

THE CITY OF PARMA HEIGHTS
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 23, 2018

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

ALSO PRESENT: Mayor Michael Byrne, Law Director Pokorny, Director of Finance and Personnel Hickey, Assistant Law Director Schneider, Director of Housing, Building & Recycling Teresi, Engineer Onyak, Director of Community and Economic Development Sebes and Director of Recreation Moran.

ABSENT: Director of Public Service Patten, City Engineer Neff and Director of the Senior Center McLaughlin

The meeting was called to order by Council President Gallo at 8:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Councilman McCall motioned seconded by Councilwoman Everett to approve the April 9, 2018 Council meeting minutes.

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

Nay: None

APRIL 9, 2018 COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES APPROVED.

Councilman McCall presented the report of the Finance Committee with total expenditures for the period of 3/31/18 through 4/12/2018 to be \$373,198.41 (detailed report attached)

Tom Moran, Director of Recreation

- This session of Yoga will run through Monday, April 30th and Thursday, May 10th.
- Cassidy Theatre presented the production of *A Chorus Line* through April 22nd.
- Valley Forge Open Swim will continue through April 24th.
- Baseball sign-ups are ongoing at City Hall and online.
- Spring Soccer starts this weekend and the Recreation Department is continuing to take sign-ups.
- Pitch, Hit & Run will take place Friday, April 27th from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Kurtz Park.

Councilwoman Everett asked if the problem with the Thursday evening yoga class has been resolved. Director Moran replied it has.

Judy McLaughlin, Director of the Senior Center

- No report in Director McLaughlin's absence.

Joe Sebes, Director of Community and Economic Development

- No report.

C. J. Onyak, Engineer

- No report.

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Councilman McCall asked Engineer Onyak to check with Engineer Neff on the progress of the sinkhole on Parkhill. The Mayor responded that they think the problem is deeper than the 14' they have previously drilled to.

Michelle Teresi, Director of Housing, Building & Recycling

- No report.

Terrence Hickey, Director of Finance and Personnel

- Director Hickey reported the transition to CCA is going very well. The CCA advisors were amazed at the number of people who showed up during the tax season. Estimates are showing collections are tracking approximately \$30,000 ahead of last year.

Councilman McCall thanked the Tax Department for their patience and professionalism as he stood in the long line also.

Mayor Michael Byrne

- No report.

Council President Gallo noted that Council is referring the amendment to Chapter 1193 Yard Structures and the Medical Marijuana Dispensary Ordinance to the Planning Commission for consideration.

LEGISLATION

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

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

Nay: None

RESOLUTION TO BE READ BY TITLE ONLY.

Councilwoman Danczak read A RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT BY THE CITY OF PARMA HEIGHTS, OHIO FOR THE RENEWAL OF THE 2018 CUYAHOGA COUNTY HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES LEVY. ONE READING ONLY.

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

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

Nay: None

RULES SUSPENDED.

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Councilwoman Danczak explained that this resolution is in support of 2018 Health & Human Services Levy Renewal. It is not a tax increase. This levy will ensure that children, seniors, families and people in crisis continue to receive critical services. Without the voter approval of this renewal, these programs will lose \$200 million in funding, forcing deep cuts to vital emergency services and programs.

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

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

Nay: None

RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED. RESOLUTION NO. 2018-7.

Council President Gallo noted that there is a waiver filed with the Clerk of Council to place the resolution supporting the Parma City School levy on the agenda this evening.

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

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

Nay: None

RESOLUTION TO BE READ BY TITLE ONLY.

Councilman Verdile read A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE PARMA CITY SCHOOLS TAX LEVY (ISSUE 5) ON THE MAY 8, 2018 PRIMARY ELECTION BALLOT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. ONE READING ONLY.

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

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

Nay: Stavole

RULES SUSPENDED.

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

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

Nay: Stavole

RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED. RESOLUTION NO. 2018-8.

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.

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Christina Farinella, 6836 Beresford, commented on those who vote Absentee Ballot have already voted and why is Council just voting on the resolution to support the School levy so close to the election.

Ms. Farinella also had a question about the ambulance runs. She heard that Parma Heights would not provide free ambulance runs to the hospital. Ms. Farinella asked if the City accepts the amount Medicare and her private insurance will cover or will she be responsible for the difference. Director Hickey responded the City accepts Medicare and private insurance. The City has a third party, Great Lakes Billing Associates who does the billing and collection of ambulance fees. Director Hickey said the individual could be responsible for a charge. The charge is based on the level of care that is needed when a person is transported. If the individual has difficulty paying the bill, there is a Financial Aid form that can be filed with Great Lakes Billing and they will determine the need.

Councilwoman Koch motioned seconded by Councilwoman Everett to adjourn the meeting.

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

Nay: None

Meeting Adjourned at 8:16 p.m.



Florence A. Bohdan
Clerk of Council



Marie Gallo
Council President

REPORT OF COUNCIL FINANCE COMMITTEE

(Review of City Expenditures)

COUNCIL MEETING:

4/23/18

REVIEW PERIOD:

3/31/18 - 4/12/18

EXPENDITURE TOTAL:

\$373,198.41

RE-CAP OF MAJOR EXPENDITURES:

AMOUNT:

4/13/18 PAYROLL

\$285,749.15

WALTER HAVERFIELD - Defense of Cornerstone Special Assessment (Jan 2018)

\$17,800.00

CIVICA CMI - Finance Dept Computer System Support (1/1/18-12/31/18)

\$13,518.75

CITY OF NORTH ROYALTON - Fee for Prisoner Housing (February 2018)

\$9,585.09

ILLUMINATING COMPANY - Traffic & Streetlighting Charges (April 2018)

\$9,369.39

ULLMAN OIL - Vehicle Fuel Expense (March 2018)

\$7,625.00

SINDYLA CONSULTING - Cell Tower Lease Assignment Consulting

\$6,000.00

WAIVER

WHEREAS, Section 11, Article III of the Charter of the City of Parma Heights requires that a copy of each ordinance or resolution shall be provided each member of Council by the Clerk not less than forty-eight (48) hours prior to the meeting at which the ordinance or resolution is introduced; and

WHEREAS, this requirement may be waived by all the members of Council; and

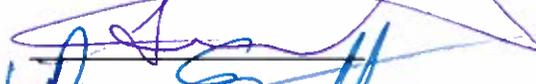
WHEREAS, the following ordinance or resolution is found to be an emergency measure requiring immediate introduction, to wit:

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE PARMA CITY SCHOOLS TAX LEVY (ISSUE 5)
ON THE MAY 8, 2018 PRIMARY ELECTION BALLOT, AND DECLARING AN
EMERGENCY.

NOW, THEREFORE, each member of Council of the City of Parma Heights, Ohio, does hereby waive the requirements of Section 11, Article III of the Charter aforesaid and does agree to the introduction of the above entitled ordinance or resolution as an emergency measure, as evidenced by his signature hereto attached.

Signatures of Councilmen:

Date of Signing:

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