

**MINUTES  
VILLAGE OF CUYAHOGA HEIGHTS  
COUNCIL MEETING  
JUNE 9, 2021  
7:00 PM**

**COUNCIL MEETING**

**June 9, 2021**

Before the meeting, the Mayor had a conversation with Council regarding the pool. The Mayor mentioned that we will need a constructive conversation this year about future plans to update the pool in the future. The deck level and the roof are in desperate need of repair, and we will have to make much needed repairs for next year.

Mr. Sciano also explained to Council that he is working on tearing down the house at the end of E.71<sup>st</sup> Street that the Village purchased.

**Mayor calls the meeting to order:**

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

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

None at this time.

**PERMITS:**

From the Building Department, Charter Steel has submitted an application for a permit to construct a new Black Bar Facility at 4300 E.49<sup>th</sup> Street on their existing site. Pursuant to Chapter 1442.02, I have submitted herewith an overall sitemap indicating the location of the new structure.

The Building Department highly recommends this valued project proceed.

Motion to approve the permit for Charter Steel to construct their new Black Bar Facility at 4300 E.49<sup>th</sup> Street on their existing site.

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

**PURCHASES:**

Nothing for May 2021.

**MINUTES:**

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Mr. Centa made the motion to accept the Minutes as prepared, seconded by Mr. Contipelli. All in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

**FINANCIAL REPORTS:**

Statement of Cash Position May 2021  
RITA Preliminary report June 2021

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

**LEGISLATION:**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-28**

Payment of Certain Claims: \$982,549.68  
Payroll  
General Bills  
Transfers

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-29**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE’S CONTINUED PARTICIPATION IN  
THE MILL CREEK WATERSHED PARTNERSHIP

Ms. Henley moved, seconded by Mr. Schoeffler that the rules be suspended and the Resolution be placed on third and final reading. Bloam, Centa, Contipelli, Harris, Henley, and Schoeffler

voting aye for suspension of the rules. Bloam, Centa, Contipelli, Harris, Henley, and Schoeffler voting aye for the adoption, motion carried.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-30**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AMENDED AGREEMENT WITH CUYAHOGA COUNTY FOR THE RESURFACING OF GRANT AVENUE FROM EAST 49<sup>TH</sup> STREET TO EAST 71<sup>ST</sup> STREET.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-31**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CHANGE ORDER TO THE NICKY BOULEVARD STORM SEWER EXTENSION AND SLOPE STABILIZATION IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT, PHASE TWO

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-32**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF OWNERSHIP OF PERMANENT PARCEL NUMBER 522-25-018 (4617 E. 71<sup>ST</sup> STREET)

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

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

Nothing at this time.

## **MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS:**

### **MAYOR BACCI:**

I would like to excuse CFO Meriwether from the meeting this evening. Our thoughts and prayers go out to her and her family for the tragic loss of her brother-in-law.

I wanted to thank everyone who attended our Memorial Day service – paying homage to the brave men and women who gave their lives for this country. It was good to see so many people in attendance.

The pool is open 7 days a week from 12:00-7:00 p.m. The weather has been HOT and we have had a lot of patrons using the pool! If you know of any lifeguards looking for work – we are in need of additional guards!

The concession stand is also open 7 days a week.

Monday-Friday 11-7

Saturday and Sunday 10-6

Food trucks are at Bacci Park every Wednesday during the summer from 4-7; once again they are a huge hit!

Just a reminder that our village wide garage sale will take place on Saturday, June 26 from 8:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. Deadline to register is next Thursday, June 17. Currently, we have 15 homes that have signed up!

Our annual village shred day will take place on Saturday, July 10 from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. at Gateway Recycling • 4233 East 49<sup>th</sup> Street. This is a free service provided to our residents.

June birthday wishes to employees: (1) Bryan Rini; (6) Anthony Kotar; (8) Stanley Schab; (11) Viktor Zsigmond; (15) Patrick Goldsworth & Josh Eleniss; (17) Councilman Matt Schoeffler; and (23) Bob Krajewski & William Malovrh

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### **MR. BLOAM:**

Mr. Bloam called a Finance Meeting for 5:00 pm before the Council Meeting on July 14<sup>th</sup>, and a Public Works Meeting the same day at 5:30 pm. Mr. Bloam invited Mr. Casini, Mr. LaBella, and Mr. Sciano.

### **MR. CENTA:**

Nothing at this time.

**MR. CONTIPELLI:**

Mr. Contipelli asked the Building Department about 7134 and 7137 Marcelline, and what steps have they taken to alleviate all the issues with those two properties.

Mr. Casini explained that Mr. Smith has been hospitalized, and he is very sick, so the properties have not been taken care of. He is over 60, and we are trying to get the homeowner to let the village take care of the lawn, but they have to sign papers in order for us to go on their property.

Mr. Contipelli said that this problem has persisted for a long time, and asked Mr. Casini if the building department is doing everything they can to alleviate this situation. Mr. Casini said he knows this has been a bad situation, but assured Mr. Contipelli that they are doing everything they can, and hopefully it will be resolved in the near future.

Mayor Bacci told Mr. Contipelli that we are doing all that we can, and realizes that Mr. Contipelli is right in trying to alleviate this problem, but the building department is using all the tools they have at this time. Hopefully we will have a solution soon.

**MS. HARRIS:**

Ms. Harris had a message to the village officials and the Service Department that the girls high school softball team was very grateful and appreciative for all the support from everyone in the village in their bid to win the State Championship.

**MS. HENLEY:**

Thanked the Service Department for putting water bags over the trees on E.49<sup>th</sup> Street, they needed water desperately.

For all the residents that remember her, Mrs. Winkie turned 100 this week!!

**MR. SCHOEFFLER:**

Mr. Schoeffler said that he has notified the Police Department about people riding motorcycles around the towpath, and it is a very dangerous situation for people walking in the park.

Mayor Bacci said that he worked with Chief Sturgill to put protocols in place where dispatch will notify Cuyahoga Hts. Police immediately so we are not playing catch up. Also we are going to stop calling Metro Parks altogether and call Cuyahoga Heights Police, and we will take care of the problem ourselves. We want everyone to enjoy the park, but respect the town and the residents.

**POLICE CHIEF STRURGILL:**

Special thanks to ODOT District 12 for clearing all the water on the interstate during a recent storm.

He also congratulated all of the recent high school graduates for enduring a very tough year and making it through the pandemic.

**SERVICE DIRECTOR DAVE SAMMONS:**

Nothing at this time.

**FIRE CHIEF SUHY:**

Nothing at this time.

**LAW DIRECTOR BEN CHOJNACKI:**

Nothing at this time.

**CLERK UNGER:**

Nothing at this time.

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

Nothing at this time.

**ENGINEER TODD SCIANO:**

Mr. Sciano gave a quick summation of the work that they are doing on the E.71<sup>st</sup> Street hill.

They are working with the Water Department to find the leak, and they concluded that they don't know where it is coming from at this time. They are very busy and have limited employees, with many other infrastructure problems. Hopefully they can continue the work in the near future to find the problem.

Mayor Bacci said the pipes are 100 years old, and we know it will not be a quick fix, and we also don't know what the final cost will be. It is a slow process and we are working with old infrastructure.

**BUILDING COMMISSIONER NORM CASINI:**

Thanked Council for approving the permit for Charter Steel. This is a huge project, and will be great for the Village.

**ASSISTANT BUILDING COMMISSIONER KEN LABELLA:**

Mr. LaBella said that the Charter Steel project is a state of the art facility, and it is a 1.6 million dollar project.

**COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE:**

WHEREFORE, 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.