

THE CITY OF PARMA HEIGHTS  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
JUNE 13, 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 the Senior Center McLaughlin, and Director of Recreation Moran.

ABSENT: Director of Community and Economic Development Sebes

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Councilman Stavole motioned seconded by Councilman Verdile to approve the minutes from the May 23, 2016 Council meeting.

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

Nay: None

**MAY 9, 2016 COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES APPROVED.**

Councilman McCall presented the report of the Finance Committee with total expenditures for the period of 5/20/2016 through 6/8/2016 to be \$489,951.64. (detailed report attached)

Tom Moran, Director of Recreation

- Baseball program has stated.
- The Recreation Department recently held the Soccer Appreciation Night.
- Flag Football sign-up will be Wednesday, June 15<sup>th</sup> & June 22<sup>nd</sup> at City Hall from 4:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.
- Cassidy Theatre will be presenting *The Wedding Singer* from June 10, 2016 through June 26, 2016.
- Aqua Zumba classes at the Community Pool will run from 7/10 through 8/21 from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
- Movie in the Commons will be held on Saturday, June 18<sup>th</sup> at 9 p.m. Norm of the North will be shown.

Judy McLaughlin, Director of the Senior Center

- The Senior Center will celebrate Flag Day on June 14<sup>th</sup>. Royal Oaks will be donating dessert and the City will provide a flag for everyone who attends.
- On June 22<sup>nd</sup> seniors will enjoy Happy Hour provided by Parma Care. Finger foods and root beer will be served.

Joe Sebes, Director of Community and Economic Development

- No report in Director Sebes' absence.

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Dan Neff, City Engineer

- No report.

Dennis Patten, Director of Public Service

- No report.

Councilwoman Koch asked about the equipment in the parking lot behind the Service Garage. Director Patten explained those were leaf machines and they previously were stored at the soccer facility and will be relocated to Nathan Hale.

Councilwoman Koch also asked about the status of the truck the City purchased. Director Patten stated that he was out last week to the dealer to check on the truck and they are waiting for a few parts and the City should receive the vehicle in the next couple of weeks.

Councilman McCall thanked Director Patten and the Building Department for the prompt response he received on a property maintenance issue that he reported earlier in the day.

Terrence Hickey, Director of Finance and Personnel

- A summary of Mayor's Court activity for May was reported. The total amount transferred into the City's general checking account from Court activity was \$30,096.67. (detailed report attached)

Mayor Michael Byrne

- The Mayor thanked all who participated and assisted with the Memorial Day Parade. Many attended. The Mayor specifically thanked Roger Pekarek for his help in securing the keynote speaker for the Memorial Day ceremony, U. S. Army Brigadier General Matt Matia. The Mayor also recognized and thanked Councilmen McCall and Verdile for their military service to our country.

Councilman McCall also thanked Roger Pekarek for his help in bringing General Matia to the ceremony and acknowledged the many veterans that live in Parma Heights, especially a survivor of Pearl Harbor who attends the ceremony every year.

LEGISLATION

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

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

**ORDINANCE TO BE READ BY TITLE ONLY.**

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Councilwoman Everett read AN ORDINANCE TO APPROVE THE EDITING AND INCLUSION OF CERTAIN ORDINANCES AS PARTS OF THE VARIOUS COMPONENT CODES OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES; TO PROVIDE FOR THE ADOPTION OF NEW MATTER IN THE UPDATED AND REVISED CODIFIED ORDINANCES; TO PROVIDE FOR THE PUBLICATION OF SUCH NEW MATTER; TO REPEAL ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT THEREWITH; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY. ONE READING ONLY.

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

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

Nay: None

**RULES SUSPENDED.**

Councilwoman Everett explained that this ordinance allows American Legal Publishing to update our Codified Ordinances.

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

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

Nay: None

**ORDINANCE IS ADOPTED. ORDINANCE NO. 2016-8.**

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

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

Nay: None

**ORDINANCE TO BE READ BY TITLE ONLY.**

Councilman Stavole read AN ORDINANCE PERMITTING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO PURCHASE ONE (1) FORD UTILITY VEHICLE, FOUR (4) FORD SEDANS AND VARIOUS EQUIPMENT VIA A LEASE PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH KEY GOVERNMENT FINANCE COMPANY AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO SAID AGREEMENT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. SECOND OF TWO READINGS.

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

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

Nay: None

**RULES SUSPENDED.**

Councilman Stavole explained that this ordinance allows for the purchase of five (5) Police vehicles.

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Councilman Stavole motioned seconded by Councilman Verdile to adopt this ordinance.

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

**ORDINANCE IS ADOPTED. ORDINANCE NO. 2016-9.**

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

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

**ORDINANCE TO BE READ BY TITLE ONLY.**

Councilwoman Koch read AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO PURCHASE ONE (1) 2017 FREIGHTLINER M2 BRAUN SUPER CHIEF AMBULANCE FROM PENN CARE, INC., VIA A LEASE PURCHASE WITH KEY GOVERNMENT FINANCE AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO SAID AGREEMENT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. SECOND OF TWO READINGS.

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

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

**RULES SUSPENDED.**

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

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

**ORDINANCE IS ADOPTED. ORDINANCE NO. 2016-10.**

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

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

**ORDINANCE TO BE READ BY TITLE ONLY.**

Councilman McCall read AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF \$2,245,000 NOTES, IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING, IN ANTICIPATION OF THE COLLECTION OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS, THE COSTS OF CONSTRUCTING CARDINAL AVENUE AND

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ADJOINING STREETS, TO BE LOCATED ON PROPERTY AT THE SOUTHEAST QUADRANT OF THE INTERSECTION OF PEARL ROAD AND WEST 130<sup>TH</sup> STREET, BY CONSTRUCTING AND INSTALLING PUBLIC SANITARY SEWERS; STORM SEWERS; WATER MAINS; STREET LIGHTING; CONCRETE CURBS; ASPHALT PAVEMENT; SIDEWALKS; TRAFFIC SIGNALS; AND OTHER UTILITY LINES; ALL TOGETHER WITH THE NECESSARY APPURTENANCES THERETO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. SECOND OF THREE READINGS.

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

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

**ORDINANCE TO BE READ BY TITLE ONLY.**

Councilman McCall read AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE NO'S 2013-8 AND 2015-27, ESTABLISHING COMPENSATION PAID TO VARIOUS EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF PARMA HEIGHTS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. SECOND OF THREE READINGS.

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

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

**ORDINANCE TO BE READ BY TITLE ONLY.**

Councilwoman Koch read AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PARMA HEIGHTS, PART SIX GENERAL OFFENSES CODE, CHAPTER 618 ANIMALS, SECTION 618.16 HUNTING PROHIBITED AUTHORIZING A NUISANCE ABATEMENT INITIATIVE FOR BOTH SHORT TERM AND LONG TERM CONTROL AND REDUCTION OF THE WHITE-TAILED DEER POPULATION IN COORDINATION WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONTIGUOUS, ADJOINING, POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS THAT OPT TO ADOPT A SIMILAR PLAN FOR NUISANCE ABATEMENT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. SECOND 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.

Christine Farinelli, 6836 Beresford, the City has done some asphalt work but they did not do the deep cracks and now there are weeds growing through those cracks. Is the City going to repair the cracks? Director Patten explained that the City would be grinding and repairing Beresford. Ms. Farinelli also asked what the status was on the Church in the Woods project. Director Patten stated that they were grading

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and seeding the property and the City is waiting for the submission of the blueprints before the developer can go forward.

Mary Wilkens, 5873 Queens Highway, stated that there is a century home at Snow Road and Queens Highway. Mrs. Wilkens commented that the grass is being cut but the shrubs are overgrown and there are weeds growing everywhere. She wondered if the garage could be taken down because there are animals living in the structure. Director Patten explained that the garage cannot be taken down, but the City is in the process of trying to get control of the property. Director Patten assured Mrs. Wilkens he would have someone clean up the shrubs and the weeds in the yard.

Emery Pinter, 10965 Lawndale Drive, asked that Council consider voting no on the Deer Management legislation. He feels if this passes, it will cause more problems with the deer. Mr. Pinter also thanked Councilman Stavole and Councilwoman Everett for voting no on the raises. He cited an incident where he felt City employees were not doing their jobs. Mr. Pinter also pointed out that there is City property in arrears of paying their property taxes.

Pete & Chris Schiker, 5846 Queens Highway, explained that there was work done on their street by the Water Department. The Water Department filled the hole with gravel and now the gravel is shooting into their yards when cars drive over it. Director Patten said he would check with the Water Department on the status of the job. Mr. & Mrs. Schiker commented about the signal light at Queens Highway and Snow Road. They asked if the timing could be checked because it seemed like they were waiting an unusually long time to be able to turn onto Snow Road. Engineer Neff said he would look into the timing of the signal light at the intersection.

Christine Farinella, 6836 Beresford, stated that she heard that the state was looking into changing the length of time needed for seniors to cross a road at a signal; Ms. Farinella asked if the City would be complying with these changes. Engineer Neff informed her that NOACA has awarded a grant to the City to hire a consultant to look at the timing of the signals along Pearl Road. He assured her that her concerns would be addressed in this study.

Bill Calderwood, 10044 Colgate Avenue, stated that people were dumping garbage on the City property that was going to go up for sale on Concord Court. This property adjoins his and he wanted to know if he could clear some of the property of the brush and weeds that have not been cut. Director Patten explained that he would meet with his crew and discuss what should be done at that property.

Steve Stepak, 5897 Wickfield, he is not sure who is responsible, but there is a section on his street that has not been patched while the rest of the street has been. Director Patten said he would look at the area that needs repairs.

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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 8:27 p.m.**



Florence A. Bohdan  
Clerk of Council



Marie Gallo  
Council President