

VILLAGE OF CUYAHOGA HEIGHTS

COUNCIL MEETING

MAY 9TH, 2012

Mayor Bacci introduced Miss Poppy Emma Johnson and Master Poppy Alan Bartoszek representing American Legion Post 627 in Newburgh Heights.

Mayor Bacci called for a moment of silence for the passing of Jane Wasky and Mr. Stankiewicz.

Mayor Bacci had everyone stand to say the Pledge of Allegiance and asked everyone to turn off their cell phones and pagers.

Mayor Bacci called the meeting to order. Clerk Unger called the roll. Those present were, Todd Bloam, Renato Contipelli, Marilyn Duszynski, Ralph Faragone, Cheryl Harris, and Barb Biro. Also present were Fire Chief Cash, Service Director Scott Waldemarson, Law Director Jon Greenberg, and Administrative Assistant to the Village Hall Angel Meriwether, Police Chief Douglas Pallini, Administrative Assistant Lee Ann Schoeffler, Building Commissioner Norm Casini, and Engineer Todd Sciano.

Clerk Unger presented the April 11, 2012 Council Meeting minutes and the April 25, 2012 Council Workshop minutes.

Ms. Harris moved, seconded by Mr. Faragone that the minutes be accepted as amended and placed on file. Bloam, Duszynski, Contipelli, Faragone, Harris, Biro voting aye, none opposed; Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS:

From Edward FitzGerald:

A letter thanking the Mayor and Council for approving and executing the "Business Attraction and Anti-Poaching Protocol." This is a modest, yet important step toward breaking down "silos" and presenting the 59 communities of Cuyahoga County as a unified front in promoting economic development in Northeast Ohio.

From Ronald Register, the Interim Director of St. Herman's Orthodox House of Hospitality:

Thanking the Village of Cuyahoga Heights for their generous contribution of \$1,085.00 on 12/21/2011. Your gift is making an impact today as we serve and advocate with many individuals in Cleveland who are hungry, living in poverty, unemployed, homeless and forgotten by society. This donation was made possible when the Mayor had all of the people in Mayors Court for December make a donation to St. Herman's in lieu of payment for fines.

Ms. Duszynski moved, seconded by Mr. Bloam to accept the communication as read and place on file. All voting aye, none opposed; Motion carried.

PERMITS:

None at this time.

PURCHASES:

None at this time.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

Position of Cash Statement
R.I.T.A Preliminary report for May 2012

Mr. Contipelli moved, seconded by Mr. Faragone is to accept the reports as prepared. All voting aye, none opposed; motion carried.

LEGISLATION:

Mr. Bloam moved, seconded by Ms. Harris to instruct the Clerk to group the pay resolutions for reading and adoption. All voting aye, none opposed; motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO.: 2012-34	Payment of Certain Claims: Payroll General Bills (#43170 - #43313)	\$800,063.78
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Ms. Duszynski moved, seconded by Mr. Contipelli that the rules be suspended and the following resolution be placed on third and final reading. Contipelli, Duszynski, Faragone, Harris, Bloam, Biro voting aye, none opposed; motion carried. The Resolution was passed by the same vote.

ORDINANCE NO.: 2012-32

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 246 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE
VILLAGE PERTAINING TO APPOINTMENTS AND PROMOTIONS IN THE
POLICE AND FIRE DEPARTMENTS

Mr. Bloam moved, seconded by Mr. Contipelli that the rules be suspended and the following resolution be placed on third and final reading, as amended. Contipelli, Duszynski, Faragone, Harris, Bloam, Biro voting aye, none opposed; motion carried. The Resolution was passed by the same vote.

RESOLUTION NO.: 2012-35

A MEMORIAL RESOLUTION FOR JANE M. WASKY

Ms. Duszynski moved, seconded by Ms. Biro that the rules be suspended and the following resolution be placed on third and final reading. Contipelli, Duszynski, Faragone, Harris, Bloam, Biro voting aye, none opposed; motion carried. The Resolution was passed by the same vote.

RESOLUTION NO.: 2012-36

A MEMORIAL RESOLUTION FOR JOSEPH STANKIEWICZ

Ms. Biro moved, seconded by Ms. Harris that the rules be suspended and the following resolution be placed on third and final reading. Contipelli, Duszynski, Faragone, Harris, Bloam, Biro voting aye, none opposed; motion carried. The Resolution was passed by the same vote.

ORDINANCE NO.: 2012-37

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1490.10 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF
THE VILLAGE TO REQUIRE ROOF DRAINAGE TO BE COLLECTED BY
DOWNSPOUTS CONNECTED TO STORM SEWERS OR OTHER COLLECTORS
APPROVED BY THE VILLAGE ENGINEER

Mr. Faragone moved that Ordinance 2012-37 be tabled for discussion at the workshop. No second. Motion failed. Mayor Bacci explained it had already been read for first reading. Mr. Faragone stated, "Ok, if that is what you want to do." Mr. Unger explained it can be discussed at the workshop but is on first reading tonight.

Ordinance No. 2012-37 is placed on first reading.

ORDINANCE NO.: 2012-38

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1490.11 OF THE
CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE PERTAINING TO DRIVEWAY
MAINTENANCE IN RESIDENTIAL AREAS

Ms. Duszynski moved, seconded by Mr. Bloam that the rules be suspended and the following ordinance be placed on third and final reading. Contipelli, Duszynski, Faragone, Harris, Bloam, Biro voting aye, none opposed; motion carried. The ordinance was passed by the same vote.

ORDINANCE NO.: 2012-39

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1490.08 OF THE
CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE TO REQUIRE DWELLINGS
TO DISPLAY THE ADDRESS OF THE PROPERTY

Mr. Contipelli moved, seconded by Mr. Faragone that the rules be suspended and the following ordinance be placed on third and final reading. Contipelli, Duszynski, Faragone, Harris, Bloam, Biro voting aye, none opposed; motion carried. The ordinance was passed by the same vote.

ORDINANCE NO.: 2012-40

AN ORDINANCE SETTING THE EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION SCHEDULE,
INCLUDING COMPENSATION FOR THE POSITION OF PART-TIME FIRE FIGHTERS;
AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Ms. Biro moved, seconded by Ms. Duszynski that the rules be suspended and the following ordinance be placed on third and final reading. Contipelli, Duszynski, Faragone, Harris, Bloam, Biro voting aye, none opposed; motion carried. The ordinance was passed by the same vote.

RESOLUTION NO.: 2012-41

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO RECEIVE PROPOSALS FOR
THE PURCHASE OF SECURITY CAMERAS FOR BACCI PARK, AUTHORIZING THE
MAYOR AND THE CLERK TO ENTER INTO A PURCHASE CONTRACT, AND
AUTHORIZING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THAT PURPOSE.

Mr. Contipelli moved, seconded by Mr. Bloam that the rules be suspended and the following ordinance be placed on third and final reading. Contipelli, Duszynski, Faragone, Harris, Bloam, Biro voting aye, none opposed; motion carried. The ordinance was passed by the same vote.

ORDINANCE NO.: 2012-42

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 274 OF THE
CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE TO TURN THE RECREATION AND
YOUTH COMMISSION INTO A COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

Mr. Contipelli moved, seconded by Ms. Harris that the rules be suspended and the following ordinance be placed on third and final reading. Contipelli, Duszynski, Faragone, Harris, Bloam, Biro voting aye, none opposed; motion carried. The ordinance was passed by the same vote.

OTHER BUSINESS:

According to Ordinance 2008-65, we are required to go out for proposals every two years for our Village tree trimming service.

Service Director, Scott Waldemarson contacted three companies for proposals, Stan's Tree Service, Nicks Tree Service, and Arbor Tree Service. He received a proposal from only one, Stan's Tree Service at \$124.00 per hour which is cheaper than our previous provider, New Heights Tree Service, which went out of business.

Ms. Duszynski moved, seconded by Mr. Bloam to approve Stan's Tree Service as the Village provider for 2012 and 2013. Contipelli, Duszynski, Faragone, Harris, Bloam, Biro voting aye, none opposed; motion carried.

Mr. Contipelli moved, seconded by Mr. Bloam to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to enter into an agreement with Time Warner for use of Time Warner's dark fiber network between the Town Hall and Service Department at a cost of \$74.83 per month for the next ten (10) years. Contipelli, Duszynski, Faragone, Harris, Bloam, Biro voting aye, none opposed; motion carried.

Ms. Biro moved, seconded by Mr. Bloam to authorize the Mayor to advertise for bids to repair the Village Hall elevator. Contipelli, Duszynski, Faragone, Harris, Bloam, Biro voting aye, none opposed; motion carried.

Mayor Bacci explained the history of repairs with the elevator. The estimated expense will be greater than \$70,000 and take three months or more.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS:

MAYOR BACCI:

Thanked the off duty employees that participated in the Memorial Day parade and ceremonies.

Informed Council that he has participated in a collaborative effort with seven other communities and next week the Village will be hosting the Mayors breakfast. This is an effective tool for generating perspective of what's going on in the region.

The pile driving project at N.E.O.R.S.D. has been completed. Thank you for your patience during the project.

The Ohio Public Works Commission has approved a \$400,000 grant/loan for the Village's Harvard Road repair project.

Recapped the tour of ALCOA on April 23rd that included the 50,000 ton press and a 15,000 ton press confiscated from Germany at the end of WWII as war reparations.

On Friday, April 27th, the Village celebrated the 4th Annual Arbor Day celebration, Eight trees were planted in the park. Mayor Bacci thanked Councilwoman Harris for planning the event.

Ms. Lilly Bacci celebrated her 1st birthday at a party upstairs.

David Turkovich with State Treasurer's Josh Mandel's Office stopped and will be working to assist with the SS Kemp project.

Friday, June 1st will be the annual Business Networking Breakfast. The goal is to do a live screen presentation of the new website to illustrate to the local businesses that the Village is placing them first and foremost in our plans.

Cleveland Water will celebrate national drinking water week from May 7th – May 12th.

May birthday wishes to: Amanda Soldat, Jon Greenberg, Dave Sammons, Trevor Elkins, and Brandy Zmija.

Happy Mother's Day to all of the Mothers this coming Sunday.

Please join us on Monday, May 28th for the annual Memorial Day service.

The swimming pool will officially open on Friday, June 8th at 1pm.

Congratulations to Mr. Contipelli on his retirement from the N.E.O.R.S.D.

MR. FARAGONE:

Thanked the Mayor and Service Director for recognizing the problem with the elevator and moving forward with correcting it once and for all.

Raised the E.49th Street erosion problem and stated the Council is moving forward with correcting the problem and asked that the residents recognize this Council considers it a very serious problem.

MS. HARRIS:

Thanked Mrs. Lee Ann Schoeffler, Mr. Waldemarson, and the service department staff for helping with the Arbor Day event and making it a success.

On April 28th the Go Green Committee had a trail clean up. Thanked everyone that helped. The next clean up will be May 19th.

The Beautification Committee has a number of recommendations and will share those once they are ready.

MS. BIRO:

Reported on her attendance at the CHS Financial Forecast Advisory Committee. Noted the Committee is aware of the issues presented during the levy campaign. The Committee reviewed the Treasurer's assumptions of expenses and revenues in order to translate the forecasts into layman's terms to be distributed to the three communities of the district. Assured Council that Dr. Holland and the new Treasurer are working very hard to follow through on their promises during the campaign.

MR. TODD BLOAM:

There have been a few logistical challenges with the Master Plan Committee regarding a meeting date. The goal is to have a full report at the next meeting.

MR CONTIPELLI:

Reminded Council to sign up for the State of the School's Luncheon.

Shared he would be participating in a breakfast roundtable at the VoEd school regarding revamping manufacturing curriculum to assist with more effectively preparing students for manufacturing careers in NE Ohio, and the United States in general.

Happy Mother's Day and Memorial Day.

Mayor Bacci noted that Europeans, the German's in particular, regularly test individuals for aptitude as tradesmen and are getting excellent results.

MS. MARILYN DUSZYNSKI:

Noted the Finance Committee approvals for the month of April including:

Charles Harris & Associates - \$7,920
MDT's for the Police Department - \$5348
Physicals for Firemen - \$11,000
Wade Corporation - \$7797.50

Asked about the street light out on Willowbrook. Discussion occurred.

Remember to Honor our vets on Memorial Day.

SERVICE DIRECTOR SCOTT WALDEMARSON:

The Fire Department offices are being finished up.

Working on sprucing up the Town Hall and the Pool for Memorial Day.

The ball fields are ready to go and in operation.

FIRE CHIEF NEAL CASH:

Nothing at this time.

Ms. Harris asked when the CPR certification was being scheduled. Chief Cash stated the date is June 8th.

MR. JONATHAN GREENBERG:

Alerted Council of a new House Bill regulating internet cafes. A brief discussion occurred and the bill will continue to be monitored.

CLERK UNGER:

Explained the monthly R.I.T.A. reported. The Village is in sound financial shape.

MRS. LEE ANN SCHOEFFLER:

The memorial etching is up to date.

Mayor Bacci asked if Mr. Nobili is the last WWII vet in town. Discussion occurred.

MRS. ANGEL MERIWETHER:

Nothing at this time.

MR. NORMAN CASINI:

Working to review and update ordinances with Mike Hlad.

The grant requests have dwindled and we've only received 8 or 10 so far. At this time, the program expires at the end of this year and if Council would like to extend the program they will need to pass legislation.

Violation letters are being sent this year. A list of addresses with violations was read.

Attended a class in Columbus for the Board of Building Standards for new requirements.

Updated Council on permits issued in the last month.

Updated Council on projects in the Village by NEORS and Charter Manufacturing.

The Bacci Park Pavilion rope & barrier is 99% completed.

Millcraft will provide a facelift to their façade.

Research Organics & ALCOA will be upgrading their signs in the future.

Ms. Duszynski asked if a retaining wall project is eligible for use as a grant. Consensus is yes, as long as the resident has not used their two grants already.

MR. TODD SCIANO:

Outlined the sewer project work being designed.

Recapped the meeting with John Kilgore regarding the Metro Parks trail extension up Warner Road hill.

Outlined possible grant opportunities with Silverlode including landscaping, Rails to Trails, and Nicky Blvd projects.

The sewer connection for the internet café would be approximately \$55,000 - \$60,000 for this one building. It is a significant cost for no insignificant general public value.

The design continues moving forward for Harvard Avenue resurfacing. Asked Council to consider allowing for work from URS Greiner and consider upgrading to mast arms rather than

spans. The added expense would be \$25,000 - \$30,000 not in the \$800,000 estimate and would allow for the black poles matching the rest of the Village.

Mr. Faragone mentioned employees of ALCOA, and thanked the Village for cleaning up Harvard Avenue. Mayor Bacci noted it prompted Newburgh Heights to do the same.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE:

None at this time.

WHEREFORE, there is no further business before this Council, Ms. Duszynski moved, seconded by Mr. Contipelli that the Council Meeting be adjourned at 8:37 PM. All voting aye, none opposed; motion carried.