

**VILLAGE OF CUYAHOGA HEIGHTS
COUNCIL WORKSHOP
6:00 PM
FEBRUARY 26, 2014**

ROLL CALL: BIRO, BLOAM, CONTIPELLI, DUSZYNSKI, HARRIS, HENLEY

ISSUE 1: NEW PAY ORDINANCE – MR. CONTIPELLI

COMMENTS:

Mr. Contipelli stated that our job is to legislate and give the Administration tools to manage. He explained, just like the budget, we legislate it, but we don't manage it. There is a new pay Ordinance in front of us, and we will try to answer all of your questions.

There was a lengthy discussion concerning the documentation presented concerning the new pay Ordinance. The Mayor and Mr. Contipelli will rework the Ordinance and resubmit it to Council for review before the next Council Meeting.

ISSUE 2: TRAFFIC CAMERAS-MAYOR BACCI

COMMENTS:

The Mayor explained that this camera system is being used in Newburgh Heights and has had a very positive impact on Harvard Road area. There is no cost to the Village. The only concern is the citations are civil, you do not get any points against your license and it is a \$100.00 fine. The Village receives 60% of the gross, and the vendor receives 40%. He has identified three spots in the Village that he would like to focus on.

Before we do anything, Mr. Greenberg wants to do some research to make sure these cameras are healthy for our Village and not just a flash in the pan with a bunch of headaches in the future. If everything pans out and Council gives the Mayor the authority to enter into a contract for the cameras, his goal would be to not use the revenues for our General Fund, but to put it into our Capital Projects Fund. The numbers that are being generated at this point are huge. We could head off an income tax increase if these work out.

Mr. Contipelli asked Mr. Greenberg if a Federal Judge made some town take down their cameras. Mr. Greenberg explained that part of what the Mayor talked about was due diligence.

There are a number of issues to consider, and we don't want to invest our money before we what we are up against. There are a number of cases concerning the cameras at many courts, and the legislature is deciding if they are going to be legal at all, and that's why we need to do our due diligence before we move forward.

The Mayor stated that Mr. Greenberg in caucus will give a report on his findings.

ISSUE 3: CLERK REPORT

Nothing at this time.

ISSUE REPORT: MAYORS REPORT

The Mayor told Council that he sent a letter to Brian Baciak asking if he wanted to fill the Safer Grant spot for the next three months. He explained that the letter was very concise as to it being only for three months, and not to come back and take vacation, or go out on sick leave, or play any games. Everyone appreciated the letter, and Brian will be coming back for the next three months.

Mr. Daugherty who is looking at reviving the north end of E. 71st Street has sent a letter to the Mayor asking to change the name of E.71st Street. Mr. Contipelli stated that we need to look at how they named Brecksville Road. It's Route 21, its Brecksville Road, etc... And just like Snow Road turns into Rockside Road. It is something we can look at.

WHEREFORE, there being no further business before this Council, Ms. Duszynski moved, seconded by Mr. Bloam that the Work Session be adjourned. All voting aye, none opposed; motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm.