

COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF BROOKLYN HEIGHTS

MINUTES OF A MEETING

HELD _____ January 5, 2016 _____ 20 _____

A meeting of the Council of the Village of Brooklyn Heights, Ohio was held on **January 5, 2016** at **7:30 P.M.** with Mayor Michael Procuk presiding.

Mayor Procuk conducted the swearing-in of the new council members. Congratulations to Councilman Mark Lasky, Councilman Thomas Lahiff and incumbent Councilman Leslie Foote.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited at this time.

Present at roll call:	Councilmen:	Black, Foote, Lahiff, Lasky, and Walsh
	Mayor:	Procuk
	Clerk/Treasurer:	Clymer
	Law Director:	Dowling
	Engineer:	Henry
	Police Chief:	Algeri
	Fire Chief:	Stefanko –by Asst. Chief Lasky
	Service Director:	Hatgas - absent
	Bldg. Commissioner:	Monaco
	Comm. Service Dir:	Guilfoyle
	Recreation Dir:	Presot

MOTION: Mr. Walsh nominated Council Les Foote as Council President Pro-Tem. Second by Mr. Black

Motion passed 5-0

RESOLUTION 01-2016 – AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION HONORING BRENDAN ANTHONY BOWLING FOR HIS ACCOMPLISHMENTS, DEDICATION, AND CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE VILLAGE OF BROOKLYN HEIGHTS (Attaining the rank of EAGLE SCOUT)

Sponsor: All of Council

Second – Mr. Black

Yeas: Black, Lahiff, Foote, Lasky, Walsh

Nays: None

Resolution 01-2016 is adopted 5-0

ORDINANCE 01-2016 – January Pay Ordinance

Sponsor: Mr. Walsh

Second: Mr. Lasky

Yeas: Walsh, Lasky, Foote, Lahiff, Black

Nays: None

Ordinance 01-2016 is adopted 5-0

CORRESPONDENCE

Thank you notes were received from:

- The CHS BEST Program
- Law Director Dowling for the flowers and support on the passing of his brother
- The Ohio Lotter Commission located in Brooklyn Heights thanking Mayor Procuk and Patrolman Dennis Derbin for the Safety Presentation done in their offices.

Mayor Procuk noted that the SERT fees are increasing over the next few years and the increase for 2016 is \$1,000, for 2017 it is \$2,000 and in 2018 up \$2,000 to bring the total to \$10,000 per year like the police.

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DEPARTMENT REPORTS

FIRE CHIEF

Chief Stefanko is on vacation in Florida so Asst. Chief Lasky attended the meeting.

MOTION: Mr. Black moved to pay the City of Cleveland \$3,872.96 for hydrant use for 2016.
Second by Mr. Foote Motion passed 5-0

MOTION: Mr. Lahiff moved to purchase tires for Ladder -49 from Ziegler Tire at a cost of \$3,100.
Second by Mr. Walsh Motion passed 5-0

- Note: the current tires are 15 years old and the NFPA requires them to be changed.

Asst. Chief Lasky told council that on Christmas a gentleman committed suicide along the river and he wanted to thank Det. Tulcewicz and the Coroner's department on a job well done.

POLICE CHIEF

Chief Algeri reciprocated the thanks to the Fire Department for using the Gator to move the body from the river to the Coroner's vehicle. He acknowledged the cooperation and professionalism of the departments and how well they work together.

Chief Algeri read a thank you from Valley View Police Chief March. He thanked Officers Gary Bru, Joseph Coyne and Chris Leahy for their assistance in apprehending the four people who committed an armed robbery at the Quaker Steak and Lube restaurant in Valley View in November.

The Shop with a Cop program allowed eleven village children, ages 4 to 13, to receive \$150 to shop and attend a pizza party. Chief Algeri thanked the Shopper helpers Tracy Harris, Chris Leahy and his friend Courtney, Dave and Cara Jablonski and Cody Alflen. He also thanked Mrs. Guilfoyle and the Community Services Department for the bus and also to everyone who bought tickets to help support this endeavor.

In 2015 all officers were required to complete four hours of continue education training. One hour had to be "Crimes against the Family". Other training included CPR-AED training, Active Shooter classes and more. For their efforts the department received a check from the Attorney General's office in the amount of \$1,040 which is restricted funds that must be used for additional training.

Chief Algeri told council that he drove to Columbus to pick up seven used Panasonic Tuff Book laptops from the ODNR. Currently Chief Algeri is evaluation them to see if they can be used due to age.

MOTION: Mr. Lasky moved to pay Sundance Systems \$3,360 for the 2016 Dispatch and Records Management and Maintenance software. Second by Mr. Foote Motion passed 5-0

RECREATION DIRECTOR

Mr. Presot reported that the Soccer and Baseball sign-ups are both on-line and in the Breeze.

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COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR

Mrs. Guilfoyle said that she had been contacted by Lifeline Screening and they would like to use the Community Center for a clinic in August. She asked that the fee be waived.

MOTION: Mr. Black moved to waive the fee for the Community Center on August 5, 2016 for Lifeline to run a clinic. Second by Mr. Foote Motion passed 5-0

MOTION: Mr. Walsh moved to pay \$410 to continue our membership in Heritage Homes Restoration Program. Second by Mr. Foote Motion passed 5-0

- *Note: This program is for low interest loans for restoration of homes 50+ years old in our village.*

Website portraits for new employees and updates will be on Jan 19th and Jan 28th at the County.

ENGINEER

Mr. Henry said that the Schaaf Road gas line project from Tuxedo to Granger Road is completed.

ODOT is finally finish with the Tuxedo / Granger Road bridge project and Mayor Procuik said it looks worse that when they started. Mr. Henry said that ODOT underestimated the cost of the project and that he will have a conversation with them.

Mr. Henry said that the South Street project has been awarded and will begin sometime in March thru the end of April.

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Mr. Monaco congratulated the new council members.

He told council that when he started with Brooklyn Hts. the ISO rating was 9 for residential and 6 for Commercial. He said that a rating of 10 is the worst and a 1 is the best. He has, as of the end of 2015, gotten the ratings down to a 5 for both commercial and residential but would like to get it to a 4.

There are two new homes being built on Belmont. There are variances needed. Both lots are 2/3 in Seven Hills and 1/3 in Brooklyn Heights.

Mr. Monaco is working on collecting the fees for the temporary signs in the village and updating the permit forms so that all information is in one place.

He has been sorting through old files in the basement and cleaning house.

Timeless Roofing at 4569 Spring Road has been operating in the village but was never inspected or registered. He has taken care of that.

Mayor Procuik asked that he keep council updated on both the ICE permits and the Northshore Strapping incident. Mr. Monaco said that ICE has applied for permits but that the contractor is not yet registered so no permits have been issued. He said that there is no action going on with Northshore Strapping.

LAW DIRECTOR

No Report

CLERK / TREASURER

Mr. Clymer said he doesn't have the hard figures for 2015 yet but that December was a rough month due to three pays, longevity and other bills that had to be paid out.

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He told council that he has accepted a position as Finance Director for the city of Aurora. He feels that he can fulfill the remainder of his elected term as part-time Clerk/Treasurer without any problems.

He commended our police department for their compassion with a stray dog that ran from his owner on New Year's Eve/day while fireworks were being shot off. He was a recent boarder at Barklyn Heights Dog Day care and found his way back there. The police officers woke Mr. Clymer who is a minority owner of Barklyn Heights Dog Day Care in the Village and waited with the dog in their car until he could be reunited with his owner.

MAYOR'S COURT

Income for December	\$ 5,398.60
State of Ohio	(710.50)
Indigent Driver & Alcohol	(22.50)
Reg. Enterprise Data Sharing System	(100.00)
Brooklyn Heights	\$ 4,565.60

MAYOR

Mayor Procuk told council that they must seat a Charter Review Commission this year. Since each Councilmember, the Mayor and Clerk/Treasurer must appoint one member the previous commission had nine members. Now that we have five council members the number will be seven. He asked that they begin thinking about whom they would like to appoint.

Mark Lasky is currently seated on the Zoning Board and Planning Commission. The new appointment is yet to be determined.

The Cuyahoga Valley Career Center ribbon cutting ceremony is set for Jan. 14th. Mr. Foote will attend as Mayor Procuk will be in Florida.

The Mayor's Association is still in conversation with the County Council as to sharing the Casino revenue with all the communities not just with Cleveland.

MOTION: Mr. Walsh moved to go into Executive Session to discuss some personnel issues.

Second by Mr. Black

Yeas: Walsh, Black, Foote, Lahiff, Lasky

Nays: none

Motion passed 5-0

There being no further business to come before the council, it was moved by Mr. Black, seconded by Mr. Lasky that the meeting be adjourned.

Yeas: All

Meeting adjourned.

Mayor

Clerk/Treasurer