

## CUYAHOGA FALLS CITY COUNCIL

### Minutes of the Council Meeting

January 23, 2012

- Call to Order: Mr. Ihasz at 6:30 p.m.
- Roll Call: Mrs. Colavecchio, present; Mr. Walters, present; Mr. James, present; Mr. Rubino, present; Mrs. Snyder, present; Mrs. Klinger, present; Mrs. Pyke, present; Mr. Mader, present; Mr. Barnhart, present; Mr. Iula, present, Mr. Ihasz, present.
- Invocation: Mrs. Snyder
- Pledge of Allegiance: Mr. James
- Approval of Minutes: The minutes from the January 9, 2012 regular Council meeting were approved as submitted.
- Reports and Communications: A letter dated January 19, 2012 from Mayor Robart to City Council regarding his appointments to various Boards and Commissions.
- Mr. Ihasz appointed a Special Committee consisting of Mr. Walters, as Chair, Mr. Rubino, and Mr. Barnhart to review the Mayor's appointments.

#### New Legislation (First Reading)

##### **Temp. Ord. A-5 (Finance)**

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to enter into a contract or contracts, according to law, for the purchase of certain materials, supplies, and equipment for use by the Electric Division during 2012, and declaring an emergency.

##### **Temp. Ord. A-6 (Finance)**

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to enter into a contract or contracts, according to law, for concrete and masonry repairs to the City-owned parking garage located at 2035 Old Town Loop and known as the "Blue" Parking Deck, and declaring an emergency.

##### **Temp. Ord. A-7 (Finance)**

An ordinance amending Sections 921.01, 921.02 921.03 and 921.06 of Title Five, Part Nine of the Codified Ordinances, relating to utility accounts and customer deposits, and declaring an emergency.

##### **Temp. Res. A-8 (Public Affairs)**

A resolution expressing support for and urging passage of Issue 10, the Woodridge Local School District tax levy, at the primary election to be held on March 6, 2012, and declaring an emergency.

Council recessed into a Special Committee meeting at 6:33 p.m. and reconvened at 6:37 p.m.

**Reports of Council's Special Committees**

Mr. Walters moved to approve the Mayor's appointments, second by Mr. Barnhart. Motion passed, voice vote (11-0).

**Reports of Council's Standing Committees**  
(Third Reading)

**Planning & Zoning**

No report.

**Finance & Appropriations:**

No report.

**Public & Industrial Improvements:**

**Temp. Res. A-1**

A resolution declaring the necessity of and intention to appropriate certain interests in real property necessary for the improvement of State Road between Graham Road and Steels Corners Road, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. James moved to adopt Temp. Res. A-1, second by Mrs. Colavecchio. Motion passed, voice vote (11-0).

**Temp. Ord. A-2**

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to enter into a contract and/or contracts without competitive bidding with Kenmore Construction Co., Inc. for emergency repairs to the road embankment supporting Akron-Peninsula Road north of Ira Road, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. James moved to adopt Temp. Ord. A-2, second by Mr. Mader. Motion passed, voice vote (11-0).

**Public Affairs:**

**Temp. Ord. A-3**

An ordinance amending Section 1 of Ord. No. 103-2011 to approve and adopt the final council ward descriptions and ward map associated with the redistricting of City Council wards as determined therein, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Walters moved to adopt Temp. Ord. A-3, second by Mrs. Klinger. Mr. Walters stated the original ordinance was passed in November. This is just a cleanup of the legalese in the ward descriptions. Roll call: Mrs. Pyke, no; Mrs. Klinger, no; Mr. Mader, no; Mr. Barnhart, no; Mr. Iula, no; Mrs. Colavecchio,

yes; Mr. Walters, yes; Mr. James, yes; Mr. Rubino, yes; Mrs. Snyder, yes; Mr. Ihasz, yes. Motion passed (6-5).

**Temp. Ord. A-4**

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Safety to enter into an agreement with the City of Tallmadge, Ohio for the provision of prisoner confinement services, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Walters moved to adopt Temp. Ord. A-4, second by Mrs. Snyder. Motion passed, voice vote (11-0).

**Community Development:**

No report.

**Schedule of Committee Meetings**

Planning & Zoning:	Subject to call.
Finance:	February 6, 2012, 6:30 p.m..
Public Improvements:	Subject to call.
Public Affairs:	February 6, 2012, 6:35 p.m.
Community Development:	Subject to call.

**Miscellaneous Business:**

Mrs. Colavecchio stated that Council has received the Report 21 through 12/31/11. Mrs. Brodzinski stated the City ended up with a fund balance of \$7.3 million and, while that appears to be high, he cautioned that in 2012, there will be a draw down of \$1 million. Also, expenses for 2013 and 2014 are anticipated to be \$2 million more than what is taken in, which means the City will end up with a fund balance of \$2.3 million, which is unacceptable. They are in the process of setting up plans to remedy the issue. Income Tax was down \$800,000 due to the big windfall that occurred in November, 2010. Also, this will be the last year for Estate Tax. The City budgeted \$650,000 and actually received \$260,000 more than that. CAT is also done so those funds have tried up. The City lost \$700,000 compared to 2010. The good news is that in the Building Department, there was a significant amount of revenue from permits, however, that is a one time bonus. In the Leisure Time Fund, the Natatorium was flat. Overall, the Fund grew by \$50,000 and, because of the good year at Water Works, the City was able to pay down an additional \$300,000 on the golf course notes. Mrs. Colavecchio commented on the fund balances for 2013 and 2014. Mr. Brodzinski stated the City will spend \$1 million more than it takes in for 2012, \$2 million more than it takes in for 2013, and another \$2 million more than it takes in for 2014. The biggest part of the state budget cuts begin in 2012 and 100% of the cuts hit in 2013. 2014 should be sustained unless the state makes a change. He is projecting a 2012 year-end fund balance of \$6.2 million.

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Mr. Walters wanted to clarify with Mr. Janis when the ward descriptions on A-3 would go into effect. Mr. Janis stated that the ward descriptions and map that were passed in November are already in effect. The descriptions approved tonight are substantially the same and will go into effect in 30 days.

Mr. James moved to adjourn, second by Mrs. Pyke. Motion passed, voice vote (11-0). Meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

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Mark Ihasz, Council President

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Cathleen J. Meacham, Clerk of Council



# City of Cuyahoga Falls

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January 19, 2012

Dear Members of Council:

This letter is to inform you that I have made appointments to the following commissions:

## Planning Commission

1. Deacon David Seal  
3337 Reserve Drive  
Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio 44223  
Reappointment to a new six-year term that began on January 1, 2012 and will expire December 31, 2017.
2. Stacey Walter  
215 Baronsway Drive  
Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio 44223  
Reappointment to a new six-year term that began on January 1, 2012 and will expire December 31, 2017.

## Board of Zoning Appeals

1. Robert Brown  
2940 13<sup>th</sup> Street  
Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio 44223  
Reappointment to a new five-year term that began on January 1, 2012 and will expire December 31, 2016.
2. Tom Sullivan  
447 Tallmadge Road  
Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio 44221  
Reappointment to a new five-year term that began on January 1, 2012 and will expire December 31, 2016.
3. Tom Baldwin  
1863 18<sup>th</sup> Street  
Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio 44223  
Reappointment to a new five-year term that began on January 1, 2012 and will expire December 31, 2016.

**Civil Service Commission**

1. Debbie Graef  
225 West Portage Trail Ext. #1  
Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio 44223  
Reappointment to a new six-year term that began on January 1, 2012 and will expire December 31, 2017.

**Cuyahoga Falls Library Board of Trustees**

1. Susan Mongold  
1831 17<sup>th</sup> Street  
Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio 44223  
Reappointment to a new three-year term that began on January 1, 2012 and will expire December 31, 2014.
2. Wes Johnston  
1567 18<sup>th</sup> Street  
Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio 44223  
New appointment replacing Lynda Tebelak's expired three-year term. This term began on January 1, 2012 and will expire December 31, 2014. Resume attached.

City Charter requires Council approval for this appointment. I am respectfully requesting that you consider this appointment at your meeting of Monday, January 23, 2012.

Sincerely,



Don L. Robart  
Mayor

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Attachment