

# CUYAHOGA FALLS CITY COUNCIL

## Minutes of the Council Meeting

September 23, 2019

- Call to Order:** Ms. Nichols-Rhodes at 6:30 p.m.
- Roll Call:** Mr. Brillhart, present; Mr. Gorbach, present; Mr. Iona, present; Mr. Iula, present; Mr. James, present; Mr. Miller, present; Ms. Nichols-Rhodes, present; Mr. Pallotta, present; Ms. Penta, present; Mrs. Pyke, present; Mr. Reilly, present.
- Invocation:** Mr. Brillhart
- Pledge of Allegiance:** Mr. James
- Approval of Minutes:** The minutes of the September 9, 2019 Council meeting and Committee-of-the-Whole meeting were approved as written.
- Reports and Communications:** A letter from the Mr. Doug Piekarz, President and Chief Executive Office, Akron Zoo, regarding The State of the Zoo at the Akron Zoo event on October 3, 2019, 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.
- A copy of a letter from Mr. Donal R. Scriber addressed to the Regional Income Tax Agency regarding his Municipal Tax account.
- A Fiscal Officer's Certificate dated 9-13-19 regarding Graham Road Water Lines, and signed by Mr. Bryan Hoffman, Finance Director.
- A Fiscal Officer's Certificate dated 9-13-19 regarding the Fire Station, and signed by Mr. Bryan Hoffman, Finance Director.
- A Fiscal Officer's Certificate dated 9-13-19 regarding Public Infrastructure Improvements, and signed by Mr. Bryan Hoffman, Finance Director.

### New Legislation

(First Reading)

#### **Temp. Ord. B-65 (Planning & Zoning)\***

An ordinance approving a zoning map amendment for 1301 Sackett Avenue (Parcels 02-11539 and 02-11538), from MU2-Neighborhood Center to R5-Mixed Density Residential as more fully described and depicted herein, and declaring an emergency.

**\*Public Hearing 11-4-19**

**Temp. Res. B-66 (Finance)**

A resolution accepting the amounts and rates of taxation as certified by the Summit County Budget Commission, authorizing the necessary tax levies, certifying such authorization to the County Fiscal Officer, and declaring an emergency.

**Temp. Ord. B-67 (Finance)**

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Finance to enter into a contract or contracts, without competitive bidding, with Wichert Insurance Services, Inc. for the professional services necessary to manage the City’s risk management and insurance program and for the purchase of public entity insurance coverages, and declaring an emergency.

**Temp. Ord. B-68 (Finance)**

An ordinance providing for the issuance and sale of Notes in the maximum principal amount of \$1,200,000, in anticipation of the issuance of Bonds, for the purpose of paying the costs of improving various municipal public infrastructure projects in the proposed Woodlands Subdivision including Sourek Trail, Sand Hill Drive, Kubic Drive, West Woodland Drive, East Woodland Drive and South Woodland Drive between certain termini, and declaring an emergency.

**Temp. Ord. B-69 (Finance)**

An ordinance providing for the issuance and sale of Notes in the maximum principal amount of \$1,600,000, in anticipation of the issuance of Bonds, for the purpose of paying the costs of constructing waterlines in Graham Road, together with all appurtenances thereto, and declaring an emergency.

**Temp. Ord. B-70 (Finance)**

An ordinance providing for the issuance and sale of Notes in the maximum principal amount of \$4,000,000, in anticipation of the issuance of Bonds, for the purpose of paying the costs of improving the City’s public safety facilities by acquiring, constructing, reconstructing, renovating, improving, furnishing and equipping a new fire station and providing for the demolition, renovation and remodeling of the existing facilities, together with all necessary and related appurtenances thereto, and declaring an emergency.

**Reports of Council’s Standing Committees**

(Third Reading)

**Planning & Zoning**

No Report.

**Finance & Appropriations:**

**Temp. Ord. B-56**

An ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into an Economic Development and Lease Agreement with Summit County Developmental Disabilities Board; authorizing the Mayor to enter into an Assignment and Assumption of Contracts and/or Leases with 701 Properties, LLC and FZ Properties, LLC to secure adjacent parcels to be used for additional parking; increasing appropriations in the Capital Projects Fund and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Gorbach stated that Ms. Diana Colavecchio, Community Development Director, sent an e-mail to all of Council with two new assignment and assumption agreements that were to replace those that Council received prior. Those were also placed at Councils' seats this evening. Mr. Gorbach thank the members of the Summit DD Board who were in the audience. He stated that it was a pleasure to hear about what wonderful work they do at their organization. Council is very excited to have them in the City of Cuyahoga Falls. Again, the economic impact is \$15 million to the area from this move. There are very exciting things happening in Cuyahoga Falls, and they look forward to Summit DD Board being part of it.

Mr. Gorbach moved to adopt Temp. Ord. B-56, second by Mr. James. Motion passed, voice vote (11-0).

**Public & Industrial Improvements:**

**Temp. Ord. B-57**

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to enter into a Cooperative Agreement with the City of Stow, Ohio, to share the cost of engineering and construction for the Stow-Silver Lake-Cuyahoga Falls Bike Connector, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. James moved to adopt Temp. Ord. B-57, second by Mr. Iula. Motion passed, voice vote (11-0).

**Temp. Ord. B-58**

An ordinance authorizing the Parks and Recreation Board to enter into a contract or contracts, according to law, with Brandstetter Carroll, Inc. as planning and design consultants to facilitate the Parks and Recreation Continuous Improvement Master Plan, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. James moved to adopt Temp. Ord. B-58, second by Ms. Penta. Motion passed, voice vote (11-0).

**Temp. Res. B-59**

A resolution consenting to the inspection of municipal bridges within the City of Cuyahoga Falls, by the State of Ohio, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. James moved to adopt Temp. Ord. B-59, second by Mr. Iula. Motion passed, voice vote (11-0).

**Temp. Ord. B-60**

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to apply for Federal Surface Transportation Block Grant (STGB) funds programmed by the Akron Metropolitan Area Transportation Study (AMATS), for the resurfacing of West Steels Corners Road Phase II, between Northampton Road and Akron-Peninsula Road, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. James moved to adopt Temp. Ord. B-60, second by Ms. Penta. Motion passed, voice vote (11-0).

**Temp. Ord. B-61**

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to apply for Federal Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) funds programmed by the Akron Metropolitan Area Transportation Study (AMATS) to improve the State Road Phase II Corridor, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. James moved to adopt Temp. Ord. B-61, second by Mr. Iula. Motion passed, voice vote (11-0).

**Temp. Ord. B-62**

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to apply for and accept financial assistance in the form of a grant from the Federal Congestion Mitigation/Air Quality Funds programmed by the Akron Metropolitan Area Transportation Study (AMATS) for the improvement of Portage Trail Extension West from State Road to Albertson Parkway, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. James moved to adopt Temp. Ord. B-62, second by Ms. Penta. Motion passed, voice vote (11-0).

**Public Affairs:**

**Temp. Res. B-63**

A resolution expressing support for and urging passage of Issue 6, the Cuyahoga Falls City School District Levy, at the General Election to be held on November 5, 2019, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Reilly thanked the school district for coming out and presenting last week. He reminded everyone that there's an informational session on the bond issue tomorrow, September 24th, at 6:30, at the Cuyahoga Falls High School auditorium.

Mr. Reilly moved to adopt Temp. Ord. B-63, second by Mr. Pallotta. Motion passed, voice vote (11-0).

**Temp. Ord. B-64**

An ordinance creating two positions in the Department of Information Services and abolishing the position of Web Developer in the Department of Information Services and amending Exhibit "A" of Ordinance 116-2018, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Reilly moved to adopt Temp. Ord. B-56, second by Mr. Brillhart. Motion passed, voice vote (11-0).

**Community Development:**

No Report.

**Schedule of Committee Meetings**

Planning & Zoning:	Subject to Call
Finance:	October 7, 2019, 6:35 p.m.
Public Improvements:	Subject to Call.
Public Affairs:	Subject to Call.
Community Development:	Subject to Call.

**Miscellaneous Business**

Ms. Rochelle Sibbio, Habitat for Humanity, addressed Council regarding homes built in Cuyahoga Falls and upcoming projects.

Mr. James moved to adjourn, second by Mr. Iula. Motion passed, voice vote (11-0). Meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

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Mary Nichols-Rhodes, Council President

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Dana M. Capriulo, Clerk of Council