-wide pedestrian/bicyclist plans that supports the goals of Climate Action Plan and puts forth plans for the construction of on-road and off-road facilities to support non-motorized forms of transportation and connects activity centers such as businesses, schools, libraries, shopping areas, recreation areas, and neighborhoods and provides a critical link in a continuous transportation system that connects to such destinations,

Whereas, the City has created the Walkable Watershed Plan that supports the construction of infrastructure-related projects that provide safe routes for non-drivers to and through the commercial, recreational and neighborhoods in the vicinity of the West Branch of the Tioughnioga River,

Whereas, the City has developed conceptual plans for the Clinton Avenue Gateway Project which incorporates designated pathways for pedestrians and bicyclists that provides a critical connection to the City's various activities centers,

Whereas, the State has established the Climate Smart Communities Grant Program for the design, engineering and construction of projects that significantly reduce greenhouse emissions and support the State's role as an international leader in reducing greenhouse emissions.

Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Common Council of the City of Cortland hereby authorized the filling of a Climate Smart Community Grant in the amount of two million dollars for the construction of pedestrian and bicyclist pathways that support the goals and objectives of the City-Wide Pedestrian and Bicyclist Plan; the Walkable Watershed Plan; and the Clinton Avenue Gateway Project; and provides critical links in the City's transportation system inter-connecting vital activities centers and neighborhoods.

Item #12 – Consideration of a Resolution to authorize the City to apply for the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation Climate Smart Communities Grant to fund a Pilot Food Waste Vermicomposting Project. (Mack Cook)

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Whereas, the City has adopted a Climate Action Plan wherein the City is committed to decreasing reducing greenhouse gas emissions,

Whereas, the Climate Communities Grant Program will consider implementation funding for projects that reduce greenhouse gas emissions by decreasing food waste and increasing the volume of food scraps diverted to local composting facilities with an emphasis on assessment of potential costs/savings of organic recycling and assessment of organics facilities that accept food scraps that lead to implementation of measures necessary to establish municipal yard waste composting facilities that can accept food scrapes,

Whereas, SUNY-Cortland have expressed interest in partnering with the City to establish a pilot program that can accept food scraps from SUNY-Cortland student cafeteria,

Whereas, the City can apply for a \$200,000 grant and match the required 50% by providing use of 4 acres of now vacant City owned land,

Whereas, the proposed pilot food waste vermicomposting facility would utilize yard waste currently processed and stored the City's DPW therefore lessening the City's cost to dispose of such materials,

Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Common Council of the City of Cortland hereby authorized the filing of a Climate Smart Community Grant in the amount of \$200,000 for the construction of a pilot food waste vermicomposting facility.

Item #13 – Consideration of a Resolution to adopt the New York State Climate Smart Community's pledge. (Mack Cook)

Whereas, the City of Cortland (hereinafter "local government") believes that climate change poses a real and increasing threat to our local and global environments and is primarily due to the burning fossil fuels; and WHEREAS, the effects of climate change will endanger our infrastructure, economy and livelihoods; harm our farms, orchards, and ecological communities, including native fish and wildlife populations; spread invasive species and exotic diseases; reduce drinking water supplies and recreational opportunities; and pose health threats to our citizens; and

Whereas, we believe that our response to climate change provides us with an unprecedented opportunity to save money, and to build livable, energy-independent and secure communities, vibrant innovation economies, healthy and safe schools, and resilient infrastructures; and

Whereas, we believe the scale of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions reductions required for climate stabilization will require sustained and substantial efforts; and

Whereas, we believe that even if emissions were dramatically reduced today, communities would still be required to adapt to the effects of climate change for decades to come,

It is Hereby Resolved that City of Cortland in order to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and adapt to a changing climate, adopts the New York State Climate Smart Communities Pledge, which comprises the following ten elements:

1. Pledge to be a Climate Smart Community.
2. Set goals, inventory emissions, plan for climate action.
3. Decrease community energy use.
4. Increase community use of renewable energy.
5. Realize benefits of recycling and other climate-smart solid waste management practices.
6. Reduce greenhouse gas emissions through use of climate-smart land-use tools.
7. Enhance community resilience and prepare for the effects of climate change.
8. Support development of a green innovation economy.
9. Inform and inspire the public.
10. Commit to an evolving process of climate action.

Item #14 – Consideration of a Resolution to authorize the Mayor to enter into a retainer agreement with Fisher Associated, Syracuse NY for a feasibility study for the conversion of the current downtown Main Street to a two way street at a cost not to exceed \$75,000. (CFA project 53073 ESD SPFS) (Aldermen Bennett, Carpenter and Megivern)

Item #15 – Consideration of a Resolution to accept the bid from McNeil Development to purchase tax map parcel 86.58-02-12.220 for \$76,000.00. (Ric VanDonsel)

Item #16 – Consideration of a Resolution to authorize the Mayor to execute all documents necessary to transfer tax map parcel 86.58-02-12.220 for \$76,000.00. (Ric VanDonsel)

Item #17 – Consideration of a Resolution to declare the City of Cortland lead agency for the Wickwire Pool House Rehabilitation project. (Ric VanDonsel)

Item #18 – Consideration of a Resolution to declare the project as Type II in accordance with SEQR 617.5. (Ric VanDonsel)

Item #19 – Discussion to set date for public hearing on amendment to Local Law on Rental Permit. To add requirement to attach sign to the house. (Alderman Silliman)

Adjournment