

THE CITY OF PARMA HEIGHTS
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 23, 2015

PRESENT: President of Council Gallo, Council Members Everett, Koch, Verdile, McCall, DeSouza, 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 Public Safety Collins and Director of Recreation Moran.

ABSENT: Director of the Senior Center McLaughlin

Council President Gallo called the meeting to order at 8:02 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilman Stavole motioned seconded by Councilwoman DeSouza to approve the minutes from the February 9, 2015 Council meeting.

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

Nay: None

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Councilman Verdile presented the report of the Finance Committee with total expenditures for the period of 1/31/2015 through 2/17/2015 to be \$738,584.12. (detailed report attached)

Thomas Moran, Director of Recreation

- Valley Forge Pool is open to the public on Tuesday evenings from 7 p.m. until 9 p.m. through April 28th.
- Cassidy Theatre just finished the production of "9 to 5".
- Baseball sign-ups will be on March 7, 2015 and March 14, 2015 from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m. at Yorktown Lanes Party Room. The City would like to thank the Cottrell family for the use of the Party Room at Yorktown Lanes for the sign-ups.
- Soccer sign-ups will be taken at the Recreation Department office until the end of March.
- Yoga sessions are completely full for the class going on now plus the next session. The Recreation Department is looking at adding an additional yoga class to the schedule.

Brent Collins, Director of Public Safety

- The Police Department recently participated in an Active Shooter Drill at Holy Name High School. This is a proactive approach to incidents like the Columbine High School shooting.
- Sentencing of the arsonist in the City Hall fire has been moved to March.

Councilman McCall asked Director Collins if we still require solicitors to register with the City. The Director replied that we still do. Councilman McCall asked if anyone was registered for this week because Ohio State Waterproofing knocked on his door and asked his wife if they could do a free assessment. Director Collins said that any solicitor must have a background check and show a photo ID before a permit is issued and he did not approve Ohio State Waterproofing. Councilman McCall asked what the procedure is if they

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are not approved. Director Collins replied that the Police Department should be notified. They will approach the solicitor.

Councilwoman Koch asked Director Collins about the kids that are dropped off and are going door-to-door usually selling candy, do they need a permit. He replied that under 18 you do not need a permit. Councilwoman Koch asked what about the company that is sponsoring the kids and he replied no.

Judy McLaughlin, Director of the Senior Center

- No report in the absence of Mrs. McLaughlin

Joe Sebes, Director of Community and Economic Development

- If anyone knows of a business that needs help, the Cuyahoga County Storefront program is open for 2015. We are currently working with Southwest Animal Hospital and the Club House.

Dan Neff, City Engineer

- No report

Dennis Patten, Director of Public Service

- The Service Department continues to maintain the roads. If they are not plowing, they are patching. Because of the extreme weather this year, there has been a lot more road damage.

Councilwoman DeSouza thanked Director Patten and his staff for the excellent job they are doing this year on maintaining the roads. She asked how the city was doing on salt. Director Patten explained that they were at about 70% of their allotted tonnage and not having any problems with receiving deliveries, which some cities are experiencing. He believes they will be good for the rest of the year because they have only been salting the intersections.

Terrence Hickey, Director of Finance and Personnel

- Director Hickey explained that every five (5) years the Revised Code requires us to solicit bids and sign new agreements with the financial institutions that we do business with. He solicited bids from the following banks, Key Bank, Fifth Third Bank, Huntington National Bank, PNC Bank, Star Ohio and Star Ohio Plus and he is asking Council to accept the bids from these institutions for the period from February 15, 2015 to February 15, 2020.

Councilman Verdile motioned to accept and designate the following financial institutions, Key Bank, Fifth Third Bank, Huntington National Bank, PNC Bank, Star Ohio and Star Ohio Plus as depositories of the city's active, interim and inactive public funds for the period of February 15, 2015 to February 15, 2020. Councilman McCall seconded the motion.

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

Nay: None

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Mayor Michael Byrne

- The Mayor gave an update on the progress of the renovations at City Hall. He stated that everything is going very well but still looking at approximately four months before it is ready for us to move back. Erin continues to take pictures of the progress and is putting them on the website.
- The Mayor stated that he received a call from the Prosecutor's office regarding the arsonist in the City Hall fire. He was told that the sentencing will take place on March 18th and he pled out to a F2, which carries a 2 – 8 year sentencing. The judge has the authority to sentence accordingly and once completed she will forward a summary of everything involved. When the Mayor receives the summary, he will update Council.

LEGISLATION

Councilman McCall motioned seconded by Councilwoman DeSouza to read the following Ordinance by title only.

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

ORDINANCE TO BE READ BY TITLE ONLY.

Councilman McCall read AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT FOR THE UPDATE OF THE INTERNET CODE OF ORDINANCES WITH AMERICAN LEGAL PUBLISHING, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. FIRST OF THREE READINGS.

Councilwoman DeSouza motioned seconded by Councilman McCall to read the following Ordinance by title only.

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

ORDINANCE TO BE READ BY TITLE ONLY.

Councilwoman DeSouza read AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 315 AUTOMATED TRAFFIC CONTROL PHOTOGRAPHIC SYSTEM AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. FIRST OF TWO READINGS.

PUBLIC SESSION

Council President Gallo reminded the audience if they have a question or concern to stand, state their name, address, and direct their concerns to her.

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Council President Gallo asked if there were any students in the audience. In attendance was Tim Nemes, 6683 Orchard Boulevard, a St. Ignatius High School junior who is attending as a requirement for his government class.

Cindy Rosko, 6295 Old Virginia Lane stated that she is friends with the homeowners of the house fire at Alexander and the Parkway and was with them that day. Ms. Rosko commented on how impressed she was with the police officers who responded to the fire. She feels that they should be recognized for the work they did because the police are often overlooked in these situations. Director Collins informed her that Chief Teele and he recognized the officers.

Council President Gallo announced that she would be attending an Urban Deer Management meeting on Thursday, February 26, 2015 from 10 a.m. to 12 noon hosted by the Division of Wildlife. They will be discussing how they can assist cities with deer management. She will give an update at the next meeting.

Councilman McCall motioned seconded by Councilwoman DeSouza to adjourn.

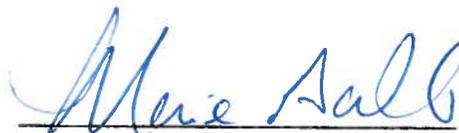
Aye: DeSouza, Stavole, Everett, Koch, Verdile, Gallo and McCall

Nay: None

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:19 P.M.



Florence A. Bohdan
Clerk of Council



Marie Gallo
Council President

REPORT OF COUNCIL FINANCE COMMITTEE
(Review of City Expenditures)

COUNCIL MEETING: 2/23/15	
REVIEW PERIOD: 1/31/15 - 2/17/15	
EXPENDITURE TOTAL:	\$738,584.12
RE-CAP OF MAJOR EXPENDITURES:	AMOUNT:
2/6/15 PAYROLL	\$373,557.04
POLICE & FIRE RETIREMENT - PENSION COST	\$78,046.95
PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT - PENSION COST	\$34,414.09
REPUBLIC SERVICES - REFUSE/RECYCLING CONTRACT	\$71,060.22
1st SOURCE BANK - ANNUAL VEHICLE LEASE PAYMENT	\$15,815.00
CARGILL - ROAD SALT	\$15,792.67
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WICHERT INSURANCE - PARTIAL PAYMENT ANNUAL INSURANCE PREMIUM	\$9,424.00
CEI - STREET & TAFFIC LIGHTING	\$9,753.21
CITY OF PARMA - CITY SHARE OF MUNICIPAL COURT COST FOR 2014	\$9,493.51
UNIVERSAL OIL - VEHICLE FUEL	\$8,361.77
TAFT, STETTINIUS & HOLLISTER - COUNSEL FOR CELL TOWER LITIGATION	\$7,946.68
COLUMBIA GAS - UTILITY/HEATING FUEL	\$6,219.73
HARVEY, ABENS IOSUE CO. - HR CONSULTANT, LABOR NEGOTIATOR	\$6,577.50
CARGILL - ROAD SALT	\$5,750.47