

THE CITY OF PARMA HEIGHTS
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 9, 2018

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

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

ABSENT: Councilman Stavole, Councilwoman Everett, Director Patten and Engineer Neff.

The meeting was called to order by Council President Gallo at 8:01 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Aye: McCall, Danczak, Gallo, Koch and Verdile

Nay: None

COUNCILWOMAN EVERETT IS EXCUSED FROM THE OCTOBER 9, 2018 COUNCIL MEETING.

Councilman Verdile motioned seconded by Councilwoman Koch to excuse the absence of Councilman Stavole.

Aye: Danczak, Gallo, Koch, Verdile and McCall

Nay: None

COUNCILMAN STAVOLE IS EXCUSED FROM THE OCTOBER 9, 2018 COUNCIL MEETING.

Councilman McCall motioned seconded by Councilwoman Danczak to approve the September 24, 2018 Council meeting minutes.

Aye: Gallo, Koch, Verdile, McCall and Danczak

Nay: None

SEPTEMBER 24, 2018 COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES APPROVED.

There was no Finance Report for this evening.

Councilwoman Koch presented the report of the October 1, 2018 Planning Commission meetings. (report attached)

Joe Sebes, Director of Community and Economic Development

- No report.

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Councilman McCall wanted to congratulate whoever was involved with retaining the \$1 mil grant for the retention basin. It was noted that the Engineer's office was the lead on this grant application.

Dan Neff, Engineer

- No report in the Engineer's absence.

Michelle Teresi, Director of Housing, Building & Recycling

- No report.

Terrence Hickey, Director of Finance and Personnel

- A summary of the Mayor's Court activity for September was reported. The total amount transferred into the City's general checking account from Court activity was \$19,883.66 (see attached report).

Mayor Michael Byrne

- The Mayor explained programs that the Police Department was participating in. Beards Behind the Badge, the department has a "no beard" policy, which has been suspended for October, November and December. In order to participate, each officer will give a minimum donation to a different charity each month. October is National Breast Cancer Foundation; November is the Local Shop with a Cop program and the Parma Area Family Collaborative, which provides families in need for the holidays; and December is St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.
- The Police Department has received fantastic media coverage for the Pink Patch Program. There is a limited edition of pink Police Department patches, which raises public awareness about breast cancer treatment and prevention. The pink patches are intended to stimulate conversation with the community and to encourage public awareness about the importance of early detection. These patches are available for the public to purchase as a collector's item for \$10 at the Police Department. They have sold out. They will be order more.
- The funding we received for the Police and Community Together (PACT) group is no longer available to local Police Departments but the group has had so much success with the Parma Heights Youth Group and "Coffee with a Cop" program that the Police Department has decided to raise money to keep these programs going.
- A PACT fundraiser "Halloween Hurrah" is scheduled for October 21st from 4:30 – 8:30 p.m. at St. John Bosco Church. The tickets for this event are \$20 for 1 adult and 1 child, \$5 for each additional adult and child. Tickets are available online through our website through Thursday, October 18th or can be purchased at the police station. Many thanks to Kelly Latevola and Patrolman Eric Thomas for all their hard work in making PACT such a huge success.
- The next PACT Youth Group is scheduled at 6 p.m. Tuesday, October 16th in the Cassidy Theatre. Their pizza class went so well they decided to tackle baking this time. Our youth group kids expressed an interest in holding a bake sale to help raise funds to keep the PACT Youth Group

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program up and running. The group's baked goods will be available to purchase at the Halloween Hurrah on October 21st.

- Suzanne Kideo has resurrected the Greenbrier Art League. Suzanne is an accomplished artist; she recently won the grand prize for the 2018 Ohio Water Color Society for her artwork. The Art League will be selling artwork on Saturday, October 13th and Sunday, October 14th at Cassidy Theatre.
- The Garden Club will be planting 1500 daffodils on Saturday, October 20th.

LEGISLATION

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

Aye: Koch, Verdile, McCall, Danczak and Gallo
Nay: None

RESOLUTION TO BE READ BY TITLE ONLY.

Clerk Bohdan read A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR THE NORTHEAST OHIO AREAWIDE COORDINATING AGENCY FOR FUNDING THROUGH THE 2019 TRANSPORTATION FOR LIVABLE COMMUNITIES INITIATIVE IMPLEMENTATION GRANT PROGRAM AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. ONE READING ONLY.

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

Aye: Verdile, McCall, Danczak, Gallo and Koch
Nay: None

RULES SUSPENDED.

Councilwoman Danczak explained this a resolution authorizes the Mayor to submit an application for the 2019 Transportation for Livable Communities Initiative Implementation Grant Program which provides federal funds for projects that integrate transportation and land use planning. Grant program applicants are eligible to receive 100% federal funding with awards covering the entire project cost and no local match fund required.

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

Aye: McCall, Danczak, Gallo, Koch and Verdile
Nay: None

RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED. RESOLUTION NO. 2018-18.

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

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Aye: McCall, Danczak, Gallo, Koch and Verdile
Nay: None

RESOLUTION TO BE READ BY TITLE ONLY.

Clerk Bohdan read A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF PARMA HEIGHTS TO ENTER INTO A MASTER CONTRACT FOR FUNDING OF COMMUNITY SOCIAL SERVICE PROGRAMS FOR SENIOR CITIZENS (60) SIXTY YEARS AND OLDER FROM THE CUYAHOGA COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SENIOR AND ADULT SERVICES (DSAS), AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. ONE READING ONLY.

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

Aye: McCall, Danczak, Gallo, Koch and Verdile
Nay: None

RULES SUSPENDED.

Councilman McCall explained this resolution allows us to received funding from the County for senior meals and transportation.

Councilwoman McCall motioned seconded by Councilwoman Koch to adopt this resolution.

Aye: Danczak, Gallo, Koch, Verdile and McCall
Nay: None

RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED. RESOLUTION NO. 2018-19.

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

Aye: Gallo, Koch, Verdile, McCall and Danczak
Nay: None

ORDINANCE TO BE READ BY TITLE ONLY.

Clerk Bohdan read AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CURRENT EXPENSE AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF PARMA HEIGHTS, OHIO DURING THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2018 TO AND INCLUDING DECEMBER 31, 2018, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. FIRST OF THREE READINGS.

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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Pat Downer, 10000 W. Ridgewood Drive, thanked the Mayor for all the programs and trips that are offered at the Senior Center. Ms. Downer listed the many problems with the building and that the building management is not addressing the problems. Ms. Downer mentioned the sidewalks in front of the North Church Apartments are in disrepair and are hazardous. She also complimented the Service Department on their work.

The Mayor commented that the City has had an inspector at the building to address the issues that Ms. Downer pointed out.

Councilwoman Koch motioned seconded by Councilman McCall to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss pending litigation.

Aye: Koch, Verdile, McCall, Danczak and Gallo
Nay: None

COUNCIL ADJOURNED TO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS PENDING LITIGATION AT 8:18 P.M.

Council reconvened from Executive Session at 8:57 p.m.

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

Aye: Verdile, McCall, Danczak, Gallo and Koch
Nay: None

Meeting Adjourned at 8:57 p.m.



Florence A. Bohdan
Clerk of Council



Marie Gallo
Council President