

CITY OF ROCKY RIVER

July 5, 2017

The meeting of the Committee-of-the-Whole 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. Furry, Mr. Sindelar, Mr. Klym, Mr. Moran

Absent: Mr. Hunt, Mr. Shepherd, Mr. O'Donnell

Administration: Mayor Bobst, Director Costello

Assistant Law Director: Mr. O'Shea

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

The Mayor reported that "Jersey Beat", the Frankie Valli Tribute Band Concert was held last night at the Gazebo at City Hall. An estimated 400 people were in attendance.

The Mayor announced 2017 Building Statistics against the 2016 Building Statistics: 820 total permits this year compared to 732 permits last year at this time. Total valuation is a little under \$16 million compared to a little more than \$9 million last year. These totals are primarily residential.

The Mayor announced that the city received a refund from R.I.T.A. The city pays an annual retainer based on a percentage of collections and the number of transactions filed. The refund totaled \$93,000. A cost savings each year was one of the reasons for transitioning from C.C.A. to R.I.T.A. The actual net cost of collections was a little more than 2%.

The Mayor announced that the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) was filed on time with no extensions. There will be an audit committee scheduled soon. A huge thank you to Director Thomas and his staff. Director Thomas also extended thanks to all the Directors, City Council and the Mayor for all the information provided.

The Wastewater Treatment Plant Capital Improvement Projects for 2017-2020 received four proposals. These proposals are being reviewed and evaluated. Safety Service Director Costello is one of the reviewers. There will be a recommendation Thursday morning for the WWTP Management Committee followed by Legislation for City Council.

The Sunflower Wine Festival will be held this Saturday, July 8th, on Old Detroit Road. Chief Stillman has been working closely with the festival putting together a security detail.

- President Moran thanked Assistant Law Director O'Shea for standing in this evening for Law Director Bemer.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: NONE

COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS: NONE

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

AMENDED ORDINANCE NO. 15-17: Mr. Sindelar said there is nothing new to report. July 10th will be the third reading and a vote providing all Council members are in attendance.

AMENDED ORDINANCE NO. 32-17: Mr. Sindelar said that this ordinance has been amended. A recommendation has been received from the Planning Commission. A Public Hearing is set for July 17, 2017.

ORDINANCE NO. 38-17: Mr. Moran said that this ordinance in the amount of \$88,687.50 is for a contract for the Crack and Joint Sealing Program to prolong the useful life of the streets. It was put out to bid and Specialized Construction was the only bid received. This will be on the consent agenda for next week.

RESOLUTION NO. 39-17: President Moran said that this resolution has been read twice and is the alternative tax budget for the year 2018. This is general information put together without the formal budget process of the Directors and Mayor. This is due by the end of July. This will be put on the consent agenda for next week.

ORDINANCE NO. 40-17: President Moran said that this ordinance requests an August Recess for City Council. This will on the consent agenda next week.

ORDINANCE NO. 41-17: Mr. Moran said that this ordinance sets forth the repaving program this year. This has been read twice and the total amount for this ordinance is \$789,947. The work includes 10 streets along with a portion of the City Hall parking lot between the Senior Center and the Civic Center. This ordinance will also be on the consent agenda next week.

ORDINANCE NO. 42-17: Mr. Klym said that this ordinance has been read twice. It is a ratification of a contract that the administration has already entered into with R.E. Warner & Associates Inc. for professional engineering services for the roof replacement at the Hamilton Ice Rink. It also includes the approval of an additional \$20,000 of contingency funds. Mr. Klym spoke with Director Mehling and this is not a complete roof replacement but a replacement of new materials on top of the old roof. The engineering services are important to be sure the roof can hold the load of structure for the overlay. This is to allow the administration to have additional funds just in case there are unexpected engineering issues. This will be on the consent agenda next week.

- Mr. Sindelar asked about the approval for any overages. Any overage would need to be in writing and would be approved by the Mayor and Safety Service Director Costello.

RESOLUTION NO. 43-17: This resolution is for delinquent sanitary sewer bills in collection. Currently the list has 537 names. This list will be amended by the final read, as some of these bills will be paid prior to that time. This will be read for the second time next week.

ORDINANCE NO. 44-17: Mr. Sindelar said that this has been read once and referred to the Planning Commission for review. Mr. Harvey spoke at last week's Legislative Meeting representing the applicant regarding the future use of this property.

RESOLUTION NO. 45-17: President Moran said this resolution is to collect the unpaid maintenance fees on specific properties in Rocky River. Additional parcels may be added to this list. This will be read for the second time next week and will probably have an amended exhibit.

- Mr. Furry asked if the city would receive interest or penalties on these unpaid maintenance fees. The Mayor said that the city receives the money upfront from the County. The Mayor said that whatever the city certifies, i.e. cost, fees or penalties, is what the city receives. The fees and penalties accrued after that goes to the county.

ORDINANCE NO. 46-17: Mr. Moran said that this ordinance was read for the first time last week. This is a two-year contract for the purchase of vehicle maintenance parts at \$55,000 per year. Director Costello said that this vendor has been very responsive. They have met with the mechanics and reviewed current inventory and will accept that inventory and replace it with inventory from their own stock. Director Costello said they have also offered to connect the city with their contacts in the car oil business to hopefully realize more savings. Director Costello is looking forward to working with them. This will be read for a second time next week.

ORDINANCE NO. 47-17: Mr. Moran said that this is for the sale of a number of used city vehicles that are no longer useful. This is for the city to accept money for these vehicles in the amount of \$14,95.59. This will have a second read next week.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS: NONE

President Moran said that Council will continue to plan on beginning all City Council Meetings at 7:00 p.m. and as there was no further business by members of Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

James W. Moran
President of Council

Susan G. Pease
Clerk of Council