

**MINUTES  
VILLAGE OF CUYAHOGA HEIGHTS  
CAUCUS  
FEBRUARY 14, 2018  
6:00 PM**

**COUNCIL CAUCUS**

**FEBRUARY 14, 2018**

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Ms. Harris called the meeting to order. Clerk Unger called the roll.

Those present were, Mayor Bacci, Bill Mason, Clerk Unger, Barbara Biro, Todd Bloam, Rick Centa, Renato Contipelli, Cheryl Harris, and Matt Schoeffler. Also in attendance were Assistant Law Director Ben Chojnacki, CFO Angel Meriwether, Building Commissioner Norm Casini, Assistant Building Commissioner Ken Labella, and Village Engineer Todd Sciano.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

From the Mayor:

A letter to the Village residents on January 19, 2018 concerning Safety, Seven Hills Recreation Center, George M. Suhy Grant Program, and parking on E. 49<sup>th</sup> Street.

Ms. Biro agreed to make the motion, seconded by Mr. Schoeffler.

**PERMITS:**

None at this time

**PURCHASES:**

The Finance Committee approved the following purchases.

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- 2) \$9,388.00 for painting the interior rooms at the Police Station. They have not been painted since 2006 and they are looking very shabby.
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Mr. Contipelli agreed to make the motion to accept the minutes, Mr. Centa agreed to second.

**FINANCIAL REPORTS:**

Cash Position Statement January 2018  
R.I.T.A Preliminary report February 2018

Mr. Bloam agreed to make the motion to accept the reports, Ms. Harris agreed to second.

**LEGISLATION:**

**Motion to instruct the Clerk to group the pay resolutions for reading and adoption.**

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 2018-18**

Payment of Certain Claims: \$1,089,644.74  
Payroll  
General Bills  
(#52829 - #52964)

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 2018-19**

A MEMORIAL RESOLUTION FOR HELEN M. KOSICKI

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

**ORDINANCE NO. 2018-20**

AN ORDINANCE  
AUTHORIZING ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO ACCEPT  
NORTHEAST OHIO PUBLIC ENERGY COUNCIL (NOPEC)  
ENERGIZED COMMUNITY GRANT(S).

Mr. Contipelli asked Mr. Chojnacki if this legislation allows us to get a grant, or allows us to apply for a grant from NOPEC. Mr. Chojnacki explained that this will allow us to apply for grants. Mr. Contipelli asked what grants we would be eligible for, and what projects would fall under the terms of this grant. Ms. Biro explained that NOPEC has grants where they give back to the communities based on the number of people that use NOPEC for their gas and electric. We will be eligible for a cash grant that we can use for any project we like, all we have to do inform them of the project, complete it, and submit the paid invoices to them for reimbursement. Ms. Biro explained that there are many projects that we can use for the grant. This legislation just makes us eligible for the grants.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 2018-21**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE TO ENTER INTO A  
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE CUYAHOGA SOIL AND WATER  
CONSERVATION DISTRICT AND THE NORTHEAST OHIO REGIONAL SEWER  
DISTRICT FOR THE PROVISION OF TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE IN IMPLEMENTING  
SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION MEASURES

Mr. Contipelli asked Mr. Sciano to explain this program. Mr. Sciano said this is part of a good stewardship program to show that they are doing the right things as far as soil conservation. We can use them for all of our training of our employees concerning soil and water conservation.

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

**ORDINANCE NO. 2018-22**

AN ORDINANCE CREATING CHAPTER 210 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES  
PERTAINING TO THE DISPOSITION OF SURPLUS PROPERTY, AND DECLARING AN  
EMERGENCY

Ms. Biro asked Ms. Meriwether if there are going to be forms for surplus materials to be signed by the department heads, Mayor, and yourself. Ms. Meriwether said that is correct, she already

has the forms ready to be used. Ms. Biro asked if there is any surplus property that has to be approved by the Finance Committee, that it be put on the Agenda under “Other Business” like we do for purchases. Ms. Meriwether said we can do that. Mayor Bacci said we can list it as Disposed Property per the Finance Committee. This is for anything valued between \$1,000.00 and \$25,000.00. Mr. Schoeffler asked that if something goes up for auction, he would like the residents to know. Mayor Bacci cautioned him because all property is listed as is, and we don’t want to give the residents the impression that anything we list is in perfect condition. It may not live up to their expectations, and they may be very unhappy.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 2018-23**

A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE VILLAGE’S FORD F250 HEAVY DUTY UTILITY TRUCK, VIN 3FEHF26F9VMA55714, TO BE SURPLUS PROPERTY AND AUTHORIZING ITS DISPOSAL

Mayor Bacci said that he received a letter from CVCC in regards to us donating this item to them to be used as a learning tool for the students in Building and Property Maintenance. Mr. Schoeffler also mentioned that this program also does some community work for people in need, and if you have a senior that needs help with any outdoor projects, they can apply to CVCC.

Ms. Biro asked Mr. Mason to amend the language in Section 2 to read CFO, and not Clerk.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 2018-24**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE TO UTILIZE THE SERVICES OF BELL EQUIPMENT FOR REPAIRS TO THE BODY, CYLINDERS, HOSES, PINS, BUSHINGS, CONTROL VALVES, AND LINKAGES FOR THE VILLAGE’S GARBAGE TRUCK.

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

**ORDINANCE NO. 2018-25**

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH OHIO PYRO & FLAME LLC AND ADVANTAGE ENTERTAINMENT LLC FOR ORGANIZATION AND ENTERTAINMENT SERVICES RELATING TO THE VILLAGE’S 100 YEAR ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

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

**ORDINANCE NO. 2018-26**

AN ORDINANCE DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO PROCEED WITH THE FEE SIMPLE APPROPRIATION OF THE PROPERTY LOCATED ON EAST 49<sup>TH</sup> STREET, KNOWN AS PERMANENT PARCEL NUMBER 522-11-004, FOR THE NICKY BOULEVARD STORM SEWER EXTENSION AND SLOPE STABILIZATION IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

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

**ORDINANCE NO. 2018-27**

AN ORDINANCE DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO PROCEED WITH THE FEE SIMPLE APPROPRIATION OF THE REAR PORTION OF THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 4615 EAST 49<sup>TH</sup> STREET, PERMANENT PARCEL NUMBER 522-11-005, FOR THE NICKY BOULEVARD STORM SEWER EXTENSION AND SLOPE STABILIZATION IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

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

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

Mayor Bacci asked Engineer Sciano to briefly explain the motions in front of Council before we move forward.

Mr. Sciano explained that the first three came from Public Works. They decided to put aside money for these projects on a yearly basis for these projects based upon the amount of money we have available in the Funds, and also, it will also allow us to move quickly to make repairs without having to go back to Council for approval for a project that needs immediate attention.

The amounts appropriated to these funds are based on the last two years of costs for these projects. The Mayor said this will streamline these projects, and also the sewer videoing hasn't been done since the 1980s, and it is time to do it.

There was a conversation on street striping, and Mr. Sciano explained how this is done to be cost effective for the Village. Ms. Biro asked who we are looking at to do the crack sealing. Mr. Sciano said we are looking at Specialized to do the work. We always ask other companies, but no one will bid against Specialized, but we always ask. We will use Aeromark for the street striping, but we will also ask other companies for quotes. Ms. Biro said that we need to be

cautious about spending with all the other projects going on. Mr. Bloam said that Public Works scaled down our costs for all three of these projects.

Motion authorizing the CFO to purchase services for the annual operation and maintenance within the Village of Cuyahoga Heights for the Sewer Video, Sewer Jetting and light cleaning for the first half of 2018, not to exceed \$25,000.00.

Mr. Bloam agreed to make the motion, seconded by Mr. Schoeffler.

Motion authorizing the CFO to purchase services for the annual operation and maintenance within the Village of Cuyahoga Heights for Joint & Crack Sealing for the 2018 season, not to exceed \$35,000.00.

Mr. Bloam agreed to make the motion, seconded by Mr. Schoeffler.

Motion authorizing the CFO to purchase services for the annual operation and maintenance within the Village of Cuyahoga Heights for Street Striping for the 2018 season, not to exceed \$30,000.00.

Mr. Schoeffler agreed to make the motion, seconded by Mr. Bloam.

Mr. Sciano explained that all of these next four purchases involve the Nickey Boulevard project. These are costs that will get us through phase one of this project and position ourselves to be able to beat the deadline set forth for funding per the agreement. Everyone in Ohio that is trying to do a project must have the trees down by April 1<sup>st</sup>. In order to get a company to want to do a small job like ours, we had to add in the ancillary work to make it more desirable for them to want to do it. By passing these motions, this is the only way we can accomplish the goal of having the work done by April 1<sup>st</sup>. Mr. Sciano explained the four motions, and the work associated with each one, and the estimated costs per motion.

Motion authorizing the CFO to purchase services with Mid West Land Clearing to complete the Clearing & Grubbing Scope of Work associated with the Nickey Boulevard Landfill Storm Sewer & Slope Stabilization Improvement Phase 1. Budget estimate not to exceed \$49,850.00.

Ms. Biro agreed to make the motion, seconded by Mr. Bloam.

Motion authorizing the CFO to enter into a contract with J & J Enterprises Services to complete the Erosion Control Scope of Work associated with the Nickey Boulevard Landfill Storm Sewer & Slope Stabilization Improvement Phase 1. Budget estimate not to exceed \$20,000.00.

Mr. Bloam agreed to make the motion, seconded by Mr. Centa.

Motion authorizing the CFO to enter into a contract with J & J Enterprises Services to complete the Access Road Construction Scope of Work associated with the Nickey Boulevard Landfill Storm Sewer & Slope Stabilization Improvement Phase 1. Budget estimate not to exceed \$20,000.00.

Mr. Centa agreed to make the motion, seconded by Mr. Contipelli.

Motion authorizing the CFO to enter into a contract with Independence Equipment and Supply to complete the Material Supply Scope of Work associated with the Nickey Boulevard Landfill Storm Sewer & Slope Stabilization Improvement Phase 1. Budget estimate not to exceed \$50,000.00.

Mr. Contipelli agreed to make the motion, seconded by Ms. Harris.

Moral Claim for Mr. Eugene Sanders III for damage to his automobile windshield. While traveling north on Interstate 77 under the Grant Avenue Bridge in Cuyahoga Heights, Mr. Sander's claims the Village snowplow plowed snow over the bridge that landed on his vehicle and broke his windshield. He is asking for damages in the amount of \$302.30.

Mayor Bacci said that this is a lawful claim, and he has had a conversation with all of the drivers to be very careful when plowing.

Ms. Harris agreed to make the motion, seconded by Mr. Schoeffler to award Mr. Sanders the maximum amount for a Moral Claim of \$300.00 after he supplies our CFO Ms. Meriwether documentation that the work was completed.

Mr. Unger went over the CIC Agenda with Council.

Mayor Piasecki from Valley View presented a centennial memento to Mayor Bacci on behalf of the residents of Valley View in honor of our Centennial year. Everyone thanked the Mayor for the beautiful sentiment and memento.

Ms. Harris made the motion to go into Executive Session for imminent litigation, seconded by Mr. Contipelli. All in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

Ms. Harris made the motion to come out of Executive Session, and back into Caucus, seconded by Mr. Contipelli. All in favor, none opposed. Motion Carried.

Mr. Mason spoke to Council about the two properties on E. 71<sup>st</sup> Street acquired by the Village for the Bacci Park Trail that are scheduled for demolition. We have a concern about the property next to the two homes that are going to be demolished. We believe that when we take down the homes, the home north of them could be damaged, and we are looking into ways to fortify the property before taking them down.

The property north of the homes is owned by Bacci Investments, and we had a concern, so we had Walter & Haverfield law firm put together an ethics concern on how the Village might be able to operate with either fortifying the wall next to it, or not fortifying the wall, and reimbursing for damages if they occurred. They did a very thorough opinion, but I felt it was best to send it to the Ethics Commission to make them aware of it, and give us their opinion as to whether we are on point.

We received the ethics opinion last week, and they said exactly what the original opinion from Walter & Haverfield said, that yes we should bring in an expert to see if we should fortify the wall, or if we should do the work and then compensate for damages. They further stated that the Mayor should not participate in those projects, or have anything to do with it formally or informally.

Moving forward on this project, the Village should call in an expert to determine the best way forward, and the Mayor will not have anything to do with this project. We will work with Council to get this accomplished so there are no conflicts.

Ms. Biro asked Mr. Mason how will Council move forward in getting an expert to do the work required in determining whether we need to build a retaining wall or not. Mr. Mason said we can work with Council, Engineer Sciano, or anyone else on doing this, what is important is that the Mayor has no contact or conversations concerning any part of this project.

Mr. Schoeffler asked why the properties were roped off. Mayor Bacci said he had the Service Department rope it off so no one would park in those areas.

Council discussed how to move forward, and Mr. Sciano told them that he will get the opinion of the company we used for slope stability at the Hillside property, and give the results to Mr. Mason and Mr. Chojnacki for review. Then they can turn it over for Council to decide and make an educated decision.

Mr. Schoeffler made the motion to adjourn Caucus, seconded by Mr. Contipelli. All in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

Caucus ended at 7:30pm.

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**ROLL CALL: Biro, Bloam, Centa, Contipelli, Harris, Schoeffler**

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

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Ms. Biro made the motion to accept the Communications and place them on file, seconded by Mr. Schoeffler. All in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

**PERMITS:**

None at this time

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**LEGISLATION:**

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**RESOLUTION NO. 2018-19**

A MEMORIAL RESOLUTION FOR HELEN M. KOSICKI

Mr. Centa moved, seconded by Mr. Contipelli that the rules be suspended and the Resolution be placed on third and final reading. Biro, Bloam, Centa, Contipelli, Harris, Schoeffler voting aye for suspension of the rules. Biro, Bloam, Centa, Contipelli, Harris, Schoeffler voting aye for the adoption, motion carried.

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**RESOLUTION NO. 2018-23      AS AMENDED**

A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE VILLAGE'S FORD F250 HEAVY DUTY UTILITY TRUCK, VIN 3FEHF26F9VMA55714, TO BE SURPLUS PROPERTY AND AUTHORIZING ITS DISPOSAL

Mr. Centa moved, seconded by Mr. Bloam that the rules be suspended and the Resolution be placed on third and final reading as amended. Biro, Bloam, Centa, Contipelli, Harris, voting aye for suspension of the rules, Schoeffler abstained. Biro, Bloam, Centa, Contipelli, Harris, voting aye for the adoption, Schoeffler abstained. Motion carried.

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Mr. Schoeffler moved, seconded by Ms. Harris that the rules be suspended and the Resolution be placed on third and final reading. Biro, Bloam, Centa, Contipelli, Harris, Schoeffler voting aye for suspension of the rules. Biro, Bloam, Centa, Contipelli, Harris, Schoeffler voting aye for the adoption, motion carried.

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Mr. Centa made the motion, seconded by Mr. Contipelli. All in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

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Motion to go into the CIC:

Mr. Schoeffler made the motion to go into the CIC, seconded by Ms. Biro. All in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

Mr. Bacci made the motion to go out of the CIC, and back into the Council Business meeting. All in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

## **MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS:**

### **MAYOR BACCI:**

Mayor Bacci told everyone that Chief Sturgill's father Jim passed away at his home in Riverside Virginia. The Mayor drove to Virginia to attend the funeral and spent some time with Brian's family. He said that southern hospitality is beyond anything he has ever seen. He spent the night with a group of family members that he never met, and they put him up at their house, breakfast was made in the morning, and we all went to the church. They were the nicest people he has ever met, and treated him like one of the family. He was touched by their generosity as they were touched by him driving so far to honor their loved one. When you see Brian, give him a hug, because he is a big old farm boy from Virginia, and his dad meant the world to him. His mom and brother have a lot of acreage to take care of, and a big job taking care of the farm, so keep the family in your thoughts and prayers.

Special birthday wishes to Mrs. Adeline Lipiec who turned 93 on February 8.

February birthday wishes to employees: Tiffany Contipelli – February 4; Danielle Short & Jason Sagan– February 5; Frank Domzalski – February 7; Jack “Pie” Pietraszkiewicz – February 13; Ken LaBella – February 14 – today he is 55; Norm Casini – February 15 – he will turn 85 years old; Rick Centa & Joe Cipriano – February 16; Todd Sciano – February 24 and Lee Ann Schoeffler – February 28.

Please continue to keep several residents in your thoughts and prayers: Theresa Bentlejewski, Mrs. Ernestine Deliberato, Mrs. Helen Krusinski, Mrs. Helen Leciejewski, Mrs. Donna Pellini, Mr. Frank Schoeffler & Mrs. Dorothy Sonoda.

The Village Hall & Service Department are closed this Monday, February 19<sup>th</sup> in observance of President's Day. Rubbish collection will resume on Tuesday.

Happy Valentine's Day to all!

### **MS. BIRO**

Ms. Biro asked the Mayor if he could draft a letter to the residents of E. 49<sup>th</sup> Street regarding all the work that will be done in their backyards from the motions that were passed this evening concerning the Nicky Boulevard project. This will help inform them of the work that will be happening, and keep them updated.

We will not be having a Codified Ordinance Committee meeting in February, but will try and set a date for a meeting in March.

**MR. BLOAM:**

Mr. Bloam wished Kenny LaBella and Norm Casini a happy birthday!

**MR. CENTA:**

Mr. Centa attended the school Open House on January 28<sup>th</sup>, trying to recruit paying students to attend our school. We talked to Dr. Ted, and he said we had between 100 to 125 adults that came through the Open House on Sunday.

**MR. CONTIPELLI:**

There is a Mill Creek meeting next week, and he is not able to attend. He asked Mr. Sciano if he is going to be there, if he could forward all of the information to him.

Mr. Contipelli told Council that all of the grants for the Bacci trail have been submitted by Silverlode, so the process is in place, and we will let everyone know what happens.

He offered his condolences to Chief Sturgill on losing his dad.

He gave a shout out to his niece Kendall, and let her know we are all pulling for her. Please keep her in your thoughts and prayers.

**MS. HARRIS:**

We had a Centennial Committee meeting this afternoon. We are still looking for volunteers to donate their time and helping with the event on March 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>. Anyone that wants to donate their time and volunteer for the committee, please get in touch with Ms. Harris.

**MR. SCHOEFFLER:**

Nothing at this time.

**SERVICE DIRECTOR DAVE SAMMONS:**

Thanked Council for approving the repairs for the garbage truck. Mr. Sammons had a good talk with all of his employees concerning plowing and the need to be very careful so that we don't have any more moral claims.

**HEAD DISPATCHER BARB CASH:**

Thanked Council for approving the painting at the Police Station. Happy birthday to Norm Casini and Kenny LaBella, and happy Valentine's Day to everyone.

**FIRE CHIEF SUHY:**

We submitted a new FEMA grant this month for new Self Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) equipment. We participated in the Doughnuts for Dads this month, and it was well received from the parents and school. Also, Lieutenant Don Pallini is retiring this month after 33 years of service, and we wish him the best of luck in his retirement.

**DEPUTY POLICE CHIEF MARK DAVIS:**

Deputy Davis said that the painting at the Police Station should be completed by this Friday. Mayor Bacci asked Deputy Davis to get in touch with Ms. Tritsarolis to schedule the use of the parking lot on E. 49<sup>th</sup> Street for a party. Deputy Davis said he will take care of it.

**LAW DIRECTOR BILL MASON:**

Nothing at this time.

**CLERK UNGER:**

Nothing at this time.

**ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TO THE MAYOR LEE ANN SCHOEFFLER:**

Nothing at this time.

**CFO, ANGEL MERIWETHER:**

Nothing at this time.

**ENGINEER TODD SCIANO:**

Nothing at this time.

**ASSISTANT LAW DIRECTOR BEN CHOJNACKI:**

Nothing at this time.

**ADMINISTRATIVE ACCOUNTING ASSISTANT AMANDA DOMZALSKI:**

Nothing at this time.

**BUILDING COMMISSIONER NORM CASINI:**

Nothing at this time.

**ASSISTANT BUILDING COMMISSIONER KEN LABELLA:**

Nothing at this time.

**COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE:**

Mr. David Turner introduced himself to Council. He is the Terminal Affairs Officer for CEI, and is currently taking the place of our representative Karen Kirsh. Ms. Kirsh is currently out for medical reasons, and Mr. Turner is taking her place in the interim. He wanted the Chiefs to know that on March 22<sup>nd</sup> they are going to host the Cuyahoga County Fire Chiefs Association at their Brecksville office, and hopefully we will see you there.

Also, we are going to have an open house at Tri C Metro Campus on February 24<sup>th</sup>, on our lineman program. If you have any graduating high school senior, or a non-traditional student, which is looking for training, send them to us. It is a two year program, and we hire directly out of that program, and the program is free. It is a great opportunity to stay in the area after graduation, and work for a Fortune 200 company. He will send the flyers to Mayor Bacci's office.

WHEREFORE, there is no further business before this Council, Ms. Biro moved, seconded by Ms. Harris that the Council Meeting be adjourned at 8:20 p.m. All voting aye, none opposed: motion carried.