

CITY OF ROCKY RIVER

October 16, 2017

The meeting of the Committee-of-the-Whole was called to order by Mr. Moran, President of Council, immediately following the Safety Committee Meeting in the David J. Cook Council Chambers.

Council Members Present: Mr. Hunt, Mr. Shepherd, Mr. O'Donnell,
Mr. Furry, Mr. Klym, Mr. Moran

Absent: Mr. Sindelar

Administration: Mayor Bobst, Director Costello, Mr. Thomas

Law Director: Mr. Bemer

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

The Mayor shared the Waste Water Treatment Plant DOPWIC Grant Application showing Council the amount of hard work being performed by Superintendent Rosemark also as evidenced by the Legislative Agenda over the last few weeks.

The new security system at City Hall will be launched this Wednesday, October 18th thanks to Director Costello and Mike Balla. Council members have received their fob this evening to gain entrance. There is a replacement charge if the fobs are lost. This will enhance the safety and security of City Hall but keep it accessible for the residents.

Leaf pick up has commenced and residents received a ready notify regarding this.

Building Department statistics through the end of September are as follows:

1269 permits have been issued compared to 1158 last year

The total investment valuation for this year is \$26,551,000 compared to \$18,498,000 an increase of about \$8,000,000 of additional investment valuation.

The Veteran's Mobile Unit was at the Civic Center at the request of Congressman Renacci a few weeks ago. The Mayor recently met with members of Congressman Renacci's staff and they shared that the session held at the Rocky River Civic Center was one of the best sessions they have had to meet the needs of the Veterans. Many Veterans have taken advantage of over \$100,000 of benefits and many applied for medals which will be presented to them at a future time. Rocky River provides the space at no charge. Thank you to Congressman Renacci's office and the Veteran's Mobile Unit.

There are two statewide ballot issues in November that City Hall has received many phone calls about. Issue #1 is a Constitutional Amendment entitled "Rights for Crime Victims" and Issue #2 is the

Prescription Drug ballot issue. The Mayor shared that information for these ballot issues can be found on the Secretary of State's website under the section "Know the Statewide Issues".

The Mayor is very happy to announce that 5 entities across the state have qualified for the Auditor of State Award of Distinction. The cities are Ashtabula, Rittman, Sandusky, the Northeast Regional Sewer District and the City of Rocky River. A huge thank you to Director Thomas for all the important work that he does with the budget preparing the information so the auditor's can go through it in a timely fashion and the record keeping that is exemplary. Thank you to Council and all the Directors that make this possible. This shows accountability in government and Rocky River has a lot to be proud of thanks to the Finance Director. The State Auditor will be here in a few days to present the award.

Next Monday is "Trunk or Treat" from 5:00-7:30 p.m. sponsored by Kiwanis in conjunction with the Senior Center.

This Wednesday, October 18th, is the last of the Master Plan Public Meetings beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the Civic Center.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: NONE

COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS: President Moran congratulated Law Director Bemer on the birth of his new granddaughter Lucy!

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

ORDINANCE NO. 56-17: Mr. Hunt said that this ordinance is still on hold. They are still working through some issues on the proposed amendment for the fire codes.

ORDINANCE NO. 70-17: Mr. Shepherd said this is scheduled for a third read next week. This is to enter into a contract with Konstruction King, Inc. for the 2017 catch basin program primarily in the West River Estates. There are two other smaller projects also. This was put to bid and Konstruction King, Inc. was the low bidder at \$368,610.

ORDINANCE NO. 71-17: This is an annual ordinance authorizes the Director of Public Safety-Service to purchase gasoline, fuel oil and allied products on the open market at the best prices possible for the period January 1, 2018 to December 31, 2018. This only allows the city to shop the price on the open market but does not prevent the city to purchase from the state coop.

ORDINANCE NO. 72-17: This is a companion ordinance to 71-17. This allows the Safety-Service Director to purchase tires on the open market for the best possible prices for the period January 1, 2018 to December 31, 2018. This allows the city to shop the price on the open market but does not prevent the city to purchase from the state coop.

ORDINANCE NO. 73-17: Mr. Furry said this has been read once and is anticipating three full reads. The Mayor has been keeping Council informed of this since inception a couple of years ago as a resident sent an inquiry unbeknownst to her parents about erecting and maintaining a greenhouse in the northeast quadrant of the city hall campus currently used exclusively as a community garden. This project needed to raise \$20,000 to build and via grants and fundraising from the Rocky River Junior Women's Club, Rotary, Whole Foods and other local entities, there is sufficient funding. This has also been

incorporated as a 501 (c) (3) and have officers, a director, etc. The actual structure will be 21 x 24. The primary beneficiary will be the Rocky River Assistance Program, but others might surface. The Law Director negotiated the lease for \$10/annually. Council received a copy of the lease in their packets. The 501 (c)(3) is still waiting for quotes on insurance coverage and it is slated to go to Planning Commission tomorrow.

ORDINANCE NO. 74-17: Mr. Klym said that this is an annual ordinance required to provide Health Services per the Ohio Revised Code along with air pollution enforcement services. The city contracts with Cuyahoga County to provide most of these services. The City of Cleveland Air Pollution Control provides the air pollution coverage for the city. This is to be renewed at the same price as last year at \$4.12 per capita.

NEW BUSINESS:

ORDINANCE NO. 75-17: Mr. Shepherd said that this is an emergency ordinance authorizing the administration to extend the agreement with Fabrizi Trucking & Paving Co. Inc. for the emergency repair of streets and storm and sanitary sewers within the City of Rocky River at a cost not to exceed \$90,000. This is necessary due to extensive emergency repairs this year on Elmwood, Kenwood and Lake Road totaling \$39,725. New repairs that are anticipated under this ordinance are for Laurel between Lakeview and Hampton; three sink holes on Parklawn at the Aberdeen intersection; Lake Road at the Parklawn intersection and Lake Road by Wagar Road. Due to the depth of these repairs, they cannot be done in-house. This was put out to bid in 2011 and Fabrizi has held their prices. This will have a full three reads.

ORDINANCE NO. 76-17: This ordinance is for the purchase of Ferric Chloride from PVS Technologies, Inc. This is the product that has had some volatility as the last five years have had a low of \$297 and a high of \$438. The previous two years were locked in at \$438 and change. The previous year was \$336. The year prior was \$436 and the prior three years were \$297 so have always experienced pricing volatility. Plant Supt. Rosemark was expecting some price increases due to weather related events in their southern plants. Two bids were received from that bid with a range of \$468-\$524. PVS Technologies, the current supplier, was the lowest and best bidder. This is also slated for three full reads also utilizing non-emergency language and is also necessary to comply with the NPDES permit.

ORDINANCE NO. 77-17: This ordinance is for the purchase of sodium hypochlorite. This is used in 3 different application points, effluent, pre-chlorination and primary sludge. The first stage is effluent or disinfection, the second or pre-chlorination is odor control and the third or primary sludge is a thickener to settle the sludge. Only one bid was received with the current supplier, Bonded Chemicals of Columbus at a price per gallon of \$0.689/gallon. This product has also had some volatility as last years pricing was \$.616/gallon while the previous two years were at \$.715/gallon. Only one bid was received but is usually between Bonded Chemicals or JCI Jones Chemical of Sarasota, FL. Supt. Rosemark has reached out to JCI Jones to ask why they did not bid on this, but hasn't heard back. This is slated for three reads and will not be using emergency language and it is necessary to comply with the NPDES permit.

President Moran explained the process of City Council Meetings to the three high school students in attendance from St. Ignatius High School.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS: President Moran wished Law Director Bemer a happy belated birthday!

As there was no further business by members of Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

James W. Moran
President of Council

Susan G. Pease
Clerk of Council