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**NORTH TONAWANDA MAYOR AUSTIN TYLEC ESTABLISHES**

**FINANCIAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**(NORTH TONAWANDA, NY)** Mayor Austin Tylec has created a Financial Advisory Committee to improve the City’s budget process, support its accounting department, facilitate communication and work between elected leaders, and to serve as a resource for the community. As a City Alderman, Tylec was known for his government transparency and his data driven vision for North Tonawanda.

“If there is one thing I am proud to say regarding my legacy as Alderman-at-Large, it’s that I’ve always fought for transparency and critical thinking,” says Mayor Tylec, “I pushed for better finance management for the city, and I’m proud to say that this board will carry out that goal.”

The board’s mission is: Review and monitor the progress that the City has made since the last management letter from Drescher & Malecki auditors; Continue with each of the future management letter responses; Make recommendations to help ensure the City is in compliance with its purchasing policies.

The citizens who volunteered to be on this committee are William J. VanDewater, Michele Golding, Jeannette Toth, and Timothy Pieper. Combined, these citizens have extensive backgrounds in municipal budgets, accounting practices and financial planning. These members are dedicated to aiding the City and there is great confidence the board will be a valuable resource going forward.

“These individuals have volunteered their time and experience to help our City and they should be commended,” stated Tylec, “Their experience in public finance, business management, and statistics will greatly bolster our City’s efforts to provide a balanced budget for our residents.”

The Financial Advisory Committee is currently in place. Inquiries to the board can be sent to the Chairman, William VanDewater at WVanDewater@NorthTonawanda.org.

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