

**CUYAHOGA FALLS CITY COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the Special Council Meeting  
January 3, 2023**

**Call to Order:** Mr. James, as senior member, at 6:30 p.m.

**Roll Call:** Mr. Ashton, present; Mr. Balthis, present; Mr. Brillhart, present; Mr. Gorbach, present; Mr. James, present; Ms. Loza, absent; Mr. Miller, absent; Ms. Nichols-Rhodes, present; Mrs. Penta, present; Mrs. Spinner, present; Mr. Stams, present.

Mr. James accepted nominations for Temporary Chair. Mr. Balthis nominated Mr. James, second by Mr. Gorbach. There were no further nominations.

Jerry James is Temporary Chair.

**Organizational Business:** Mr. James accepted nominations for Council President. Mr. Gorbach nominated Russ Balthis, second by Ms. Nichols-Rhodes. Hearing no further nominations, the nominations were closed.

**Roll Call:** Mr. Ashton, Yes; Mr. Balthis, Yes; Mr. Brillhart, Yes; Mr. Gorbach, Yes; Mr. James, Yes; Ms. Nichols-Rhodes, Yes; Mrs. Penta, Yes; Mrs. Spinner, Yes; Mr. Stams, Yes.

Russ Balthis was elected President of Council (9-0) and was sworn in by Mayor Walters.

Mr. James moved to excuse the absence of Ms. Loza and Mr. Miller, second by Mr. Gorbach. Motion passed, voice vote (9-0).

Mr. Gorbach moved to adjourn, second by Mr. James. Motion passed, voice vote (9-0).

Meeting adjourned at 6:34 p.m.

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Russ Balthis, Council President

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Dana M. Capriulo, Clerk of Council