

Cuyahoga Falls City Council
Public Affairs Committee Meeting
October 6, 2003

Members: Mr. James, Chair
Mr. Gorbach
Mr. Flinn

Mr. James called the Public Affairs Committee to order at 7:50 p.m. All members of Committee were present.

The minutes from the September 15, 2003 Public Affairs Committee meeting were approved as submitted.

Legislation Discussed

Temp. Ord. No. B-138

Temp. Ord. No. B-138. Mr. James read B-138 (second reading). Mr. Bell stated the owner of Falls Village is repaving his property and wants to put up a retaining wall. In order to keep the existing configuration, the wall needs to be on City property. He will build and maintain it even though it is on City property. Mr. Gorbach asked if it will take footage from the road. Mr. Bell stated it would be behind the sidewalk. Mr. Flinn asked if the owner retains ownership of the wall. Mr. Bell indicated he would. Mr. Barnhart asked if there was a reason the City would need that property. Mr. Bell stated we have the option to take it back and that the property owner is aware of that. Mrs. Hummel asked if the property owner needed a permit to construct the wall. Mr. Bell stated he did and that, therefore, the City would be inspecting it. Mrs. Pyke asked if that would be the time when we would agree on the building material for the wall. Mr. Bell stated it is a cellular block retaining wall. Mr. Walters asked if it was always required legally to do something like this. Mr. Bell stated it is required whenever something is done within the City right-of-way. Mr. Arrington stated this deals with control of City-owned property. Council has control of people using it. Any time someone wants to use City property, it must be approved by Council. Mrs. Pyke asked if this would be affected if the City widened the intersection. Mr. Bell stated it could. She confirmed that it was just asphalt in front of the driveway. Mr. Bell indicated it was.

Committee recommended bringing out B-138.

Public Affairs Committee adjourned at 7:55 p.m.