

**VILLAGE OF CUYAHOGA HEIGHTS
CAUCUS
JANUARY 8, 2014
6:00 PM**

COUNCIL CAUCUS

January 8, 2014

Mr. Contipelli called the meeting to order. Clerk Unger called the roll. Those present were, Barbara Biro, Todd Bloam, Renato Contipelli, Marilyn Duszynski, Cheryl Harris, Lois Henley. Also in attendance were Village Building Commissioner Norm Casini and Village Engineer Todd Sciano.

ROLL CALL: Biro, Bloam, Contipelli, Duszynski, Harris, Henley

MINUTES:

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Ms. Harris agreed to make the motion to accept the minutes, Ms. Duszynski agreed to second.

Motion made to accept nominations for President of Council

Mr. Contipelli asked to be considered for this position. Ms. Henley asked Ms. Harris if she was interested in the position since she was the highest vote getter. Ms. Harris replied that no, before she had time to talk to the other members, Mr. Contipelli had already talked to them and got the support he needed.

Ms. Duszynski stated that we eliminated giving the Council Presidency to the Council member with the greatest number of votes. She realized that there was some interest from Ms. Harris as the Councilperson receiving the most votes in the election, but she felt that we needed a more seasoned person, and since we have such a progressive Mayor she will support Mr. Contipelli.

Ms. Harris wanted to make one more statement. Please understand that she is not upset that Council did not want to vote for her, she just wanted a chance to be considered for the position by the members before they made their decision.

Ms. Biro explained that it is not personalities she is voting for; she feels that we need a seasoned person that can fill in for the Mayor if needed.

Mr. Contipelli said that we have all worked very well together, and if you vote for me it will be greatly appreciated.

Mr. Bloam agreed to nominate Mr. Contipelli for President of Council for 2014. Ms. Duszynski agreed to second.

COMMUNICATIONS:

From Mayor Bacci:

A letter to Elder Thomas Battle, Senior Pastor at the Greater Real Truth Church. On behalf of the Village, Police, and all its residents we are honored to donate \$350.00 in Giant Eagle gift cards to you and your parishioners. We understand the hardships that our neighbors are experiencing and hope to make the season a little brighter.

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Motion to accept the communications.

Ms. Henley asked the Mayor how he chose the two churches. Mr. Contipelli stated that one is in our community and the other has been used for many years. The Mayor stated that St Herman's is one that we have contributed to for many years going back to when he was a police officer, and Pastor Battle and his church were members of our community, and now are struggling to find another location. They were originally located at Hillside Party Center.

The Mayor explained how the donations come from Mayors Court. It is not cash, but gift cards for food.

Ms. Henley agreed to make the motion, Mr. Contipelli agreed to second.

PERMITS:

None at this time

PURCHASES:

None at this time.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

Preliminary Position of Cash Statement
R.I.T.A Preliminary report for February 2013

Ms. Biro agreed to make the motion to accept the reports. Ms. Harris agreed to second.

LEGISLATION:

ORDINANCE NO. 2014-1

AN ORDINANCE APPOINTING THE PROSECUTOR
AND PRESCRIBING HIS COMPENSATION FOR THE YEARS 2014 THROUGH 2015;
AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Ms. Henley asked Mr. Greenberg if it was true that his salary for the last two years has been close to a half million dollars. Mr. Greenberg explained that he doesn't know the exact numbers, but that doesn't sound wrong. Mr. Contipelli explained that Mr. Greenberg does not get that, most of the money goes to his firm, and he is paid a small salary, and this is not much different than what the previous administrations were charged. Ms. Henley did not know that, and said it was her fault for not paying attention.

The Mayor asked what was the purpose in the questioning. Ms. Henley said that since she was told it was that kind of money, and that Mr. Greenberg was the highest paid person in the Village, she wanted to question it. Mr. Contipelli stated that Mr. Greenberg is not personally getting this money, his firm is, and yes he is a partner in the firm, but has been a partner for 11 years. The Mayor also stated that on a scale of reason, Mr. Greenberg is far underpaid compared to a bargaining unit member.

Mr. Bloam agreed to make the motion, Ms. Duszynski agreed to second.

ORDINANCE NO. 2014-2

AN ORDINANCE APPOINTING THE LAW DIRECTOR
AND PRESCRIBING HIS COMPENSATION AND DUTIES
FOR THE YEARS 2014 THROUGH 2015; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Ms. Duszynski agreed to make the motion, Mr. Bloam agreed to second.

ORDINANCE NO. 2014-3

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDED FOR THE EMPLOYMENT OF A
BUILDING COMMISSIONER AND ARCHITECT FOR THE VILLAGE OF CUYAHOGA
HEIGHTS FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2014 TO DECEMBER 31, 2015; AND
DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Ms. Henley agreed to make the motion, Ms. Biro agreed to second.

ORDINANCE NO. 2014-4

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE EMPLOYMENT OF AN ENGINEER FOR THE VILLAGE OF CUYAHOGA HEIGHTS FOR 2014 AND 2015, FIXING COMPENSATION THEREFORE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mr. Contipelli agreed to make the motion, Ms. Harris agreed to second.

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-5

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CHANGE ORDER WITH BURTON SCOT CONTRACTORS, LLC IN CONNECTION WITH THE HARVARD AVENUE REPAIR, RESURFACING AND TRAFFIC SIGNAL IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

A change order in the amount of \$777.69 for temporary storage of masonry block to be used in construction of a retaining wall.

Ms. Duszynski agreed to make the motion, Ms. Henley agreed to second.

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-6

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF MONIES TO THE CUYAHOGA HEIGHTS COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT CORPORATION

A transfer of \$10,000.00 to the CIC to cover the expenses of purchasing the building at 4664 E. 71st Street and for other costs and expenditures for 2014.

Mr. Unger explained that he had enough money in the account to buy the building, but not enough to cover the extra costs for escrow. He also stated that he contested the year end water bill, and worked with six different people to try to get some answers for the last five months, and eventually they did nothing, and the Water Department said we had to pay.

Ms. Biro agreed to make the motion, Ms. Harris agreed to second.

ORDINANCE NO. 2014-7

AN ORDINANCE CREATING A 2014 VILLAGE SCHOLARSHIP FOR GRADUATING SENIORS RESIDING IN THE VILLAGE AND AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATION OF MONIES FOR THE SCHOLARSHIP

A scholarship of \$1,000.00 for eligible resident students of the Village of Cuyahoga Heights, to be divided equally between the applicants for 2014.

After some discussion, Council agreed to look into increasing the amount of the scholarship for future years, and to leave it the same for 2014.

Ms. Duszynski agreed to make the motion, Mr. Contipelli agreed to second.

ORDINANCE NO. 2014-8

AN ORDINANCE SETTING THE EMPLOYEE
COMPENSATION SCHEDULE FOR 2014

The change will now be made in the Ordinance for the President of Council pay and it is not a raise. The positions earnings will now get paid bi-weekly instead of quarterly to insure that it is pensionable earnings according to the new PERS law. The Clerk also stated that if there is a Special Meeting or extra Workshop, the pay established by Ordinance will not be pensionable according to the new PERS laws.

The Mayor also stated that there will be no change in the compensation schedule for non bargaining employees until the bargaining units are done. We will do them all together.

Ms. Henley agreed to make the motion, Ms. Duszynski agreed to second.

ORDINANCE NO. 2014-9

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 256.04 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF
THE VILLAGE TO ADJUST OVERTIME HOLIDAY PAY
FOR VILLAGE SERVICE EMPLOYEES

We are clarifying the language in the Ordinance to represent how the Service Department employees are paid when called out those holidays already designated in the Ordinance. There is no change in the rate of pay, only a clarification of how it is paid.

Ms. Biro wanted to make sure that it started on the first pay period. Mayor Bacci said it would begin on New Year's Day 2014.

Mr. Bloam agreed to make the motion, Mr. Contipelli agreed to second.

ORDINANCE NO. 2014-10

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 242.22 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF
THE VILLAGE TO ADJUST ANNUAL CLOTHING MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE
FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

The pay allowance was changed in the last CBA contract but never changed per Ordinance. The amount will stay the same, only the way it is paid changes. It will now be paid out in one check for the year instead of multiple checks. The Mayor stated it would be cleaner and the employees like it better.

Ms. Duszynski agreed to make the motion, Ms. Henley agreed to second.

ORDINANCE NO. 2014-11

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 244.11 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF
THE VILLAGE TO ADJUST ANNUAL CLOTHING MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCES
FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

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Mr. Bloam agreed to make the motion, Ms. Biro agreed to second.

ORDINANCE NO. 2014-12

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1442.16 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE BY ADJUSTING PERMIT FEES

Mr. Casini explained that we are bringing up the fees to State requirements. None of the changes pertained to residential property, it was all commercial property. Ms. Henley asked the Building Commissioner if they could still move into a building "as is". He replied yes, as long as the fee is paid and it is inspected. If sold as is, it has to conform to code and pass inspection. Someone has to pay for the improvements.

Ms. Henley agreed to make the motion, Ms. Harris agreed to second.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Mr. Contipelli stated that if anyone has anything for the Workshop, please let me know.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS:

MAYOR:

The Mayor informed Council about the purchase that Dispatch needs to make for their radios in the amount of \$14,700.00.

He talked about the Committees and how he is going to look at all committees and see if there needs to be an adjustment to them.

He had several meetings with the north end of E. 71st Street investors and what can be done to promote that area. They are working hard to come up with a solution to that area.

He asked the departments to come up with the framework for their 2014 budgets next Tuesday, and we want to have it to the Finance Committee by February to move it into the full Council. If anyone on Council has any questions, concerns, or ideas concerning the budget the Mayor needs those quickly.

It is a landmark birthday for Ms. Harris; she stated that all her birthdays are now landmarks!

Ms. Henley asked if we finished paying for the house next to Hillside, and is that going to be the new Historical Committee house. The Mayor said yes. She asked if we were tearing down the VFW. The Mayor again stated yes, but that is not why the trailer is there. The trailer is there to build the new Firefighters Credit Union building. Lois was asked by the late Mr. Nobili to look into the contract to see if there were any regulations to tearing down the VFW building. The Mayor said that he will have Mr. Greenberg look into the issue of whether there are any restrictions on the deed. Mrs. Schab from the audience also stated that she heard the same stories about the land, and the building that Ms. Henley had heard, and she will look into it through the Historical Committee to see if there was any documentation. Others have also heard many stories concerning the donation or sale of Chopek's Grove, but no one has seen any papers verifying this issue. He will have Mr. Greenberg and his firm research the issue.

Ms. Henley also asked about the SAFER Grant, and who filed it, the Chief, or Silverlode. And has it come back yet. The Mayor stated that both the Chief and Silverlode worked on it, and it has not yet come back.

Mr. Contipelli called the Caucus over at 6:50pm.

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

Mayor Bacci called the meeting to order. Clerk Unger called the roll. Those present were, Barbara Biro, Todd Bloam, Renato Contipelli, Marilyn Duszynski, Cheryl Harris, Lois Henley. Also present were Service Director Scott Waldemarson, Police Chief Doug Pallini, Fire Chief Neal Cash, Head Dispatcher Barb Cash, Law Director Jon Greenberg, Administrative Assistant Lee Ann Schoeffler, Building Commissioner Norm Casini, and Engineer Todd Sciano.

ROLL CALL: Biro, Bloam, Contipelli, Duszynski, Harris, Henley

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Ms. Harris made the motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Ms. Duszynski. All in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

Motion to accept nominations for President of Council. Mr. Bloam made the motion to nominate Mr. Contipelli as President of Council for 2014, seconded by Ms. Marilyn. All in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

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Ms. Henley made the motion, seconded by Mr. Contipelli to accept the Communications. All in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

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OTHER BUSINESS:

None at this time.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS:

MAYOR BACCI:

Hoped everyone had a wonderful and blessed Christmas and New Year.

The Mayor stated that as an Administration we are currently up one to nothing. Mrs. Angie Balog on some form of social media was happy to receive a call from our Police Department concerned about her well being during the cold weather, and that it is great to live in a town with great services, and said thank you Mayor Bacci. So presently we are up one nothing on good thanks.

Thank you to Charter Steel for adopting a resident family during Christmas time, and to Renato & Michelle Contipelli for their generous donation of gift cards for Toys R Us that we distributed to our local children.

Thanks the Cuyahoga Hts. policemen that wrote the citations that we turned into Giant Eagle gift cards and donated them to St. Herman's, and The Greater Real Truth Church. Also kudos to the CHPD for participating in the Shop with a Cop Program, they were able to help out several families in our community.

Recently Alcoa's Cleveland Works received a 110 million dollar contract to supply aircraft maker Airbus with titanium and aluminum aerospace forgings. They will produce the parts using the newly remodeled 50,000 ton press. This is good news for Alcoa and for Cuyahoga Heights.

Congratulations to residents John and Kim Sklodowski who became grandparents for the first time. Their son Thomas and his wife who live in Kansas City, had a little baby boy. And also Clerk Unger and his wife Janine, who became grandparents for the sixth time. Their daughter Leanne, who lives in Valley View, gave birth to a little girl, Lydia Reese on December 13th.

Birthday wishes to Lou Franko who will be turning 60 on December 16th, Councilwoman Harris who celebrates her birthday today, and Councilman Contipelli who turns 54 tomorrow. Additional January wishes to employees Ron Van Loozen, Dan Coutleur, Councilwoman Lois Henley, Reno Contipelli, Jimmy Henley, Pete Angiocchi, and Jacquelyn Kaminski.

MS. BIRO:

Asked Service Director Waldemarson if Council could get the tree service bids for the Workshop so they can be discussed. Mr. Waldemarson said he would get them out tomorrow to Council. Also Ms. Biro would like to look at the pest control contract to possibly include a quote to prevent bed bugs in our Village buildings. The Mayor stated that we are going to look at going back to Mr. Monaco's contractual agreement that we signed in 2009 versus an as needed basis. Mr. Contipelli stated that the Pill Bug and Ladybug invasion in our houses is a direct result of not spraying the outside of our houses on a yearly basis anymore.

MR. BLOAM:

Nothing at this time.

MR. CONTIPELLI:

Wanted to thank Council for electing him President of Council. He is honored to be doing it again for 2014. Mr. Contipelli also noted that this is a historic Council, it is the first time we have four women on Council at the same time. Congratulated Scotty and the Service Department employees for doing a fantastic job during the brutal weather that we have had.

MS. DUSZYNSKI:

Ms. Duszynski asked if we still have the Welcome Basket Program. The Mayor stated that it was a cut Council made in 2010. Ms. Duszynski feels it is a program that we should consider starting again. Ms. Duszynski feels that the Service Department has done a great job during this terrible freezing weather, and would like to recognize them for their efforts. She also feels that this is a progressive Council, and told the Mayor to keep up the good work in 2014. It has been a pleasure to be a part of this Council, and plans to stay awhile.

MS. HARRIS:

Nothing at this time.

MS. HENLEY:

Explained that one of our senior residents lost their Village directory and would like to get it replaced. Ms. Schab said she will send one to her. Asked about the policy of using the Swiftreach to let people know about parking bans. Head Dispatcher Cash explained the situation, and said it will be monitored more closely in the future. Ms. Henley also asked Ms. Cash to check if Mrs. Bloam is on the list to be called. Ms. Cash said she would look into it. Wished everyone a happy New Year, and to please bear with her if she asks questions, because she needs to find out the

facts, and not just what she hears on the street. The Mayor explained that if she has any questions to please call, there are no bad questions. It is our job to get Council the facts. This Administration is one that gets things done, and works together.

POLICE CHIEF PALLINI:

We are currently working on a policy for the Swiftreach program. We are going to limit the non emergency usage to be done from 7am to 8pm. We also recently hired a new part time officer that we hope to have him trained within a month and a half, and on the road.

HEAD DISPATCHER CASH:

Nothing at this time.

SERVICE DIRECTOR SCOTT WALDEMARSON:

Nothing at this time.

FIRE CHIEF CASH:

Nothing at this time.

LAW DIRECTOR JON GREENBERG:

Wanted to thank Council for his reappointment, and wished everyone a happy New Year.

CLERK UNGER:

We will be going through our State financial audit for 2011-2012 starting January 13th. The auditors will be at the Town Hall for approximately 2 weeks looking at our books and procedures.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TO THE MAYOR LEE ANN SCHOEFFLER:

Nothing at this time.

VILLAGE ENGINEER TODD SCIANO:

Wanted to thank Council for his reappointment, and looks forward to working with everyone on the five year plan. Mr. Sciano went over an imperfection in the new resurfacing of E. 71st street caused by a mud flap, and assured Council that it will be corrected in the future.

VILLAGE BUILDING COMMISIONER NORM CASINI:

Would like to thank Council for his reappointment. He will have a complete comprehensive report for the next meeting. The Mayor also stated that Mr. Casini will also give Council an update on the Home Loan Grant over the last 5 years. Total grant for the last five years has been approximately 210 thousand dollars. Mr. Contipelli asked if all of the residential violations were fixed. Mr. Casini stated that some are, and some are semi compliant, and some have not answered. When the weather breaks, he is again going to start checking for violations and completions, and then we will again issue letters based on them. The Mayor explained that there are jobs that cannot be completed in the winter, and we need to give the residents time to do

them. He let Mr. Casini know that it won't be complete right away, and he is hoping that the other residents call Mr. Casini and also give him an explanation of why the violations aren't complete, so there is documentation. There are many people who have no problem fixing their violations, but are holding this Administration responsible for making sure that everyone is held to the same standard. Ms. Henley asked what should a person who has a financial hardship supposed to do if they can't afford to fix the citations. Mr. Casini told her that they can call him and explain the problem. Ms. Duszynski asked how we know if they can't afford it. The Mayor stated that it will be subjective, and asked the Law Director how we approach this. Mr. Greenberg stated that you just have to be reasonable for the judge to prosecute, there is no magic formula.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE:

MRS. IRMA SCHAB:

Wanted to thank the dispatchers for calling her during the snowstorm to see if she was ok. She feels that this is a very nice service and wanted to thank them for doing a great job.

She would like Council to consider putting sewer repair into the Home Loan Grant. Sometimes this can be a very expensive project, and she would like Council to consider this for the Grant. Mr. Contipelli said they will talk about this at the next Workshop. The Mayor feels this would be a very deserving project to add.

WHEREFORE, there is no further business before this Council, Ms. Duszynski moved, seconded by Mr. Contipelli that the Council Meeting be adjourned at 7:55 PM. All voting aye, none opposed: motion carried.