

COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF BROOKLYN HEIGHTS

MINUTES OF A MEETING

HELD June 7, 2016 20

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited at this time.

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

Community Services Director Thea Guilfoyle introduced the six seniors who participated in the Local Senior Olympics and won a total of twelve medals.

- Dolores Brzuziewski, Jane Heyduk, Ray Mehalko, Lorraine Safron, Chuck Skoczen and John Spilka. Congratulations to all.

ORDINANCE 49-2016 - AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF FIVE FIREFIGHTERS: BOBBY CHALFANT, EDWARD MANNEY, SHANE MCNEILLY, CHRISTOPHER NOVAK, AND MICHAEL WODARCZYK

Sponsor: All of Council

Second: Mr. Foote

Yeas: Foote, Black, Walsh, Lasky, Lahiff

Nays: None

Ordinance 49-2016 is adopted 5-0

Mayor Procuk then gave the oath of office to the five men.

Chief Stefanko told council that due to the loss of Captain Calvillo who was promoted to Chief of Fire for the City of Cleveland and in anticipation of several other changes in the department the hiring of these five men is necessary. He thanked Donna Tesar for her help and Joe Toth of UHPMC who will help train the men in the UHPMC Protocols. He also thanked Asst. Chief Lasky and Capt. Cannon for their participation in the interview process.

He welcomed them on board and thanked the existing members for filling shifts as we needed much help throughout this last year. He expressed his appreciation to the members for their commitment to the village and the businesses.

Mayor Procuk then asked each new man to introduce himself and give a little background on themselves.

Chief Stefanko thanked Mayor Procuk and council for their confidence in the department.

Joe Toth told Mayor Procuk that the village reached fifty participants and the UHPMC Health & Wellness grant will be for \$5,000.

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Chief Stefanko thanked Brett Stanislaw for the work he has put in on several grants.

ORDINANCE 46-2016 - AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE CONFIRMING THE DECISION OF THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS APPROVING THE APPLICATION OF ROBERT CAMPELLONE ALLOWING HIM TO REMOVE THE EXISTING HOUSE, CHANGE LOT SIZE WIDTH AND SIDE YARD FOR A PROPOSED 50'X250' BUILDING AT 1319 EAST SCHAAF ROAD

Sponsor: Mr. Black

Second: Mr. Foote

Yeas: Black, Foote, Lasky, Walsh, Lahiff

Nays: None

Ordinance 46-2016 is adopted 5-0

Mr. Campellone stated that the anticipated completion date would be within a year. Their business has been in Brooklyn Hts. thirty-five years.

BEST Committee report: The BEST Committee from CHS came to give a brief report on the survey that was taken this past spring. In attendance was: Jim Zwislser, Superintendent Tom Evans, Dr. Caleris and his daughter Sammy and Eileen Pech.

Mr. Zwislser went over the survey. (*See attached*)

Mr. Zwislser said you can read the results in its entirety at <http://www.cuyhts.k12.oh.us> and on the right under "Tom Talks", click on the tab CHS BEST Initiative.

Superintendent Evans thanked Council, Mayor Procuk and the Village for their cooperation in reaching out to the schools.

AUDIENCE

Bruce DeMarco, on behalf of the Construction Employees Association (a business in the village for 35 years) is requesting a tour of the ICE facility prior to the opening. Mayor Procuk said it is a good idea and would see if that could be arranged.

CORRESPONDENCE

Mayor Procuk read a thank you note from Community Services Director Thea Guilfoyle for donations to the Senior Celebration Luncheon.

Mayor Procuk read a letter of thanks from Valley View Police Chief March. He thanked and recognized Ptl. Joseph Coyne for his help in talking down a possible jumper on the I-480 Bridge over Valley View. Patrolman Coyne will receive a Life –Saving Award for his actions.

Josiah's House: On June 6th Irene Jones requested the use of the Community Center on June 10th for a fundraiser dance. She asked that the fee be waived. She was told that the contract requires a 10 day notice. Mayor Procuk asked council what their feelings are and they voted to waive the fee this time but to let her know that any future requests must be made following the rules set-up by council.

MOTION: Mr. Walsh moved to waive the rental fee of the Community Center for Josiah's House for June 10th. Second by Mr. Lasky. Motion carried 5-0

Mayor Procuk asked for suggestions to make the rental of the hall and park pavilions one program so that we don't have two requests/rentals for the same facility on the same day. Mr. Lasky suggested using Google Docs so that everyone could see what is available.

Morna called and wanted out of the Senior Lawn Cutting program because she doesn't like that fact that the contractor doesn't have to adjust his mower height. She was given a full refund.

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A request was received from CHS girls' soccer coach, Christy Zawadzki requesting the use of our soccer field from Aug. 1, 2016 thru Aug. 19th from 7:30 am – 10:30 am and Aug. 20th thru Oct. 24th from 3 pm to 5 pm.

Narlin Shadd will order the trophies for the championship soccer teams.

The Elk Shoot-out was a success and we will have representatives in Mayfield Hts. on June 18th.

Arbor Day will be celebrated on July 5th at the Senior Meeting / Luncheon. The tree will be planted in honor of Kathy Mehalko who was a member of the senior group.

Mayor Procuk read a letter from Trevor Elkins regarding rate increases of the RTA. (***See attached***)

State Representative Anielski made the mayor aware of some grant funding that was available. While we did not receive the grant this year several of our surrounding communities did receive funding. We will try again next year.

Attached is a lengthy letter from Ray Berzins regarding some ideas for the park.

Attached is an e-mail from Sonya DuBois regarding her concerns of the South Street construction.

Mayor Procuk signed a resolution for the Cuyahoga County Mayors and Managers honoring Rose Dziak upon her retirement.

NEORS D will hold a road show on June 4th and June 8th on Tri-C campuses.

The Cuyahoga Valley Chamber of Commerce will host a "Taste of the Valley" on Sept. 15th at the Holiday Inn from 4-9 pm. This event will be open to the public. Proceeds to benefit the Chamber Scholarship Fund.

Mr. Lasky asked if there have been any complaints about the basketball hoops being put back up and Mayor Procuk said no.

SERVICE DEPARTMENT

Mr. Hatgas attended the Tree City USA awards ceremony in Westlake. It was the largest in attendance to date. We received two awards.

MOTION: Mr. Lahiff moved to pay \$1,175 for first class postage stamps for the four recycling newsletters to be sent to residents through the recycling grant. Second by Mr. Black Motion carried 5-0

Note: This will be reimbursed by the grant.

MOTION: Mr. Black moved to pay \$1,650 for a water department street opening at 8th St. and South. Second by Mr. Lahiff Motion carried 5-0

Note: This will be reimbursed 100% by the Cleveland Water Department.

MOTION: Mr. Black moved to pay Precision Environmental \$3,660 to replace the filters in the gun range with the filters to be supplied by Brooklyn Heights. Second by Mr. Lasky Motion carried 5-0

Note: The filters contain lead and must be disposed of properly. The village recycles the brass.

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Mr. Foote asked if our department is the only department to use our firing range. He feels it would be a good way to regionalize. Chief Algeri said that on occasion the FBI, SWAT and Federal Air Marshals have needed to use it. Chief Algeri said our men have to qualify once a year by state law but they shoot monthly because if they have to shoot we want them to win.

MOTION: Mr. Foote moved to pay Jason Knowles (Arborist) to treat the Ash trees. Third application on Dorset at a cost of \$2,250 and second treatment on Marko Lane at a cost of \$895 for a total of \$3,145. Second by Mr. Walsh Motion carried 5-0

Mr. Hatgas gave council the quotes for a fence and gate to surround the basketball area. Council will wait to see how things go before spending money on fencing.

Mr. Hatgas informed council that Cargill accepted the revised salt agreement and is keeping this year's price at \$56.29 per ton. We must have the remainder of our 2016 salt purchase off their books by 12/31/16. Our minimum purchase for the upcoming year is down to 660 tons.

ORDINANCE 48-2016 - AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND/OR CLERK/TREASURER TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PURCHASING CONSORTIUM, HEADED UP BY THE CITY OF BRECKSVILLE, FOR THE PURCHASE OF ROAD SALT FROM CARGILL SALT COMPANY

Sponsor: Mr. Walsh

Second: Mr. Foote

Yeas: Walsh, Foote, Lahiff, Black, Lasky

Nays: None

Ordinance 48-2016 is adopted 5-0

Mr. Hatgas informed council that the old boiler was being removed and hauled away by Precision Environmental.

He is looking into an energy savings program for the Municipal Center building to be run by computer or i phone.

Mr. Black asked some questions regarding the work on South Street and reseeding the lawns and hydrant placement. Mr. Hatgas answered all his questions.

Mr. Hatgas reminded council to let the residents know that the week of a major holiday the garbage is picked up on Saturday. Mayor Procuk said it is on the marquees, in the Breeze, on the magnets and on the website.

Mr. Lasky asked about the Lancaster marquee and said that it still is not lit up. Mr. Hatgas will send it in to First Energy again.

POLICE CHIEF

MOTION: Mr. Black moved to pay \$1,110 for the Taser Assurance Plan for the first six units. This is a full warranty and after five years the units are fully replaced at no additional charge. Second by Mr. Walsh Motion carried 5-0

Chief Algeri said we applied for a local government Safety Grant and we, along with SWAT and Cuyahoga Heights were turned down this year.

We received two checks from the Department of Justice for the safety vests. One in the amount of \$1,260 and the second for \$692.

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COMMUNITY SERVICES

Mrs. Guilfoyle told council that the Senior Chore Program is July 26th and there are seniors signed up as well as students working for community service hours.

The Art in the Park program is progressing and staffing is almost complete. The kids are also signing up. July 13th will be Intergenerational Day. This program is partially funded by a county grant.

The transportation for Safety Town and Summer School is set. Both busses will be used for transporting the children.

ENGINEER

The South Street project is moving along.

The Concrete program is set to begin. Work will be done on Tuxedo, Schaaf Lane, Springbrook, Shady Ridge, Little Creek and a few other places where minor work is needed.

The Lancaster – Dorset project began yesterday. Thru traffic is prohibited – local access only. Dorset Dr. will be done half the road at a time. While this is being done, residents will NOT have access to their driveways. Letters will go out to the residents.

Mr. Henry met with Fogg and NEORS to discuss the erosion behind the FedEx building. It is on the list for NEORS to repair. They would start the design work in 2018 and the construction will begin in 2020.

Mr. Black asked about the resolution (RES 08-2016) on tonight's agenda. Mr. Henry explained that this will be a total reimbursement by the county. There will be no cost to the village.

- Mr. Lasky asked about the explosion at ICE on Sunday morning. It was explained that it was a piece of equipment that shorted out.
- Mr. Lasky asked about trees on state property that are about to fall over. Asked who is responsible for them. Resident is afraid it will fall on her property. Resident can cut any tree that is over their property line. Mr. Henry will look at it.
- Resident would like "no jake brake" signs on Belmont. Mr. Hatgas said that ODOT says if it is not an enforceable offence no sign will go up.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Mr. Monaco reported

- He is trying to stay ahead of the high grass complaints. All have complied.
- Worked on 15 complaints from residents
- Worked on 25 residential inspections
- Worked on 47 commercial inspections
- Did 8 point of sale inspections
- Did 1 rental inspection
- He is working with 28 businesses to improve the exterior appearance of their property

CLERK / TREASURER

Mr. Clymer stated that the General Fund is up year-to-date \$351,209.

MOTION: Mr. Lahiff moved to pay Ohio Department of Jobs and Family Services for May statement in the amount of \$2,288.39. Second by Mr. Foote Motion carried 5-0

Mr. Clymer is working with our Tax Administrator Greg Cingle, who is in touch with GSA out of Chicago to have ICE cooperate with tax collection when the employees begin working in the building.

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LAW DIRECTOR

Mr. Dowling attended the Charter Review Commission meeting and was impressed with their work.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- The WACO building is close to closing
- The GE property on Van Epps has been purchased. They are in discussion with the mayor and building inspector. They want to put an asphalt plant on the property.

MAYOR'S COURT

Income for	\$ 12,848
State of Ohio	(1,795
Indigent Driver & Alcohol	(54
Reg. Enterprise Data Sharing System	(165
BROOKLYN HEIGHTS	\$ 10,837

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Procuk is thrilled that the Clerk/Treasurers report continues to be positive. Our income is up 30%.

Mayor Procuk toured the George Voinovich Bridge from underneath.

Mayor Procuk attended the 85th Annual Greater Cleveland Safety Council Awards breakfast. We received a participation award.

Don Galik will accept the appointment to the Zoning Board and the Planning Commission. He must be sworn in prior to attending a meeting so if a meeting were to be called, Mayor Procuk would have to call a special Council meeting.

- Attended the MetroHealth Stakeholders meeting on June 9th
- Will be Rick Click the Seat Belt Clown on June 22nd for Greater Cleveland Safety Council Day at the Zoo.
- He attended the Cleveland Leadership Prayer breakfast.
- Attended the Mayors & Managers meeting at the Baldwin Water Treatment plant. Sonny Simon and David Greenspan from the County Commissioners attended. They may pass legislation to distribute casino dollars to the municipalities. Additional information forthcoming.
- He attended a White House briefing while in Washington D.C. There were 22 representatives from NE Ohio at the Eisenhower Building. Jerry Abramson was the most interesting speaker. He also spoke with Robert Klein from Safeguard regarding the sale of their building to Kaplan Trucking.
- Will return to Washington D.C for the USA Summit as part of Jobs Ohio Team. He will distribute brochures on the Geis property.

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS

ORDINANCE 41-2016 - AN ORDINANCE ENACTING SECTION 1444.14 PERMIT FEES TO THE CODIFIED

ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE OF BROOKLYN HEIGHTS

Sponsor: MR. Lahiff

Second: MR. Lasky

Yeas: Lahiff, Lasky, Walsh, Foote, Black

Nays: None

Ordinance 41-2016 is adopted 5-0

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ORDINANCE 44-2016 - AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND/OR CLERK/TREASURER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH MEDICAL MUTUAL FOR A HEALTH CARE PLAN FOR EMPLOYEES OF THE VILLAGE OF BROOKLYN HEIGHTS

Sponsor: Mr. Foote

Second: Mr. Lahiff

Yeas: Foote, Lahiff, Walsh, Lasky, Black

Nays: None

Ordinance 44-2016 is adopted 5-0

ORDINANCE 45-2016 - AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AMENDING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2016

Sponsor: Mr. Black

Second: Mr. Lasky

Yeas: Black, Lasky, Walsh, Foote, Lahiff

Nays: None

Ordinance 45-2016 is adopted 5-0

ORDINANCE 50-2016 - JUNE PAY ORDINANCE

Sponsor: Mr. Foote

Second: Mr. Walsh

Yeas: Foote, Walsh, Lasky, Lahiff, Black

Nays: None

Ordinance 50-2016 is adopted 5-0

RESOLUTION 08-2016 - AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ENGINEER TO PREPARE PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS REQUIRED TO BID THE BANCROFT DRIVE STORM SEWER OUTFALL REPAIR

Sponsor: Mr. Black

Second: Mr. Foote

Yeas: Black, Foote, Lahiff, Lasky, Walsh

Nays: None

Resolution 08-2016 is adopted 5-0

MOTION: Mr. Lahiff moved to go into Executive Session to discuss litigation on several fronts.

Second by Mr. Walsh.

Yeas: Lahiff, Walsh, Black, Lasky, Foote


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. Walsh that the meeting be adjourned.

Yeas: All

Meeting adjourned.


Mayor


Clerk/Treasurer

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Chief Daniel Algeri
Brooklyn Heights Police Department

May 13, 2016

Chief Algeri,

I wanted to take a moment and thank your officer, Ptl. Joseph Coyne, for his assistance on May 09, 2016. The Valley View Police Department received a call of a possible jumper on the I-480 Bridge. Ptl. Krucek (VVPD), Ptl. Frank Trusso (CHPD) and Ptl. Joseph Coyne (BHPD) responded to the call.

A female had threatened to jump from the I-480 Bridge. The situation seemed quite dire, since the female was on the outside of the fence, holding on to a light pole while attempting to hide her presence from responding officers. As the officers approached the area, they realized she was about to jump. Ptl. Krucek, Ptl. Trusso and Ptl. Coyne, without any hesitation, climbed the cement barrier wall and reached over the fence, holding onto the female. The officers continued to engage the female in conversation, assuring her of the officers' intent to help her. She was lifted over the fence and placed in a cruiser, awaiting the arrival of the VVPD for transport to a hospital for medical treatment. These three officers will carry this moment in time with themselves for the rest of their lives.

I can't imagine the initial shock and immediate action processes taking place in the minds of the officers. They are truly exceptional in their heroic efforts and I commend them for their lifesaving actions. I know that police officers do this job for many reasons. No one expects to encounter this situation on a daily basis. These officers rose to the challenge, without thought for their own safety, but the safety and well-being of others.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Chief Matthew R. March'.

Matthew R. March
Police Chief
Valley View Police Department

Valley View Police Department | 6899 Hathaway Road, Valley View, Ohio 44125
Phone (216) 524-9687 | Fax (216) 524-9254

Mike Procuk

From: Ed Hatgas
Sent: Tuesday, June 07, 2016 6:57 AM
To: dana bundus
Cc: Mike Procuk
Subject: RE: Friday June 10 hall rental

Dana,
Did you tell them that there is a 10 day window for renting the hall as per the rental form.
Ed

From: dana bundus
Sent: Monday, June 06, 2016 3:40 PM
To: Donna Tesar; Ed Hatgas
Subject: re: friday June 10 hall rental

*Josiah's house is bringing in the form to rent the entire hall for Friday June 10.
I am not sure at this point if there is an email to the mayor to discuss at council if the fee will be waived.
So that will be determined by Mayor and council at tomorrow's meeting.*

Thank you
Dana Bundus
Account Administrator
Village of Brooklyn Heights
dbundus@brooklynhts.org
Phone (216) 749-4300 x113
Fax (216) 741-3753

Mike Procuk

From: Kari baciak
Sent: Monday, June 06, 2016 3:32 PM
To: Mike Procuk
Subject: FW: Subject: Community Center

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From: irenejones45@yahoo.com [<mailto:irenejones45@yahoo.com>]
Sent: Saturday, June 04, 2016 6:38 PM
To: Kari baciak
Cc: Irene Jones
Subject: Subject: Community Center

Greetings its Irene Jones from Josiah's House inc. just want to know if we will be able to still get the Community Center on this Friday June 10, 2016 from 6:30- 10:00pm and if it's a go we will need to get in by 6:00pm.

Sent from Mail for Windows 10



Date: May 13, 2016

To: Mayor Mike Procuk
345 Tuxedo Avenue
Brooklyn Hts, Ohio 44131

Fr: Josiah's House
981 Keynote Circle
Suite 13
Brooklyn Hts, Ohio 44131
(216) 236-6960

Dear Mayor Procuk,

Josiah's House is a Non-Profit Organization Day Center for Autistic Adults and we will be hosting a dance on June 10, 2016 from 6:30 p.m. to 10 p.m...

We are requesting to rent the Community Center Hall upstairs and downstairs for this date and time and also if the \$400.00 rental fee be waived.

We are looking forward in hearing from you and thanking you in advance for your assistance. If you have any additional questions please contact me at (216) 236-6960.

Kind Regards,

Irene Jones
CEO, Josiah's House

Mike Procuk

From: dana bundus
Sent: Thursday, May 19, 2016 12:39 PM
To: Tom Lahiff; Mark Lasky
Cc: Mike Procuk; safranek@cox.net; Val Snyder
Subject: RE: JUNE 18TH HALL HOLD FOR RAIN DATE.

Good Morning,

With regards to the June 18 Concert in the park. The hall rental book showed that resident Vicki Bowden had called back in December to hold the entire hall for a graduation party. Mark Lasky from the park board had come in May 9th and completed a waived fee rental form for the Concert in the Park as a rain date for the Concert in the park. The hall rental must have been inadvertently overlooked and there is a conflict. The resident that held the hall back in December came in today and paid the \$400.00 for the use of the entire hall on June 18th.

I reached out to Mrs. Safranek and explained the situation and I told her that Sunday June 19 UPSTAIRS is available and she advised me to place the upstairs on hold as the rain date. Would there be any way that the hired entertainment rain date could be changed to a date that the hall is not being held or rented.

It is to my understanding that a paid hall rental takes precedence over waived hall usage.

Please advise the office of the June 19th hold to reflect the use of the upstairs on the waived rental form (that Mark Lasky completed) to be changed.

However if the Concert in the park rain date for the upstairs may cause an issue with the paid resident downstairs.

I do have a call into the resident that is holding the downstairs on June 19th to get a better idea if they still want to rent the downstairs of the hall.

I apologize for this inconvenience.

Dana Bundus
Account Administrator
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dbundus@brooklynhts.org
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Fax (216) 741-3753

Mike Procuk

8/27/16 cc counsel
AJ

To: Thea Guilfoyle
Cc: Donna Algeri; Jane Hlatky; Jerry Dowling (Jdowling@LawDirector.org); Tim Clymer
Subject: Morna Sosahr Request

Thea,

I returned Morna's call today to discuss her Senior Lawn Cutting contract. She would like to immediately cancel and is requesting an appropriate refund.

The reason is that the contract states that contractor will NOT adjust cutting height and her grass is being cut too short. She also mentioned that his turns are further damaging her lawn. Morna's fertilizer contractor recommends a cutting height of approximately 4 inches and it is being cut below that height.

Please process her cancellation request and advise on how we have handled refunds in the past.

Thanks,

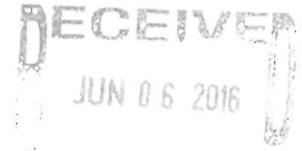
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We are refunding 100% as
her lawn was only cut twice.

MSB

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Wednesday, June 1, 2016

Mayor Mike Procuk

Brooklyn Heights Municipal Center

345 Tuxedo Avenue

Brooklyn Heights, OH 44131

Dear Mayor Procuk,

We have completed another successful school year at Cuyahoga Heights Local Schools, and are now preparing for the 2016-2017 school year. With that being said, this letter is to ask for your permission to once again continue a relationship that was forged many years ago between the Cuyahoga Heights Lady Redskin Soccer Team and the city of Brooklyn Heights. We would like to once again, use the soccer field located at the bottom of Brooklyn Heights Park for preparation for the season. If possible we would like to use the field from the dates of Monday, August 1, 2016 until approximately October 24, 2016. From August 1st until August 19 we would use the field from 7:00 am to approximately 10:30 am. From August 22th until the end of the season we would use the field after school, 3:00- 5:00 pm.

We appreciate all that the village has done for the Lady Redskin Soccer Team in the past and look forward to a continued relationship. The recreation department has been very helpful and instrumental in the team developing. Thank you for your time, and enjoy your summer.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Christy Zawadzki". The ink is dark and the signature is fluid.

Christy Zawadzki

Varsity Girls Soccer Coach

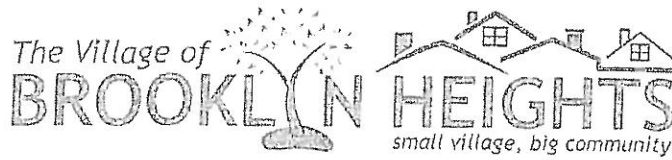
Cuyahoga Heights High School

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "George Burich". The signature is bold and stylized.

George Burich

Athletic Director/Assistant Principal

Cuyahoga Heights High School



Michael S. Procuk
Mayor
mprocuk@brooklynhts.org

6/3/16

345 Tuxedo Avenue Brooklyn Heights, Ohio 44131 ♦ Office: (216) 749-4300 ♦ Fax: (216) 741-3753

June 3, 2016

Soccer Parents and Coaches,

Thank you all for volunteering your time and efforts to help our children grow! I firmly believe that sports teach our children so much more than just skills and winning championships. Providing a Soccer Program has been a village mainstay for over 30 years.

This Spring Season we made many changes and I welcome your feedback. Our Temporary Soccer Commissioner, Narlin Shadd, added many opportunities for everyone involved:

Preseason soccer foot-skill sessions were offered in our High School Gym for all school district rec soccer players ages 6-13.

Our programs grew by 3 teams and our smurf participation increased by 35 children. We purchased new equipment and the village is now responsible for storing it safely. Some of the equipment was replacements that had been previously requested, but more importantly, the smurfs were provided the newest gear to introduce them to soccer.

We also began using corner flags once again. We severed our ties with referees who just did not show up at games and we replaced them with a certified service who guarantees their refs will be at every game.

Our fields were complimented by visitors at the games I attended and our entire park is often referred to as "a hidden gem".

Narlin provided periodic parent updates utilizing email of other soccer news. He also provided educational materials to help coaches and parents practice skills with the children. He was also available to assist with team practices when asked to attend.

As we continue to grow our programs, I welcome your feedback and suggestions. We hope to find an easier way to compensate referees directly without involving the coaches handling village funds.

Please email me direct, open or confidential, and I will follow up as we continue to make Brooklyn Heights the best place to raise a family.

mayor mike

cc council
emaild TO All parents
AND COACHES
MP

Mike Procuk

From: Narlin <Narlin@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Tuesday, June 07, 2016 1:53 PM
To: lyndie schuckert; M. Brandon Melgaard; Gerald Wise II; BARTS4U
Cc: Mike Procuk
Subject: U 10 Girls, U 12 Girls Red, U 12 Girls White, U8 Boys White - SRSL League Champions

Dear coaches,

Congratulations on becoming champions of your spring soccer league! Trophies are being ordered, and I am asking that you please send me the names of each of your players, (with correct spelling, of course), by tomorrow evening, so I can finalize the order by Thursday.

As always, thank you for stepping out of the crowd to give of your time to work with the youth in our village. Your efforts and enthusiasm are appreciated.

Narlin

Sent from my Verizon Samsung Galaxy smart

ELKS SOCCER SHOOT-OUT RESULTS

Lodge Sponsor Parma #1938



WINNERS

U8 – Ages 7 & Under

Shaye Tepley
Cole Schuckert

U10 – Ages 8 & 9

Sydney Borowy
Donny Raymond

U12 – Ages 10 & 11

Sierra Wise
Kaelib Graaf

U14 – Ages 12 & 13

Delayne Disanza
Dylan Mormile

Thanks to the following for another successful Parma Elks Soccer Shoot:

Elk Members: PER Candie Harris, Bill Donley, Joe Donley, Anna Marie Donley, Lisa Docherty, David Docherty & PER Mayor Mike Procuk

Volunteers: Narlin Shadd, Jamie (Shadd) Matson, Tom Lahiff, Jim Gatt, Cindy Gatt & Beverly Procuk

We had our largest turnout ever! The weather was wet at times and the score sheets got soaked, but everyone had fun. We served 200 hot dogs to families and friends of our 47 contestants. We will be represented by boys and girls in all age groups, as they compete at the District Shoot Out on June 18th. Special thanks to Director Ed Hatgas and our Service Department for preparing our fields to accommodate 4 games, and the Shoot Out, all going on at the same time. Extra Special Thanks to our Spring Soccer Director Narlin Shadd for coordinating not only the soccer shoot, but another first ever practice session the evening before. Good luck at the District and hopefully the State Shoot Outs!

Past Exalted Ruler
Mayor Mike



SOCCER...IT'S A KICK!

Mike Procuk

6/3/16
Cc council

From: Kari baciak
Sent: Friday, June 03, 2016 2:14 PM
To: highlightsfood@sbcglobal.net
Subject: Soccer Shoot Out Winners

FYI

MB

Good Afternoon,

Here are a list of local winners from our Soccer Shoot Out that will now advance to the district in Mayfield on June 18 at 10 :00 a.m.:

U8 – Ages 7 & Under

Shaye Tepley
Cole Schuckert

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Dylan Mormile

If you have any questions, please let me know. And once you obtain the list of winners from the district, please forward those to me.

Thank You,

Kari Baciak

Tree City USA 2016 Awards

4th Year, class of 2012

City of Vermilion

3rd Award

City of Norton

7th Year, class of 2009

Twinsburg Township

6th Award

Village of Bratenahl

8th Year, class of 2008

Village of Brooklyn Heights

10th year, Class of 2006

City of Macedonia

Village of Monroeville

13th Award

Village of Milan

16th Year, Class of 2000

City of Pepper Pike

16th Award

City of Independence

17th Award

City of Oberlin

18th Year, Class of 98

City of Bay Village

Village of Newburgh Heights

City of Richmond Heights

19th Award

Village of Fairport Harbor *2012

19th Award

City of Ravenna

20th Year, Class of 96

City of Beachwood

City of Middleburg Heights

City of South Euclid

21st Year, Class of 95

City of Akron

Village of Mantua

Village of Richfield *2020

City of Strongsville *2004

22nd, Class of 94

City of Brecksville *2001 *2019

Village of Burton

Youngstown Air Reserve Station

22nd Award

Village of Silver Lake

23rd Year, Class of 93

City of Avon Lake *2018

24th Year, Class of 92

City of Aurora *1999

City of Elyria

City of Fairview Park

25th Year, Class of 91

City of Westlake *2016

25th Award

City of Broadview Heights

26th Year, Class of 90

City of Euclid *2002

City of Parma Heights

City of Sandusky *2000 *2015

28th Year, Class of 88

City of Mentor *2006

28th Award

City of Munroe Falls

29th Year, Class of 87

City of Berea

City of Cuyahoga Falls *2007

City of Olmsted Falls

Village of Wellington

30th Year, Class of 86

City of Bedford Heights

31st Year, Class of 85

City of Bedford

Village of Chagrin Falls

City of Kent *1996

City of Shaker Heights *1994 *2013

32nd Year, Class of 84

City of Brooklyn *2009

Village of Chardon

City of Norwalk

City of Rocky River *1998

33rd Year, Class of 83

City of Willoughby

34th Year, Class of 82

City of Medina *1995

City of Wadsworth *2014

36th Year, Class of 80

City of Cleveland *1990

City of Hudson *2010

City of Solon *1993 *2005

City of Stow *1991 *2008

City of Wickliffe

City of Willard

38th Year, Class of 78

City of Cleveland Heights

City of University Heights

39th Year, Class of 77

City of Lakewood

2015-2016 Tree City USA Growth Awards

City	# of Awards
Brooklyn Heights	1
Sandusky	7
Hudson	9
Cuyahoga Falls	1
Ravenna	11
Kent	3
Mentor	4
Rocky River	1
Stow	9
Aurora	5
Monroeville	4



* Hosted Tree City Ceremony (since 1990)

Kari baciak

From: Ed Hatgas
Sent: Thursday, May 26, 2016 7:22 AM
To: Mike Procuik
Cc: Kari baciak
Subject: FW: Arbor Day

Can we get everything ready by July 5 to have our Arbor day at the Senior lunch. The tree will be in honor of Kathy Milhalko.

Ed

From: Thea Guilfoyle [<mailto:tmarie0926@gmail.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, May 25, 2016 4:10 PM
To: Ed Hatgas
Subject: Arbor Day

May 25

Re: Arbor Day Plans

Hi Ed

Do you have any idea how long the "program" will last?

We have one-hour slots open on June 21st and July 5th (12-1:00p). These one-hour slots include us feeding them!

The only date we have totally open is in September which is probably too late.

Let me know if this works for you!

Thea

Mike Procuk

Subject: Brookloyn Heights 2016 Aspahlt Program - Precon Meeting
Location: Brooklyn Heights Village Hall Council Conference Room

Start: Wed 6/8/2016 10:00 AM
End: Wed 6/8/2016 11:00 AM
Show Time As: Tentative

Recurrence: (none)
Organizer: Ralph Gates

When: Wednesday, June 08, 2016 10:00 AM-11:00 AM (UTC-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada).

Where: Brooklyn Heights Village Hall Council Conference Room

Note: The GMT offset above does not reflect daylight saving time adjustments.

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Jeremy,

Please provide the following for distribution at the pre-con meeting.

Thank You.

Ralph

Emergency Contact Numbers

JMF for ODOT 301 and ODOT 448 Type 1 Surface Course

Data Sheets for ODOT 423 Crack Sealing material and ODOT 304 Aggregate Base

Subcontractors?

Construction Schedule

Mike Procuk

From: Mayor Elkins <t.elkins@newburghhtsoh.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, June 07, 2016 2:35 PM
To: Trevor Elkins
Subject: RTA fare increases and route cuts

Dear Colleagues,

Today the RTA Board of Trustees voted to increase fares. As a result of this vote, the impact will also be the reduction of services and routes.

As the sole dissenting vote (8-1), I cast my vote not because I do not recognize corrections must be made in the short term, but because there has been no substantive conversation about how to correct the structural flaws in funding and budget deficits without creating a spiral of continued service cuts and rate increases.

Moving forward, it is my hope that the board will join me in creating systemic changes several years before they are needed to preserve and expand access to transit rather than find ourselves where we were today.

We have a very talented, thoughtful board and although we disagreed on this vote, all really are committed to doing the best that can be done for RTA and the region. There was no doubt that everyone felt a great deal of angst about today's result.

Regards,

Trevor Elkins
Mayor
Newburgh Heights

Mike ProcuK

From: joe stefanko
Sent: Friday, May 20, 2016 5:43 PM
To: Mike Lasky; Mike ProcuK
Subject: Fwd: Local Government Safety Capital Grant Program Awards
Attachments: image001.png

Did not get this one unfortunately we will keep trying

Joe S

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: b Stanislaw <bStanislaw@brooklynhts.org>
Date: May 20, 2016 at 3:39:38 PM EDT
To: joe stefanko <jstefanko@brooklynhts.org>
Subject: Fwd: Local Government Safety Capital Grant Program Awards

Better luck in the fall. I will follow up with the state to see where we can improve

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: "LGSCG@development.ohio.gov" <LGSCG@development.ohio.gov>
Date: May 20, 2016 at 3:14:32 PM EDT
To: "LGSCG@development.ohio.gov" <LGSCG@development.ohio.gov>
Subject: Local Government Safety Capital Grant Program Awards

Thank you for applying to the Local Government Safety Capital Grant Program. After careful review of your application, we regret to inform you that you have not been awarded grant funds this round.

The first round was highly competitive as we received a large number of applications. We encourage you to apply again for the next round which we anticipate opening in the Fall of 2016. Please note that you will have to submit a new application to be considered. Look for updates on the Ohio Development Services Agency website, https://development.ohio.gov/bs/bs_lgscgp.htm in the upcoming months for more information.

Thank you again for your interest in the Local Government Safety Capital Grant Program. Should you have any questions, please reply to this email and one of our staff will reach out to you as soon as possible.



Mike Procuk

From: OhioHouseRepComm@ohiohouse.gov
Sent: Tuesday, June 07, 2016 10:00 AM
Cc: Markee.Osborne@ohiohouse.gov
Subject: RELEASE- Rep. Anielski Congratulates Six Local Municipalities for Earning Safety Capital Grant
Attachments: 20160425_135442-1.jpg



OHIO HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Majority Communications Department

For Immediate Release:
June 7, 2016

Rep. Anielski Congratulates Six Local Municipalities for Earning Safety Capital Grant

Grants will help fund public safety projects in local communities

COLUMBUS—State Representative Marlene Anielski (R-Walton Hills) today congratulated the Cities of **Independence, Brecksville, Lyndhurst, Mayfield Village, Highland Heights** and **Gates Mills** for being named recipients of the Local Government Safety Capital Grant funds.

Initiated by the Ohio House of Representatives and included in the state operating budget for fiscal years 2016 and 2017, these grants can be used to help fund public safety projects in local communities throughout Ohio. Local governments could apply for the grants for eligible projects, but must be used for purchasing vehicles, equipment, facilities and/or systems utilized by police, fire, and/or EMS providers to enhance public safety. The maximum total request amount for projects is \$100,000 per individual political subdivision.

State Representative Anielski said, "I have been very enthusiastic about the Safety Capital Grant Program from the start for all eighteen municipalities that I represent. All municipalities were encouraged to submit grant proposals. The funds will supply many equipment updates and services to the various areas and will improve the safety and well-being of our communities. I congratulate those recipients of the grants, which assists our constituents as well as our local governments."

The grant funds awarded to the six local municipalities totaled over \$350,000 and will serve a multitude of safety needs in the various districts.

"Independence Mayor Anthony Togliatti and Brecksville Mayor Jerry Hruby have proposed combining the dispatch operations of both cities to maximize efficiency while maintaining the outstanding levels of service that both cities provide to their residents," said Independence Police Chief Kilbane. "The Local Government Safety Grant will help facilitate the purchase of state of the art dispatch center radio equipment that is a critical component of the collaborative effort. The new digital high band radio system

6/2/16

Mike Procuk

From: Ed Hatgas
Sent: Wednesday, June 01, 2016 9:09 AM
To: Mike Procuk
Subject: FW: Good morning Ed.

cc Council
FVJ

Mayor,
This is for your reading pleasure.
Ed

NO

From: Ray Berzins [mailto:rb_berzins@cox.net]
Sent: Tuesday, May 31, 2016 10:14 AM
To: Ed Hatgas
Subject: Good morning Ed.

Good morning Ed.

I had a few thoughts regarding the village park. I figured you could give me an honest opinion and if you think it is worthwhile, could point me to the right person if it isn't you.

I don't want to imply we should limit access to the park, but in a time when we need to watch our spending, I think we could capitalize on some of our amenities.

On almost every nice day at the park, I am asked by at least one person about reserving a pavilion, ball diamond or soccer field. I was approached yesterday asking if anyone has ever reserved a portion of the park for a wedding. It is almost always a non resident (except the wedding question). It seems a bit backwards that residents need to pay, but non residents can use the pavilions for free if available. Here is a baseline thought for a proposal.

Make all pavilions for use by rental only. Have a waist height chain across them to limit use to permit holders only. This will encourage people who want to use them to get a permit and will deter those who regularly attend a pavilion and don't clean up after themselves to find a new location or have their fees cover the cleanup cost.

All outside picnic tables would stay for public use. We could even add some in the future.

Provide residents with one free pavilion use each year per household. Continue to request that the permit holder be present.

Allow the businesses in the village to have one use per year no charge. This is a good will measure for the businesses that keep us afloat.

Council can wave fees as always for service clubs, scouts and similar or put a provision in to automatically wave the fee.

Charge non residents and any residents wishing to use a pavilion multiple times, a fee of \$100. I feel that is a bargain for access to a pavilion for 12 hours.

June through August this year has 13 weekends and 2 holidays. That is 28 days of prime rental. Plus any weekdays. We could get anywhere from our current amount of funds on up to \$8400 in those 28 days to assist in the current maintenance costs at the park, security costs and potentially money that could be used to update

and maintain our facilities. At bare minimum, there would be a savings in maintaining the pavilions after parties and the cleanup of what is currently left behind. We will never be able to stop people from creating the need for clean up, but I think this would curb it a bit.

Here are a few additional thoughts.

Charge refundable cleanup fee of \$30. If the parties take their own garbage to the dumpster (we will leave them bags) and the pavilion is cleaned up, they receive the funds back or they can leave the garbage in the cans and we keep the fee. Anyone who leaves the pavilion in extreme disarray is revoked pavilion privilege in the future.

I'm not sure if we could feasibly rent the ball diamonds, soccer field nets or volley ball court along with rentals (or separately for that matter) for a small up charge. It may be a scheduling nightmare. I have noticed we get groups that come down and camp out by the volley ball court for half a day and pretty much take it over. Maybe we can capitalize on that use a little.

Possibly make pavilions 2 & 3 non resident pavilions and 1 for residents only. Obviously residents could still reserve any pavilion.

Use future funds to fix up village park starting with pavilion 1 and surrounding area. It is probably a 30 year pipe dream, but it would be nice to have roll up doors on pavilions, fireplaces and an added paved area for handicapped parking by diamond 2. If we are opening ourselves to liability by putting a sign up for handicapped parking in an uneven grassy area that has multiple people parking there almost every day in the summer, why not just pave it and put a fence up along the playground to protect the kids. Then with legally marked spots, security doesn't need to monitor the area as often.

Lastly, I would like to say that I think the park is looking better than the last 5 years I have been working it. The new wood chips give a barrier to the mud. The electric hand dryers have limited to a point, the paper mess left in the bathrooms. And the workout / play area still gets comments and lots of use.

Thanks in advance for any input you may have. I'm sure there is plenty I am missing, but maybe it is a starting point.

Respectfully,

Ray Berzins
Cub Master Pack 28
Rb_berzins@cox.net
440.669.8103

Mike Procuk

From: DuBois, Sanja <Sanja.DuBois@sedgwickcms.com>
Sent: Monday, June 06, 2016 12:36 PM
To: Mike Procuk; HCComplaints@odh.ohio.gov; rachel.neil@governor.ohio.gov
Subject: Sanja DuBois Resident - 5178 W. 6th St., Brooklyn Hts., OH
Attachments: IMG_1544.JPG; IMG_1545.JPG; IMG_1546.JPG; IMG_1581.JPG; IMG_1582.JPG; IMG_1583.JPG

Dear Mayor:

I have lived in multiple communities in my 50 years of life. However, disappointing to say, Brooklyn Hts is by far the worse community when it comes to taking any responsibility. I voted for you at the onset of you becoming Mayor for this city because I believed that you would be a great leader, you were a man of your word and would have the compassion that all small cities needed. I guess I was very spoiled, because I moved from Cuyahoga Hts where I rented for 10 years and then bought my house in Brooklyn Hts 17 some years ago.

In the last how many years that you have been the mayor, other than seeing you occasionally at Kiwanis Events many years ago and maybe a time or two at Home Days, I had not seen you much. I reached out to you twice and both times you failed me. The first time was within a few years of my moving to my house. They dug up the street directly in front of my home---my whole front curb lawn and around the corner was destroyed - from gravel and debris--- I called you back then to find out who to contact at the water department so I could file a claim and have them rake all these stone and reseed my grass. You told me don't worry, I was calling the right place - that you would discuss it with the water company get them to pay you and you have "our people to fix it right". Well after 2 months of calling you - I gave up and spent weeks picking rocks and just reseeded the grass.

Then about 5 years ago or so, they came and dug up a 23' by 8' ft hole in the side of my yard. When they were done, they filled it with the broken pieces of the street (they also dug up), dirt and gravel. By the time they were done, the side of my yard was sunk in by at least 6 inches and filled in with broken concrete, gravel and dirt. Determined that I was not going to allow this to happen to me again, I repeatedly phoned you, until you finally showed up at my home with at least 6 different council people and your service department. You all agreed that it was a mess, but you looked in my face and said, "well it wouldn't be fair that the city should have to pay for it". Well I shouldn't have had to pay for something that the city entered in a contract with the water company to complete. I was so upset, because it was the city -- that allowed this to happen to my yard, apparently the city wasn't regulating what was done nor assured that the village residents property was restored to what it was before that. So the resolution was that there would be 6 degrees above grade. I didn't really know what that meant and it was explained to me that dirt would be filled at a slope above the rest of the grass-- to allow for settling later and seed would be thrown down. Well, a few days later someone came and dropped some dirt -- but it was still at a level that was at least 4-5 inches below the rest of the lawn -- and was still full of gravel rocks. You threw some seed and hey. I spent the next year still picking out stones from my yard and have this big sink hole in my yard. I called you several times thereafter and you basically told me it was the best that you can do.

So now, we come to once again, the city has issues with the water pipes or whatever the case is. I had no knowledge that the water company was going to utilize my home and run hoses to/from my home. I started to notice within a couple days there was a slight discoloration of my water. I thought ok, just give it a few days since they were rerouting the water. Then the water started to have a yellowish, greenish blue color. This had really concerned me as I have been very ill for the last 3.5 years with Cancer and Staph infections undergoing 11 surgeries. I was very worried about consuming the water for my own health issues and my 2 dogs. I bought jugs and jugs of water for my and the dogs, however, I still needed to shower, wash cloths and dishes. I called both your office and the Service Department. So I have left a message for Ed. Never did hear back from him, so then I called your office again and I was told that they weren't sure that Ed would be the right person to talk to and perhaps it should be Mike the Engineer, however, Mike was on vacation. So your secretary left him a message to call me, as well as, I left a message. He did promptly call me

the following week. He stated that water was converted from the fire hydrant to my home, he assured me that I was not supplying the city with water, that it was only my home. He further stated that they were checking water safety daily and there was no issues. I was advising there was an issue at my home, however, there was no offer to check my water. I walked up and down South and saw that there were a couple (not all) homes that had hoses attached to their home. He assured me the water was safe, recommended that I go to the lowest level of my home and run water for 20 minutes. He then also advised that they should within the next few days/week be completed with water from the hydrant and assured me the water should be back to normal. He stated that they would also work on the street, I had concerns that when they are moving these pipes around they may upset the root system of these huge trees across the street and somehow damage the pipes that are under my house. He assured they were being careful.

Well, within a day or two of speaking to him, my water went from the yellowish/greenish blue color to dirty yellow-brown and I once again had a big hole dug up in the side of my yard. Pictures are attached of the water and the condition of my yard. Every day I went through my whole house and ran the water for 20 minutes. I had then spoke to a water company employee -- crew person that was down on 5th and South street working on the street. He told me that Brooklyn Hts had a terrible water system problem underground and this was not first nor will it be the last time they will be here. He told me he wouldn't drink the water. He told me they were finishing up and the water should clear up in the next few days. It did start to clear up after Memorial day.

So then last week I called Ed because my yard was now all torn up again. I was shocked by our conversation. I used to think he was one of the nicest people in our community. He started off very condescending, he told me that I should be happy because they were replacing all the water pipes to my house. This upset me, he made it out to be that the city was doing ME a favor by giving me all new pipes. I stated the city was not fixing a "my house problem" they were fixing a problem, which according to the Water Department Worker a very serious problem we have in this city. From there the conversation went South, he treated me as if I was lying about the situation, told me that I was the only person having this problem, he told me everyone's yard was torn up -- he demanded to know who specifically I called at your office, I then explained that I also had spoken with Mike (before the hole in my yard), he even questioned that, he said Mike never told him, before the conversation was over, I felt absolutely humiliated as to the manner he spoke to me and clearly sent the message that the city didn't care about how this was affecting one it's resident and tax payer. I left that conversation with, Suck it up and don't bother me.

Today, I spoke to Mike the Engineer, I said I had no idea they were digging up my yard. He said that we spoke of this last week. I said there was no conversation about digging up my yard, just the street would need to be repaired. We did talk about the nightmare I had several years ago, when they dug it up and my yard now has a big section that is sunk in because they never did the job right back then. He said that he would take a look at it and they may be able to do something about it -- but I assumed he said that because when the street would be dug up again on the side of my house, that I would have some damage to the lawn again and he would make sure I wouldn't have disaster again. But, he never mentioned that they were digging up my yard. He too told me that everyone has their yard dug up... I drove up and down South, 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th. I noted that 8th has a part in his yard/driveway tore up. Other than that, no else's yard seemed to be affected. I noted that several driveway apron's (including mine) have been dug up, but no one else's yard. Mike then told me that I needed to check my hot water tank -- because no one else had a problem with the water and it must be something wrong with my hot water tank. Then he made it a point to tell me that where the hole is, is not my yard -- but rather public access.

I am very disappointed and insulted with City of Brooklyn Hts and how they have handled this. I am home owner and this is my property that is being directly affected, the City did not communicate to me that my yard would be affected (just that repairs were being made to the street), when I voiced concerns about the safety of the water, I was basically spoken too, as if I was lying, that the City was doing me a Favor and that it had to be a problem in my home, ie. the hot water tank, etc.

I am a tax payer, I have been very ill for the last 3.5 years and I have concern for not only my health but the well-being of my animals. I have the right to question the safety of the water and why every time there is a problem, the water company digs into my property. What is going on under my property? Lastly, I have the right to know the TRUTH about

what exactly they are doing underground and if they are replacing bigger pipes 8" underground, how far do they go under my property and what does that mean to the integrity of the smaller 6" old corroding pipes that they are connecting too -- that are under my home -- will I need to worry about a pipe bursting (past their repair) or collapsing under my home -- and being stuck with thousands of dollars in repairs, water damaging my home and possible sewage problems -- since they dug this hole right next to what Ed told me was the pipe that the sewer dept put in years ago.

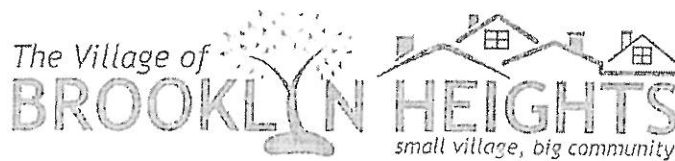
I just want the truth about what is going on under my property, be assured that the water company is not disrupting the root systems of the big trees across the street that will cause damage to any existing pipes not being replaced, assure the safety of the water, that the new pipe system is not going to compromise the old corroding pipe system that goes to my home, how far is the piping system being replaced from the street to my home (as I got 2 different statement from ED and the Engineer), and that I be spoken to respectfully and not be patronized nor spoken to in a condescending manner.

I am disappointed that the Community that I chose as my lifetime resident, shuts down my questions and concerns relating to damage being done to my personal property, as well as, the safety of the water system.

Thank you.

Sanja E. DuBois
(216) 571-2220

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Michael S. Procuk
Mayor
mprocuk@brooklynhts.org

345 Tuxedo Avenue Brooklyn Heights, Ohio 44131 ♦ Office: (216) 749-4300 ♦ Fax: (216) 741-3753
April 6, 2016 RE: South Street Water Main Replacement

Dear South Street Resident:

As part of the Village's continued effort to improve the Village's Infrastructure, the Village has hired Terrace Construction Company, Inc. (TCCI) to begin the South Street Water Main Replacement and Street Repair. The Contractor is scheduled to begin construction the week of April 11th with the anticipated completion by the end of May, weather depending. The work will include replacement of the water main and appurtenances along with pavement repair and overlay on South Street. The total construction cost will be approximately \$328,740 of which the Village has secure almost 73% of the cost from a grant through the Cleveland Water Department.

Although the road will be open to traffic local traffic at all times during construction, please be patient and allow additional time for normal construction delays. As with any construction, please use caution and have patience while driving within the construction zone. Please note as part of the water main installation, a temporary above ground water main will service all households while the old main is being replaced. If you live within the South Street water main replacement area, TCCI will be providing you with contact information should you notice vandalism or issues with the above ground by-pass. In order to isolate your house from the existing water main, it may be necessary for TCCI personnel to enter your house to shut off the service line at the meter. These personnel will be able to show proper identification, which will be provided upon request.

Although we are not expecting any scheduled water main shut downs, should any be required, the affected residents will be notified at least 48 hours in advance. After a water main shut down, it is recommended that you run the water in the lowest part of your home for at least 3 minutes to eliminate any air or debris that might have entered the line.

If you have a sprinkler system, invisible dog fence, electric service or other item within the right-of-way, please contact Village Engineer, Michael Henry, at (440) 439-1999 to review your options. The TCCI is required to restore any disturbed areas as the work is completed, however it is advisable to have your sprinkler system or other equipment installer ready to remove or restore items placed in the right-of-way.

We greatly appreciate your patience while these repairs are being made. Should you have any additional questions or concerns, you may contact our Village Engineer, Michael Henry, at (440) 439-1999 or please feel free to contact me at Village Hall (216) 749-4300.

Sincerely,

Mayor Mike

Village of Brooklyn Heights



Michael S. Procuk
Mayor
mprocuk@brooklynhts.org

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Dear Village Resident:

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Although, the work will not occur directly in front of your home, the Village wanted you to be aware of the construction taking place within your neighborhood. During the construction, it is strongly recommended to avoid the area to eliminate traffic and pedestrian issues that could adversely affect you and the construction schedule.

We greatly appreciate your patience while these repairs are being made. Should you have any additional questions or concerns, you may contact our Village Engineer, Michael Henry, at (440) 439-1999 or please feel free to contact me at Village Hall (216) 749-4300.

Sincerely

Mayor Mike

Village of Brooklyn Heights

Mike Procuk

From: Ed Hatgas
Sent: Wednesday, June 01, 2016 9:09 AM
To: Mike Procuk
Subject: FW: Good morning Ed.

Mayor,
This is for your reading pleasure.
Ed

From: Ray Berzins [mailto:rb_berzins@cox.net]
Sent: Tuesday, May 31, 2016 10:14 AM
To: Ed Hatgas
Subject: Good morning Ed.

Good morning Ed.

I had a few thoughts regarding the village park. I figured you could give me an honest opinion and if you think it is worthwhile, could point me to the right person if it isn't you.

I don't want to imply we should limit access to the park, but in a time when we need to watch our spending, I think we could capitalize on some of our amenities.

On almost every nice day at the park, I am asked by at least one person about reserving a pavilion, ball diamond or soccer field. I was approached yesterday asking if anyone has ever reserved a portion of the park for a wedding. It is almost always a non resident (except the wedding question). It seems a bit backwards that residents need to pay, but non residents can use the pavilions for free if available. Here is a baseline thought for a proposal.

Make all pavilions for use by rental only. Have a waist height chain across them to limit use to permit holders only. This will encourage people who want to use them to get a permit and will deter those who regularly attend a pavilion and don't clean up after themselves to find a new location or have their fees cover the cleanup cost.

All outside picnic tables would stay for public use. We could even add some in the future.

Provide residents with one free pavilion use each year per household. Continue to request that the permit holder be present.

Allow the businesses in the village to have one use per year no charge. This is a good will measure for the businesses that keep us afloat.

Council can wave fees as always for service clubs, scouts and similar or put a provision in to automatically wave the fee.

Charge non residents and any residents wishing to use a pavilion multiple times, a fee of \$100. I feel that is a bargain for access to a pavilion for 12 hours.

June through August this year has 13 weekends and 2 holidays. That is 28 days of prime rental. Plus any weekdays. We could get anywhere from our current amount of funds on up to \$8400 in those 28 days to assist in the current maintenance costs at the park, security costs and potentially money that could be used to update

and maintain our facilities. At bare minimum, there would be a savings in maintaining the pavilions after parties and the cleanup of what is currently left behind. We will never be able to stop people from creating the need for clean up, but I think this would curb it a bit.

Here are a few additional thoughts.

Charge refundable cleanup fee of \$30. If the parties take their own garbage to the dumpster (we will leave them bags) and the pavilion is cleaned up, they receive the funds back or they can leave the garbage in the cans and we keep the fee. Anyone who leaves the pavilion in extreme disarray is revoked pavilion privilege in the future.

I'm not sure if we could feasibly rent the ball diamonds, soccer field nets or volley ball court along with rentals (or separately for that matter) for a small up charge. It may be a scheduling nightmare. I have noticed we get groups that come down and camp out by the volley ball court for half a day and pretty much take it over. Maybe we can capitalize on that use a little.

Possibly make pavilions 2 & 3 non resident pavilions and 1 for residents only. Obviously residents could still reserve any pavilion.

Use future funds to fix up village park starting with pavilion 1 and surrounding area. It is probably a 30 year pipe dream, but it would be nice to have roll up doors on pavilions, fireplaces and an added paved area for handicapped parking by diamond 2. If we are opening ourselves to liability by putting a sign up for handicapped parking in an uneven grassy area that has multiple people parking there almost every day in the summer, why not just pave it and put a fence up along the playground to protect the kids. Then with legally marked spots, security doesn't need to monitor the area as often.

Lastly, I would like to say that I think the park is looking better than the last 5 years I have been working it. The new wood chips give a barrier to the mud. The electric hand dryers have limited to a point, the paper mess left in the bathrooms. And the workout / play area still gets comments and lots of use.

Thanks in advance for any input you may have. I'm sure there is plenty I am missing, but maybe it is a starting point.

Respectfully,

Ray Berzins
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440.669.8103

Resolution

Of the Cuyahoga County Mayors and City Managers Association in Recognition and Appreciation of Rose Dziak

WHEREAS; Rose is retiring from Dominion East Ohio on May 31, 2016, after 43 years of service, and

WHEREAS; Most recently she served as an External Affairs Manager for the last 20 years where she distinguished herself as an exemplary liaison between Dominion and her municipal leaders, and

WHEREAS; She has been a trusted and capable point of contact to resolve issues for area mayors, service directors and other municipal contacts, and

WHEREAS; While Rose has been a diligent employee and faithful employee, she has also been a leader through her work with various organizations in the Greater Cleveland community, and

WHEREAS; Rose invests thousands of hours of her personal time each year to a variety of worthy causes, most significantly with her longstanding service to the Cleveland chapter of the Christ Child Society, a national service organization dedicated to serving the needs of underprivileged children, and

WHEREAS; Over the years, Rose has also been actively involved with several other boards including the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation, Hunger Network of Greater Cleveland, Cleveland Play House and Womankind, and

WHEREAS; Rose's years of compassionate service will pay many untold dividends in the years to come, through the future success of individuals whose lives she has touched, and the organizations she has embrace,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED; that Rose Dziak has been a distinguished, thoughtful and devoted representative to communities in Cuyahoga County and will be missed upon her retirement, we extend our gratitude and appreciation for her years of service,

ON THIS 31ST DAY OF MAY, 2016, FOR THE CUYAHOGA COUNTY MAYORS AND CITY MANAGERS ASSOCIATION



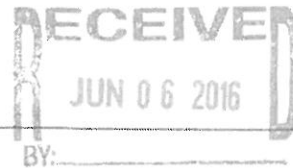
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June, 2016

Dear Mayors and Managers,

Enclosed, please find the latest edition of our On Tap Newsletter. In this edition, you'll find information on monthly billing, our online customer portal and how billing is made simple.

Also, since there have been a number of questions surrounding water quality and lead, we have included additional brochures with salient information for your office and your residents.

The 2015 Water Quality Report explains Cleveland Water's commitment to providing customers with a reliable supply of safe, quality drinking water.

The "What You Need To Know About Lead" brochure provides quick facts about lead in water and what you can do at home.

It is our hope that you will find these publications useful for your office and your constituents throughout the months to come!

Sincerely,

Alex Margevicius, Commissioner
Cleveland Water

Mike Procuk

From: Jerome Dowling <JDowling@lawdirector.org>
Sent: Tuesday, April 12, 2016 7:14 PM
To: Mike Procuk; Tim Clymer
Subject: Re: Questions

Mayor--

Spending-Department Heads can spend up to \$1,000 at a time without council action.

The Village can spend up to \$5,000 on a motion. Above that is done by ordinance.

All is by majority vote.

The ordinance does allow for spending over \$1,000 for needed immediate repairs etc.

Bidding process has gone up to \$50,000 by state statute but I believe we haven't changed our ordinances to be the same as the state (ours is still \$25,000 I believe)

Ordinances are for permanent changes. Resolutions are mostly to show intent.

Emergency ordinances are for the health,safety etc of the Village and are used frequently to preserve a favorable price on a purchase to help our budget and save taxpayer dollars.

Non-emergency ordinances get one reading before passage.

Jerry

From: Mike Procuk <mprocuk@brooklynhts.org>
Sent: Monday, April 11, 2016 1:23 PM
To: Tim Clymer; Jerome Dowling
Subject: Questions

Tim/Jerry,

Keep it simple, please.

Councilman Mark Lasky is very interested in Village Operations and council obligations in our day to day operations. I remember when I was first elected to council over 25 years ago. I had many of the same questions Mark is asking. Please give me some guidance to pass along to him.

After council has passed a budget, how does the village spend dollars?

Department Heads have up to what amount to spend without council action?

Paid invoices are presented to the Council (3 signatures required) and the Mayor long after the work has been completed and vendors paid. Why?

Cuyahoga Heights Local Schools
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2016 Community Survey Results
Narrative Summary

The mission of the Cuyahoga Heights Local Schools is to provide a safe, secure, and nurturing learning environment that graduates students who are college and career ready, are critical thinkers, are culturally aware, and are prepared to be successful citizens of the 21st century.

The basic measure of success for any school district is how well the mission is being fulfilled and met on a continuing basis in serving the needs of each student, of parents/families who are the district's customers, and of the various community groups that constitute the district's stakeholders.

Part A: Demographic Information

All stakeholder communities are represented in the 132 survey responders who describe their connection to the district as being a parent/guardian (63.6%), employee (25%), community member (31.8%), and alumni (26.5%). Over three-fourths have/had children attend the district's schools. Almost half of survey responders fall into the 36-50 year old age range. Survey responders represent all four of the communities served by the district: Brooklyn Heights (31.1%), Cuyahoga Heights (6.8%), Valley View (39.4%), and tuition program participants (10.6%).

Comment Box #1: In what ways are the Cuyahoga Heights Schools important to the future and growth of our communities? Please explain.

OVERWHELMING consensus is demonstrated in written comments regarding the importance of the schools to the future and growth of the three village communities.

Comment Box #2: Does the quality of the education provided by the Cuyahoga Heights Schools affect the property values of your home? Please explain.

OVERWHELMING consensus is demonstrated in written comments regarding the impact of the district on home property values within the three villages. A quality schools = quality communities theme was highly evident.

Part B: Educational and Financial Leadership

Survey responders were asked to rate the overall quality of the district's educational and financial leadership efforts in various areas.

Survey results indicating good-excellent ratings are shown in the overall quality of the district's efforts in partnerships with villages (71.2%), district buildings are welcoming (76.5%), and opportunities to volunteer (68.9%).

Survey results indicating good-excellent ratings are shown in the overall quality of the district's efforts in communications from the Board of Education (44.2%), from the superintendent and treasurer (81.9%), and from school principals (80.3%).

Survey results indicating good-excellent ratings are shown in the overall quality of teaching and learning provided by the district in teacher knowledge and teaching practices (79.4%), teacher classroom management skills (81.6%), teacher expectations for student success (81.5%), teacher responsiveness to student needs (73.9%), teacher responsiveness to parental needs (73.6%), and teacher communication with parents (68.8%).

Survey results indicating good-excellent ratings are shown in the overall quality of the district's student support services (counseling, psychological, and social work) whereby students are supported socially (71.6%), students are supported emotionally (86%), and students are supported educationally (78.7%).

Survey results indicating good-excellent ratings are shown in the overall quality of the district's educational programming for the general student population (77%), for students who need additional support/special education (76.3%), and for academically advanced students (70.9%).

Survey results indicating good-excellent ratings are shown in the overall quality of the district's support staff services including secretarial staff (84.7%), custodial staff (83%), food service staff (82.8%), transportation staff (58.1%), and school aides and attendants (81.6%).

Survey results indicating good-excellent ratings are shown in the overall outcomes of a Cuyahoga Heights Schools education in the graduation rate (96.7%), college acceptance rate (88.5%), job/career readiness (66.9%), and military readiness (64.2%).

Comment Box #3: Do students benefit/not benefit from the education provided within the Cuyahoga Heights Schools? Please explain.

OVERWHELMING consensus is evident in written comments regarding the benefit of a Cuyahoga Heights Schools education. The size of the district was seen as a strength in the ability for teachers and staff to provide individual student attention and as a detriment to scheduling flexibility, the offering of additional course offerings, and enrichment opportunities.

Part C: Technology

Survey responders were asked to rate the overall quality of technology training and tools provided by the district.

Survey results indicating good-excellent ratings are shown in basic technology training (56.5%), technology use in the classroom (73.4%), student exposure to technology (80%), and student understanding of technology (78%).

Survey results indicated that 85.3% of survey responders have access to a computer and Smart phone at home.

Survey responders used technology resources once or several times a week to access Progress Book/Family Access (51.7%), Twitter (6.6%), email (44.8%), district website (60.2%), and teacher websites (17.6%).

Survey responders indicated that the preferred method of communication with the district as being US mail (30%), email (90.8%), telephone (28.5%), text message (44.6%), social media (26.9%), district/building newsletters (41.5%), and board community newsletters (29.2%).

Part D: Safety, Security, and Facilities

Almost 90% of survey responders rated school safety and security within the district as being important-very important. Survey results indicating good-excellent ratings are shown in student safety and security provided by the district in the classroom (83.9%), in school hallways (78.8%), in school bathrooms (71.5%), building security during school (75.4%), building security before or after school (61%), and school transportation (83.3%).

Over the past six months survey responders visited various areas of the district's campus including school grounds (88.5%), school buildings (91.5%), school classrooms (66.9%), athletic facilities (69.2%), school auditorium/gymnasium (83.1%), cafeteria (70%), and library/media center (63.1%). Only 3.8% of survey responders reported no visits in the past six months.

Survey responders were asked to rate the physical condition of the district's facilities. Survey results indicated good-excellent ratings are shown for exterior building appearance (82.4%), parking lots (75.2%), grounds (97.5%), school hallways (77.3%), school bathrooms (58.6%), school classrooms (77.5%), athletic facilities (79.9%), school auditorium/gymnasium (74%), cafeteria (72.3%), and libraries/media center (79.6%).

Comment Box #4: What is the likelihood that you would recommend the Cuyahoga Heights Schools to a relative, friend, neighbor, co-worker, etc.? Why or why not?

No consensus is evident in the written comments regarding recommending the district's schools to others. Many survey responders commented that there is a high likelihood of positive recommendations due to the small size, quality of instruction, welcoming learning environment, and the opportunities for student success. Other survey responders commented that they would hesitate in recommending or not make a recommendation at all due to actions by the board of education, ongoing conflicts with the teachers union, and a perception of too much nastiness and drama within the "bubble."

Comment Box #5: What are the major reasons for your not enrolling your children in the Cuyahoga Heights Schools?

Several written reasons for not enrolling focused on the curricular challenges and lack of opportunities due to the size of the district. Other reasons included those stated in Comment Box #4.

Comment Box #6: Do you and your family feel connected to the Cuyahoga Heights Schools? Why or why not?

A majority of written comments indicate a high level of connection with the district. Those highly connected described involvement via community, student, and parent/family activities and events. Other comments described the challenges of being viewed as outsiders in such tightly knit communities filled with district graduates.

Part E: Questions for parents/families with children in schools other than Cuyahoga Heights.

Survey responders were asked the types of schools attended by their children. Survey results for the 12 responses indicate private schools (16.7%), parochial schools (33.3%), and other public schools (50%).

Survey responders were asked if their children ever attended a district school. Survey results for the 23 responses indicate PreK-K (15.4%), CHES (38.5%), CHMS (61.5%), and CHHS (61.5%).

Comment Box #7: Do you and your family participate/attend any Cuyahoga Heights Schools events or programs? Which ones or why not?

Responses included community events, school activities, athletic events, music programs, fundraisers, etc.

Comment Box #8: Other comments and concerns not addressed in the survey?

Responses included improved communications, the cockroach situation, facility improvements, and the need for improved relationships between/among district leadership groups.

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Strategic Plan Refocus

Following a review of the five years of achievements of the BEST Committee (a committee that serves the district's superintendent) and the 2016 Community Survey results, it is recommended that the Cuyahoga Heights Schools Board of Education approve a multi-year refocused strategic planning initiative that would include representatives from the district's stakeholder groups (students, parents/families, community members, teachers, school staff, Board of Education, and district administrators).

Task Forces within the Strategic Plan Refocus Committee would be formed to develop continuous improvement initiatives under the following five pillars:

Pillar #1 – Academics

Pillar #2 – Safety, Security, and Facilities

Pillar #3 – Communication and Community Outreach

Pillar #4 – Advancement of Student Opportunities

Pillar #5 – Enrollment

Consensus on this recommendation to the Board of Education was reached by the BEST Committee on Monday, May 2, 2016.