

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL
OCTOBER 28, 2020
7:00 PM

PRESENT: Mayor: Michael R. Smith
Council Members: John Hill, Michael Lonto,
Sandra Magiera, Janet Koch
City Attorney: Erich Weyand
City Clerk: Tracy Chamberlain
City Comptroller: Kathleen Sarver
Grant Writer/Youth Bureau Director: Sandra Brundage
DPW Superintendent: Robert Carpenter

ABSENT: Council Member Timothy Flanigan

Mayor Smith called the meeting to order at 7:10 PM. After the Pledge of Allegiance, Mayor Smith asked for a moment of silence in memory of Charles "Chuck" Crist and prayers for Kevin Hill who had surgery.

Drescher & Malecki LLP, Buffalo, NY presented the annual audit of the City for fiscal year April 1, 2019 to March 31, 2020. Mr. Luke Malecki noted that a portion of the audit has not been provided to them from the Salamanca Housing Authority. The final audit will be available when this has been completed.

Moved by Lonto and seconded by Koch:

RESOLVED: That we hereby approve and dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting of October 14, 2020.

Adopted Ayes: Hill, Lonto, Magiera, Koch
Nays: None

Moved by Lonto and seconded by Magiera:

RESOLVED: That we hereby adopt the City Comptroller's Bank Reconciliation Policy, Journal Entry Policy and Capital Assets Policy, as recommended by the City Auditors.

Adopted Ayes: Hill, Lonto, Magiera, Koch
Nays: None

Moved by Hill and seconded by Lonto:

RESOLVED: That we hereby approve the creation of two part-time Building Attendant positions to monitor the front entry, to each work 20 hours per week at minimum wage, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, and the positions will be eliminated when the pandemic ends, and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That we hereby appoint Tamaycha J. Arce, Salamanca, NY, as part-time Building Attendant effective November 9, 2020, at the current minimum wage.

Adopted Ayes: Hill, Lonto, Magiera, Koch
Nays: None

Moved by Koch and seconded by Hill:

RESOLVED: That the second regular monthly meetings for November 25, 2020 and December 23, 2020 are hereby cancelled due to the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays.

Adopted Ayes: Hill, Lonto, Magiera, Koch
Nays: None

Moved by Lonto and seconded by Magiera:

RESOLVED: That we hereby waive the agenda rule to consider other business.

Adopted Ayes: Hill, Lonto, Magiera, Koch
Nays: None

Moved by Lonto and seconded by Hill:

RESOLVED: That we hereby approve the purchase of security equipment from Aurora Electronics, Salamanca, NY for the municipal building in the amount of \$10,999.15. Such quote is attached to and made part of these minutes.

Adopted Ayes: Hill, Lonto, Magiera, Koch
Nays: None

Under Communications from the Mayor and Council:

- Mayor Smith thanked everyone for their prayers and worries regarding his families COVID-19 issues. He stresses that everyone please wear a mask for protection.
- Mayor Smith reminded everyone that Trick-or-Treat will be held on Halloween from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM. He feels the kids need this since they have dealt with so much.
- Mayor Smith also stated to go vote for every level on the ballot.
- Council Member Koch noted that this year the Governor adopted a law that allows anyone to vote via absentee ballot due to COVID-19 concerns.
- Mayor Smith noted that there will be volunteers helping to take down the Hometown Hero banners on November 14, 2020. He asks that if anyone is interested in helping to please contact Sue Williams at the Salamanca American Legion.
- Council Member Lonto stated that Jud Beattie has offered to store the banners in his building over the winter for reinstallation in the spring.

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Moved by Lonto and seconded by Hill:

RESOLVED: That the bills be paid as warranted and recommended by the appropriate Commissions and/or Department Heads, the City Comptroller and City Clerk and that the reports of the City Judge, Acting Police Chief and Dog Control Officer for the month of September 2020 are hereby accepted and filed.

---DATE---	---TYPE---	NUMBER	-----DESCRIPTION-----	-----AMOUNT----
10/15/2020	CHECK	060550	RICOH USA	104.63CR
10/16/2020	CHECK	060551	CITY OF SALAMANCA PAYROLL ACCO	71,481.35CR
10/20/2020	CHECK	060552	CARDMEMBER SERVICE	3,798.60CR
10/20/2020	CHECK	060553	SENECA NATION OF INDIANS	330.00CR
10/23/2020	CHECK	060554	CITY OF SALAMANCA PAYROLL ACCO	75,480.43CR
10/23/2020	CHECK	060555	CYNTHIA A. FRANKLIN	31.05CR
10/30/2020	CHECK	060556	EMERLING FORD, INC	91.41CR
10/30/2020	CHECK	060557	GREAT LAKES OTOLARYNGOLOGY	215.00CR
10/30/2020	CHECK	060558	RANDOLPH AUTO SUPPLY	151.63CR
10/30/2020	CHECK	060559	SIRCHIE	286.90CR
10/30/2020	CHECK	060560	STAPLES CONTRACT & COMMERCIAL	120.99CR
10/30/2020	CHECK	060561	STAPLES CREDIT PLAN	23.68CR
10/30/2020	CHECK	060562	THE PAPER FACTORY	39.95CR
10/30/2020	CHECK	060563	AIRGAS USA, LLC	45.00CR
10/30/2020	CHECK	060564	B&K AUTOMOTIVE	225.97CR
10/30/2020	CHECK	060565	C3 SAFTEY PRODUCTS, LLC	1,035.00CR
10/30/2020	CHECK	060566	CLOSES LUMBER - OLEAN	135.05CR
10/30/2020	CHECK	060567	WILLIAM SMITH	52.86CR
10/30/2020	CHECK	060568	ADMAR SUPPLY COMPANY INC	62.87CR
10/30/2020	CHECK	060569	AIR CLEANING SYSTEMS, INC.	390.33CR
10/30/2020	CHECK	060570	AIRGAS USA, LLC	19.00CR
10/30/2020	CHECK	060571	AMERICAN ROCK SALT LLC	7,174.30CR
10/30/2020	CHECK	060572	ATLANTIC BROADBAND	195.14CR
10/30/2020	CHECK	060573	AUSTIN LOCKSMITH & SECURITY, I	339.85CR
10/30/2020	CHECK	060574	BLUE COLLAR WORKWEAR	643.98CR
10/30/2020	CHECK	060575	BUSINESS MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS, I	1,985.00CR
10/30/2020	CHECK	060576	CARLY ROGERS	216.32CR

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10/30/2020 CHECK	060578	COYOTE PERFORMANCE PRODUCTS	411.77CR
10/30/2020 CHECK	060579	CYNCON EQUIPMENT, INC	2,277.19CR
10/30/2020 CHECK	060580	DALE WYMER THE PHONE GUY	55.00CR
10/30/2020 CHECK	060581	DEN'S AUTO	192.40CR
10/30/2020 CHECK	060582	EMERLING CHRYSLER DODGE JEEP R	262.08CR
10/30/2020 CHECK	060583	EMERLING FORD, INC	99.95CR
10/30/2020 CHECK	060584	FASTENAL COMPANY	96.75CR
10/30/2020 CHECK	060585	GANOUNG'S FIRE PROTECTION, INC	280.00CR
10/30/2020 CHECK	060586	GERNATT ASPHALT	148.59CR
10/30/2020 CHECK	060587	GRAINGER	186.86CR
10/30/2020 CHECK	060588	HENRY H. HILL INC.	306.86CR
10/30/2020 CHECK	060589	LANDPRO EQUIPMENT LLC	429.30CR
10/30/2020 CHECK	060590	M.I.S. OF AMERICA, INC.	167.50CR
10/30/2020 CHECK	060591	METROPOLITAN TELECOMMUNICATION	1,516.66CR
10/30/2020 CHECK	060592	MICHAEL FOREMAN	26.45CR
10/30/2020 CHECK	060593	NATIONAL FUEL	1,797.55CR
10/30/2020 CHECK	060594	NEW ENTERPRISE STONE & LIME CO	1,321.84CR
10/30/2020 CHECK	060595	NOCO ENERGY CORP.	7,522.05CR
10/30/2020 CHECK	060596	QUADIENT LEASING USA, INC.	251.77CR
10/30/2020 CHECK	060597	RILES & WOOLLEY MONUMENTS	35.00CR
10/30/2020 CHECK	060598	SCHINDLER ELEVATOR CORPORATION	2,483.04CR
10/30/2020 CHECK	060599	SCOTT J COLLINS	1,459.00CR
10/30/2020 CHECK	060600	STAPLES CONTRACT & COMMERCIAL	552.67CR
10/30/2020 CHECK	060601	THE PAPER FACTORY	46.00CR
10/30/2020 CHECK	060602	WORTH W SMITH	328.89CR

Special Accounts

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Check #	Date	Account Name	Amount
321	10/26/2020	Pooled Cash - Youth Center Special Activities-Pepsi Cola	\$205.39

Adopted Ayes: Hill, Lonto, Magiera, Koch
Nays: None

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Public Discussion:

- At this time Jare' Cardinal from the Salamanca Rail Museum (SRM) presented information regarding a proposed train excursion. Such information is attached to and made part of these minutes. The project would include the reconstruction of the track from the East Salamanca railroad yard to the SRM and estimated to cost over \$2,000,000.00. This would be for an excursion train to travel from Buffalo to Salamanca bringing up to 600 people per train. She noted traffic signal crossings will need to be installed at Merden Street, Lincoln Avenue and Central Avenue. Ms. Cardinal asked if there were any concerns. There are none at this time. She also noted that she is working with the Salamanca Area Historical Society on a grant application regarding the City's Polish history. Mayor Smith offered to provide support letters. Council Member Hill thanked Ms. Cardinal for her time. Council Member Koch noted that this is great for the City.
- Diana Beaver asked where things stood regarding the Police Reform collaborative. Mayor Smith explained that there was a work session regarding the changes that have been implemented. The City is ahead of most communities. There will be a written plan and a public hearing to be held possibly in December.
- Merlene Thompson expressed her concern regarding a dangerous dog in her neighborhood. The dog killed her dog and has attacked other dogs. Mayor Smith explained that he would talk to the Dog Control Officer and contact her with the information he receives.

Moved by Lonto and seconded by Hill:

RESOLVED: That the Mayor and Council enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing a personnel matter relating to a particular person under the provisions of the State's Open Meetings Law.

Adopted Ayes: Hill, Lonto, Magiera, Koch
Nays: None

Moved by Lonto and seconded by Koch:

RESOLVED: That the Mayor and Council reconvene after approximately twenty minutes in executive session.

Adopted Ayes: Hill, Lonto, Magiera, Koch
Nays: None

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No formal action was taken.

Moved by Hill and seconded by Lonto:

RESOLVED: That we hereby adjourn – 8:13 PM.

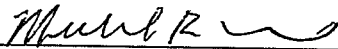
Carried.



Tracy Chamberlain, City Clerk

Dated: October 30, 2020

THE ABOVE RESOLUTIONS, AS ADOPTED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL, ARE
HEREBY APPROVED.



Michael R. Smith, Mayor

Dated: 5, 2020

Aurora Electronics

4250 Center Street
Salamanca, NY 14779

Tax ID: 06-1720999

2,428.00+
3,610.15+
4,960.00+
10,999.15*

Invoice

City of Salamanca
Department of Public Works
241 Rochester St.
Salamanca, NY 14779

Client Information:

Invoice #: 1005-01-14779
Invoice Date: October 5, 2020
Client ID: 99-14779
Billing Location:

Attn: Rob Carpenter

Your Purchase Order #	Our Order #	Sales Rep.	Terms
	1003-01-14779	Tim Jackson	Upon Receipt

Quantity	Description	Unit Price	Total
1	32 channel camera system with DVR with A 4 Tb hard drive, 5 Mpix. Municipal Bld.	1950.00	1950.00
1	4 channel camera system with DVR with a 1 Tb hard drive, w/audio. Police Dept.	359.00	359.00
1	24" color monitor	119.00	119.00


Aurora Electronics
Tomorrow's Electronic Solutions, Today

Parts	2428.00
Labor	0
Shipping	0
Tax @ 8%	exempt
Balance Due	2428.00

Aurora Electronics

4250 Center Street
Salamanca, NY 14779

Phone/Fax: 716-945-2541
Cell: 716-499-9850
Email: tim8758@yahoo.com

Tax ID: 06-1720999

Invoice

City of Salamanca
Department of Public Works
241 Rochester St.
Salamanca, NY 14779

Attn: Rob Carpenter

Client Information:

Invoice #: 1017-01-14779
Invoice Date: October 17, 2020
Client ID: 99-14779
Billing Location:
Municipal Building

Your Purchase Order #	Our Order #	Sales Rep.	Terms
	1017-01-14779	Tim Jackson	Upon Receipt

Quantity	Description	Unit Price	Total
1	Wireless MV400 desk console	1,650.00	1,650.00
1	Wireless multi-tone electronic chime	76.15	76.15
4	Wireless emergency call system repeater	450.00	1,800.00


Aurora Electronics
Tomorrow's Electronic Solutions, Today

Parts	3,526.15
Labor	0
Shipping	85.00
Tax @ 8%	exempt
Balance Due	3,611.15

Aurora Electronics

4250 Center Street
Salamanca, NY 14779

Tax ID: 06-1720999

Phone/Fax: 716-945-2541
Cell: 716-499-9850
Email: tim8758@yahoo.com

Invoice

City of Salamanca
Department of Public Works
241 Rochester St.
Salamanca, NY 14779

Attn: Rob Carpenter

Client Information:

Invoice #: 1017-02-14779
Invoice Date: October 17, 2020
Client ID: 99-14779
Billing Location:
Municipal Building

Your Purchase Order #	Our Order #	Sales Rep.	Terms
	1017-02-14779	Tim Jackson	Upon Receipt

Quantity	Description	Unit Price	Total
35	Wireless emergency security station	139.00	4,865.00



Salamanca Rail Museum Planned Excursion Train Project

The Salamanca Rail Museum Association (SRM) is a 501-3(c), non-for-profit organization chartered by the New York State in 1987. Its mission is: “to demonstrate the vital role railroads played in the growth of America, especially as it pertains to Salamanca and the region, through the collection, preservation, research, and exhibition of railroad-related artifacts, photographs, archives, and people’s stories. We use these materials to educate the public through interactive experiences created for visitors of all ages.” In April 2018, the SRM’s Board of Trustees approved a strategic plan that includes the establishment of an excursion train that not only supports that mission, but also promotes economic development in the region. With that in mind, the SRM established the following goals.

- (1) *Re-lay the track from East Salamanca’s railroad yard to the former Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburgh branch station in downtown Salamanca (the SRM building).* This track would follow the old BR&P (later B&O) track bed, which is approximately 1.3 miles in length. When completed, the SRM will offer short excursion train rides to the public. This project shares the route with a planned pedestrian/bike trail. It will cost approximately \$2 million dollars to lay the track.
- (2) *Establish a switch line to the Norfolk Southern—former Erie Railroad line* (currently operated by the Western New York & Pennsylvania Railroad). By laying an operational switch from the Museum track line to the WNY&P/former Erie Railroad track, we can expand our passenger train excursions east to Corning and west to Jamestown, NY. This expansion is especially important to enhance the third part of the plan.
- (3) *Establish weekend excursion trains from Buffalo to Salamanca, NY.* In 2019, the SRM, as well as the Seneca Nation of Indians’ Planning Office, partnered with railroad excursion train advocates in Buffalo, NY to create the Western New York Passenger Train Advocacy Group (WNYPTAG). The goal of this group is to create and support weekend passenger train service between Buffalo and Salamanca. When fully functioning, these excursions can bring 600 people per train to our area. This excursion train will follow the old BR&P rail line (currently leased and/or owned by the Genesee & Wyoming Railroad Co). Also being considered is the possibility of connecting with the Government of Ontario’s (GO) train that currently runs from Toronto to Niagara Falls, but is working to extend its service to Buffalo. US Congressmen Tom Reed and Brian Higgins, as well as NYS Senator Tim Kennedy fully support this venture. The SRM depot will be the southern terminal for this project. Once in Salamanca, the Seneca Transit System can provide shuttle service from the SRM station to the Allegany Casino, Seneca Cultural Center, and any other program sites, such as the annual Seneca Veteran’s Pow Wow. With the addition of a switch mentioned above, passengers can also opt to visit the Corning Glass Museum or the National Comedy Center in Jamestown.