

# CITY OF ROCKY RIVER

October 10, 2022

The Regular Legislative Meeting of Council was called to order by Mr. Moran, President of Council at 7:00 p.m. in the David J. Cook Council Chambers.

Council Members Present: Mr. Hunt, Mr. Shepherd, Mrs. Gallagher, Mr. Furry, Mrs. Morris, Mr. Sindelar, Mr. Moran

Administration: Mayor Bobst, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Snyder

Law Director: Mr. O'Shea

The meeting was opened with a Pledge of Allegiance.

## MOTION:

Moved by Mr. Moran seconded by Mr. Furry that the reading of the minutes of the Committee-of-the-Whole Meeting of October 3<sup>rd</sup> and the Legislative Meeting of September 26<sup>th</sup> be waived and that the minutes be accepted as submitted.

Vote:	Hunt – aye	Shepherd – aye	Gallagher – aye	Furry – aye
	Morris – aye	Sindelar – aye	Moran - aye	
	7 ayes	0 nays		<b>PASSED</b>

## MAYOR'S REPORT:

The Mayor announced that Director Snyder submitted the TLCI Implementation Grant for the Center Ridge Road Complete Streets and Corridor Enhancement Plan also known as the Gateway. Thank you to Director Snyder, Mark Filipic and Maureen Nakonek for meeting the deadline of last Friday. The Mayor explained that the application has exactly what the city does on all the projects including the \$200,000 from the County, ODOT's contribution, CMAQ's contribution; all these things the city does to stack the funding for a project like this that is so important. This is a very good submission; the city received a TLCI Planning Grant and this is the Implementation Grant and this folds in to the Master Plan. The city's share of this improvement will come out of the .5% Income Tax that was passed for Capital Improvements only by the residents.

The Mayor said the Development Code update is completed. The update was to make every section of the Development Code more user friendly, easier to read and update antiquated sections based on the Master Plan. That work has been completed and there is now one complete document. The document will be reviewed by the administration and then it will go in front of Council by ordinance to adopt. Council will refer the document to the Land Use Commissions for review then they will recommend it for passage back to City Council. The Planning Commission has been working on this intently. Council should receive this in November.

The Shredding Event on Saturday was very successful. More than 200 cars dropped of boxes to shred. This remains a valued service by the residents.

The City Hall parking lot paving and milling will begin this week. Traffic and access will be maintained.

The Business-to-Business Expo will be held this Thursday from 2:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. hosted by the Chamber of Commerce.

Director Thomas confirmed that the city can now take credit card payments in person. Shortly, credit card payments over the phone and auto deduct from savings and checking accounts should be in place by the next billing cycle.

The new compactors will be installed within the next two weeks at the Service Garage. A ReadyNotify will be sent out when compactors are operational as one is for mixed paper and one for cardboard only.

Leaf pick up begins the week of October 31<sup>st</sup>. Information will be accessible through the Service Department's Facebook page, through the city's website or making a call to the Service Department.

The WWTP will be going out for bid for the contract renewals due to the escalation of prices. Current vendor contracts do not want to hold their current prices.

The Mayor and Superintendent Barille will present the budget draft to the Management Committee on October 20<sup>th</sup>. The Management Committee will review the budget and provide a recommendation to Council.

The Mayor thanked the Sunrise Rotary Club for the large planters in front of the Police Station that were purchased for safety and beautification purposes.

Lutheran West Fireworks will be this Friday evening.

The Morley backstop installation is being completed this week along with the bicycle rack.

The Senior Center led by Director Huff received word that the reaccreditation application that was submitted three months early, has been accepted with no need for additional information or materials. This reaccreditation is an important credential to have and maintain and is a source of pride for the seniors and staff that work there.

- Mr. Sindelar asked if the stackable funding has time limitations. The Mayor said yes, but extensions can be requested, if needed. This project will be driven by ODOT. Flexibility is important with requesting extensions and to complete the projects that receive funding.
- Mr. Furry asked if point of sale charges will be passed along with the credit card payments. Director Thomas said there will be a convenience fee paid by the user.

**LAW DEPARTMENT: NONE**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS: NONE**

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCIL: NONE**

**PUBLIC COMMENT: NONE**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Mr. Sindelar moved to amend Ordinance No. 64-22 in its entirety to read for a 2023 Ford F550 Truck,

seconded by Mr. Furry and Mrs. Morris.

Vote: Hunt – aye	Shepherd – aye	Gallagher – aye	Furry – aye
Morris – aye	Sindelar – aye	Moran - aye	
7 ayes	0 nays		<b>PASSED</b>

**AMENDED ORDINANCE NO. 64-22** **BY: BRIAN J. SINDELAR**  
**AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SAFETY-SERVICE DIRECTOR TO PURCHASE ONE (1) 2023 FORD F550 TRUCK FOR THE SERVICE DIVISION UNDER THE STATE COOPERATIVE PURCHASING ACT FROM VALLEY TRUCK CENTERS, AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$123,870.00, AS DESCRIBED IN EXHIBIT “A”**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> READING**

This ordinance will have three full reads as it does not have the urgency of other purchases approved earlier. Mr. Sindelar said that this is 20-24 months out for delivery. This will replace a 2007 vehicle with over 90,000 miles on it with severe rust, frame damage and cabin body damage.

**NEW BUSINESS: NONE**

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

**ORDINANCE NO. 55-22** **BY: JOHN B. SHEPHERD**  
**AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICE TO EXTEND A CONTRACT FOR ONE (1) YEAR FOR THE PURCHASE OF PRINTING SERVICES FOR THE CITY OF ROCKY RIVER FROM ADMIRAL PRODUCTS, INC., AS FURTHER DESCRIBED IN EXHIBIT “A”**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> READING**

Mr. Shepherd said that this is an extension of an existing expiring two-year contract for printing services with Admiral Products, the low bidder. Admiral Products has agreed to hold their pricing firm for an additional year. This ordinance authorizes the administration to extend the contract for one year.

**RESOLUTION NO. 57-22** **BY: JOHN B. SHEPHERD**  
**AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND HER DESIGNEE TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND LOCAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR THE ROCKCLIFF DRIVE STORM SEWER, SANITARY SEWER, WATER MAIN AND PAVEMENT REPLACEMENT PROJECT AND TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS AS REQUIRED**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> READING**

Mr. Shepherd said this is for the Rockcliff project to eliminate an inverted sewer that flows into one of the two sanitary overflows. It entails the sewers, the waterline, paving and other items. This approves an application for funding. The city will apply to the Cleveland Water Department for funding also.

**RESOLUTION NO. 58-22** **BY: JOHN B. SHEPHERD**  
**AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND HER DESIGNEE TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE NORTHEAST OHIO AREAWIDE COORDINATING AGENCY (NOACA) TRANSPORTATION FOR LIVABLE COMMUNITIES’ INITIATIVE FOR THE CENTER RIDGE GATEWAY PROJECT AND TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS AS REQUIRED**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> READING**

This authorizes the administration to apply for funding. The underlying project will address safety, traffic congestion issues and aesthetic improvements for the Center Ridge Gateway Project from Spencer to Pease Drive. The \$200,000 funding will be in addition to funding requests from ODOT's Urban Paving Program and the U.S. Department of Transportation's Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Program.

**RESOLUTION NO. 59-22**

**BY: JOHN B. SHEPHERD**

**AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF ROCKY RIVER DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICE TO DISPOSE OF CERTAIN SURPLUS CITY PROPERTY, INCLUDING MOTOR VEHICLES, NO LONGER NEEDED FOR PUBLIC USE BY INTERNET AUCTION FOR THE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 11, 2022 THROUGH**

**DECEMBER 31, 2027**

**3<sup>rd</sup> READING**

Mr. Shepherd said that under state law there is a provision to sell equipment and property by internet auction. The advantage is the auction can happen whenever, there is no need to stockpile items and it will give increased exposure. Under the State Law that authorizes this process, it also requires a support resolution.

**RESOLUTION NO. 60-22**

**BY: DAVID W. FURRY**

**AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE CUYAHOGA COUNTY OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CUYAHOGA COUNTY 2022-2027 ALL-HAZARDS MITIGATION PLAN**

**3<sup>rd</sup> READING**

Mr. Furry said this is a renewal of resolution 103-17 that was passed in December 2017. This allows the City of Rocky River to enter into an agreement with Cuyahoga County to participate in the 2022-2027 All Hazards Mitigation Plan. The city must adopt the updated plan to meet requirements outlined in the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 which is Federal and allows the city to continue their eligibility to qualify for FEMA Funds. FEMA requires that it be updated every five years.

**ORDINANCE NO. 62-22**

**BY: BRIAN J. SINDELAR**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 947 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ROCKY RIVER, ENTITLED "MEMORIAL HALL," AND AS FURTHER DESCRIBED IN THE ATTACHED EXHIBIT "A"**

**3<sup>rd</sup> READING**

Mr. Sindelar said there has been little discussion regarding this ordinance and it is more of a housekeeping issue. The administration goes through and cleans up antiquated language and will bring the fees more in line to current and will help Memorial Hall to stay even on costs.

**RESOLUTION NO. 63-22**

**BY: CHRISTINA MORRIS**

**AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT THE CITY OF ROCKY RIVER APPLY FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FROM THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION'S STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AND REVOLVING LOAN PROGRAM FOR THE FUNDING OF THE ROCKY RIVER WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT CEPT AND FINAL CLARIFIER REHABILITATION PROJECT(S)**

**3<sup>rd</sup> READING**

Mrs. Morris stated that this resolution allows the city to apply for a zero percent interest loan funds for an improvement project at the WWTP project in the second quarter of 2023.

Mr. Moran moved for passage of Ordinance Nos. 55-22 and 62-22 along with Resolution Nos. 57-22, 58-22, 59-22, 60-22 and 63-22, seconded by Mr. Furry.

Vote:	Hunt – aye	Shepherd – aye	Gallagher – aye	Furry – aye
	Morris – aye	Sindelar – aye	Moran - aye	
	7 ayes	0 nays		<b>PASSED</b>

**MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS: NONE**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Dr. Gary Previts, 3420 Bradford Street, stated that it is great to see the service of Council and it is very appreciated. He is concerned about safety public issues. Dr. Previts was victimized by the Postal Service check episode. It took a long time to figure out and PNC was very helpful but it involved changing all arrangements. Dr. Previts is asking for an update on this situation. He also inquired about the Westwood episode which is circulating through the community. There is a sense in the community that there has been a lot activity of like this.

The Mayor responded that four individuals were arrested within a multijurisdictional arrest regarding the Post Office issue. A key was given by one of the postal workers. The case is working its way through and will be a federal case. Law Director O’Shea added that Federal ID Fraud statute has a mandatory minimum sentence of five years which has to be consecutive to any other sentence received. The Mayor added that protocols have been changed at the post office.

Law Director O’Shea said the Westwood incident involved a subcontracted Amazon driver that made a delivery. He came back with other individuals an hour later and entered automobiles that were unlocked. Mr. Furry stated that keys were taken from the valet and were used to open the cars.

As there was no further business by members of Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:37 p.m. Next week’s Council meeting is canceled. The next meeting will be Monday, October 24, 2022.

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James W. Moran  
President of Council

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Susan G. Pease  
Clerk of Council