



## City of Parma Heights Council Minutes September 26, 2022

PRESENT: Council President Rounds, Council Members Maruschak, Durichko, Haase, Stavole, Walsh and Clerk of Council Allen

Motion to excuse Councilwoman DeSouza by Councilman Stavole; seconded by Councilwoman Maruschak

Roll Call: Aye: Maruschak, Durichko, Walsh, Stavole, Haase and Rounds  
Nay: None

ALSO PRESENT: Director of Finance Iaconis, Director of Law Schneider, Director of Service Robert Sepik, Director of Safety Heffernan, and City Engineer Dan Bender.

The meeting was called to order by Council President Rounds at 7:02 p.m.

*Pledge of Allegiance was spoken.*

### COUNCIL MINUTES

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Councilman Stavole motioned; seconded by Councilwoman Walsh to approve the Council Minutes

Aye: Durichko, Walsh, Stavole, Haase, Maruschak, Rounds  
Nay: None

*Minutes Approved*

### REPORTS FROM MAYOR AND DIRECTORS

Council President asked Director Schneider if he would like to begin with the City Engineer, Mr. Bender? Director Schneider approved to begin with the City Engineer.

Mr. Daniel Bender: Thank you, I am here today to report on the Nathan Hale Storm Basin Project. The bids for this project did open in July, both bids received for the project have since been rejected per Ordinance 2022-31. We are currently working towards re-advertising that project. I'm here today to ask council to permit the release of the bid bonds from the bidders.

Council President Rounds: Thank you. If I could have a motion, to release all the bid bonds.

Councilman Stavole motioned; seconded by Councilwoman Walsh to approve the release of all the bid bonds.

Aye: Walsh, Stavole, Haase, Maruschak, Durichko, Rounds  
Nay: None

Council President Rounds: Thank you. Director Heffernan....

Safety Director Heffernan: Yes, thank you. Police and Fire Department met with the Civil Service Commission last week swapped out 7 names, 7 people were no longer interested so the Commission released 7 more names from the list of eligibility. Last week on Friday, the Police Department went to several stores regarding alcohol and tobacco enforcement so, they went to 7 businesses in the area and two of them received citations for alcohol sales, two more for serving under aged tobacco sales and 3 of the businesses in compliance.

Council President Rounds: Questions/Comments for Director Heffernan? Seeing none. Thank you.  
Director Sepik ....

Service Director Sepik: Thank you. Our next bulk collection will be October 19th.

Council President Rounds: Any questions or comments for Director Sepik? Seeing none. Thank you.  
Director Iaconis....

Finance Director Iaconis: I am planning to present the budget in the first meeting in October. Which departments will be here to present, I am not sure just yet but will keep you posted. Negotiations are still ongoing. 2021 audit should be rapping up shortly.

Council President Rounds: Questions or comments for Director Iaconis? Seeing none. And I also noted that our first meeting of October is October 11<sup>th</sup>, on a Tuesday.  
Director Schneider, do you have anything from the mayor this evening.....

Law Director Schneider: No, the mayor is unavailable this evening but did ask that any inquiries about tonight's legislation or any other matters, please get a record to her and she'll get you a timely response.

### COMMUNICATIONS

Council President Rounds: We have a liquor permit request, council clerk would you please read that into the record?

Clerk Allen: YORKTOWN CORP DBA YORKTOWN LANES, 6218 PEARL RD SR 42 & PATIO, PARMA HGHTS, OH 44130

Council President Rounds: You can see in your packet that they've applied for their liquor permit and the police chief has rendered his comments in support of the permit, they have no issues with that being granted to them. If there are no questions or concerns, we could just approve this as a silent vote, are there any objections at all? No objections to that being approved, so then it will be granted.

### LEGISLATION

#### **2022 – 35: RESOLUTION TO BE READ BY TITLE ONLY.**

Councilman Haase motioned; seconded by Councilman Stavole to read the following resolution by title only.

Aye: Stavole, Haase, Maruschak, Durichko, Walsh, Rounds  
Nay: None

Clerk Allen read: **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATION TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF THE CASSIDY THEATRE WITH CASSIDY THEATRE, INC. AN OHIO NOT FOR PROFIT CORPORATION**

Council President Rounds: This is the second reading so we will move onto the next item please.

**2022 – 32: ORDINANCE TO BE READ BY TITLE ONLY.**

Councilwoman Durichko motioned; seconded by Councilwoman Maruschak to read the following ordinance by title only.

Aye: Haase, Maruschak, Durichko, Walsh, Stavole, Rounds

Nay: None

Clerk Allen read: **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 933 ENTITLED “WATER” OF THE PARMA HEIGHTS CODIFIED ORDINANCES**

Council President Rounds: This is the second of three readings for this item.

**2022 – 36: RESOLUTION TO BE READ BY TITLE ONLY**

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

Aye: Maruschak, Durichko, Walsh, Stavole, Haase, Rounds

Nay: None

Clerk Allen read: **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATION TO DISPOSE OF OBSOLETE CITY VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT AT A PUBLIC SALE THROUGH GOVPLANET/IRONPLANET.**

Council President Rounds: This is the first reading for this item.

**PUBLIC SESSION**

Council President Rounds: Moving right into our public comment portion of the meeting, if you have a comment, please stand, state your name and address and please direct all comments to me and you have 3 minutes to speak.

Ms. Susan Randall-Alexander, 6612 Rochelle Boulevard. My concern is the Executive Sessions being delayed. If someone got a babysitter in order to come to this meeting, and then you're not back in here by 9:00 they, anyway, I'm not sure how it all started but 9 people want to speak and each have 3 minutes, even with comments in between, 30 minutes would be the maximum delay to start an Executive Session. My question is, what can be done to change that so that the public does get to speak before the council goes into Executive Session? Is it something that needs a vote, do we need to get a petition signed by the people who want to see that changed? How do we make it so that the public gets to spend their 3 minutes presenting to something without having to wait until 8 or 9 o'clock at night?

Council President Rounds: Thank you and I do appreciate, and not only understand but agree with your comment. The current order of business is handled in our Council Rules, the order that things take place on the agenda and I am actually proposing a change in session when we come back in January to move the Executive Session up to before legislation. Looking at his council colleagues Council President asks if he's mentioned that already or was that a surprise? Sorry, but it is, I agree with your comment and your concern. Thank you and I appreciate that.

Mr. Jack Roberts, I'm bringing greetings from the Parma Symphony Orchestra. I am no longer a resident here in Parma Heights since I moved to Florida 12 years ago and our grandchildren made us move back. I am working pro-bono for the orchestra, and I have distributed each of you with the concert dates, ways in which you can help, things that you can do to help promote the orchestra. Mr. Caraffi which I have never met and I didn't get a chance to introduce myself. I started the youth group in the Cassidy Theatre in January, 1975 and I remember doing some of those shows that we talked about earlier and in those days, we used the children from Parma Heights to produce the

performances and we were very successful. I ask that you folks consider attending the concerts, the first one up is October 16<sup>th</sup>. We have in addition 3 more concerts planned and we have on December 11<sup>th</sup> an opera by Dr. Randolph Lacock conducting and we are luck to get Kira Seaton to assist in this as a winner of a national contest and we were very fortunate to get her. In addition to helping to develop the program is I was also able assist in getting a grant to cover all the production costs so that 100 % of the profits will help secure the financial stability of the future. I invite you to come, please let your friends and neighbors know, post on your website and I thank you.

Ms. Susan Randall-Alexander asked where are the concerts held?

Mr. Jack Roberts responded they are all held in the City of Parma Heights at Valley Forge High School. Very nice to see you all here today. Mr. Haase it's very nice to see you. As to the rest of you, it's nice to be here today. Thank you.

Council President Rounds: Any further comments? Seeing none.

### ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Stavole motioned; seconded by Councilwoman Walsh to adjourn the meeting.

Aye: Durichko, Walsh, Stavole, Haase, Maruschak, Rounds

Nay: None

**Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.**



Barbara Allen  
Clerk of Council



Tom Rounds  
President of Council