

CUYAHOGA FALLS CITY COUNCIL
Minutes of the Council Meeting

February 10, 2025

- Call to Order:** Mr. Balthis at 6:30 p.m.
- Roll Call:** Mr. Ashton, present; Mr. Balthis, present; Mr. Brillhart, present; Mr. DeRemer, present; Mr. James, present; Ms. Loza, present; Ms. Nichols-Rhodes, present; Mrs. Penta, present; Mr. Siegferth, present; Mrs. Spinner, present; Mr. Stams, present.
- Invocation:** Mrs. Spinner
- Pledge of Allegiance:** Mr. DeRemer
- Approval of Minutes:** The minutes of the January 13, 2025 Organizational, Council and Committee-of-the-Whole Meetings were approved as written.
- Reports and Communications:** None

New Legislation
(First Reading)

Temp. Ord. B-14 (Public Improvements)

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to enter into a contract or contracts, according to law, for the Riverloop, Riverfront Parkway Enhancements and Boardwalk Rehabilitation, and the improvements to the Portage Trail Bridge Lighting, and declaring an emergency.

Temp. Ord. B-15 (Public Improvements)

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to enter into a third modification of contract No. 8807 with Environmental Design Group, and declaring an emergency.

Reports of Council's Standing Committees
(Third Reading)

Planning & Zoning:

Temp. Ord. B-9

An ordinance accepting the Planning Commission's recommendation for the approval of a conditional zoning certificate for an outdoor sales lot at 41 Steels Corners Road for Falls Investment Properties LLC (Valley Motors), and declaring an emergency.

Mrs. Spinner moved to adopt Temp. Ord. B-9, second by Mr. Siegferth. Motion passed, voice vote (11-0).

Finance & Appropriations:

Temp. Ord. B-11

An ordinance appropriating Community Development Block Grant Carryover Funds for calendar year 2025, and declaring an emergency.

Ms. Nichols-Rhodes moved to adopt Temp. Ord. B-11, second by Mr. Brillhart. Motion passed, voice vote (11-0).

Public Improvements:

Temp. Ord. B-12

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to enter into a contract or contracts, according to law, for the annual resurfacing and/or repair of various streets as described in Exhibit ‘A’ attached hereto, in the City of Cuyahoga Falls and authorizing the Director of Public Service to enter into a contract or contracts for pavement preservation on various streets within the city, and declaring an emergency.

Mrs. Penta moved to adopt Temp. Ord. B-12, second by Mr. Stams. Motion passed, voice vote (11-0).

Public Affairs:

Temp. Ord. B-13

An ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into a NOPEC Energized Community Grant Agreement with Northeast Ohio Public Energy Council, Inc. for energy efficiency or energy infrastructure projects, and declaring an emergency.

Ms. Loza moved to adopt Temp. Ord. B-13, second by Mr. Ashton. Motion passed, voice vote (11-0).

Community Development:

Temp. Ord. B-8

An ordinance approving the application of Dale and Shelley Llewellyn, as owners of certain real property located at 1949 Theiss Road, to place said property into an agricultural district pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Chapter 929, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Siegferth moved to adopt Temp. Ord. B-8, second by Mr. Ashton. Motion passed, voice vote (11-0).

Schedule of Committee Meetings

Planning & Zoning:	Subject to Call.
Finance:	Subject to Call.
Public Improvements:	February 18, 2025, at 6:30 p.m.
Public Affairs:	Subject to Call
Community Development:	Subject to Call.

Miscellaneous Business

Bishop Cameron Nelson stated that he wanted to address Council and has been in contact with Councilman Siegferth and Councilman Stams. He attended the last Council meeting and was impressed by the professionalism and understanding exhibited by Council. Council has a lot of responsibilities to fulfill in order to allow the city to run in an effective way. He offered his support and his prayers as Council efficiently runs the City of Cuyahoga Falls, and expressed his appreciation for all they do to keep things operating effectively in the City of Cuyahoga Falls.

Mr. Balthis thanked Bishop Nelson for coming in and his kind words.

Mr. James moved to adjourn, second by Mr. Brillhart. Motion passed, voice vote (11-0).

Meeting adjourned at 6:41 p.m.

Russ Balthis, Council President

Dana M. Capriulo, Clerk of Council