

**VILLAGE OF CUYAHOGA HEIGHTS  
COUNCIL MEETING  
November 13, 2024  
5:00 p.m.**

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**COUNCIL PRESIDENT CONTIPELLI CALLED CAUCUS TO ORDER at 5:05 p.m.**

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

Mr. Contipelli asked council if there were any questions about the agenda.

There were none.

Mayor Bacci updated council on the Village Hall Campus playground/pool building, Klima Gardens and Toscana Hall.

Mr. Volek asked the mayor if the village has investigated Klima Gardens geographically for safety reasons around the parking lot. Mayor Bacci responded that yes, within the last 10 years they have had it looked at and found nothing wrong for at least 20-ft down. Anything below that they are not sure, but nonetheless it will have no impact.

The mayor asked for a motion to go into executive session to discuss municipal properties.

Mr. Contipelli made the motion to go into executive session, seconded by Mr. Volek. All in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

Executive session started at 5:17 p.m.

Executive session ended at 5:53 p.m.

Caucus ended at 5:53 p.m.

**MAYOR BACCI CALLED THE COUNCIL MEETING TO ORDER at 6:00 p.m.**

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

**COMMUNICATIONS:** None.

**PERMITS:** None.

**MINUTES:**

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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 October 2024  
Position of Cash Report October 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. 2024-65**

October Payment of Certain Claims and Transfers \$ 1,295,885.11

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-66**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH ZARNEY ORIGINALS, LLC  
FOR MARKETING AND WEBSITE MANAGEMENT SERVICES.

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

**ORDINANCE NO. 2024-67**

AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE 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, 2025;  
AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2024-68**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR AND THE CHIEF FISCAL OFFICER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH RINELLO BUILDERS, INC. FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF TWO RESIDENTIAL HOMES ON VILLAGE OWNED PROPERTIES LOCATED ON MARCELLINE COURT GREEN AS PART OF THE VILLAGE'S HOUSING STOCK REVITALIZATION PROJECT, COURTS PHASE 1, WAIVING COMPETITIVE BIDDING TO THE EXTENT APPLICABLE, 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. Volek, Bloam, Centa and Contipelli, Schoeffler and Unger voting aye for suspension of the rules, motion carried. Volek, Bloam, Centa, Contipelli, Schoeffler and Unger voting aye for the adoption, motion approved.

## **ORDINANCE NO. 2024-69**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 244.16 OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE RELATING TO USER FEES FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES.

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

## **RESOLUTION NO 2024-70**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A MEMBER COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT PROGRAM AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE VILLAGE AND NORTHEAST OHIO REGIONAL SEWER DISTRICT FOR THE COURTS SEWER SEPARATION PROJECT 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. Volek, Bloam, Centa and Contipelli, Schoeffler and Unger voting aye for suspension of the rules, motion carried. Volek, Bloam, Centa, Contipelli, Schoeffler and Unger voting aye for the adoption, motion approved.

## **OTHER BUSINESS:**

24-40 A motion to authorize the mayor to amend the Special Permit for Construction Activities Noise, issued on July 10, 2024, as follows:

The following construction activities are allowed to take place 24 hours per day, Monday through Friday for the following time periods:

1. Shaft Excavation - November 2024 to December 2024

2. Shaft Concrete Placement - December 2024 to March 2025
3. Mining Equipment Assembly - December 2024 to July 2025

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

24-41 A motion to authorize the mayor to issue a letter of intent to Axon for 20 new tasers to purchase in 2025 at 2024 pricing.

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

### **MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS:**

**MAYOR BACCI:** The Cuyahoga Heights football team once again advanced in the playoffs and will be playing against John J. Kennedy Catholic Eagles this Friday at 7:00 p.m. Good luck and best wishes to the team!

I recently learned that Ryan Krajewski enlisted in the Marines and started basic training in Parris Island, South Carolina last week. Ryan is service department employee, Bob Krajewski's son. We wish Ryan well and stay safe!

Laura Bacci-Merhaut and Miss Wendy will be overseeing their fun-filled swag craft night on Monday, December 2 at the village hall. Please RSVP by November 18 to participate.

Also, don't forget to sign up your children/grandchildren for our Santa extravaganza on Sunday, December 22 at Bacci Park from 11:00 a.m.- 12:30 p.m. Deadline to register is Monday, December 2.

November birthday wishes to employees: (1) Tom Nova; (10) Tom Kekelis; (13) Carl Smith; (27) and Councilman Bob Unger who turns 70!

The village hall and service department will be closed on Thursday, November 28 and Friday November 29 for the Thanksgiving Holiday. Wishing each and every one a very happy and blessed Thanksgiving!

**MR. VOLEK:** Thank you to all the veterans who served our country—and thank you to all the residents that voted this past election. Happy Thanksgiving!

**MR. BLOAM:** Calling a public works meeting for December 11 at 4:30 p.m. to go over 2025 projects.

**MR. CENTA:** Happy Thanksgiving to everyone!

**MR. CONTIPELLI:** Offering his condolences to village resident Barbara Bartczak on the passing of her long-time partner of 50 years, Frank Szell, and who also was a Navy veteran, passed away on November 4.

**MR. SCHOEFFLER:** Nothing to report.

**MR. UNGER:** Very grateful to make it 70 years!

**POLICE CHIEF STURGILL:** Nothing to report.

**SERVICE DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR SAMMONS:** Nothing to report.

**FIRE CHIEF MIKE SUHY:** Nothing to report.

**LAW DIRECTOR CHOJNACKI:** Nothing to report.

**CFO MERIWETHER:** Nothing to report.

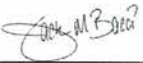
**ASSISTANT TO MAYOR BACCI SCHOEFFLER:** Nothing to report.

**ASSISTANT BUILDING COMMISSIONER LABELLA:** Happy Thanksgiving to everyone!

**VILLAGE ENGINEER SCIANO:** Happy birthday to Mr. Unger and congratulations to Chief Sturgill on the strong mustache!

**COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE:** None.

**WHEREFORE,** there is no further business before this council, Mr. Schoeffler moved, seconded by Mr. Volek that the council meeting be adjourned at 6:16 p.m. All voting aye, none opposed, motion approved.

Approved   
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Mayor

  
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Renato Contipelli (Dec 12, 2024 09:45 EST)  
Mayor and or President of Council

On November 13, 2024

  
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Chief Fiscal Officer and Clerk of Council