

CITY OF BROADVIEW HEIGHTS COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

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Monday, March 6, 2017

Council met in a **REGULAR MEETING**. The Council President Boldt called the meeting to order at 7:38 p.m.

Mr. Boldt led the Pledge of Allegiance.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. Robert A. Boldt	(Ward 4 Councilor, President)
Mr. Thomas Pavlica	(Ward 1 Councilor)
Mr. Brian Wolf	(Ward 2 Councilor)
Mr. George Stelmaschuk	(Ward 3 Councilor, President Pro-Tem)
Mr. Glenn R. Goodwin	(Councilor At-Large)
Mr. Joe Price	(Councilor At-Large)
Ms. Jennifer A. Mahnic	(Councilor At-Large)

OFFICER(S) PRESENT:

Mr. Samuel J. Alai	(Mayor)
Mr. Vince Ruffa	(Law Director)
Chief Michael Vizer	(Police Chief)
Chief Jeffrey Hajek	(Fire Chief)
Mrs. Molly Regan	(Finance Director)
Mrs. Paula Horner	(Parks & Recreation Director)
Mr. Gary Yelenosky	(City Engineer)
Mr. David Schroedel	(Service Director)
Mr. Michael Skvasik	(Building Commissioner)
Mrs. Amy Jo Washabaugh	(Human Service Director)
Ms. Kristina Sorensen	(Economic Development Director)
Mrs. Helen Dunlap	(Clerk of Council)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Stelmaschuk motioned to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council dated February 20, 2017 as submitted; seconded by Mr. Price. Roll Call: Mr. Boldt, yes; Mr. Stelmaschuk, yes; Mr. Price, yes; Ms. Mahnic, yes; Mr. Goodwin, yes; Mr. Pavlica, yes; Mr. Wolf, yes. The minutes of the February 20, 2017 Regular Meeting of Council are approved.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS AND OFFICIALS

Mrs. Horner stated that residents should look for the Spring/Summer 2017 Parks & Recreation Program guide in their mailboxes soon. She would also like to mention that they now have display boards posted in the lobby illustrating the final layout of the new Community and Recreation Center along with an informational flyer about the new facilities. Baseball/Softball/T-ball registration end March 15.

Mrs. Regan stated that the Finance software installation is going on. They have done training with the various departments that will be inputting their own requisitions. Our old software has been officially cut off and they will be

officially transferring to the new software on Monday, a week from today on March 13 and everything is going well as far as conversions go.

Mr. Schroedel stated that this Friday second shift will be coming off of second shift and will be going back to their regular daytime hours and next Friday third shift will come off and they will have the full crew during the day. They have been getting a lot of work done despite the minor snow that we had last Friday. They have given the facilities crew a boost with some projects over at the Police Station, they have done some demo work here in the building to help with the recreation offices and on another note, they were approached by Ohio CAT, they wanted to volunteer project for some of their guys so on March 18 which is a Saturday, they will be going over to the baseball fields and installing some drainage by Diamond 4 that was a project that we were going to do this winter but it really helps to have them come out and give us a hand with their equipment to get this done.

Mr. Yelenosky stated that he would just like to let council and the residents know that Avery Road Bridge will be closed between March 13 through the end of December this year. The detour route is posted on the website as well as social media. If you have any questions please contact his department.

Ms. Sorensen stated that last week was a busy week. Earlier in the week we learned that we actually were awarded for the CDBG Grant with the County for the Tollis sewer reconstruction for \$150,000 and then later on in the week we learned that we also were awarded the supplemental CDBG Grant for the median reconstruction on Rt. 82 east of I-77 for \$50,000. That was excellent news to receive both of those awards from the county. She thinks that we were 1 of 3 municipalities in the county that received both awards. She did meet with the county today and they said that information would be forthcoming. They will have an informational meeting about how to administer those funds. The CDBG for the Tollis sewers, it is Federal Funds so it has to be approved by the current administration so they will be waiting for the administration to sign off on that but the supplemental funds are coming through the casino revenue fund. There is \$1 million that will be dispersed there so that should be done a little quicker and she just wants to say that she is very pleased for both of these awards that it will affect a lot of residents who travel up and down Rt. 82 and live in Tollis.

Mr. Skvasik stated that there have been a number of inquiries about the house fire that was at the east end of Ridge Park. That house has been demolished. There are still some minor issues relative to grading that need to be attended to but the house is gone.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATION FROM THE MAYOR

Mayor Alai stated that before he starts he would like to recognize one of our members in the audience, the retired Mayor of Garfield Heights and our newest resident, Mayor Thomas Longo. He is the young man in the back with the glasses. He also would like to make the announcement that Brecksville-Broadview Heights Girls Gymnastics Team won its 14th consecutive title. We are really happy about that and Mrs. Ganim did receive a prestigious award for all of her years of hard work with that team. We have just completed our interviews for our new Finance Director that will be replacing Mrs. Regan if we let her go and they will most likely be making an offer to one of the candidates this week.

APPOINTMENTS AND CONFIRMATIONS

Mayor Alai stated that he would like to appoint George Balasko to the Civil Service Commission. Those of you that know Mr. Balasko, he was a President of the Brecksville-Broadview Heights School Board, he is a member of the Parma Police Department and in charge of their Auxiliary Police. He would be great for this role and he has been sort of waiting for this nomination for this position.

Mr. Goodwin motioned to appoint Mr. George Balasko to the Civil Service Commission; seconded by Mr. Pavlica. Roll Call: Mr. Boldt, yes; Mr. Stelmaschuk, yes; Mr. Price, yes; Ms. Mahnic, yes; Mr. Goodwin, yes; Mr. Pavlica, yes; Mr. Wolf, yes. Mr. George Balasko is appointed to the Civil Service Commission.

COMMUNICATIONS, CLAIMS AND PETITIONS

Mrs. Dunlap stated that she would like to say thank you to council for allowing her to go to the Region V International Association of Municipal Clerks Conference. A lot of information was gathered and she is trying to put together something in writing so council will be informed of what she learned. She has talked with Mr. Giomini already because one of the big discussions was orientation for Boards & Commissions and putting packets together for that and he had mentioned that is something on his agenda that he would like to do for the Boards & Commissions. She will be collating all of that information to give to him. Again, thank you.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Mr. Price stated that the BZA met Wednesday night and there was only one commercial variance on the agenda and it was passed. It was a variance for square footage in an office building. It is the Zinc Insurance. If council does not have any objections to that he does not see why they would have to have it on the next Work Session. He does meet the total square footage but it is on 2 floors, he just does not meet the first floor requirements.

Mr. Boldt stated that if any council person has any issue on this, contact him and they will go that route.

Mr. Price stated that the next thing that he has is the BZA will be meeting on April 5, at 6:30 p.m. and there is a sizable agenda.

Mr. Goodwin stated that Civil Service is going to be meeting shortly, but no announcement yet for a meeting, but they are going through some Sergeant testing on March 16 in preparation for what looks like in the near very near future and he has repeated before mass potential retirements potentially coming up in the future.

Mr. Wolf stated that the regularly scheduled Human Services meeting for Thursday has been postponed and he does not have any information on the rescheduling on that yet, he will pass it along when he does. They have 2 openings on the Board.

Mr. Boldt stated that the Planning Commission will meet on Wednesday with Caucus at 6:30 p.m. Also, Mr. Stelmaschuk, he received a Brecksville-Broadview Heights After Prom Committee donation request. He asked for him to take care of that in Finance Committee.

RESIDENT PARTICIPATION

None this evening.

RESOLUTIONS

Mr. Boldt presented Resolution 2017-24 for a second reading. Mr. Pavlica motioned to suspend Council Rule; seconded by Mr. Wolf. Roll Call: Mr. Boldt, yes; Mr. Stelmaschuk, yes; Mr. Price, yes; Ms. Mahnic, yes; Mr. Goodwin, yes; Mr. Pavlica, yes; Mr. Wolf, yes. Motion passed. Clerk read once by title only. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF BROADVIEW HEIGHTS AND THE ASSOCIATION OF BROADVIEW HEIGHTS SERVICE AND RECREATION WORKERS RELATIVE TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT FOR SERVICE AND RECREATION WORKERS FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2017 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2018 IN THE CITY OF BROADVIEW HEIGHTS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Mr. Pavlica motioned to adopt Resolution 2017-24; seconded by Mr. Wolf. Roll Call: Mr. Boldt, yes; Mr. Stelmaschuk, yes; Mr. Price, yes; Ms. Mahnic, yes; Mr. Goodwin, yes; Mr. Pavlica, yes; Mr. Wolf, yes. Resolution 2017-24 is adopted.

Mr. Boldt presented Resolution 2017-25 for a second reading only. Clerk read once by title only. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF BROADVIEW HEIGHTS AND THE FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE, PARMA LODGE NUMBER 15 RELATIVE TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT FOR PATROLMEN FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2017 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2018 IN THE CITY OF BROADVIEW HEIGHTS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Boldt presented Resolution 2017-26 for a second reading only. Clerk read once by title only. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF BROADVIEW HEIGHTS AND THE FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE, PARMA LODGE NUMBER 15 RELATIVE TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT FOR SERGEANTS AND LIEUTENANTS FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2017 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2018 IN THE CITY OF BROADVIEW HEIGHTS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

ORDINANCES

Mr. Boldt presented Ordinance 3-2017 for a first reading only. Clerk read once by title only. AN ORDINANCE FOR THE APPORTIONMENT OF MUNICIPAL INCOME TAX COLLECTIONS FOR THE CITY OF BROADVIEW HEIGHTS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Boldt presented Ordinance 4-2017 for a first reading only. Clerk read once by title only. AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES FOR THE CITY OF BROADVIEW HEIGHTS, CUYAHOGA COUNTY AND STATE OF OHIO FOR THE YEAR 2017, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Boldt presented Ordinance 5-2017 for a first reading. Mr. Stelmaschuk motioned to suspend Council Rule; seconded by Mr. Price. Roll Call: Mr. Boldt, yes; Mr. Stelmaschuk, yes; Mr. Price, yes; Ms. Mahnic, yes; Mr. Goodwin, yes; Mr. Pavlica, yes; Mr. Wolf, yes. Motion passed. Clerk read once by title only. AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE TO APPROVE THE EDITING AND INCLUSION OF CERTAIN ORDINANCES AS PARTS OF THE VARIOUS COMPONENT CODES OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES; TO PROVIDE FOR THE ADOPTION OF NEW MATTER IN THE UPDATED AND REVISED CODIFIED ORDINANCES; TO PROVIDE FOR THE PUBLICATION OF SUCH NEW MATTER; AND TO REPEAL ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT THEREWITH. Mr. Stelmaschuk motioned to adopt Ordinance 5-2017; seconded by Mr. Price. Roll Call: Mr. Boldt, yes; Mr. Stelmaschuk, yes; Mr. Price, yes; Ms. Mahnic, yes; Mr. Goodwin, yes; Mr. Pavlica, yes; Mr. Wolf, yes. Resolution 5-2017 is adopted.

STUDENTS

Students are from Brecksville-Broadview Heights High School in Mr. Brennan's Government classes.

Elizabeth Sedio, Ian Finn, Matthew Pitzer, Alex Lozar, Emily Bouchahine, Srishti Shrivastav, Alicia Scott, Nicole Rizkala, Abbie Strizzi, Jamie Rees, Morgan Lopez, Raymond Boblich, Jonathan Qualls

COUNCIL DISCUSSION

Mr. Stelmaschuk stated that he would just like to say congratulations again to the Girls Gymnastics Program Team. It is an amazing dynasty that they have there and he is sure that it has set some kind of record. Congratulations to Ms. Sorenson on the grants. It is always good to get those and to you and the administration, it is always helpful to get those types of things. Keep up the good work.

Mr. Price stated how could he add anything to that.

Ms. Mahnic stated ditto.

Mr. Goodwin stated that it has all been said.

Mr. Pavlica stated ditto to Mr. Stelmaschuk's comments.

Mr. Wolf stated that he would just like to add to the students that they were the first batch of students in a long time that referred to their teacher as Mr. Brennen so congratulations.

COUNCIL OPEN TO THE RESIDENTS

None

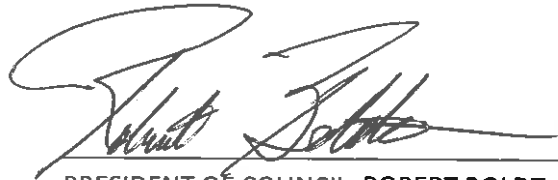
ADJOURN

Mr. Boldt stated that with no further business to come before Council, this meeting is adjourned.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.



CLERK OF COUNCIL, HELEN DUNLAP



PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL, ROBERT BOLDT