

**MINUTES OF THE COMMON COUNCIL  
DECEMBER 10, 2013**

A special meeting of the Common Council of the City of Oneida, NY was held on the tenth day of December, 2013 at 6:30 o'clock P.M. in Council Chambers, Oneida Municipal Building, 109 N. Main Street, Oneida, NY.

Meeting was called to order by Acting Mayor Alden M. Smith

**PRESENT:** Councilors Brahim Zogby, David Cimpi, Helen Acker, James Chamberlain and Thomas Simchik

**ALSO PRESENT:** City Clerk Susan Pulverenti  
Civil Service Officer Peg Margo  
Comptroller Linda Pease  
Councilor Elect Mike Bowe  
Fire Chief Kevin Salerno  
Recreation Director Lucas Griff

**ADOPT 2014 BUDGET**

**RESOLUTION 13-306**

Moved by Councilor Cimpi  
Seconded by Councilor Simchik

**RESOLVED**, that agreeable to the estimates of the expenses and disbursements for the year 2014 constituting the budget, including Capital Plan, for the City of Oneida, the same is hereby approved by the Common Council on the 10th day of December, 2013 as set forth in the minutes of this meeting; there shall be levied and raised on the taxable property of the entire city, not including pension, pastor and over sixty-five (65) exempt property as follows:

Total Gross Budget - \$18,191,960

Less estimated revenues - \$14,947,621

Taxable balance - \$3,244,339

Of which \$1,951,563 shall be levied on the entire city establishing a tax rate of \$3.95213 per thousand and \$1,292,776 shall be levied on the corporation tax district at a rate of \$3.86067 per thousand; thereby establishing a combined rate of \$7.8128 per thousand inside tax district; **and be it further**

**RESOLVED**, that a rate of \$2.96127 per thousand shall be established for the outside fire district.

Councilor Zogby – No  
Councilor Cimpi – Yes  
Councilor Smith – Yes  
Councilor Acker – Yes  
Councilor Chamberlain – Yes  
Councilor Simchik – Yes

**MOTION CARRIED**

Councilor Cimpi said that the allocation of \$50K for contingency is too low to last throughout the year and recommended \$75K be placed in the contingency line of the budget. Councilor Cimpi also recommended reinstating the wages of the two temporary seasonal maintenance recreational workers to what their hourly rate was in 2012. A lengthy discussion ensued that included the job descriptions, capabilities, hours employed, and the filing of pink sheets for changes in positions. The Mayor said if the budget is altered tonight, the figures will change in the Resolution, and it cannot be voted on as written. The Council decided to hold off on any changes to contingency or seasonal employee hourly rates until next year.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**RESOLUTION 13-307**

Moved by Councilor Acker

Seconded by Councilor Cimpi

**RESOLVED** that the meeting is hereby adjourned to Executive Session at 7:04 p.m. for the purpose of discussing an issue associated with collective negotiations pursuant to Article 14 of the Civil Service Law (the Taylor Law).

Ayes: 6

Nays: 0

**MOTION CARRIED**

**PRESENT:** Mayor, Councilors, City Clerk, City Attorney, Civil Service Officer

1. Discussion relating to issues associated with collective negotiations.

Moved by Councilor Acker

Seconded by Councilor Simchik

**RESOLVED**, that Executive Session is hereby adjourned to the regular meeting at 7:45 p.m.

Ayes: 6

Nays: 0

**MOTION CARRIED**

Motion to adjourn by Councilor Simchik

The regular meeting is hereby adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

**CITY OF ONEIDA**

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Susan Pulverenti, City Clerk