

THE CITY OF PARMA HEIGHTS
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 25, 2016

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

ALSO PRESENT: Mayor Michael Byrne, Director of Law Pokorny, Director of Finance & Personnel Hickey, Director of Public Service Patten, City Engineer Neff, Director of Community and Economic Development Sebes, Director of the Senior Center McLaughlin and Director of Recreation Moran.

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

Pledge of Allegiance.

Council President stated that a Roll Call vote would be taken for the appointment to the vacant Ward 2 seat. She also explained that when each members name is called they should indicate whom they want by the name of the applicant.

McCall: Tom Moran II
Verdile: Tom Moran II
Gallo: Tom Moran II
Koch: Curtis Cutler
Stavole: Curtis Cutler
Everett: Curtis Cutler

Council President Gallo declared a deadlock on the vote and asked Director Pokorny to read the section of the charter that pertains to a deadlock vote.

Director Pokorny stated that Article 3 Section 5 of the Charter states that whenever the office of a Councilman shall become vacant, the vacancy shall be filled by a majority vote of all the remaining members of the Council; and if the Council shall not so fill such vacancy within thirty (30) days, its power to do so shall lapse and the Mayor shall fill such vacancy by appointment.

Councilman Verdile motioned seconded by Councilwoman Koch to approve the minutes from the January 11, 2016 Council meeting.

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

JANUARY 11, 2016 COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES APPROVED.

Councilman Stavole motioned seconded by Councilwoman Koch to approve the minutes from the January 16, 2016 Special Council meeting.

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

JANUARY 16, 2016 SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES APPROVED.

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Councilman McCall presented the report of the Finance Committee with total expenditures for the period of 12/31/2015 through 1/22/2016 to be \$645,105.32. (detailed report attached)

Tom Moran, Director of Recreation

- Soccer Sign-ups will be on January 28, 2016 and February 2, 2016 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at City Hall.
- Valley Forge Open Swim is on Tuesdays from 7 p.m. until 9 p.m. through April.
- Cassidy Theatre will present the production of "Private Lives" February 5, 2016 through February 21, 2016.

Judy McLaughlin, Director of the Senior Center

- No report

Joe Sebes, Director of Community and Economic Development

- The Director is in the process of applying for the 2016 Recycling Grant from the Cuyahoga County Solid Waste District for \$5,000. The grant will cover the cost of two (2) citywide shred events and promotional information on recycling sent to every home in the City.

Councilman McCall asked Director Sebes if it would be possible to have a link on our website of a video that shows the recycling process. Director Sebes replied that he would check with the Solid Waste District to see if that is available.

Councilwoman Everett asked if the two shred events were in addition to the three that are already scheduled. Director Sebes said no the grant would cover two of the three events that are scheduled.

Dan Neff, City Engineer

- No report

Dennis Patten, Director of Public Service

- Service Department crews have been out patching roads.
- Due to the nice weather, the afternoon shift has been able to catch up on building maintenance in the City buildings.

Councilwoman Koch asked Director Patten to check on the cone that is at the corner of Sutherland/Woodview since the spring. He told her he would check and get back to her.

Terrence Hickey, Director Finance and Personnel

- No report

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Mayor Michael Byrne

- The Mayor informed Council that the Parma Heights Library would close February 1, 2016 for a total renovation. It is expected to re-open on May 1, 2016.

LEGISLATION

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

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

ORDINANCE TO BE READ BY TITLE ONLY.

Councilman McCall read AN ORDINANCE TO CREATE A LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING GRANT FUND, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. ONE READING ONLY.

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

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

RULES SUSPENDED.

Councilman McCall explained that the fund was created because the Law Enforcement Training Grant funds are required to be accounted for separate from other City funds.

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

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

ORDINANCE IS ADOPTED. ORDINANCE IS NO. 2016-1.

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.

Curtis Cutler, 9852 N. Church Drive, commented that it is an easy process to link to the Solid Waste District's website to provide a video for residents on the recycling process.

Nick Cronin, 6206 Pearl Road, Parma Heights Cuyahoga County Public Library Manager, reiterated what the Mayor had stated earlier. The branch will close at 5 p.m. on Sunday, January 31, 2016 for renovations. The tentative re-open date is May 1, 2016. The staff has been temporarily relocated during the

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renovations but will return to the Parma Heights location when they re-open. The library is very excited about the renovations and they believe the public will be very happy with them.

Councilman Verdile commented that he was glad that the same staff would be coming back to this location because they are very knowledgeable and helpful.

Councilwoman Koch motioned seconded by Councilman Stavole to adjourn the meeting.

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

Nay: None

Meeting Adjourned at 8:11 p.m.



Florence A. Bohdan
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Clerk of Council



Marie Gallo
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Council President