

**VILLAGE OF CUYAHOGA HEIGHTS
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
September 10, 2025
6:00 p.m.**

COUNCIL MEETING

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COUNCIL PRESIDENT CONTIPELLI CALLED CAUCUS TO ORDER at 5:01 p.m.

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

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

Mr. Bloam asked if there were any renderings for Toscana Hall. The mayor advised that the renderings shown at the meeting this evening are for the parking lot and exterior site work. The interior will remain the same with a minor modification to the hallway by the bathrooms and kitchen area.

The mayor reminded council to sign-up with his office for volunteer shifts at the welcome booth for our upcoming corn roast.

The mayor asked for a motion to go into executive session for personnel and discipline matters, and applications for economic development. Mr. Unger made the motion to go into executive session, seconded by Mr. Contipelli. All in favor, none opposed, motion approved. Executive session started at 5:18 p.m.

Caucus ended at 6:05 p.m.

MAYOR BACCI CALLED THE COUNCIL MEETING TO ORDER at 6:08 p.m.

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

COMMUNICATIONS: None.

PERMITS: None.

PURCHASES: None.

MINUTES:

August 13, 2025 Council Meeting

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

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

RITA Final Report August 2025
Position of Cash August 2025

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

LEGISLATION:

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-56

August Payment of Certain Claims and Transfers \$3,975,800.21

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-57

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE TO ENTER INTO A COLLECTIVE
BARGAINING AGREEMENT WITH THE FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE, LODGE 67,
FOR THE PERIOD FROM JANUARY 1, 2026 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2028

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-58

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE TO ENTER INTO A COLLECTIVE
BARGAINING AGREEMENT WITH THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF
FIREFIGHTERS, LOCAL 702, FOR THE PERIOD FROM
JANUARY 1, 2026 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2028

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-59

A RESOLUTION AWARDING THE TOSCANA HALL SITE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT TO THE LOWEST AND BEST BIDDER, WAIVING ANY NON-CONFORMITIES OR DEFICIENCIES, AND AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH ANTHONY ALLEGA CEMENT CONTRACTORS, INC.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-60

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-61

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CHANGE ORDER FOR THE NICKY BOULEVARD PAVEMENT & DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

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

OTHER BUSINESS:

25-19 Motion to appoint Parrish Mines to the position of Full-Time Assistant Building Commissioner.

Mr. Unger made the motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Volek. All in favor, none opposed, motion approved.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS:

MAYOR BACCI: Congratulated Mr. Parrish Mines on his appointment.

The mayor stated that the news of the assassination of Charlie Kirk today saddened him. He further commented that he didn't know Charlie personally but had been watching him since he began his journey. The coward that took his life, took the life of not only a father and husband, but a man that made it his career to speak to our young generation about the concerns of our country. Our thoughts and prayers to the Kirk family.

Tomorrow, another somber day, will mark twenty-four years that 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.

This Friday we will be holding our annual senior citizens flu shot and breakfast event at Klima's.

Also, this Friday is the Cuyahoga Heights High School football homecoming game at 7:00 p.m., as we go up against Wickliffe. The PTO will be sponsoring a family tailgate prior to the game from 5:30-7:00 p.m. in the rear parking lot of the elementary school.

Next Saturday, September 20, the Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District will be having their annual Clean Water Fest at their East 49th Street facility from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. It's a great event and they always do a really nice job.

September birthday wishes to employees: (3) Eric McKenzie; (4) Sean Coubrough; (9) Councilman Todd Bloam; (11) Magistrate Dean DePiero; (16) Anthony Trainer; (17) Debbie Reiger; (18) Brad Unger; and (21) Justin Gvora and Ricky Mischak.

And lastly, our village hall and service department staff have been working diligently on the Corn Roast—see you on October 4.

MR. CONTIPELLI: Asked Police Chief Sturgill to look at the light at the bottom of the hill at East 71st Street and Canal Road as he has had several complaints from residents about the timing of the lights.

Mr. Contipelli also extended his condolences to the Byrne family; Francis Byrne passed away earlier today at the age of 83. His father, Francis "Bronco" Byrne was a police officer during the early days in our village.

MR. SCHOEFFLER: Asked for an update on the homes on Marcelline Court. Mayor Bacci stated that as of now, there has been interest and people have stopped at the property, but no payments or deposits for a home have been made. Rinello Builders owner Frank Rini has confirmed that the most easterly home will be completed first.

Mr. Schoeffler also noted that people are in and out of the East 49th Street Metroparks at all hours of the night, and the park is supposed to be closed at 11:00 p.m. Mayor Bacci stated that past practice—the Metroparks did close it off. The mayor asked Police Chief Sturgill to reach out to the Metroparks and advise them to close it off at 11:00 p.m., if not, then have our department do so.

MR. UNGER: Nothing to report.

MR. VOLEK: Nothing to report.

MR. BLOAM: Nothing to report.

MR. CENTA: On behalf of our seniors, thank you mayor for another wonderful day at Kelleys Island.

POLICE CHIEF STURGILL: Nothing to report.

SERVICE DIRECTOR SAMMONS: Congratulations to Parrish Mines.

FIRE CHIEF SUHY: During the first three Sundays in October, our fire department will be passing out smoke detector batteries and fire prevention information to the residents. More information will be provided in the upcoming October newsletter.

LAW DIRECTOR CHOJNACKI: Nothing to report.

CFO MERIWETHER: Nothing to report.

ADMIN. ASST. SCHOEFFLER TO THE MAYOR: Nothing to report.

ASST. BUILDING COMMISSIONER LABELLA: Ditto on the mayor's thoughts on Charlie Kirk.

VILLAGE ENGINEER SCIANO: Nothing to report.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE: None.

WHEREFORE, there is no further business before this council, Mr. Volek moved, seconded by Mr. Schoeffler that the council meeting be adjourned at 6:25 p.m. All voting aye, none opposed, motion approved.

Approved 

Mayor


Renato Contipelli (Oct 10, 2025 08:27:19 EDT)

Mayor and or President of Council

On September 10, 2025



Chief Fiscal Officer and Clerk of Council

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