

COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF BROOKLYN HEIGHTS

MINUTES OF A MEETING

HELD _____ October 18, 2022 _____ 20 _____

A meeting of the Council of the Village of Brooklyn Heights, Ohio was held on October 18 at 7:30 p.m. with Mayor Michael Procuk presiding.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited at this time.

Present at roll call:	Council Members:	Berzins, Blados, Lasky, Presot, Walsh
	Mayor:	Procuk
	Clerk/Treasurer:	Frank
	Law Director:	Dowling
	Assistant Law Director:	
	Engineer:	Henry
	Police Chief:	
	Fire Chief:	
	Asst. Fire Chief	Lasky (Mike)
	Acting Service Dir:	Florjancic
	Bldg. Commissioner:	
	Asst. Bldg. Comm.	
	Comm. Service Dir:	
	Recreation Dir:	
	Soccer Commissioner:	

GUESTS: Ed Stepka

MOTION: Mr. Walsh moved to approve the minutes from the September 27, 2022 Special Council Meeting. Seconded by Mrs. Presot. Motion carried 5-0.

MOTION: Mr. Walsh moved to approve the minutes from the October 4, 2022 Regular Council Meeting. Seconded by Mrs. Presot. Motion carried 5-0.

CORRESPONDENCE

- A letter from the Cuyahoga Valley Chamber of Commerce sharing that their State of the Region luncheon will be held on Wednesday, November 16th at the Holiday Inn Independence. RSVP by October 29th.
- A legal notice from the Cuyahoga County Board of Health was read in its entirety:

LEGAL NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

Pursuant to O.R.C. 121.22(F), notice is hereby given that the Cuyahoga County Board of Health will hold a Special Meeting of the Board at 9AM local time, on Friday, October 21, 2022 at their office located at 5550 Venture Drive, Parma, OH 44130.

The purpose of this Special Meeting is to determine the Kurtz-RKDF application for a new C&DD landfill. Any person desiring to be heard on the subject(s) or issues specified above to be discussed by the Cuyahoga County Board of Health should appear at the time and place set forth above and may be heard then and there or at such later time as the Board determines pursuant to its rules of operation.

Mayor Procuk reported that he asked our attorneys to inquire what is going on. They had called the Kurtz-RKDF attorneys who have not returned calls as of the time of tonight's meeting. As of now, if anyone wants to voice their opinion they will need to be at the Board of Health offices at 9:00 am. This was very late notice and not on their normal meeting date of the fourth Wednesday of the month. This special hearing is because the Hearing Officer,

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Mike Dolan, wrote his opinion that the Board should reconsider their position due to the technicalities that were pointed out. Their basis for the appeal is that the Board did not have all of the information to make a sound decision.

Mayor Procuik reported that Engineer, Mike Henry's contract is coming up and it is a 3-year contract with no change in the retainer. Due to getting inspectors, etc. some adjustments had to be made on their hourly rates. The contract was distributed to council and legislation will be prepared for the November Council Meeting.

CLERK-TREASURER / AARON FRANK

MOTION: Mr. Blados moved to approve payment to the First Suburbs Consortium for annual dues in the amount of \$3,000. Seconded by Mr. Berzins. Motion carried 5-0.

- The month of September is a three pay-period month so a deficit in the variance.
- The payment to Nidec brings our economic development fund to \$644,000.
- We continue to run under budget by approximately 4%.
- Our second RITA drop was received and put us at a grand net total of \$669,000 for October.

FIRE DEPARTMENT / ASSISTANT CHIEF LASKY

MOTION: Mr. Walsh moved to approve payment to Cuyahoga Community College for two firemen (Cooper and Mihal) to attend Fire School in the amount of \$1,400 Seconded by Mrs. Presot. Motion carried 5-0.

MAYOR'S REPORT / MICHAEL PROCUK

- We're operating at almost 4% under budget which is phenomenal especially under a tight budget. The most significant changes were in the Police Department operating at approximately 6% under budget even with the 17 full-time officers and a few part timers used as needed.
- The \$156,000 drop was about \$58,000 more than anticipated for the second drop in October. Year-to-date, we're now at \$6,412, 624 or about \$176,000 ahead of the plan and about \$300,000 ahead of last year's pace. We are up about 3% and are well-positioned with negotiations coming up. We're operating under budget and bills are being paid on time.

SERVICE DEPARTMENT / MIKE FLORJANCIK

- Reported on roofing quotes received:
 - Gazebo: Metal roof \$6,932.75, Shingle roof \$5,935.44
 - Dorset Park Pavilion: Shingle roof, \$3,557.18, \$4,200 and \$2,550
- Received a quote from New Heights Tree Service to remove all nine pine trees in the Upper Park in the amount of \$4,000.

MOTION: Mr. Blados moved to approve payment to New Heights Tree Service to remove pine trees in the Upper Park in the amount of \$4,000 Seconded by Mr. Walsh. Motion carried 5-0.

- As requested, he obtained quotes on GPS trackers for the vehicles and the cost through Verizon is \$15.95 per month, per vehicle. It includes history of travel, etc. Verizon does not require a contract for government entities and can work on month-to-month billing. The start-up per vehicle can be handled by the Service Department and is basically plugging the unit in. It offers real time information.

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MOTION: Mr. Berzins moved to approve payment to Verizon for GPS trackers in the Service Department vehicles in the amount of \$15.95 per vehicle, per month. Seconded by Mr. Walsh. Motion carried 5-0.

PARK, PLAYGROUND & COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE / JOE BLADOS

Mr. Blados reported the committee met this evening and discussed the bollard placements and the curbing. We are going to wait until next year and include this with the 2023 concrete program.

- It was brought to their attention that the Upper Park restroom is in need of an inspection by a structural engineer.

MOTION: Mr. Berzins moved to approve a structural engineer do the inspection and recommendation on the integrity of the Upper Park restroom in an amount up to \$2,000. Seconded by Mr. Walsh. Motion carried 5-0.

BUILDING COMMITTEE / RAY BERZINS

- During our meeting this evening we discussed elevator repair and will get additional quotes to see if any discount can be obtained for combining both elevators and will budget for next year.

SAFETY COMMITTEE / JENNIFER PRESOT

- This evening's meeting was regarding Fire Department promotions and that HR will be writing updated job descriptions.

Councilman Mark Lasky reported that the Park Board Family Fun Day last Saturday was a great event. The weather was good and everyone seemed to have a good time. He thanked the Mayor, Fire, Police, MSC and WSC volunteers and student volunteers for their time and support.

He further reported the 5K Race was also a successful event and thanked everyone including the Casey family who did a great job running the event.

There being no further business to come before the council, it was moved by Mr. Blados and seconded by Mrs. Presot that the meeting be adjourned.

Yeas: All

Meeting adjourned.



Mayor



Clerk/Treasurer