

CITY OF ROCKY RIVER

January 19, 2021

The Special Meeting of Council was called to order by Mr. Moran, President of Council, beginning at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom.

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

Absent: Mrs. Morris

Administration: Mayor Bobst, Mr. Snyder

Law Director: Mr. Bemer

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION FOR DAVID GREENSPAN:

The Mayor shared the contents of the Certificate of Special Recognition presented to David Greenspan from the City of Rocky River. The certificate is a recognition of gratitude for his service to the constituents of the 16th District as a member of the Ohio House of Representatives as well as his service as the first Cuyahoga County District 1 Councilman. On behalf of City Council and the city administration and most importantly the residents of the City of Rocky River, we thank him for his dedication, his tireless public service and wish him continued success in his future in public and private service to the people of northeast Ohio.

The Mayor thanked him and recognized all that he has done for the residents as well as businesses in Rocky River. Representative Greenspan had the seal of every city he represents on the wall of his office showing that he understands who he serves and who elected him to do the important job that he has done in Columbus. Representative Greenspan attended all the Mayors Meetings of the Westshore, listened to discussions and provided an update of County Council or the House of Representatives. However, what really happened was his translation of what was said and turned all that was needed into real things. Everything from his work with the Inspector General of Cuyahoga County, Public Works and making sure cities could apply for reimbursement of materials on many road projects, work on the casino dollars received by local communities through the supplemental grant program of CDBG and the CDSG that was crafted by Representative Greenspan. His help at Bradstreet's Landing, the advocacy to make sure the city could share in the casino dollars. He has drafted, crafted and sponsored numerous pieces of legislation. Dave has been a friend to our community, the residents and the entire Westshore community and his courage and leadership is unmatched.

- President Moran said that Representative Greenspan always listened to so many people through so many programs and always found a way to help. Mr. Greenspan's effort was always appreciated. Thank you for all that you have done. You are a great friend.

- Law Director Bemer said that he had a tour of the new County Administration Building when it first opened but was empty at this point. That day there was one County Councilman in their office working and that was David Greenspan. At that point, Mr. Bemer was impressed with Dave's work ethic, his knowledge and the energy that he provided. Mr. Bemer thanked Mr. Greenspan for his service.
- Mr. Furry thanked Mr. Greenspan for serving his constituents in the Westshore, in the county and state level. Thank you for your service.
- Mr. Klym echoed what everyone said, but stated Dave Greenspan was always there to answer anybody's questions and it was so appreciated. It was so clear that Mr. Greenspan was there to do the work of governing and did so with the highest degree of integrity at all times, even when faced with incredibly difficult circumstances. Mr. Klym thanks you along with all constituents for showing what it is like to be an elected official. Thank you for your service, you will be missed.
- Mr. Shepherd saw your work ethic and professionalism and you will be sorely missed. Mr. Shepherd hopes this is not the end.
- Mr. O'Donnell stated that Mr. Greenspan stood up at an incredibly difficult time and it is an incredible testament to who Mr. Greenspan is. Mr. Greenspan would do the right thing whether or not anyone was looking. Mr. O'Donnell reiterated that if there was anything any one of Council could do to help him in moving forward, please let him know. It was the integrity inside you and the other character traits within you that made us all your friend. Good luck the rest of your way.
- Mr. Hunt remembered meeting Dave at the Force Indoor Baseball Facility and Mr. Hunt was struck at Dave's willingness to get together. Mr. Hunt remembers the tenacity that he showed and the interest he showed in the community. This showed throughout what Mr. Greenspan did in representation in Council and the Legislature. Mr. Hunt wishes him well and thanked him again for his service.

The Mayor also extended great thanks and gratitude to Mr. Greenspan's family who so generously shared of his time. The Mayor also thanked Mr. Greenspan for his support of the new State House Representative. Monique Smith is very lucky to have you as a resource and help in a smooth transition.

Mr. Greenspan thanked the Mayor and stated that he left the seals of the city and the county to Representative Smith as a reminder of who we work for. Mr. Greenspan meant what he said in his letter to the residents of the District, Representative Smith's success is our success. The job is not about who is in the seat but it is about representing the 115,000 people that live in the district. Mr. Greenspan stated that the most important punctuation mark is the dash; it joins the beginning and the end. He knows he had a beginning date and we all will all have an end date at some point. It is how powerful or impactful one makes that dash and he knew his dashes were not defined from his first date or the last date in the legislature but each of the four two year

opportunities.

Mr. Greenspan was asked how many bills he passed in four years and he responded 13. He was told that if a representative is there eight years and gets 10 bills done, they have had a successful time. He is very proud of what he did to protect law enforcement members and the military and his other project of bullying and hazing continues. He has helped bring in close to \$3 million in two capital budgets to the district. The past general assembly, he did \$2 million, which might have been the largest capital budget appropriation in the Westshore that people can remember. Senator Dolan deserves a lot of the credit for that as well. They worked hard to bring back some resources to local communities. He has enjoyed nothing more than representing this district. When you do not win an election, it does not mean the community needs you less; it still needs you as much it did today. To turn your back on that community is not the correct way to think. He is not going away and he will continue to be engaged. If anyone needs him in some way, please continue to use him.

Mr. Greenspan thanked the Mayor and Councilmembers and Law Director Bemer stating that Mr. Bemer's input has always been valuable.

The Special Meeting this evening is in regards to Ordinance No. 7-21.

PUBLIC COMMENT: NONE

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

ORDINANCE NO. 7-21

BY: DAVID W. FURRY

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF ROCKY RIVER AND JORDAN SERVICES LLC. FOR THE #2 PRIMARY DIGESTER CLEANING PROJECT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$712,450.00, AS FURTHER DESCRIBED IN EXHIBIT "A"

2nd READING

Mr. Furry stated that this ordinance is for the completion of Primary Digester #1 and Primary #2 Digester Cleanout. This is for a not to exceed figure of \$712,450. The ordinance is broken down as follows: Approximately \$75,000 is for the remainder clean out of primary digester #1. This was passed last year with Birch Hydro and that procedure had not been done for 20 plus years. The guesstimate on how much dry tons needed to be removed was just that, a guesstimate and that specific project ran out of money. Digester #2 also needed to be cleaned out and Superintendent Barille seeked additional funds to bid out #2 in addition to completing #1. This was very prudent in that the bids for dry ton removal went from \$890/ton to \$710/ton. It is a different service provider but Birch Hydro decreased their bid by \$100/ton but was not the lowest and best bid. Mr. Furry performed a non-certified search on the Auditor of State and did not see anything on the unresolved findings for Jordan Services LLC. Some things did come up that were 3-4 years old and have all been resolved.

This bid also includes \$270,000 for contingencies, which hopefully will not be tapped into too much or tapped out. The price change and project has been approved by the Management

Committee for the WWTP on Friday, January 8th by unanimous vote and very little discussion.

The WWTP received an odor complaint, the first complaint received in several years.

- Mr. Klym asked which building is being discussed. Superintendent Barille said that it is the first building on the right upon entering where the flame is on top of the building.
- The Mayor added that these dollars already exist in the Capital Budget and there will not be an additional request for dollars from any of the participating cities.

Mr. Furry asked to suspend the three read rule and pass this ordinance this evening, seconded by Mr. O'Donnell.

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

Mr. Furry moved for passage of Ordinance No. 7-21 seconded by Mr. O'Donnell.

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

Mr. Moran moved to close this Special Meeting, seconded by Mr. O'Donnell.

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

Mr. Barille thanked Council for suspending the rules. It is very much needed and he appreciates it.

The Special Meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

James W. Moran
President of Council

Susan G. Pease
Clerk of Council