

THE CITY OF PARMA HEIGHTS
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 23, 2019

PRESENT: Council President Gallo, Council Members Koch, Everett, Danczak, McCall, Stavole and Clerk of Council Bohdan.

ALSO PRESENT: Mayor Byrne, Law Director Pokorny, Director of Finance and Personnel Iaconis, Engineer Neff, Director of Community and Economic Development Sebes, Director of Recreation Tal and Assistant Law Director Schneider.

ABSENT: Councilman Verdile

The meeting was called to order by Council President Gallo at 8:02 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Councilman McCall motioned seconded by Councilwoman Danczak to excuse the absence of Councilman Verdile.

Aye: Koch, Gallo, Danczak, McCall and Stavole

Nay: Everett

COUNCILMAN VERDILE IS EXCUSED FROM THE SEPTEMBER 23, 2019 COUNCIL MEETING.

Councilman Stavole motioned seconded by Councilwoman Everett to approve the September 9, 2019 Council meeting minutes.

Aye: Koch, Gallo, Danczak, McCall, Everett and Stavole

Nay: None

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Mayor Byrne presented former Finance Director Terry Hickey with a Proclamation from the City and a gift from the employees at City Hall. The proclamation declared Labor Day as Terry Hickey Day in the City. Terry retired at the end of July after serving the City for 51 years. (proclamation attached)

Councilman McCall thanked Terry for his help with explaining the City's finances, his response to the tough questions but most of all for his friendship over the years.

The Mayor commented that his assistant, Erin Lally, posted on Facebook that Labor Day was Terry Hickey Day in the City. She stated that the post reached 8,724 people, 25 people shared, 370 reactions and 127 comments, which was a record.

Joe Tal, Director of Recreation

- No report.

Joe Sebes, Director of Community and Economic Development

- No report.

Dan Neff, Engineer

- ODOT will be opening bids on September 26th for the Pearl Road project.
- W. 130th Project is progressing.

Councilman McCall commented that the Miller Pipeline crew is doing a great job of cutting out the blocks that were disturbed when the pipeline was put in and they are putting the cement back in place.

Dennis Patten, Director of Public Service

- No report in the Director's absence.

Katie Iaconis, Director of Finance and Personnel

- The Director suggested passing a permanent budget by the end of the year. Finance Department will distribute in October.

Mayor Michael Byrne

- The Mayor stated he received an e-mail from Jill Pawloski. She is a yoga instructor who had the classes this summer on Saturdays. She is planning on having free yoga at the Gazebo once a month May-September 2020.
- The City received a SAFER (Staffing for Adequate Fire Emergency Response) Grant for \$538,000 over a three-year period. This will allow the City to hire three (3) new firefighters, which will bring the City up to staffing level.
- The Parma Heights Historical Society was one of 27 from 70 applicants to receive an Ohio Historical Marker designation. They received a grant from the William G. Pomeroy Foundation for an Ohio Historical Marker for the Parma Heights Cemetery. They are working with the Ohio Historical Society on the marker text, which will be finalized sometime in 2020.

LEGISLATION

Councilman McCall motioned seconded by Councilwoman Everett to read the following resolution by title only.

Aye: Gallo, Danczak, McCall, Everett, Stavole and Koch
Nay: None

RESOLUTION TO BE READ BY TITLE ONLY.

Clerk Bohdan read A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY FISCAL OFFICER, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. **ONE READING ONLY.**

Councilman McCall motioned seconded by Councilman Stavole to suspend the rules.

Aye: Danczak, McCall, Everett, Stavole, Koch and Gallo
Nay: None

RULES SUSPENDED.

Councilman McCall explained this resolution is a housekeeping measure to allow the City collect our money from the Budget Commission.

Councilman McCall motioned seconded by Councilwoman Danczak to adopt this resolution.

Aye: McCall, Everett, Stavole, Gallo and Danczak
Nay: Koch

RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED. RESOLUTION NO. 2019-13.

Councilwoman Everett motioned seconded by Councilwoman Danczak to read the following resolution by title only.

Aye: Everett, Stavole, Koch, Gallo, Danczak and McCall
Nay: None

RESOLUTION TO BE READ BY TITLE ONLY.

Clerk Bohdan read A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION FROM THE CITY OF PARMA HEIGHTS FOR A PROJECT TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE CUYAHOGA COUNTY

DIVISION OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FOR THE PERIOD OF TWELVE (12) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF AWARD, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. **ONE READING ONLY.**

Councilwoman Everett motioned seconded by Councilman McCall to suspend the rules.

Aye: Stavole, Gallo, Danczak, McCall and Everett
Nay: Koch

RULES SUSPENDED.

Councilwoman Everett motioned seconded by Councilwoman Danczak to adopt this resolution.

Aye: Koch, Gallo, Danczak, McCall, Everett and Stavole
Nay: None

RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED. RESOLUTION NO. 2019-9.

Councilman Stavole motioned seconded by Councilwoman Everett to read the following resolution by title only.

Aye: Koch, Gallo, Danczak, McCall, Everett and Stavole
Nay: None

RESOLUTION TO BE READ BY TITLE ONLY.

Clerk Bohdan read A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING DANIEL J. NEFF, MUNICIPAL ENGINEER, TO PREPARE THE PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND ESTIMATE OF COST FOR THE MANORFORD DRIVE RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT PHASE II, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. **ONE READING ONLY.**

Councilman Stavole motioned seconded by Councilwoman Everett to suspend the rules.

Aye: Gallo, Danczak, McCall, Everett and Stavole
Nay: Koch

RULES SUSPENDED.

Councilman Stavole motioned seconded by Councilman McCall to adopt this resolution.

Aye: Danczak, McCall, Everett, Stavole and Gallo
Nay: Koch

RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED. RESOLUTION NO. 2019-10.

Councilwoman Danczak motioned seconded by Councilman McCall to read the following resolution by title only.

Aye: McCall, Everett, Stavole, Koch, Gallo and Danczak

Nay: None

RESOLUTION TO BE READ BY TITLE ONLY.

Clerk Bohdan read A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE NORTHEAST OHIO AREAWIDE COORDINATING AGENCY FOR FUNDING FOR THE 2020 TRANSPORTATION FOR LIVABLE COMMUNITIES INITIATIVE IMPLEMENTATION GRANT PROGRAM AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. **ONE READING ONLY.**

Councilwoman Danczak motioned seconded by Councilman Stavole to suspend the rules.

Aye: Everett, Stavole, Koch, Gallo, Danczak and McCall

Nay: None

RULES SUSPENDED.

Councilwoman Danczak explained that this program provides federal funds for projects that integrate transportation and land use planning. The applicants of this grant are eligible to receive 100% federal funding with the awards covering the entire project cost with no local match required.

Councilwoman Danczak motioned seconded by Councilwoman Everett to adopt this resolution.

Aye: Stavole, Koch, Gallo, Danczak, McCall and Everett

Nay: None

RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED. RESOLUTION NO. 2019-11.

Councilman McCall motioned seconded by Councilwoman Everett to read the following resolution by title only.

Aye: Koch, Gallo, Danczak, McCall, Everett and Stavole

Nay: None

RESOLUTION TO BE READ BY TITLE ONLY.

Clerk Bohdan read A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF PARMA HEIGHTS OR HIS DESIGNEE TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR FUNDING FOR

OLDER AMERICANS ACT TITLE III FUNDING THROUGH THE WESTERN RESERVE AREA AGENCY ON AGING "WRAA" AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. ONE READING ONLY.

Councilman McCall motioned seconded by Councilwoman Danczak to suspend the rules.

Aye: Gallo, Danczak, McCall, Everett and Stavole
Nay: Koch

RULES SUSPENDED.

Councilman McCall motioned seconded by Councilwoman Everett to adopt this resolution.

Aye: Gallo, Danczak, McCall, Everett, Stavole and Koch
Nay: None

RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED. RESOLUTION NO. 2019-12.

Councilwoman Everett motioned seconded by Councilman McCall to read the following ordinance by title only.

Aye: Danczak, McCall, Everett, Stavole, Koch and Gallo
Nay: None

ORDINANCE TO BE READ BY TITLE ONLY.

Clerk Bohdan read AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING AN EXPENDITURE FOR THE MANORFORD DRIVE RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT PHASE II, AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO ADVERTISE FOR COMPETITIVE BIDS AND AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A WRITTEN CONTRACT WITH THE LOWEST AND BEST BIDDER THEREFORE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. **ONE READING ONLY.**

Councilwoman Everett motioned seconded by Councilman Stavole to suspend the rules.

Aye: McCall, Everett, Stavole, Koch, Gallo and Danczak
Nay: None

RULES SUSPENDED.

Councilwoman Everett motioned and seconded by Councilman McCall to adopt this ordinance.

Aye: Everett, Stavole, Koch, Gallo, Danczak and McCall
Nay: None

ORDINANCE IS ADOPTED. ORDINANCE NO. 2019-33.

Councilwoman Everett motioned seconded by Councilman McCall to read the following ordinance by title only.

Aye: Stavole, Koch, Gallo, Danczak, McCall and Everett
Nay: None

ORDINANCE TO BE READ BY TITLE ONLY.

Clerk Bohdan read AN ORDINANCE PERMITTING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO PURCHASE A 4 TON FALCON ASPHALT RECYCLER/HOT BOX TRAILER FROM THE MCLEAN COMPANY AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO SAID AGREEMENT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. **ONE READING ONLY.**

Councilwoman Everett motioned seconded by Councilman McCall to suspend the rules.

Aye: Koch, Gallo, Danczak, McCall, Everett and Stavole
Nay: None

RULES SUSPENDED.

Councilwoman Everett motioned seconded by Councilman McCall to adopt this ordinance.

Aye: Koch, Gallo, Danczak, McCall and Everett
Nay: None
Abstain: Stavole

ORDINANCE IS ADOPTED. ORDINANCE NO. 2019-34.

PUBLIC SESSION

Council President Gallo reminded the audience if they have a comment to stand, state their name, address and city if they live outside of Parma Heights and there is a three-minute limit to speak. All comments and questions will be directed to the Council President.

Cheryl Hoover, 7031 Beresford, is asking that a committee be formed to research and recommend legislation be drafted regarding home security cameras. She stated they are being used regularly and they record a live feed of audio and video. Ms. Hoover stated the wire tapping laws that are on the books are outdated for the current video cameras. She is concerned about the cameras recording neighbor's backyards, she feels this should be a zone of privacy. Ms. Hoover has a neighbor who has a camera directed to her side door, it records when she comes

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in and out of her house. She finds this intrusive and she has a minor who will not go into the backyard because of the recording. Ms. Hoover would like the City be proactive with this issue.

Kathy Walsh, 11362 Blossom, she would like someone to enlighten her and how the Charter is written now and the changes proposed for Issue 56.

Council President Gallo asked what issue is that. Ms. Walsh replied it's the one in office.

Council President Gallo asked Asst. Law Director Schneider to respond since he consulted the Charter Review Commission and it is the issue regarding the term clarification.

Asst. Law Director Schneider stated that he does not have the language with him so he will meet with her.

Council President Gallo suggested Ms. Walsh meet with Asst. Law Director Schneider after the meeting.

Councilwoman Koch motioned seconded by Councilman Stavole to adjourn.

Aye: Gallo, Danczak, McCall, Everett, Stavole and Koch
Nay: None

Meeting Adjourned at 8:28 p.m.



Florence A. Bohdan
Clerk of Council



Marie Gallo
Council President