The regular meeting of the Oneonta Town Board was held on June 12, 2024, with the following members present:

Supervisor: Randal I. Mowers

Town Board Member: Patricia Riddell Kent

Town Board Member: Brett Holleran

Town Board Member: Kim Fierke (ABSENT)

Town Board Member: Skylar J. Thompson

Town Clerk: Ryan F. Pereira

Town Attorney: Robert Panasci

Others present: Kenneth Mattice; Jason Oblinski; Nicole Camarata; Joe Camarata; Rich Harlem; David Koehn; Steve Kent.

RESOLUTION 2024-0061 (19:14) Motion by RM, seconded by PRK;

Whereas the Town Board votes to approve sealing and striping of Town Hall parking lot.

Now therefore be it resolved that the Town Board of Oneonta shall under the authority given; award Webster’s Paving with the contract based on “best value”.

VOTE AYES (4) AIF MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION 2024-0062 (19:16) Motion by PRK, seconded by BH;

Whereas the Town Board votes to approve work to be done on the Murdock Avenue sidewalks;

Whereas the lowest bidder shall be awarded the contract;

Now therefore be it resolved that the Town Board of Oneonta shall under the authority given, approve Joey Goodrich’s bid to complete the project, total price for all services and materials: $10,800.00.

VOTE AYES (4) AIF MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION 2024-0063 (19:18) Motion by BH, seconded by PRK;

Whereas the Town Board votes to ratify and approve the agreement for expenditure of highway monies;

Now therefore be it resolved that the Town Board of Oneonta shall under the authority given, the sum 0f $180,00.00 shall be set aside to be expended for primary work and general repairs upon 45 miles of town highways.

VOTE AYES(4) AIF MOTION CARRIED

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Design team Fisher & Associates will hold a public meeting at Town Hall on June 18th, and then at Town Hall on July 10th, regarding a TAP grant for South-side sidewalks. Member Riddell Kent spoke in favor of the project, echoed by Patricia Jacobs, a former Board Member, and Highway Supt. James Hurtubise. The matter was countered by the Supervisor, stating he was not in favor of putting town into debt to provide these sidewalks.

Local Waterfront Revitalization Plan public meeting will be at Town Hall on Thursday, 13th June @ 03:30pm.

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RESOLUTION 2024-0064 (19:25) Motion by PRK, seconded by SJT;

Whereas the Town Board votes to approve the sale of highway equipment;

Now therefore be it resolved that the Town Board of Oneonta shall under the authority given, surplus a Ford F-550, with a blown motor.

VOTE AYES(4) AIF MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION 2024-0065 (19:30) Motion by BH, seconded by SJT;

Whereas the Town Board votes to set a public meeting for proposed legislation called the “Property and Building Nuisance Reform Law”;

Now therefore be it resolved that the Town Board of Oneonta shall under the authority given, set said meeting to occur 10th July @07:10pm.

VOTE AYES (4)AIF MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION 2024-0065 (19:35) Motion by SJT, seconded by RM;

Pro-Housing Communities Model Resolution

Skylar J. Thompson moved and Randal I. Mowers seconded that;

WHEREAS, the Town of Oneonta (hereinafter “local government”) believes that

the lack of housing for New York residents of all ages and income levels negatively impacts

the future of New York State’s economic growth and community well-being;

WHEREAS, the housing crisis has negative effects at regional and local levels, we believe that

every community must do their part to contribute to housing growth and benefit from the

positive impacts a healthy housing market brings to communities;

WHEREAS, we believe that supporting housing production of all kinds in our community will

bring multiple benefits, including increasing housing access and choices for current and future

residents, providing integrated accessible housing options that meet the needs of people with

sensory and mobility disabilities, bringing economic opportunities and vitality to our

communities, and allowing workers at all levels to improve their quality of life through living

closer to their employment opportunities;

WHEREAS, we believe that evidence showing that infill development that reduces sprawl and

supports walk-able communities has significant environmental and public health benefits; and

WHEREAS, we believe that affirmatively furthering fair housing and reducing segregation is not

only required by law, but is essential for keeping our community strong and vibrant;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that Town of Oneonta,

in order to take positive steps to alleviate the housing crisis, adopts the Pro-Housing

Communities pledge, which will have us endeavor to take the following important steps:

1. Streamlining permitting for multifamily housing, affordable housing, accessible housing,

accessory dwelling units, and supportive housing.

2. Adopting policies that affirmatively further fair housing.

3. Incorporating regional housing needs into planning decisions.

4. Increasing development capacity for residential uses.

5. Enacting policies that encourage a broad range of housing development, including

multifamily housing, affordable housing, accessible housing, accessory dwelling units,

and supportive housing.

WHEREUPON, the Resolution was put to a vote and recorded as follows:

Supervisor Mowers AYE

Board Member Holleran AYE

Board Member Riddell Kent AYE

Board Member Fierke ABSENT

Board Member Thompson AYE

VOTE AYES (4)AIF MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION 2024-0067 (19:45) Motion by PRK, seconded by RM;

Whereas the Town Board votes to approve the purchase of a 2024 Chevrolet Equinox EV;

Whereas the lowest quote provided by Country Club Motors of Oneonta;

Now therefore be it resolved that the Town Board of Oneonta shall under the authority given, take ownership of a fully electric vehicle into its fleet.

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The Town of Oneonta is pleased to announce that our commitment to sustainability has been recognized with a Bronze Level Status in the New York State Climate Smart Community Program, thanks to our latest acquisition of an all electric vehicle, along with many upgrades and improvements to town facilities. This achievement reflects our dedication to reducing our carbon footprint and promoting environmental stewardship.

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RESOLUTION 2024-0068 (19:47) Motion by BH, seconded by SJT;

Whereas the Town Board votes to approve payment of the bills.

VOTE AYES (4)AIF MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION 2024-0069 (19:47) Motion by BH, seconded by SJT;

Whereas the Town Board votes to accept the minutes of the May meeting.

VOTE AYES (4)AIF MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION 2024-0070 (19:55) Motion by SJT, seconded by PRK;

Whereas the Town Board votes for adjournment;

Now therefore be it resolved that the Town Board of Oneonta shall under the authority given, having no further business, shall adjourn the meeting.

VOTE AYES (4)AIF MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Ryan F. Pereira

Town Clerk