

**VILLAGE OF CUYAHOGA HEIGHTS
COUNCIL MEETING
September 11, 2024
5:00 p.m.**

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COUNCIL PRESIDENT CONTIPELLI CALLED CAUCUS TO ORDER at 5:46 p.m.

MAYOR BACCI CALLED ROLL CALL: Schoeffler, Unger, Volek, Bloam, Centa, Contipelli

Mr. Contipelli asked council if there were any questions regarding the agenda. There were none and the meeting was turned over to the mayor.

Mayor Bacci thanked council for following up on the email pertaining to volunteering at the welcome booth during the corn roast. He also reminded everyone that Bacci Park will be closed to the public beginning Monday, September 30 for the corn roast.

The mayor then asked council if there were any questions for his office or the administration. There were none.

CFO Meriwether informed council that before the meeting, Mindy emailed them the link for the State of Ohio Fraud Training. She asked them to watch the 7-minute video and when they completed the training, to email their certificates to Mindy or drop it off at the village hall. If there are any technical questions, please contact Mike Dentkos.

Caucus ended at 5:49 p.m.

The mayor asked council to move into a CIC meeting at 5:50 p.m.

MAYOR BACCI CALLED THE COUNCIL MEETING TO ORDER at 6:02 p.m.

The mayor asked that we pause and take a moment of silence...

Twenty-three years ago today, 2,977 innocent men, women and children lost their lives in attacks meant to terrorize our Nation. We will never undo the pain and injustice borne that terrible morning, nor will we ever forget those we lost.

MAYOR BACCI CALLED ROLL CALL: Schoeffler, Unger, Volek, Bloam, Centa, Contipelli

COMMUNICATIONS: None.

PERMITS: None.

MINUTES:

August 14, 2024 Council Meeting

Motion to accept the minutes as prepared and place them on file. Mr. Schoeffler made the motion to accept the minutes as prepared, seconded by Mr. Unger. All in favor, none opposed, motion approved.

August 22, 2024 Special Council Meeting

Motion to accept the minutes as prepared and place them on file. Mr. Unger made the motion to accept the minutes as prepared, seconded by Mr. Volek, All in favor, none opposed, motion approved.

August 22, 2024 Finance Committee Meeting

Motion to accept the minutes as prepared and place them on file. Mr. Volek made the motion to accept the minutes as prepared, seconded by Mr. Bloam. All in favor, none opposed, motion approved.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

RITA Final Report August 2024
Position of Cash Report July 2024 (final) & August 2024

Motion to accept the financial reports as prepared and place them on file. Mr. Bloam made the motion to accept the financial reports as prepared, seconded by Mr. Centa All in favor, none opposed, motion approved.

LEGISLATION:

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-51 SECOND AND FINAL READING

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE VILLAGE'S CURRENT APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE SO AS TO ADJUST APPROPRIATIONS, TRANSFERS AND ADVANCES FROM THE VARIOUS FUNDS OF THE VILLAGE OF CUYAHOGA HEIGHTS TO INDIVIDUAL ACCOUNTS FOR THE CURRENT EXPENSES OF THE VILLAGE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2024, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-54

August Payment of Certain Claims and Transfers \$ 1,765,778.20

Mr. Contipelli moved, seconded by Mr. Schoeffler, that the rules be suspended, and the Resolution be placed on third and final reading. Schoeffler, Unger, Volek, Bloam, Centa and Contipelli voting

aye for suspension of the rules, motion carried. Schoeffler, Unger, Volek, Bloam, Centa and Contipelli voting aye for the adoption, motion approved.

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-55

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR HIS AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN CUYAHOGA COUNTY'S 2025 SUPPLEMENTAL GRANT PROGRAM AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-56

AN RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE 2025 CUYAHOGA COUNTY MUNICIPAL GRANT PROGRAM AND TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS AS REQUIRED AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

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

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-57

AN ORDINANCE CONFIRMING APPOINTMENTS TO THE VILLAGE'S TAX INCENTIVE REVIEW COUNCIL AND ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE TAX INCENTIVE REVIEW COUNCIL CONCERNING CERTAIN TAX INCENTIVES WITHIN THE VILLAGE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-58

AN RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE TO ENTER INTO A PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH VALLEY TRUCK FORD FOR THE PURCHASE OF A 2024 FORD F350 WITH SERVICE DEPARTMENT SPECIFICATIONS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

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

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-59 FIRST READING

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO ESTABLISH
AN OPT-IN NATURAL GAS PROGRAM PURSUANT TO SECTION
4929.27(A)(1), OHIO REVISED CODE, JOINTLY THROUGH
NOPEC AS A NOPEC MEMBER

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-60

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDERS TO THE
WILLOWBROOK CUL-DE-SAC PROJECT AND
DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-61

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED
BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX
LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY FISCAL OFFICER

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

OTHER BUSINESS:

Motion to authorize GPD Group to perform the Traffic Signal Design for Harvard Avenue at Howmet Gate 4 &5, and not to exceed \$35,000.

Mr. Schoeffler made the motion, seconded by Mr. Unger. All in favor, none opposed, motion approved.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS:

MAYOR BACCI: This Friday we will be holding our annual senior citizens flu shot and breakfast event at Klima's. At this time, I also wanted to thank those seniors and senior staff who attended Kellys Island a few weeks ago. It was a great and beautiful day, and there wasn't one complaint.

Don't forget that NEORS is holding their Clean Water Festival at their East 49th Street facility next Saturday, September 21 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Friday, September 27 is the Cuyahoga Heights High School football homecoming game- we will be taking on Independence; game time is 7:00 p.m. The homecoming dance is the following evening at the high school.

September birthday wishes to employees: (3) Erik McKenzie; (4) Sean Coubrough; (9) Councilman Todd Bloam; (11) Magistrate Dean DePiero; (17) Debbie Reiger; (18) Brad Unger; (21) Justin Gvora; and (21) Ricky Mischak.

And lastly, our village hall and service department staff have been working diligently on the Corn Roast which adds extra stress and emotions run high. I also want to again thank council for their support and volunteering their time during this event. See everybody on October 5th!

MR. SCHOEFFLER: Nothing at this time.

MR. UNGER: Nothing at this time.

MR. VOLEK: Nothing at this time.

MR. BLOAM: Nothing at this time.

MR. CENTA: On behalf of the seniors, thank you mayor for the Kelleys Island trip. Also, thank you to everyone who donated items to our senior citizens raffle during the corn roast.

MR. CONTIPELLI: Happy birthday Todd!

POLICE CHIEF BRIAN STURGILL: Nothing at this time.

SERVICE DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR SAMMONS: Happy birthday Todd! And thank you to council for the purchase of the F350.

FIRE CHIEF MIKE SUHY: Nothing at this time.

LAW DIRECTOR CHOJNACKI: Nothing at this time.

CFO MERIWETHER: Nothing at this time.

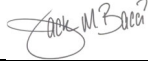
ASSISTANT TO MAYOR BACCI SCHOEFFLER: Nothing at this time.

ASSISTANT BUILDING COMMISSIONER LABELLA: Nothing at this time.

VILLAGE ENGINEER SCIANO: Nothing at this time.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE: None.

WHEREFORE, there is no further business before this council, Mr. Contipelli moved, seconded by Mr. Bloam that the council meeting be adjourned at 6:17 p.m. All voting aye, none opposed, motion approved.

Approved 

Mayor

On September 11, 2024

Renato Contipelli
Renato Contipelli (Oct 10, 2024 08:52 EDT)

Mayor and or President of Council



Chief Fiscal Officer and Clerk of Council