

Cuyahoga Falls City Council
Minutes of the Committee-of-the-Whole
January 22, 2018

h Members: Ms. Nichols-Rhodes, Chair
Mr. Brillhart
Mr. Gorbach
Mr. Iona
Mr. Iula
Mr. James
Mr. Miller
Mr. Pallotta
Mr. Colavecchio
Mrs. Pyke
Mr. Reilly

Ms. Nichols-Rhodes called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m. All members were present.

Discussion:

Mayor Walters stated that he has six appointments to present to Council for their confirmation. Some are reappointments, and they are not present. They have been previously confirmed, and their information has already been given. The first is the Civil Service Commission. This is to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Gorbach. Mayor Walters asked for the appointment of Julie Cooper to the Civil Service Commission and stated that she was present to answer any questions. She's a 25-year resident of Cuyahoga Falls, lives in the Woodridge District and was a substitute teacher for Woodridge.

Mayor Walters stated that his next appointment is to the Cuyahoga Falls Library Board is Mr. Wes Johnston. He does a wonderful job. He is a reappointment, as well, and his new term would expire 12/31/2020. He is here tonight to answer any questions. Mr. Johnston stated that the Library has a new director, who has really kind of shaken up the library. The library is going to offer more digital programs and have hired two people to do that. They are also trying to figure out a fit with the schools. They are also talking about expanding a little bit, and maybe having a storefront library somewhere on Portage Trail. Their goal is to be more accessible and have younger people start using the library. Mr. Johnston invited everyone to join the library if they have not already. Mr. Gorbach commended Mr. Johnston and the Library Board for the great job they do.

Mayor Walters stated that there are three vacancies on the Planning Commission. Stacy Walter is a reappointment, filling the unexpired term of Mr. Milosovic, which ends 12/31/18. Louise Mazer is a reappointment. She is already on Planning Commission. Her new term will expire 12/31/23. Sandy Locascio was serving on Zoning Appeals and doing a phenomenal job. She has been a resident for quite a long time and very involved in the city. She has offered to move up to Planning Commission. Her term will expire 12/31/23.

Mr. Iona stated that he has had the pleasure of knowing Sandy and her husband for years. Sandy is an excellent volunteer. She puts her heart and soul in whatever she does. He serves on a committee with her on the Board of Realtors. She's a role model and great mentor. Ms. Locascio stated that she looks forward to serving on the Planning Commission. She has a high level of interest, so it will be fun.

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Mayor Walters stated that his last appointment this evening is the Summit County Board of Health. This is a reappointment, as well. Dr. Kristine Gill is the appointee and has been serving on that board for quite some point of time. Her new term will expire on 12/31/21. Mayor Walters respectfully asked Council for their confirmation of these appointments.

Mr. James moved to approve the Mayor's appointments, second by Mr. Iula. Motion passed (11-0).

Meeting adjourned at 6:41 p.m.