

CITY OF BROADVIEW HEIGHTS REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

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January 10, 2022

The Council President Boldt called the **REGULAR COUNCIL** meeting to order at 8:01 p.m.

Mr. Stelmaschuk led the Pledge of Allegiance.

COUNCILORS PRESENT: Mr. Robert Boldt (Ward 4 Councilor, President)
Mr. Thomas Pavlica (Ward 1 Councilor)
Mr. Brian Wolf (Ward 2 Councilor)
Mr. George Stelmaschuk (Ward 3 Councilor, President Pro-Tem)
Mr. Glenn Goodwin (Councilor At-Large)
Mr. Joe Price (Councilor At-Large)
Ms. Jennifer Mahnic (Councilor At-Large)

OFFICER(S) PRESENT: Mr. Samuel J. Alai (Mayor)
Mr. Joe Grandinetti (Asst. Law Director)
Chief Jeffrey Hajek (Fire Chief)
Mr. Gary Yelenosky (City Engineer)
Mr. Joe Mandato (Chief Building Official)
Ms. Amanda Hutcheson (Parks & Recreation Director)
Chief Steven Raiff (Police Chief)
Mr. David Schroedel (Service Director)
Mrs. Kathy Parsson (Human Services Director)
Mr. Dave Pfaff (Finance Director)
Mrs. Helen Dunlap (Clerk of Council)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Boldt asked if there were any amendments to the minutes presented. Seeing none, the minutes are approved as submitted.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS AND OFFICIALS

Ms. Hutcheson stated that our new gymnasium floor is officially done and we will be back in business starting on Thursday. They have put it out on social media and it is on the website and they are also getting so much feedback. People are very excited to get back into that gym. The Recreation Board will be meeting on January 26th and basketball season is underway and next week they will be utilizing both gyms. They also have sold all of the turf and they are coming on Wednesday from southern Ohio to pick up the turf. We received just under \$10,000 for that.

Mr. Schroedel stated that he is sitting in on these committee meetings regarding the new fire station and Chief Hajek and he don't see eye to eye on everything because they are both opinionated on things but he

can tell you that keeping the costs in line is his number one priority. He looks through everything that the architects put forward with a fine tooth comb. Do we need it? Is it necessary? Can we do without it? He is being very responsible with the city's money. He is on the committee and it really hasn't gotten to his part yet.

Mr. Yelenosky stated that the storm sewer and water line for the Harris Road development should be installed by the end of the week.

Mr. Mandato stated that Ordinance 01-2022 is a Now or Never.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

Mayor Alai stated that it is now or never. (The recording shut off for a time at this point).

APPOINTMENTS AND CONFIRMATIONS

None this evening.

COMMUNICATIONS, CLAIMS AND PETITIONS

None this evening.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Mr. Price stated that the BZA met last week and there were a number of residential variances and all three were passed by unanimous vote.

Mr. Pavlica stated that there will be a Recreation Board meeting scheduled for January 26th at 5:30 p.m.

RESIDENT PARTICIPATION

None this evening.

RESOLUTIONS

Mr. Boldt presented Resolution 2022-01 for a first reading. Mr. Pavlica moved to suspend Council Rule; seconded by Mr. Wolf. Roll Call: Mr. Stelmaschuk, yes; Mr. Boldt, yes; Mr. Goodwin, yes; Mr. Wolf, yes; Mr. Price, yes; Mr. Pavlica, yes; Ms. Mahnic, yes. Motion passed. Clerk read once by title only. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF BROADVIEW HEIGHTS AND THE CLEVELAND CAVALIERS FOR THE 2021-2022 CITY OF BROADVIEW HEIGHTS JR. CAVS PARTNERSHIP IN THE CITY OF BROADVIEW HEIGHTS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Mr. Pavlica moved to adopt Resolution 2022-01 seconded by Mr. Wolf. Roll Call: Mr. Stelmaschuk, yes; Mr. Boldt, yes; Mr. Goodwin, yes; Mr. Wolf, yes; Mr. Price, yes; Mr. Pavlica, yes; Ms. Mahnic, yes. Resolution 2022-01 is adopted.

Mr. Boldt presented Resolution 2022-02 for a first reading. Mr. Wolf moved to suspend Council Rule; seconded by Mr. Stelmaschuk. Roll Call: Mr. Stelmaschuk, yes; Mr. Boldt, yes; Mr. Goodwin, yes; Mr. Wolf, yes; Mr. Price, yes; Mr. Pavlica, yes; Ms. Mahnic, yes. Motion passed. Clerk read once by title only. A

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO DISPOSE OF CERTAIN ITEMS NO LONGER NEEDED BY WAY OF INTERNET AUCTIONS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Mr. Wolf moved to adopt Resolution 2022-02 seconded by Mr. Stelmaschuk. Roll Call: Mr. Stelmaschuk, yes; Mr. Boldt, yes; Mr. Goodwin, yes; Mr. Wolf, yes; Mr. Price, yes; Mr. Pavlica, yes; Ms. Mahnic, yes. Resolution 2022-02 is adopted.

Mr. Boldt presented Resolution 2022-03 for a first reading. Mr. Wolf moved to suspend Council Rule; seconded by Mr. Stelmaschuk. Roll Call: Mr. Stelmaschuk, yes; Mr. Boldt, yes; Mr. Goodwin, yes; Mr. Wolf, yes; Mr. Price, yes; Mr. Pavlica, yes; Ms. Mahnic, yes. Motion passed. Clerk read once by title only. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF BROADVIEW HEIGHTS AND MONTROSE FORD INC. FOR POLICE VEHICLES IN THE CITY OF BROADVIEW HEIGHTS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Mr. Wolf moved to adopt Resolution 2022-03 seconded by Mr. Stelmaschuk. Roll Call: Mr. Stelmaschuk, yes; Mr. Boldt, yes; Mr. Goodwin, yes; Mr. Wolf, yes; Mr. Price, yes; Mr. Pavlica, yes; Ms. Mahnic, yes. Resolution 2022-03 is adopted.

Mr. Boldt presented Resolution 2022-04 for a first reading. Mr. Wolf moved to suspend Council Rule; seconded by Mr. Stelmaschuk. Roll Call: Mr. Stelmaschuk, yes; Mr. Boldt, yes; Mr. Goodwin, yes; Mr. Wolf, yes; Mr. Price, yes; Mr. Pavlica, yes; Ms. Mahnic, yes. Motion passed. Clerk read once by title only. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPLY FOR AN OHIO LAW ENFORCEMENT BODY ARMOR PROGRAM GRANT FROM THE OHIO ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE IN THE CITY OF BROADVIEW HEIGHTS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Mr. Wolf moved to adopt Resolution 2022-04 seconded by Mr. Stelmaschuk. Roll Call: Mr. Stelmaschuk, yes; Mr. Boldt, yes; Mr. Goodwin, yes; Mr. Wolf, yes; Mr. Price, yes; Mr. Pavlica, yes; Ms. Mahnic, yes. Resolution 2022-04 is adopted.

Mr. Boldt presented Resolution 2022-05 for a first reading. Mr. Stelmaschuk moved to suspend Council Rule; seconded by Mr. Price. Roll Call: Mr. Stelmaschuk, yes; Mr. Boldt, yes; Mr. Goodwin, yes; Mr. Wolf, yes; Mr. Price, yes; Mr. Pavlica, yes; Ms. Mahnic, yes. Motion passed. Clerk read once by title only. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPLY FOR A CUYAHOGA COUNTY SUPPLEMENTAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GRANT PROGRAM IN THE CITY OF BROADVIEW HEIGHTS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Mr. Stelmaschuk moved to adopt Resolution 2022-05 seconded by Mr. Wolf. Roll Call: Mr. Stelmaschuk, yes; Mr. Boldt, yes; Mr. Goodwin, yes; Mr. Wolf, yes; Mr. Price, yes; Mr. Pavlica, yes; Ms. Mahnic, yes. Resolution 2022-05 is adopted.

Mr. Boldt presented Resolution 2022-06 for a first reading. Mr. Wolf moved to suspend Council Rule; seconded by Mr. Pavlica. Roll Call: Mr. Stelmaschuk, yes; Mr. Boldt, yes; Mr. Goodwin, yes; Mr. Wolf, yes; Mr. Price, yes; Mr. Pavlica, yes; Ms. Mahnic, yes. Motion passed. Clerk read once by title only. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF BROADVIEW HEIGHTS AND MOTT MACDONALD FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE WEST ROYALTON ROAD RESURFACING PROJECT IN THE CITY OF BROADVIEW HEIGHTS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Mr. Wolf moved to adopt Resolution 2022-06 seconded by Mr. Pavlica. Roll Call: Mr. Stelmaschuk, yes; Mr. Boldt, yes; Mr. Goodwin, yes; Mr. Wolf, yes; Mr. Price, yes; Mr. Pavlica, yes; Ms. Mahnic, yes. Resolution 2022-06 is adopted.

Mr. Boldt presented Resolution 2022-07 for a first reading. Mr. Pavlica moved to suspend Council Rule; seconded by Mr. Stelmaschuk. Roll Call: Mr. Stelmaschuk, yes; Mr. Boldt, yes; Mr. Goodwin, yes; Mr. Wolf, yes; Mr. Price, yes; Mr. Pavlica, yes; Ms. Mahnic, yes. Motion passed. Clerk read once by title only. A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE FINAL PLAT FOR THE HARRIS PARK SUBDIVISION IN THE CITY OF BROADVIEW HEIGHTS SUBMITTED BY HARRIS PARK DEVELOPMENT, L.L.C. AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Mr. Pavlica moved to adopt Resolution 2022-07 seconded by Mr. Stelmaschuk. Roll Call: Mr. Stelmaschuk, yes; Mr. Boldt, yes; Mr. Goodwin, yes; Mr. Wolf, yes; Mr. Price, yes; Mr. Pavlica, yes; Ms. Mahnic, yes. Resolution 2022-07 is adopted.

ORDINANCES

Mr. Boldt presented Ordinance 68-2021 for a third reading. Clerk read once by title only. AN ORDINANCE OPTING OUT OF H.B. 172 AND BANNING THE DISCHARGE, IGNITION OR EXPLOSION OF FIREWORKS IN THE CITY OF BROADVIEW HEIGHTS, OHIO ("LACEY'S LAW") AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Mr. Wolf moved to adopt Ordinance 68-2021; seconded by Mr. Stelmaschuk. Roll Call: Mr. Stelmaschuk, yes; Mr. Boldt, yes; Mr. Goodwin, yes; Mr. Wolf, yes; Mr. Price, yes; Mr. Pavlica, yes; Ms. Mahnic, yes. Ordinance 68-2021 is adopted.

Mr. Boldt presented Ordinance 01-2022 for a first reading. Mr. Stelmaschuk moved to suspend Council Rule; seconded by Mr. Pavlica. Roll Call: Mr. Stelmaschuk, yes; Mr. Boldt, yes; Mr. Goodwin, no; Mr. Wolf, yes; Mr. Price, no; Mr. Pavlica, yes; Ms. Mahnic, yes. Motion passed. Clerk read once by title only. AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION TO THE ELECTORATE OF AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE XI, SECTION 2 OF THE BROADVIEW HEIGHTS CHARTER PROVIDING THAT THE 4.2 MILLS LIMIT ON THE LEVY TO FUND FULL-TIME FIRE AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL BE CHANGED TO A RATE NOT TO EXCEED 5.8 MILLS FOR EACH ONE DOLLAR OF VALUATION ON ALL PROPERTY, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Mr. Price moved to amend Ordinance 01-2022 to read after the word ELECTORATE to add IN THE NOVEMBER GENERAL ELECTION; there was no second. Mr. Stelmaschuk moved to adopt Ordinance 01-2022; seconded by Mr. Pavlica. Roll Call: Mr. Stelmaschuk, yes; Mr. Boldt, yes; Mr. Goodwin, no; Mr. Wolf, yes; Mr. Price, no; Mr. Pavlica, yes; Ms. Mahnic, yes. Ordinance 01-2022 is adopted.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION

Mr. Wolf stated that he received Happy Birthday wishes for the Mayor from Savannah, Georgia.

Mr. Price stated to the Mayor that although they may disagree at times, he does appreciate his comments. He does want to make a comment in regards to and he is glad that the city will be seeking federal funds but as you are quite aware we are in fiscal year 2023 now and 2024 with federal funds and sometimes there are time constraints on when those money's can be actually used so he wishes the Mayor the best and he hopes that he is wrong and that we can find more funding and lower the burden of the taxpayers.

Mr. Goodwin stated nothing really. He just wants to make it clear, he doesn't feel like this proposal itself should go before the voters and that is why his vote was no today on this whole thing. He thinks that voters

have to respect, he certainly respects everybody's comments that they made tonight here on this issue but when the voters go to vote they kind of take it that if council is 100% for something like that he thinks that they tend if they are happy with the city they tend to go along with that and he thinks that we would be, they would be getting less if they thought that, certainly he would feel that this is the proposal they should be voting on today but he hopes to get them something to vote on potentially in the future that the city could use.

Mayor Alai stated that Charter Review is going to convene this year so Ward Councilmen start thinking about your picks for that. Also he wishes the Georgia Bulldogs all the best tonight in the National Championship.

Mayor Alai asked Rich and Jodi Seminsky to come forward. He has a copy of "Lacey's Law" for them. The beautiful thing is that we still get to do good things in Lacey's name. He wants to thank them as well for all that they have done. On behalf of himself, the staff and all of council, we are really happy to do something in her memory.

Mr. and Mrs. Seminsky thanked the Mayor, Council and the administration.

Mrs. Seminsky stated that what this means to them, but not only this, what it means to this community that you don't have to worry. She doesn't have to worry about her grandchildren being out in somebodies yard and arrant fireworks going off. It is bad enough every year sitting at their house, pillows over their ears. We are not going to stop it. They know that. That is something that is never going to happen because there is too much money involved, but they would like to say that if she is sitting in her yard, they actually and this is not a good thing had a friend that blew off fireworks and blew himself up. It was in Lakewood and it was a couple of years ago. He blew his arm off. He was drinking. This is what happens. You are not going to stop that. You give them this free for all and it is going to be worse. It is going to be war zones. She thanks God that the community we live in accepts this and they are just so happy that they are feeling safer. She knows that a lot of the policemen don't like it. A lot of the firemen don't like it. It is just always in the wrong hands. All of this stuff comes from China and they are just not regulated so when people buy all of this stuff they are not regulated. That is where a lot of accidents happen. A lot of accidents happen with kids blowing them off and drinking and then you are going to do these on all of these holidays with doing them on twelve different holidays. She doesn't get it. They are not going to just stick to the little fireworks that they are supposed to. If we can at least keep our city safe then this is a good thing. They thank everyone so much for this.

COUNCIL OPEN TO THE RESIDENTS

None this evening.

ADJOURN

Mr. Boldt stated this meeting is adjourned.

The meeting adjourned at 8:22 p.m.



CLERK OF COUNCIL, HELEN DUNLAP



PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL, ROBERT BOLDT