

Cuyahoga Falls City Council

Minutes of the Council Meeting of April 28, 2014

Call to Order Mrs. Pyke called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

1. Roll Call

Present: Mr. Colavecchio
Mr. DeRemer
Mr. Iula
Mr. James
Mrs. Klinger
Mr. Mader
Mr. Pallotta
Mr. Rubino
Mrs. Snyder
Mr. Weinhardt
Mrs. Pyke
Absent: (none)

2. Invocation

The invocation was given by Mr. Mader.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Rubino.

4. Approval of Minutes of Previous Council Meeting.

Without objection, the minutes of the March 24, 2014 and April 14, 2014 Council meetings were approved as submitted.

5. Reading of petitions, claims, communications and reports of City officials.

(None.)

6. Introduction of new ordinances and resolutions.

(None.)

7. Public Hearings.

There were no public hearings.

8. Reports of Special Council Committees.

There were no reports of special committees.

9. Reports of Council's Standing Committees

Planning & Zoning Committee:

Temp. Ord. A-34: An ordinance accepting the Planning Commission approval, findings and conditions for amendments to the final plat of the Boulder Estates Phase 3 subdivision and declaring an emergency.

Motion by Mr. Mader to adopt Temp. Ord. A-34. Seconded by Mr. Rubino.

Remarks by the Committee Chair: None

Mr. James called the question.

Motion adopted by acclamation, 11-0. The ordinance was passed.

Temp. Ord. A-36: An ordinance accepting the Planning Commission approval, findings and conditions of the major site plan for at 1845 Bailey Road located on parcels 02-20160, 02-2061 and 02-20162 and declaring an emergency.

Motion by Mr. Mader to adopt Temp. Ord. A-36. Seconded by Mr. Rubino.

Remarks by the Committee Chair: None

Mr. Rubino called the question.

Motion adopted by acclamation, 11-0. The ordinance was passed.

Finance & Appropriations Committee:

Sub. Temp. Ord. A-38 (4/21/14): An ordinance authorizing Director of Public Service to enter into a contract or contracts, according to law, for the painting of the Bailey Road Water Tank, and declaring an emergency.

Motion by Mrs. Klinger to adopt Sub. Temp. Ord. A-38 (4/21/14).
Seconded by Mr. James.

Remarks by the Committee Chair: None.

Mr. James called the question.

Motion adopted by acclamation, 11-0. The ordinance was passed.

Temp. Ord. A-39: An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to enter into a contract or contracts without competitive bidding with Aclara Technologies, LLC for the maintenance and support of the STAR/DCU hardware and software associated with the Automatic Meter Reader System, and declaring an emergency.

Motion by Mrs. Klinger to adopt Temp. Ord. A-39. Seconded by Mr. Iula.

Remarks by the Committee Chair: None

Mr. Iula called the question.

Motion adopted by acclamation, 11-0. The ordinance was passed.

Public & Industrial Improvements Committee:

Sub. Temp. Ord. A-41 (4/21/14): An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to execute a modification of Contract No. 6787 with Karvo Paving Company Inc., and declaring an emergency.

Motion by Mr. Iula to refer Sub. Temp. Ord. A-41 (4/21/14) to the Public Improvements Committee. Seconded by Mr. Mader.

Remarks by the Committee Chair: None.

Mr. Colavecchio called the question.

Motion adopted by acclamation, 11-0. The ordinance was referred.

Public Affairs Committee:

Temp. Ord. A-42: An ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract or contracts, according to law, for cost sharing and reimbursement for public improvements with French Mill Run, LLC, and declaring an emergency.

Motion by Mr. Pallotta to adopt Temp. Ord. A-42. Seconded by Mr. Weinhardt.

Remarks by the Committee Chair: None.

Mr. DeRemer called the question.

Motion adopted by acclamation, 9-2, Mrs. Klinger and Mrs. Pyke objecting. The ordinance was passed.

Temp. Ord. A-43: An ordinance amending Section 925.06 of the Codified Ordinances and declaring an emergency.

Motion by Mr. Pallotta to adopt Temp. Ord. A-43. Seconded by Mr. Weinhardt.

Remarks by the Committee Chair: None.

Mr. DeRemer called the question.

Motion adopted by acclamation, 11-0. The ordinance was passed.

Sub. Temp. Res. A-44 (4/21/14): A resolution making certain findings relative to the transfer of a Type D-2 liquor permit to Riser Foods Company dba Giant Eagle, 2687 State Road, and declaring an emergency.

Motion by Mr. Pallotta to adopt Sub. Temp. Res. A-44 (4/21/14). Seconded by Mr. Weinhardt.

Remarks by the Committee Chair: None.

Mr. DeRemer called the question.

Motion adopted by acclamation, 11-0. The resolution was adopted.

Temp. Ord. A-45: An ordinance amending the Traffic Control File by providing for installation of various traffic control devices, and declaring an emergency.

Motion by Mr. Pallotta to adopt Temp. Ord. A-45. Seconded by Mr. Weinhardt.

Remarks by the Committee Chair: None.

Mr. DeRemer called the question.

Motion adopted by acclamation, 11-0. The ordinance was passed.

Community Development Committee:

Temp. Ord. A-32: An ordinance approving the 2014-2018 CDBG Consolidated Plan Document, and declaring an emergency.

Motion by Mr. Weinhardt to adopt Temp. Ord. A-32. Seconded by Mr. Pallotta.

Remarks by the Committee Chair: None.

The President stated that the Council is voting on a draft Plan and that any amendments to the draft Plan will be sent to Council. The President also stated that after discussions with the Mayor, Good Neighbors will receive \$2,000 in CDBG funding during the 2013-2014 plan year.

Mr. Colavecchio called the question.

Motion adopted by acclamation, 11-0. The ordinance was passed.

Temp. Ord. A-33: An ordinance approving the Community Development Block Grant Annual Action Plan for Fiscal Year 2014, and declaring an emergency.

Motion by Mr. Weinhardt to adopt Temp. Ord. A-33. Seconded by Mr. Pallotta.

Remarks by the Committee Chair: None.

Mr. Colavecchio called the question.

Motion adopted by acclamation, 11-0. The ordinance was passed.

10. Announcement of Schedule of Council Committee meetings.

No meetings were scheduled.

11. Miscellaneous Business

Motion by Mr. Mader to cancel the May 5, 2014 Council meeting. Seconded by Mr. Iula.

Motion adopted by acclamation, 11-0.

The President recognized Mrs. Klinger, who asked the Finance Director to review the Report 21 dated April 16, 2014.

The Finance Director referred the Council to the 2014 property tax revenue line item. The amount shown is an advance by the County, however, the final settlement was received April 18, 2014 and it is about \$160,000 less than 2013. A detailed report on delinquencies will be reviewed to determine the cause of the difference. Payments in lieu of

taxes is zero and will remain zero because the 2014 payment was received in 2013. Indirect charges received by the general fund from other funds are reduced due to the reduction in costs. The SAFR grant for the Fire Dept. expired in September and will not be renewed. The administration is exploring ways to deal with this. The Police Dept. experienced revenue of \$17,000 from the federal government reimbursement for personnel costs related to employee work with an interagency anti-drug unit. Riverfront Centre and Recreation revenue are both down year-over-year, but this is a timing issue as most revenue occurs later in the year. The Income Tax fund receipts are up year-over-year and higher than expected, the YTD is up \$195,000 over 2013. A loan payoff resulted in \$84,000 in unexpected revenue in the CD fund. Receipts from the state motor vehicle license tax are also higher than expected.

In enterprise funds, water revenue is down about \$90,000 due to elimination of the high pressure surcharge. Electric revenue is up due to recovery of past-year rates by operation of the power cost factor surcharge. Natatorium revenue is down more than anticipated, now about \$98,000 behind budget. The Natatorium is reducing expenses to respond to this, as well as adding new programs such as Silver Sneakers, advertising, sponsorships, and a new rate structure.

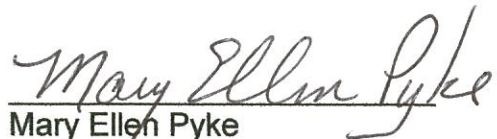

On the expense side, the sewer fund will be impacted by a 9% increase in sewer rates by the City of Akron, which will become effective in May. Prescription drug coverage for employees is costing about \$25,000 per week, higher than the \$20,000 it averaged during 2013.

The Finance Director concluded his report.

The Chair asked Ted Mosko (sp?) to address the Council regarding Good Neighbors. He has been Treasurer of Good Neighbors since 2006. He thanked the community for the CDBG funding which will support the agency's Christmas program.

12. Adjournment

Motion by Mr. Colavecchio to adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Iula. Motion adopted by acclamation. The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.


Mary Ellen Pyke
Council President


Paul A. Janis
Clerk of Council