# MINUTES VILLAGE OF CUYAHOGA HEIGHTS CAUCUS FEBRUARY 12, 2020 6:00 PM

#### COUNCIL CAUCUS

## **FEBRUARY 12, 2020**

Mr. Bloam called the meeting to order. Clerk Unger called the roll.

Bloam, Centa, Contipelli, Harris, Henley, Schoeffler

Ms. Henley agreed to make a motion to excuse Mr. Contipelli from the Council Meeting, Mr. Bloam agreed to second.

Also in attendance were Law Director Ben Chojnacki, CFO Angel Meriwether, Building Commissioner Norm Casini, Assistant Building Commissioner Ken LaBella, and Engineer Todd Sciano.

## **COMMUNICATIONS:**

None at this time.

#### **PERMITS:**

None at this time.

#### **PURCHASES:**

January 2020, Finance Approvals

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Mr. Schoeffler agreed to make the motion to accept the minutes, Mr. Centa agreed to second.

#### **FINANCIAL REPORTS:**

Statement of Cash Position January 2020 RITA Preliminary report February 2020

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

#### **LEGISLATION:**

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2020-10**

Payment of Certain Claims: \$1,946,819.05 Payroll General Bills Transfers

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

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2020-11**

## A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE TO RENEW THE VILLAGE'S SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH JOHNSON CONTROLS, INC. FOR MAINTENANCE SERVICES RELATED TO THE SOFTWARE COMPONENT OF THE VILLAGE POLICE DEPARTMENT'S HEATING AND COOLING SYSTEMS

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

Mr. Schoeffler asked if they are changing filters and additional maintenance, or is this just the software. Mayor Bacci said it is just the software, our Service Department manages the upkeep and maintenance. The Mayor said the software is proprietary, if you use their equipment, you have to use their software.

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 2020-12**

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CUYAHOGA COUNTY JUVENILE COURT, CUYAHOGA COUNTY AND THE VILLAGE OF CUYAHOGA HEIGHTS FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE JUVENILE COURT COMMUNITY DIVERSION PROGRAM FOR 2020 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 2020-13**

## AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE TO TAKE ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO ACCEPT NORTHEAST OHIO PUBLIC ENERGY COUNCIL (NOPEC) ENERGIZED COMMUNITY GRANT(S) FOR 2020.

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

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2020-14**

## A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE 2020 CUYAHOGA COUNTY 50/50 COUNTY ROAD PROGRAM AND TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS AS REQUIRED; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

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

#### ORDINANCE NO. 2020-15

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE VILLAGE OF CUYAHOGA HEIGHTS, STATE OF OHIO, DURING THE PERIOD STARTING JANUARY 1, 2020 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2020.

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

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2020-16**

### A RESOLUTION ENGAGING BUILDING INSPECTORS FOR THE VILLAGE BUILDING DEPARTMENT AND ESTABLISHING THE RATE OF COMPENSATION

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

Mr. Schoeffler asked the Mayor to explain the increase. Mayor Bacci said that it is now in line with the other surrounding communities. The inspections were \$40.00 per inspection, and now they are \$50.00.

## **OTHER BUSINESS:**

Motion to authorize the Village Engineer to prepare and publicize a request for proposals for the demolition and revitalization of 4400-4440 East 71st Street Project.

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

Mr. Sciano said this is for the Benjamin Moore building on E.71st Street and Grant.

Motion approving Req 20-ENG-7-A 2020 Catch Basin & Sewer Repair not to exceed \$25,000

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

Motion approving Req 20-ENG-8-A 2020 Sewer video, jetting, light cleaning not to exceed \$25,000

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

Motion approving Req 20-ENG-9-A 2020 Street Striping not to exceed \$25,000

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

Motion approving Req 20-ENG-10-A 2020 Flexible & Rigid Pavement Repair not to exceed \$64,000

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The Mayor said that the new marquee is up, and we will be taking down the existing marquees at the school and in front of the pool next week, or the week after, pending the weather. Mr. Centa asked if the Historical Committee was going to take pictures or do anything with them before we tear them down. Mayor Bacci said when they come down, he will have them stored at the garage, and then the Historical Committee can determine what they want to do with them.

The Mayor and Public Works talked with Allega concerning the Canal Road project. The Mayor told them that whatever they were going to do, has to be done as fluidly as possible whether they do it all at once, or do one side at a time. Allega has asked to start the project earlier, but the Mayor wants to make sure that this project is done quickly, and not double the time due to weather.

Ms. Henley asked that they make sure that the area by the railroad tracks where it drains is fixed so that we don't get any more flooding in that area of the street. Mayor Bacci said that Mr. Sciano is working on that and will make sure it is corrected.

We are crafting a nice letter to the residents in reference to the Benjamin Moore property. We are letting people know that our CIC controls that property now, and how Millcraft worked with us to get that property, and help to clean the area up.

An update on Arconics. Nothing dramatic as far as work is going, but they will be changing their name from Arconics to Howmet. This is just a name change, nothing else.

Tom Evans, the school Superintendent is going to meet with us on March 11 at 6:00 pm in regards to the findings of the districts architectural firm and Capital Improvement Plan for the district.

The Heritage Home Program for 2019 provided four site visits and technical support and one home loan. We resigned from the program in 2020.

We are trying to secure initial funding for a generator to run the Village Hall from NOPEC. Then we can be a safe haven for anyone in case of a disaster or extended power outage. Our Police and Fire Departments are set up for disasters, but the Town Hall can accommodate more people.

Soon we will be updating Council technology to a seventh generation I pad. We will let Council know when they come in.

The Workshop in February will be dedicated to all the projects in the Village.

Mr. Centa asked if we could use Swift Reach to phone the residents in case the E.71<sup>st</sup> Street and E.49<sup>th</sup> Street hills are closed because of weather. Mayor Bacci said we can do that.

Caucus ended at 6:45 pm.

## MINUTES VILLAGE OF CUYAHOGA HEIGHTS COUNCIL MEETING FEBRUARY 12, 2020 7:00 PM

### **COUNCIL MEETING**

## FEBRUARY 12, 2020

Before the meeting began, Mayor Bacci swore in our newest Police Officer Kelli Stack Jachym.

Police Chief Sturgill said that Kelli was an exceptional officer during her training at OPATA. We are very proud of her, and excited to have her as a full-time officer in our village.

Mayor Bacci called the meeting to order. Clerk Unger called the roll.

## ROLL CALL: Bloam, Centa, Contipelli, Harris, Henley, Schoeffler

Also present were Law Director Ben Chojnacki, CFO Angel Meriwether, Engineer Todd Sciano, Building Commissioner Norm Casini, Assistant Building Commissioner Ken LaBella, Administrative Assistant Lee Ann Schoeffler, Service Director Dave Sammons, Fire Chief Mike Suhy, Administrative Accounting Assistant Amanda Domzalski, Administrative Assistant Christina Caporuscio.

Ms. Henley made the motion to excuse Mr. Contipelli from the Council Meeting, seconded by Mr. Bloam. All in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

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## FINANCIAL REPORTS:

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Ms. Henley made the motion to accept the Financial Statements as prepared and place them on file, seconded by Mr. Bloam. All in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

## **LEGISLATION:**

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2020-10**

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

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#### **OTHER BUSINESS:**

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Mr. Centa made the motion to approve the proposal, seconded by Mr. Bloam. All in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

Motion approving Req 20-ENG-7-A 2020 Catch Basin & Sewer Repair not to exceed \$25,000

Mr. Schoeffler made the motion to approve the repair, seconded by Mr. Bloam. All in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

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Mr. Bloam made the motion to approve the expense, seconded by Mr. Schoeffler. All in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

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# MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS:

## **MAYOR BACCI:**

I would like to take a moment and thank everyone for their thoughts and prayers, and support — to me and my family. As you all know, my older brother Johnny passed away unexpectedly on January  $25^{th}$  – he was 64 years old. The outpouring of love from our village and surrounding communities was amazing, and on behalf of the Bacci family, we thank you for everything.

I would also like to offer our condolences and prayers:

To residents Jim & Robyn Nobili. Their great-nephew Max, 21 years old, was killed in a car accident on the night of February 2; he lived in Texas. For those of you who know David & Pat Nobili – Max is their grandson.

To resident John Deliberato. He recently lost his nephew Danny.

To our friend John Cegnic in Independence. He lost his mother Dolores – also known as "Dot" on January 28<sup>th</sup>; she was 92 years old.

Life is very short, and every day is a blessing.

On a much more positive note, and even though I was sicker than a dog, I had the honor of marrying Kyle Keller and Jasmine Patkau at the village hall on Friday morning, January 24<sup>th</sup>. Kyle used to be a village resident; however, his Grandma, Mrs. Connie Doan resides in the village. It was nice to see so many of his high school friends attending the ceremony. Congratulations and best wishes!

Special birthday wishes to Mrs. Adeline Lipiec who turned 95 on February 8; Mrs. Irene Kloss who turned 89 on February 3 and to Mr. Tom Nova who turned 80 on February 9. Sto lat!

February birthday wishes to employees: Jason Sagan who turned "40" on February 5 – Dave Palucki's birthday is also the 5<sup>th</sup>; Jack "Pie" Pietraszkiewicz who turns "30" tomorrow; Ken LaBella – February 14; Norm Casini turns 87 on February 15; Rick Centa & Joe Cipriano – February 16; Todd Sciano turns 45 on February 24 and Lee Ann Schoeffler – February 28.

Please continue to keep several residents in your thoughts and prayers: John Baranowski, Mrs. Barbara Combs, Mrs. Irene Kloss, Mrs. Helen Krusinski, Ms. Marti Malek, Miss Nancy McAleer, Mrs. Shireen Mitchell, Dennis Tritsarolis and Joe Vitanza.

The Village Hall & Service Department are closed this Monday, February 17<sup>th</sup> in observance of President's Day. Rubbish collection will resume on Tuesday.

To all the ladies, Happy Valentine's Day!

## MR. BLOAM:

Public Works met and talked about a bunch of projects for this year. We will go into many of them in great detail at the February Workshop. If anyone has anything else to discuss at the Workshop, please email me and we will get it on the Agenda.

## MR. CENTA:

On Sunday, January 26<sup>th</sup>, Mr. Jason Deal and I represented the Village at the School Open House. It was a great turn out, and we had a lot of handouts for the people. Twenty five percent of our students are from open enrollment, which is approximately 150 students. The Mayor said that is great, it keeps our class sizes up and keeps the state off our backs.

Happy Valentine's Day, and he welcomed Kelli to the Police Department.

## MS. HARRIS:

Congratulations to Kelli. It's nice to have a women on the force, especially working with her brother Kevin who is also on the force.

## **MS. HENLEY:**

Ms. Henley loves the fencing around the cemetery, whoever picked it out did a great job. Congratulations to Kelli. It's nice to have a woman on the Police force.

### **MR. SCHOEFFLER:**

Nothing at this time.

## SERVICE DIRECTOR DAVE SAMMONS:

Nothing at this time.

## **FIRE CHIEF SUHY:**

Nothing at this time.

#### **CFO ANGEL MERIWETHER**

Nothing at this time.

## LAW DIRECTOR BEN CHOJNACKI:

Nothing to report.

#### **CLERK UNGER:**

Nothing to report.

## ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TO THE MAYOR LEE ANN SCHOEFFLER:

Nothing to report.

## **ENGINEER TODD SCIANO:**

Nothing at this time.

#### **BUILDING COMMISSIONER NORM CASINI:**

Mr. Casini updated Council on the properties at 7133 and 7137 Marcelline Court. The next progress hearing with the court will be in April. After four years of working with the cemetery, we finally got the fence up, and this will be a lasting aesthetic contribution to the Village.

The digital sign is complete, and will be put into use in the next few days.

# ASSISTANT BUILDING COMMISSIONER KEN LABELLA:

Nothing at this time.

# ADMINISTRATIVE ACCOUNTING ASSISTANT AMANDA DOMZALSKI:

Nothing at this time.

# ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT CHRISTINA CAPORUSCIO:

Nothing at this time.

# **COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE:**

No comments.

WHERFORE, there is no further business before this Council, Ms. Henley moved, seconded by Ms. Harris that the Council Meeting be adjourned at 7:40 p.m. All voting aye, none opposed: motion carried.