

CITY OF ROCKY RIVER

October 23, 2017

The Regular 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, Mr. O'Donnell, Mr. Furry,
Mr. Sindelar, Mr. Klym, Mr. Moran

Administration: Mayor Bobst, Mrs. Costello, Mr. Thomas

Law Director: Mr. Bemer

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

MOTION:

Moved by Mr. Moran, seconded by Mr. O'Donnell, that the reading of the minutes of the Legislative Meeting of October 9th be waived and that the minutes be accepted as submitted.

Vote:	Hunt – aye	Shepherd – aye	O'Donnell – aye	
	Furry – aye	Sindelar – aye	Klym – aye	Moran - aye
	7 ayes		0 nays	PASSED

Moved by Mr. Moran, seconded by Mr. Furry, that the reading of the minutes of the Committee-of-the-Whole Meeting of October 16th be waived and that the minutes be accepted as submitted.

Vote:	Hunt – aye	Shepherd – aye	O'Donnell – aye	
	Furry – aye	Sindelar – abstain	Klym – aye	Moran - aye
	6 ayes	1 abstention	0 nays	PASSED

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Bobst referenced the construction updates being sent to the community via Ready Notify by Director Costello and indicated if there are any questions, the administration would be happy to answer those questions.

Mayor Bobst introduced and greeted Ms. Nicole Hennessy, the new reporter covering Rocky River for the West Life, mentioning that the West Life is now located in Rocky River on Old Detroit Road.

Beginning on Wednesday changes and improvements will be started on the women's restroom at Rocky River Park. Other facilities will be available while the work is being done. The project should take a couple of weeks and then work will begin on the men's restroom.

Mayor Bobst announced that Giant Eagle has once again awarded senior transportation with a \$5,000 grant. It has been 8 or 9 years that the City has been receiving this grant from Giant Eagle for the senior transportation program. The Mayor extended her thanks to Giant Eagle who has been a great community partners.

This week is Fire Prevention Week. The firehouse trailer will be moved to each of the elementary schools over the course of the week so that all third graders will have the opportunity to experience the trailer, as well as fire prevention tips. Thank you to the Fire Department for putting together this vital program.

The Wastewater Treatment Plant Management Committee meets tomorrow. Agenda items include the 2018 budget as well as the WWTP Collective Bargaining Agreement that was approved by the bargaining unit. If the Committee approves and recommends the CBA for passage, Council will be receiving legislation for the next agenda.

Finally, the Mayor and Councilman Furry attended the ribbon cutting for the True Rest Float Spa on Center Ridge Road. The spa has pods filled with a super saline solution, which customers float in for relaxation and other health and wellness benefits.

Mr. Furry inquired of the Mayor regarding the improvements at Rocky River Park and whether those improvements would include a working drinking fountain by the restrooms. Mayor Bobst indicated that would be a part of the improvements.

Mr. Moran mentioned how pleased he was with the improvements that have been made to Tri-City Park. Mayor Bobst praised the collaborative efforts of the three area Recreation Departments in maintaining that park.

LAW DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Law Director Bemer reported on the October 17th Planning Commission meeting, stating that both items, the River Sprouts greenhouse and the pre-preliminary review of the latest Rocky River Preservation Partners proposal, will again be on Planning Commission on a special date of Monday, October 30th at 7:00 PM.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: NONE

COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS: NONE

PUBLIC COMMENT: NONE

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

ORDINANCE NO. 56-17 **BY: THOMAS J. HUNT**
AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE TO AMEND FIRE CODE CHAPTER 1501 BY MODIFYING SECTION 1501.01 ENTITLED ADOPTION, SECTION 1501.99 ENTITLED PENALTY, AND BY ADDING SECTION 1501.13 ENTITLED NUISANCE OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ROCKY RIVER
ON HOLD

Mr. Hunt announced this ordinance would continue to be on hold. He stated he recently received modified language following consult with Law Director Bemer and Fire Prevention Officer Crowe. He will complete his review of these changes this week.

ORDINANCE NO. 70-17**BY: JOHN B. SHEPHERD****AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND SAFETY SERVICE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH KONSTRUCTION KING, INC. FOR THE 2017 CATCH BASIN PROGRAM AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$368,610.00****3rd READING**

Mr. Shepherd said this is for work to be done on the catch basins and sanitary sewer manholes mainly for the West River Estates area (53 manholes and 78 catch basins, a manhole on Hilliard and a catch basin on Stratford near Elmwood). Four bids were received and Konstruction King, Inc. was the low bidder. The bid was below the engineer's estimate of \$380,000. References were verified by the City with multiple other cities; the contractor has done work in Fairview Park and Middleburgh Heights. Mr. Shepherd moved for passage of Ordinance 70-17, seconded by Mr. O'Donnell.

Vote: Hunt – aye**Furry - aye****7 ayes****Shepherd – aye****Sindelar – aye****O'Donnell – aye****Klym – aye****0 nays****Moran - aye****PASSED****ORDINANCE NO. 71-17****BY: MICHAEL P. O'DONNELL****AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING 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****2nd READING**

This ordinance has been discussed on four occasions and Mr. O'Donnell anticipates three reads. This is an annual ordinance and is a cost saving measure necessary to continue the level of services for the City's operations, and allows the Safety Service Director to purchase gasoline, fuel oil and other allied products on the open market. This ordinance does not require open market purchases and it does not prohibit the use of the State Co-Op, allowing the City the opportunity to realize a savings on the open market when possible. Last year the City realized a savings of \$.14 per gallon for regular unleaded gasoline and \$.15 per gallon for diesel fuel versus what was available from the State Co-Op.

ORDINANCE NO. 72-17**BY: MICHAEL P. O'DONNELL****AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY-SERVICE TO PURCHASE TIRES ON THE OPEN MARKET AT THE BEST PRICES POSSIBLE FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2018 TO DECEMBER 31, 2018****2nd READING**

This is a companion ordinance to 71-17, allowing the City to purchase tires on the open market. The City has been able to realize significant savings doing this, so this is another cost savings measure. This is the second read and Mr. O'Donnell anticipate three reads.

ORDINANCE NO. 73-17 **BY: DAVID W. FURRY**
AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A GREENHOUSE LEASE
AGREEMENT WITH RIVER SPROUTS, INC.
2nd READING

Mr. Furry indicated that as Director Bemer stated this project has been temporarily on hold as another meeting of the Planning Commission will be held on October 30th and hopefully more information will be available after that meeting. Mr. Furry desired the second read this evening to keep the legislative process going for this project.

ORDINANCE NO. 74-17 **BY: CHRISTOPHER J. KLYM**
AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO RENEW THE HEALTH CONTRACT
FOR THE YEAR 2018 WITH THE GENERAL HEALTH DISTRICT OF CUYAHOGA
COUNTY, OHIO FOR SERVICES TO THE CITY OF ROCKY RIVER, IN THE AMOUNT OF
\$4.12 PER CAPITA, NOT TO EXCEED \$83,278.00 ATTACHED HERETO AS EXHIBIT "A"
2nd READING

Mr. Klym indicated this is an annual ordinance to help provide the necessary medical, nursing, sanitary, laboratory and other health services that we are required to provide by the Ohio Revised Code. This is a renewal of the contract and it has no increase from the price last year. Further discussion can be had at the Committee-of-the-Whole meeting next week.

NEW BUSINESS:

ORDINANCE NO. 75-17 **BY: JOHN B. SHEPHERD**
AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE SAFETY
SERVICE DIRECTOR 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 \$90,000.00 AS FURTHER DESCRIBED IN EXHIBIT "A"
1st READING

Mr. Shepherd stated that at the last meeting he went through the specific repairs that this ordinance is being passed to addresses and said it will be read two more times with more discussion. He pointed out for the record that this was bid in 2011, the contract renewed in 2016 at the same 2011 prices, and passage of this ordinance will again be at the 2011 prices.

ORDINANCE NO. 76-17 **BY: DAVID W. FURRY**
AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY-SERVICE TO
PURCHASE FERRIC CHLORIDE FOR THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT FROM
PVS TECHNOLOGIES, INC., AT \$468.00 PER DRY TON FOR 2018
1st READING

This is the second wave of the City's annual sludge keeping ordinance from the WWTP. This was discussed last week and will discuss more next Committee-of-the-Whole. This ordinance is slated for three reads.

ORDINANCE NO. 77-17**BY: DAVID W. FURRY****AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY-SERVICE TO PURCHASE SODIUM HYPOCHLORITE FOR THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT FROM BONDED CHEMICALS, INC. AT \$0.689 PER GALLON FOR 2018****1st READING**

This ordinance will be discussed further at the next Committee-of-the-Whole meeting. This is also a part of the second wave of the City's annual sludge keeping ordinances. Mr. Furry expects three reads for this ordinance.

ORDINANCE NO. 78-17**BY: THOMAS J. HUNT****AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ROCKY RIVER, SECTION 351.03, ENTITLED "PROHIBITED STANDING OR PARKING PLACES", AS FURTHER DESCRIBED IN THE ATTACHED EXHIBIT "A"****1st READING**

Mr. Hunt stated that this was discussed at the end of the Safety Committee meeting last week. It was be discussed further going forward. There will be three reads on this ordinance.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS: Council President Moran expressed happy birthday wishes to Mr. O'Donnell.

Finance Director Michael Thomas reported regarding the exchange of funds with the City of Cleveland the City made our distribution as authorized by Council last week, but today Mr. Thomas received distributions for Purnell, Laurel, and a supplemental for Lakeview/Hampton totally over \$1,500,000 from the City of Cleveland to fund those projects that are underway.

Mr. Moran inquired of Director Costello regarding the Lakeview project. Director Costello gave report indicating the project has slowed some due to the contractor encountering difficult and challenging soil conditions which requires the use of extra equipment to shore up the trenches so they are safe working environments. In addition, replacement of lead service lines also slows the project some. However, the contractor is confident they will make up that time; they will work through the winter to stay on schedule. Director Costello indicated completion of the project is expected in late 2018. Director Costello also spoke regarding the project on Laurel and Purnell, stating that 95% of the waterline work is completed on the sections between Lakeview and Hampton. She anticipates that in the next two weeks pavement will be restored over the construction trough. In the Spring the project will be picked up again for the rest of Laurel and all of Purnell.

Mayor Bobst announced that last week Finance Director Thomas received on behalf of the City, one of five entities across the entire state, the award of distinction for financial reporting, transparency, accountability from the State Auditor. Mayor Bobst is pleased that the City received that award. The award was presented by Auditor Yost to Director Thomas. Council President Moran thanked and praised Director Thomas for his exemplary work.

Mr. Moran welcomed Ms. Hennessy and stated he looked forward to having her attend the City Council meetings.

PUBLIC COMMENT: NONE

As there was no further business by members of Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

James W. Moran
President of Council

Mary Ellen Umerley
Acting Clerk of Council