

**City of Broadview Heights
Work Session Meeting Minutes
April 20, 2020**

Mr. Boldt called the **WORK SESSION** to order at 7:35 p.m.

Mr. Pavlica led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Robert A. 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 R. Goodwin (Councilor At-Large)
Mr. Joe Price (Councilor At-Large)

MEMBERS ABSENT: Ms. Jennifer A. Mahnic (Councilor At-Large)

OFFICER(S) PRESENT: Mr. Samuel J. Alai (Mayor)
Mr. Vince Ruffa (Law Director)
Lt. Steven Raiff (Police Lieutenant)
Chief Jeffrey Hajek (Fire Chief)
Mr. Joe Mandato (Chief Building Official)
Mrs. Helen Dunlap (Clerk of Council)

OFFICER(S) ABSENT: Mrs. Amy Jo Washabaugh (Human Service Director)
Mrs. Paula Horner (Parks & Recreation Director)
Mr. Gary Yelenosky (City Engineer)
Ms. Kristina Sorensen (Economic Development Director)
Mr. Dave Pfaff (Finance Director)
Mr. David Schroedel (Service Director)

1. Discussion from Council. Mr. Boldt

a. **Donation to North Royalton Class of 2020 Scholarship Fund**

b. **Donation to Brecksville-Broadview Heights Class of 2020 Scholarship Fund**

Mr. Boldt stated that that this is the annual donation to both school systems for scholarships from the proceeds of the 2019 Broadview Heights Home Days.

Mr. Stelmaschuk stated that he hasn't had a chance to talk to Mr. Pfaff or the Mayor on how we are doing financially. Is this something that they should consider prior to the donation.

Mayor Alai stated that we are going to have problems financially. The funds for this particular fund that was generated for them from Home Days and the funds are there.

2. Discussion from the Engineering Department. Mr. Yelenosky

a. Agreement with Seven Hills for Sprague Road Resurfacing

Mr. Boldt asked in Mr. Yelenosky's absence if council had any questions.

Mr. Stelmaschuk stated that he thinks that they discussed that on numerous occasions.

Mr. Boldt stated that he did not see any emails since the last time that they talked. There was going to be an email if anybody had any questions on this.

b. 2020-2021 Road Program Agreement with Specialized Construction.

Mayor Alai stated that any questions that council would have that the Department Heads were ready and are ready to answer any questions. As for the Road Program, you have seen the list of roads that are on the Road Program and again because of what is going on in the world we may be looking at scaling back what we have in the Road Program. We will ask council to vote on the Road Program tonight as it sits but they may cut back as we go through it. We will let the Engineer and Service Director determine what streets can and cannot be done. Again, he foresees us getting a good substantial bit of that done but we may need to cut back on some of those things at some point. He just wanted to be honest about that.

Mr. Boldt asked if the roads were bid on as a whole. He asked if the Mayor has a breakdown of each street and the cost.

Mayor Alai stated that he believes that they do to some extent but exactly what each street and how we can pick and choose, he thinks that is something for a committee meeting or later on.

Mr. Boldt stated that he is good with what is presented and he just wanted to know the breakdown if they need to make cuts down the road.

Mayor Alai stated that he doesn't have those in front of him but that has been a discussion over the last couple of weeks wondering how income tax projections will come in and as we all know that they are not going to come in favorably that is for sure. We can have that discussion at a later time but for now he would just ask that they approve the overall Road Program and if they can get it all done they absolutely will. It is their intention to get it all done.

Mr. Boldt asked if the city is going for the small business loan on the second go around.

Mayor Alai stated that they are going for everything and anything when it is available to us.

Mr. Stelmaschuk stated that he sent Mr. Yelenosky an email and he hasn't responded yet but he noticed that Amelia Drive which is in very poor condition was overlooked on the Road Program. He is going to be discussing it with him.

Mayor Alai stated that he can answer that. They talked about that today. He didn't get a chance to get back to him and he apologizes but they did discuss this, Mr. Yelenosky, Mr. Schroedel and himself. Amelia Drive is in need of some help there is no doubt, however it is just a small street and what they would like to do is

in a year or two as things get better include all of Falls Lane, Lydia and Amelia and have all of those done at once in the next year or two.

Mr. Stelmaschuk stated that he is good with that. He just wanted to make sure.

Mayor Alai stated that they did address that at their staff meeting that they had today about that.

Mr. Price asked if this is for 2020-2021.

Mayor Alai stated correct.

Mr. Price stated then it is a 2-year number and that is why it is what it is.

Mr. Boldt stated that he just received a text that there are reporters that are unable to enter the building so someone is going to remedy the situation. Residents are here already.

The time was 7:38 p.m.

Mayor Alai stated that just for casual talk a gentleman asked about W. Royalton and that is part of a grant and tonight you will see Seven Hills and it is \$800,000 for the Seven Hills Sprague Road but that is another 90% that they are going to have to pay where we have to front the money unfortunately because it is a pretty tough time to front the money but the ones that are grants we will get totally reimbursed. The work payment is coming in from taxes.

Mr. Boldt stated that Council apologizes for the confusion. The time was 7:41 p.m. They did start the meeting at 7:35 p.m. and they went over the donation to both school districts and those funds are already available from last year's summer Home Days so we can proceed in giving those out. Then they talked about the agreement with the Seven Hills Sprague Road Resurfacing project where there were no questions so they will put that to a vote this evening. They moved on to the Road Program and the Mayor presented that the program is targeted for the streets listed on the map that was distributed but depending on how long this lasts we may have to curtail it. He asked for a breakdown per street so that they could discuss if they needed to minimize some of the expenses and they could then discuss it street by street. Mr. Stelmaschuk asked about Amelia and why it wasn't on the Road Program and the Mayor explained that next year or the year after he is looking to do three streets all in that area so that we could do it all at one time. That brings the reporters current to where we are at in the meeting.

c. Sale of 1803 W. Royalton Road

Mr. Boldt stated that he does believe that we have all the paperwork for that.

Mr. Ruffa stated that the original contract fell through and we would like to enter into a new agreement with one of the back-up offers.

Mr. Boldt stated that he was outside with this conversation with Mr. Yelenosky, the Mayor and himself so he is familiar with it. He just wanted to make sure that all of council is.

Mr. Pavlica stated that he also spoke with Mr. Yelenosky about it.

d. Falls Lane Storm Sewer

Mr. Stelmaschuk stated that he spoke with Mr. Yelenosky before the meeting and this is a drainage system that is collapsing. It is old and it needs to be replaced. He sees since they talked he has a bid from Rudzik which is attached to the agenda tonight to vote on so they came in for less money than the other bids that he had and it is for a 48" replacement pipe. It looks like the city is going to buy the materials and Rudzik is going to do the excavating and work.

Mr. Pavlica stated that he also talked to Mr. Yelenosky and he wondered why he was going with such a large pipe and he said that he is planning on using it also as a retainer during heavy rains of the water.

e. Broadview Road Storm Sewer Improvements

Mr. Boldt stated that with no comments or questions they will have legislation at the Council Meeting following this Work Session.

3. Discussion from the Fire Department. Chief Hajek**a. Accepting a 2019 Fire Department Training Grant.**

Chief Hajek stated that it is training that every one of their full-time firefighters is sent to Inspector School. Some cities have an inspection division in their Fire Departments where 3-4 firefighters do inspections and we have every full-time firefighter in Broadview Heights that does inspections so we have a grant to send our newest firefighter to Inspector School.

b. Accepting a donation

Chief Hajek stated that they had Paul & Susan Zakriski donate \$100 to the Fire Department.

4. Discussion from the Economic Development Department. Ms. Sorensen**a. Accepting a Community Development Supplemental Grant from Cuyahoga County for Improved Wayfinding & Signage.**

Mr. Boldt stated with no question and this being self-explanatory they will put that on the agenda for a vote.

5. Discussion from the Police Department. Lt. Raiff**a. Agreement with CARFAX.**

Chief Raiff stated that this is a service with CARFAX and there is no cost to the city. It is just another investigative tool that the detectives use by cross-referencing license plates.

b. Resolution of Appreciation to Michael Vizer

This is for Chief Vizer for his 32 ½ years of service to the Police Department.

6. Discussion from the Service Department. Mr. Schroedel

a. **Agreement with Kokosing Materials, Inc. for purchase of Asphalt Materials.**

Mr. Stelmaschuk stated that this is an annual thing.

b. **Agreement with Garland/DBS, Inc. for Roofing Materials and Services for the fitness center roof.**

Mr. Pavlica stated that this is for the existing building and not the new one.

Mayor Alai stated that this is the roof over the old pool.

c. **Buyanski Bros. purchases**

Mr. Boldt stated that this is the pricing for 2020 and with no questions this will have legislation for a vote.

ADD-ON

Mr. Boldt stated that it is for the "One Community Resolution"

Mayor Alai stated that tonight he is asking Council to approve the Resolution for Broadview Heights to become a "One Community". You know him, he has been around for long enough and he doesn't like feel good legislation but he really believes that it is time for some feel good legislation and what he is talking about is if you read the Resolution that is before you for tonight's vote is, because of what is going on in this world and the things that are happening we could really use some good news because all you see is bad news on the TV 24/7 so what we want to do is become a "One Community" that is "One with the World, One with the Nation, One with the Community, One with Another" meaning we celebrate the small things like the lady who made the masks tonight for Mrs. Dunlap to Bill and Melinda Gates shipping things on their 747 private plane and all the people in the middle like the kids that stand out and do the Pledge of Allegiance every morning to a Broadview Heights business owner who lives in Broadview Heights and owns a business in another community providing food for all the employees that are working at the city one day last week. That is what we want to do, we want to celebrate these things and the good things that are coming out of this virus because all that you hear is the bad things. He asks that we become the very first "One Community" in the world.

COUNCIL OPEN TO THE RESIDENTS

None this evening.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION

Mr. Pavlica stated that he just wanted to thank the Mayor for his weekly messages and what he and Ms. Sorensen did regarding what she did for small businesses online.

Mr. Goodwin hopes we get through this crisis and become stronger on the other side.

Mr. Boldt stated that with everyone staying at home and cooking at home, don't forget our businesses and go out and pick something up.

Mr. Stelmaschuk congratulated Chief Raiff on his appointment and he is a great person or this position. He also congratulated a Ward 3 resident on their 60th Wedding Anniversary. It was featured on the News with cars driving by and honking.

ADJOURN

Mr. Boldt stated that with no further business to come before Council, this meeting is adjourned.

The time was 7:55 p.m.



HELEN DUNLAP, CLERK OF COUNCIL



ROBERT BOLDT, PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL