

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

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

ALSO PRESENT: Mayor Michael Byrne, Director of Law Pokorny, Director of Finance and Personnel Hickey, Director of Public Service Patten, City Engineer Onyak, 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 8:03 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

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

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

Nay: None

**APRIL 11, 2016 COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES APPROVED.**

Councilman McCall presented the report of the Finance Committee with total expenditures for the period of 3/23/2016 through 4/7/2016 to be \$428,460.27. (detailed report attached)

Tom Moran, Director of Recreation

- Baseball practice will begin May 1, 2016.
- Yoga class ends May 2, 2016 and will not start back up until the fall.
- Last Tuesday for Open Swim at Valley Forge Pool is April 26, 2016
- Cassidy Theatre will be presenting *The Wedding Singer* from June 10, 2016 through June 26, 2016.

Councilman Stavole asked how many children are signed up for baseball this year. Director Moran stated that he did not have the exact number but that the program was down one team from last year.

Judy McLaughlin, Director of the Senior Center

- Normandy High School is sponsoring the Senior Citizen Prom on Saturday, April 30, 2016. The Senior Center will provide transportation to the event.
- Director McLaughlin encouraged everyone to read the newsletter because there are many events in May that the Center will be providing for the seniors.

Joe Sebes, Director of Community and Economic Development

- The vacant Valvoline building on Pearl Road has a new owner and a drive-thru beverage store will be going into that location.
- The strip with Drug Mart is completely filled.
- Sleep Source is in negotiations with the owner to lease the whole building.

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Councilwoman Koch asked if there was any activity on the two buildings next to Get Go on Pearl Road. Director Sebes explained that the owner of the one building recently passed away and the City is working with their attorney to get the buildings up for sale. There has been interest shown in those two buildings.

Councilwoman Koch also asked about the building at Greenleaf and Beresford. Director Sebes stated that Digital Electric will be going into one of the buildings and the other building is housing an electronic business. Councilwoman Koch asked about the black sheets over the windows of that business. Director Patten explained that the business had sensitive electronic equipment that they used but the Building Department did not approve the sheets over the windows. His department will be contacting them to replace them with other window covering.

C. J. Onyak, City Engineer

- No report.

Dennis Patten, Director of Public Service

- No report.

Councilwoman Koch asked Director Patten if it would be possible to have a list of when work would be done on a street. Director Patten stated that at this time the Service Department is patching the streets in the City. After that, they would start grinding and he would be able to put a schedule together.

Terrence Hickey, Director of Finance and Personnel

- No report.

Mayor Michael Byrne

- The Mayor has two appointments to the UH Parma Medical Center Board of Directors.
- The Mayor's nominates former Councilwoman Lesley DeSouza to finish Joe Talerico's unexpired term until May 31, 2017.

Council President Gallo asked for a motion to approve the appointment of Lesley DeSouza to the UH Parma Medical Center Board of Directors with the term ending May 31, 2017.

Councilman Verdile motioned seconded by Councilwoman Koch to approve the appointment of Lesley DeSouza.

Aye: Danczak, Gallo and Verdile

Nay: Stavole and Everett

Abstain: Koch and McCall due to employment.

**APPOINTMENT OF LESLEY DESOUZA TO THE UH PARMA MEDICAL CENTER BOARD OF DIRECTORS FAILED BY A 3-2 VOTE.**

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- The Mayor's second appointment is due to C. Anthony Stavole being unable to continue as a member of the UH Parma Medical Center Board of Directors due to age restrictions. Mr. Stavole's term expires at the end of May 2016. The Mayor nominates Kent Geist to replace Mr. Stavole and serve a three-year term from 2016 – 2019.

Council President Gallo asked for a motion to approve the appointment of Kent Geist to the UH Parma Medical Center Board of Directors for a three year term from 2016 – 2019.

Councilman Stavole motioned seconded by Councilwoman Everett to approve the appointment of Kent Geist.

Aye: Gallo, Verdile, Stavole, Everett and Danczak

Nay: None

Abstain: Koch and McCall due to employment.

**APPOINTMENT OF KENT GEIST TO THE UH PARMA MEDICAL CENTER BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPROVED.**

**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.

Greg McKinney, 6809 Maplewood, complained about the cigarette butts along Commonwealth in the devils strip. He believes it is an eyesore.

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

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

Nay: None

**Meeting Adjourned at 8:16 p.m.**



Florence A. Bohdan  
Clerk of Council



Marie Gallo  
Council President