

# CUYAHOGA FALLS CITY COUNCIL

## Minutes of the Council Meeting

March 12, 2018

- Call to Order:** Ms. Nichols-Rhodes at 6:30 p.m.
- Roll Call:** Mr. Brillhart, present; Mr. Colavecchio, present; Mr. Gorbach, present; Mr. Iona, present; Mr. Iula, present; Mr. James, present; Mr. Miller, present; Ms. Nichols-Rhodes, present; Mr. Pallotta, present; Mrs. Pyke present; Mr. Reilly, present.
- Invocation:** Mr. Brillhart
- Pledge of Allegiance:** Mr. Iula
- Approval of Minutes:** The minutes of the February 12, 2018, February 26, 2018 and March 5, 2018 Council meetings and the February 12, 2018 Committee-of-the-Whole meeting were approved as written.
- Reports and Communications:** A Notice from the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency regarding a Final Issuance of Modification of a Section 401 Water Quality Certification, Scannel Properties, Twinsburg, Ohio.

Ms. Nichols-Rhodes stated that tonight's meeting will begin with Mayor Walters giving a presentation to the Falls Cancer Club. Mayor Walters thanked Council for allowing him to present this at the Council meeting. This is the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Falls Cancer Club. For that long, they have been helping local cancer survivors in the city with numerous fundraisers that they have each year. They help with medication, doctor bills and even some medical equipment for those that need it. This Friday, at 7 p.m., is a very large fundraiser they have, the Police versus Fire basketball game, at the Cuyahoga Falls High School gymnasium. The dollars stay locally. Unfortunately, there's always going to be a need. Mayor Walters stated that this group does amazing things. Mayor Walters presented Ms. Cozy Richard, President of the Falls Cancer Club, with an Honorary Boulevard sign for their organization to proudly hang wherever they see fit.

Ms. Richard thanked Mayor Walters. She stated that the Falls Cancer Club has their meetings at a church on Chestnut Boulevard once a month. Anyone that would like to be a member is welcome to join. It is an all-volunteer organization. They have over 78 patients right now. They pay the co-payment for each one of those patients for their doctors, hospitals and CAT scans. They have an account set up at Klein's Pharmacy that gives them \$400 worth of free prescription drugs that they will not have to pay for. If they bring a prescription into Klein's, and they're a patient of the club, the club pays \$400 and they pay whatever the balance is after that. Each patient is assigned a visitor who contacts their patient once a month to see if they need any help, any kind of facility, someone to talk to, or whatever else they can do for them. It is a very rewarding club. Ms. Nichols-Rhodes asked all the members of the Falls Cancer Club who were present to stand, so they could be recognized.

**New Legislation**  
(First Reading)

**Temp. Ord. A-24 (Planning & Zoning)**

An ordinance accepting the Planning Commission approval, findings and conditions of the site plan for 169 personal storage units at 310 E. Tallmadge Road (Parcel 02-19506), and declaring an emergency.

**Temp. Ord. A-25 (Planning & Zoning)**

An ordinance authorizing and approving the Preliminary Subdivision Plat (Section 1113.03) for Woodlands Villas/Esplanade Subdivision on Parcels 35-03248, 35-03246 and 35-06575, and declaring an emergency.

**Temp. Ord. A-26 (Finance)**

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Safety to enter into a contract or contracts, according to law, for the purchase of turnout gear for use by the Fire Department, and declaring an emergency.

**Temp. Ord. A-27 (Finance)**

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to enter into an energy purchase agreement known as the “2026-2028 Fixed Volume Energy Supply Schedule” with American Municipal Power, Inc., and declaring an emergency.

**Temp. Ord. A-28 (Finance)**

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Law to enter into a contract or contracts, without competitive bidding, with Roetzel & Andress, LPA for legal services related to Johnson Controls, Inc., and declaring an emergency.

**Temp. Ord. A-29 (Public Affairs)**

An ordinance approving the application of Daniel Michael Lynch, Trustee, as owner of certain real property located at 643/653 West Steels Corners Road (Parcel Nos. 35-00045, 35-05391 and 35-05392), to place said property into an agricultural district pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Chapter 929, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. James moved to dissolve into Executive Session to discuss imminent litigation with legal counsel, second by Mr. Gorbach. Roll Call: Mr. Brillhart, Yes; Mr. Colavecchio, Yes; Mr. Gorbach, Yes; Mr. Iona, Yes; Mr. Iula, Yes; Mr. James, Yes; Mr. Miller, Yes; Ms. Nichols-Rhodes, Yes; Mr. Pallotta, Yes; Mrs. Pyke, Yes; Mr. Reilly, Yes. Motion passes, 11-0. Council dissolved into Executive Session at 6:41 p.m.

Mr. James moved to dissolve out of Executive Session; second by Mr. Gorbach. Roll Call: Mr. Brillhart, Yes; Mr. Colavecchio, Yes; Mr. Gorbach, Yes; Mr. Iona, Yes; Mr. Iula, Yes; Mr. James,

Yes; Mr. Miller, Yes; Ms. Nichols-Rhodes, Yes; Mr. Pallotta, Yes; Mrs. Pyke, Yes; Mr. Reilly, Yes. Motion passes, 11-0. Council dissolved out of Executive Session at 7:23 p.m.

**Reports of Council's Standing Committees**

(Third Reading)

**Planning & Zoning**

No Report.

**Finance & Appropriations:**

**Temp. Ord. A-19**

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to execute a modification of Contract No. 7495 with Nathan Contracting, LP, for repairs to the Green Parking Deck, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Gorbach moved to adopt Temp. Ord. A-19, second by Mrs. Pyke. Motion passed, voice vote (11-0).

**Temp. Ord. A-23**

An ordinance authorizing the director of law to enter into a contract or contracts, without competitive bidding, with Benesch Friedlander Coplan and Aronoff, LLP for legal services related to labor negotiations, disciplines, resolving contract disputes through mediation, arbitration or conciliation, or any other matter related to labor employment matters or collective bargaining, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Gorbach moved to adopt Temp. Ord. A-23, second by Mrs. Pyke. Motion passed, voice vote (11-0).

**Public & Industrial Improvements:**

**Temp. Ord. A-21**

An ordinance authorizing the Mayor, as Director of Public Safety, to enter into a contract or contracts, according to law, with David Pelligra & Architects, Inc., for architectural design services for the Cuyahoga Falls Law Enforcement Training Center, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. James moved to adopt Temp. Ord. A-21, second by Mr. Iula. Motion passed, voice vote (11-0).

**Public Affairs:**

**Temp. Ord. A-22**

An ordinance creating the position Member Relations Supervisor in the department of Parks and Recreation, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Brillhart moved to adopt Temp. Ord. A-22, second by Mr. Reilly. Motion passed, voice vote (10-1).

**Community Development:**

No Report.

**Schedule of Committee Meetings**

Planning & Zoning:	March 19, 2018, 6:30 p.m.
Finance:	March 19, 2018, 6:31 p.m.
Public Improvements:	Subject to Call.
Public Affairs:	March 19, 2018, 6:35 p.m.
Community Development:	Subject to Call.
Special Committee:	March 19, 2018, 6:45 p.m.

**Miscellaneous Business**

Ms. Nichols-Rhodes stated that she, along with some of the other Council members, was present at the Community Forum Related to Student Safety on Thursday night. She wanted to say that Cuyahoga Falls is a lucky community to have the people they do working on behalf of all the residents. They addressed a multitude of tough questions and ideas from the public in reaction to the school shooting that recently occurred. People are concerned. The safety forces work with the schools and with City Hall. For years, people have worked together to make sure that kids are safe. She was amazed by all the information that she learned. Police officers are in the schools all the time. In addition to the school resource officer, who spends their time at the school every day, 21 schools received more than 220 visits last year of officers visiting the schools. They work on the communication with the schools and the officers and the teachers. Ms. Nichols-Rhodes stated that she wanted to thank Mayor Walters and the other representatives that were at the meeting, Chief Davis, Chief Moledor, Officer Dennis, Perry Tabak, Silver Lake Mayor Hovey and Police Chief Conley. It was a wonderful presentation. She stated she wants to assure everyone that couldn't be there that they are in good hands.

Mr. James moved to adjourn, second by Mr. Iula. Motion passed, voice vote (11-0). Meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

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Mary Nichols-Rhodes, Council President

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Dana M. Capriulo, Clerk of Council