

THE CITY OF PARMA HEIGHTS  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
MARCH 8, 2021

PRESENT: Council President Gallo, Council Members Stavole, Walsh, Danczak, Everett, Haase, Rounds and Asst. Clerk of Council Neel.

ALSO PRESENT: Mayor Byrne, Director of Law Pokorny, Director of Personnel & Finance Iaconis, Director of Public Service Patten,

The meeting was called to order by Council President Gallo at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilman Stavole motioned seconded by Councilwoman Everett to approve the February 22, 2021 Council meeting minutes.

Aye: Danczak, Everett, Gallo, Rounds, Haase, Stavole and Walsh

Nay: None

**FEBRUARY 22, 2021 COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES APPROVED.**

Councilman Stavole motioned seconded by Councilwoman Everett to approve the March 1, 2021 Special Council meeting minutes.

Aye: Everett, Gallo, Rounds, Haase, Stavole, Walsh and Danczak

Nay: None

**MARCH 1, 2021 SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES APPROVED.**

Mike Byrne, Mayor

- No report.

Dan Bender, City Engineer

- Manorford Drive, which was started last fall, is mostly done except for punch list items, seeding, mulching and pavement striping.
- Greenbrier Commons Water Main project currently is in progress and will continue into early June. Included with the project is paint and restoration and pavement of the drive.
- Nottabene Drive and Queens Highway Water Main replacement is a Cleveland Water Department project. We are working on plans and will advertise in the spring with a possible start date in July.
- Resurfacing project for Layors Drive and Queens Highway will happen after the water main is replaced.
- Plans have been submitted to ODOT for the Independence Blvd. Bridge Replacement project and we have received comments back. The actual construction is projected for 2023.

Councilman Stavole asked when the project on Nottabene will be complete. Engineer Bender stated it will take approximately 3-4 months. Councilman Stavole asked if it would be completed before Holy Name goes back to school and Engineer Bender replied yes.

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Joe Sebes, Director of Community & Economic Development

- City applied for the CDBG Grant for North Church project and the Supplemental Grant to re-do the Veteran's Memorial. They are pending award with the announcements expected the end of March or first week of April.
- The Cuyahoga County Solid Waste District Grant was awarded to the City. It will be used for Shred-It events and to expand the recycling mailing to businesses and apartments.
- The City applied for the Cuyahoga County Healthy Urban Tree Canopy Program Grant. It is for a \$52,000 project and the City's match is \$5,000. The City's goal is to plant 150 trees which will include the stakes, soil, mulch and gator bags. The City should hear soon if we have received the grant because they want trees planted in the spring or fall.
- The City applied for the Cuyahoga County Arts & Culture Grant to be used at 6708 Pearl Road. The Director submitted RFQ's to local artists. He received five (5) renderings back and is in the process of reviewing them.

Councilwoman Everett asked what the amounts are of the grants. Director Sebes replied the Supplemental Grant is \$50,000 with no match; CDBG Grant is \$150,000 with no match; Solid Waste Grants is \$6,000 with no match; Arts & Culture Grants is \$8,000 with a 50% match; Healthy Tree Grant is \$52,000 with a 10% or \$5,000 match.

Councilwoman Danczak asked if the City receives the Healthy Tree Grant will it published to the residents so they may request a tree if they want one. Director Sebes replied part of the grant application was to establish a project with the area where the trees would be planted. The Northeast quadrant of the community a few years ago lost over 200 Ash trees, per the Tree Master Plan that is the targeted area.

Council President Gallo asked ae there different species that the City look at because one of the biggest complaints is the trees are lifting the sidewalks. Director Sebes replied the City will be putting in a narrower type of tree and one where the roots grow down.

Joe Tal, Director of Recreation

- Baseball sign-ups started March 1<sup>st</sup> and at this time we 22 registered and 5 umpires signed up.
- The Department is in need of lifeguards for the pool. In mid-April they will start to get the pool ready so they can fill it by mid-May.
- There are 3 concerts scheduled this year, they will be on the last three Sundays of August.
- The movies this year have been moved to Byers Field and will be in July.
- The Tennis Court light poles have arrived and will be installed in the near future.
- Parks will be open with the caveat that visitors can use at their own risk.

Council President Gallo asked if there will be signs at the parks stating visit at your own risk. Director Tal replied yes.

Trish James, Director of the Senior Center

- In February we delivered 2,230 hot meals, 460 produce, dairy and meat boxes, 414 shelf stable boxes, which will provide an additional 2,070 meals. The Senior Center distributed over 400 lbs. of fresh baked bread, bakery, fruits and vegetables all supplied by Giant Eagle.
- Vista Springs Assisted Living is donating bingo prizes for our virtual connection and they are committed to continue donating as long as we are virtual.
- The Senior Center delivered 90 restaurant lunches from the West Side Market Café.

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- The Senior Center is working with Western Reserve and they are working with the Ohio National Guards to help secure a vaccination clinic at the Educator for the seniors that have not received the vaccine yet.
- Air purification systems have been installed in three of the four buses. At this time, one bus is being fitted with the necessary safety precautions to begin transportation. Plexiglass and plastic will be installed between the seats and the driver area. The money for this project came from the PEE Grant and if there is money left over we may outfit the fourth bus.

Dennis Patten, Director of Public Service

- All Service Department workers are back on day shift as of today.
- Crews are out cleaning up all the trees that were taken down.
- Crews are doing road repairs until the asphalt plants open up.
- The Department is prepping for spring but keeping the salt trucks read to go.

Council President Gallo closed the regular Council meeting and opened the Public Hearing to discuss Repealing Chapter 1186 – Planned Unit Development of the Codified Ordinances.

Director Pokorny explained the City has completed the process of revising the planning and zoning code. The revisions were based upon the land use study prepared by CT Consultants, the review and recommendations of the Planning Commission and finally the review and approval of Council.

The Council scheduled three readings of the code updates where were completed on or about January 25, 2021.

One of the recommendations contained in the land use study was to repeal Chapter 1186 of the Codified Ordinances. Chapter 1186 is related to the former planned unit development project known as Cornerstone.

The area of the former Cornerstone project is now designated by the code update as the West 130<sup>th</sup> Street Mixed Use District as set forth in Chapters 1161 and 1185 of the Codified Ordinances.

The code update now renders Chapter 1186 obsolete and requires this code section to be repealed by Council action.

The hearing received the appropriate public notice and I am requesting that the Council move to repeal Chapter 1186 of the Codified Ordinances on this third and final reading of the Ordinance.

Council President Gallo closed the Public Hearing and re-opened the regular Council meeting.

Legislation

Councilman Stavole motioned seconded by Councilwoman Everett to read the following resolution by title only.

Aye: Gallo, Rounds, Haase, Stavole, Walsh, Danczak and Everett

Nay: None

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

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Asst. Clerk Neel read A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE DIRECT SUPPORT FOR COMMUNITIES ACT THAT PROPOSES A FUND THAT WOULD PROVIDE THE NATION'S CITIES, TOWNS, VILLAGES AND COUNTIES WITH DIRECT FEDERAL ASSISTANCE THAT PROVIDES NECESSARY RELIEF ON LOST REVENUES AND INCREASED COSTS FROM THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. **ONE READING ONLY.**

Councilman Stavole motioned seconded by Councilwoman Everett to suspend the rules.

Aye: Rounds, Haase, Stavole, Walsh, Danczak, Everett and Gallo  
Nay: None

**RULES SUSPENDED.**

Councilman Stavole motioned seconded by Councilwoman Everett to adopt this resolution.

Aye: Haase, Stavole, Walsh, Danczak, Everett, Gallo and Rounds  
Nay: None

**RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED. RESOLUTION NO. 2021-3.**

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

Aye: Stavole, Walsh, Danczak, Everett, Gallo, Rounds and Haase  
Nay: None

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

Asst. Clerk Neel read AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$3,210,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF (I) RENOVATING THE CASSIDY COMMUNITY CENTER; (II) RESURFACING PORTIONS OF PEARL ROAD, BERESFORD AVENUE, LAYOR DRIVE, QUEENS HIGHWAY AND NORTH CHURCH DRIVE; (III) RECONSTRUCTING STUMPH ROAD FROM SNOW ROAD TO PEARL ROAD, INCLUDING INSTALLING SANITARY STORM SEWER LINES AND STORM DRAINAGE FACILITIES WHERE NECESSARY AND MAKING ALL RELATED IMPROVEMENTS; (IV) RESURFACING PORTIONS OF PEARL ROAD, TOGETHER WITH THE NECESSARY RELATED IMPROVEMENTS AND APPURTENANCES THERETO; (V) IMPROVING WEST 130<sup>TH</sup> STREET BETWEEN CERTAIN TERMINI BY RESURFACING AND REPLACING CONCRETE, TOGETHER WITH ALL NECESSARY APPURTENANCES THERETO; (VI) DESIGNING, PERMITTING, ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTING WATER IMPROVEMENTS TOGETHER WITH ALL NECESSARY APPURTENANCES THERETO AND (VII) ACQUIRING EQUIPMENT FOR CITY USE, INCLUDING GENERATORS FOR CITY BUILDINGS AND POLICE VEHICLES; APPROVING RELATED MATTERS IN CONNECTION WITH THE ISSUANCE OF THE BONDS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. **SECOND OF TWO READINGS.**

Councilwoman Everett motioned seconded by Councilwoman Danczak to suspend the rules.

Aye: Walsh, Danczak, Everett, Gallo, Rounds, Haase and Stavole  
Nay: None

**RULES SUSPENDED.**

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Councilwoman Everett motioned seconded by Councilman to adopt this ordinance.

Aye: Danczak, Everett, Gallo, Rounds, Haase, Stavole and Walsh  
Nay: None

**ORDINANCE IS ADOPTED. ORDINANCE NO. 2021-11.**

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

Aye: Everett, Gallo, Rounds, Haase, Stavole, Walsh and Danczak  
Nay: None

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

Asst. Clerk Neel read AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF NOTES IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$3,170,000 IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF (I) RENOVATING THE CASSIDY COMMUNITY CENTER; (II) RESURFACING PORTIONS OF PEARL ROAD, BERESFORD AVENUE, LAYOR DRIVE, QUEENS HIGHWAY AND NORTH CHURCH DRIVE; (III) RECONSTRUCTING STUMPH ROAD FROM SNOW ROAD TO PEARL ROAD, INCLUDING INSTALLING SANITARY STORM SEWER LINES AND STORM DRAINAGE FACILITIES WHERE NECESSARY AND MAKING ALL RELATED IMPROVEMENTS; (IV) RESURFACING PORTIONS OF PEARL ROAD, TOGETHER WITH THE NECESSARY RELATED IMPROVEMENTS AND APPURTENANCES THERETO; (V) IMPROVING WEST 130<sup>TH</sup> STREET BETWEEN CERTAIN TERMINI BY RESURFACING AND REPLACING CONCRETE, TOGETHER WITH ALL NECESSARY APPURTENANCES THERETO; (VI) DESIGNING, PERMITTING, ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTING WATER IMPROVEMENTS TOGETHER WITH ALL NECESSARY APPURTENANCES THERETO AND (VII) ACQUIRING EQUIPMENT FOR CITY USE, INCLUDING GENERATORS FOR CITY BUILDINGS AND POLICE VEHICLES; APPROVING RELATED MATTERS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. **SECOND OF THREE READINGS.**

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

Aye: Gallo, Rounds, Haase, Stavole, Walsh, Danczak and Everett  
Nay: None

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

Asst. Clerk Neel read AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF PARMA HEIGHTS, OHIO DURING THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2021 TO AN INCLUDING DECEMBER 31, 2021, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. **SECOND OF THREE READINGS.**

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

Aye: Rounds, Haase, Stavole, Walsh, Danczak, Everett and Gallo  
Nay: None

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

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Asst. Clerk Neel read AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE CITY OF STRONGSVILLE FOR PRISONER HOUSING SERVICES CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. **SECOND OF THREE READINGS.**

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

Aye: Haase, Stavole, Walsh, Danczak, Everett, Gallo and Rounds  
Nay: None

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

Asst. Clerk Neel read AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE CITY OF PARMA FOR PRISONER HOUSING SERVICES CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. **SECOND OF THREE READINGS.**

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

Aye: Stavole, Walsh, Danczak, Everett, Gallo, Rounds and Haase  
Nay: None

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

Asst. Clerk Neel read AN ORDINANCE REPEALING CHAPTER 1186 (PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT) AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. **THIRD OF THREE READINGS.**

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

Aye: Danczak, Everett, Gallo, Rounds, Haase and Stavole  
Nay: Walsh

**ORDINANCE IS ADOPTED BY 6 – 1 VOTE. ORDINANCE NO. 2021-12.**

Councilman Stavole motioned seconded by Councilwoman Everett to suspend Rule 2 of the Rules of Council, regarding Public Session.

Aye: Danczak, Everett, Gallo, Rounds, Haase, Stavole and Walsh  
Nay: None

**SUSPENSION OF RULE 2 OF THE RULES OF COUNCIL REGARDING PUBLIC SESSION.**

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

Aye: Everett, Gallo, Rounds, Haase, Stavole, Walsh and Danczak


Nay: None

**Meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.**



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Nora Neel  
Asst. Clerk of Council



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Marie Gallo  
Council President