

COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF BROOKLYN HEIGHTS

MINUTES OF A MEETING

HELD _____ April 2, 2013 _____ 20 _____

A meeting of the Council of the Village of Brooklyn Heights, Ohio was held on April 2, 2013 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, Cichocki, Foote, Presot, Selig
	Mayor:	Procuk
	Clerk/Treasurer:	Clymer
	Law Director:	Dowling
	Engineer:	Henry
	Police Chief:	Algeri
	Fire Chief:	Lasky
	Service Director:	Hatgas
	Bldg. Commissioner:	Socoloff
	Comm. Service Dir:	Guilfoyle
	Recreation Dir:	Presot
	Economic Develop Dir:	Perry
	Guest:	State Rep. Nick Celebreeze

MOTION: Mrs. Presot moved to excuse Mr. Lahiff and Mr. Walsh due to family obligations. Second by Mr. Selig Motion passed 5-0

MOTION: Mr. Selig moved to approve the minutes of the March 5, 2013 regular council meeting. Second by Mr. Cichocki Motion passed 5-0

CORRESPONDENCE

Mayor Procuk read a letter from Dianne Toronski expressing her thanks and gratitude for the nomination as the Elks Citizen of the Year.

Mayor Procuk reminded council that John Lambert's retirement luncheon is Friday, April 12th in council chambers and rsvp's are necessary.

Mayor Procuk responded to Christine Youngless from the Blue Wave Swim Team and let her know that council is considering making a donation of \$35 per resident for registration. As soon as she is done with her registration and gives us the information then it will be put before council for consideration.

There will be a public meeting tomorrow evening, April 3, 2013 at 7:00 pm at the Community Center. This meeting is the last of the legal requirements to try to obtain the \$200,000 Brownfield Grant for the property on E. Schaaf Road.

AUDIENCE

Mayor Procuk introduced 15th District State Representative Nick Celebreeze, of which we are a part. He briefed council on a few state changes including greater state cuts to the municipalities than the last cuts. The state is also considering the licensing of dog groomers in light of a dog's death while being groomed. Rep. Celebreeze has been appointed to many committees at the state level also.

POLICE CHIEF

Chief Algeri also reminded council about John Lambert's retirement luncheon on Friday, April 12th. The cost is \$8.00 per person and begins at noon in council chambers.

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The Police department and animal warden attempted to catch a coyote in the Marko Lane area with no success.

We have received the application for the Bulletproof Vest Partnership grant. The process opens on April 8th and we will purchase five vests with the hopes of receiving a 50% reimbursement through the grant.

On April 22nd and 23rd Chief Algeri will attend the Command Level One Enforcement Conference on Handling Active Shooters and Mass Killing Situations put on by the Cleveland FBI at Richfield OPATA at no cost to the village.

COMMUNITY SERVICE DIRECTOR

Mrs. Guilfoyle stated that the lawn cutting program is moving along. At present, there are about twenty-five seniors signed up.

The Senior Luncheon will be on Friday, May 17th at noon and donations are welcome. Please have donations to her office by May 1st.

Mrs. Guilfoyle thanked council for reinstating the Social Worker. She is already working on one case and there is another pending.

The seniors have expressed an interest in attending the Cuyahoga Heights Middle School production of "Annie". The bus will take them to the 1:00 matinee.

The county is moving along on our website and we should see something very soon.

FIRE CHIEF

Chief Lasky reiterated the Prom Promise date and said that the participants include Valley View FD, Cuyahoga Heights FD, Parma FD and of course Brooklyn Heights fire and police.

He will be on a four day training with the county next week for the County Communications Manager class and from May 6th to May 10th training in Bowling Green.

County Executive Ed FitzGerald is putting a plan in place that would consolidate dispatching into four centers. The possibilities are Cleveland, Brecksville-Broadview Hts., Brookpark and the fourth is yet to be determined.

Mr. Cichocki asked how many people this would affect job-wise and Chief Lasky said probably 60-70% of the fifty current dispatch centers in the communities.

Chief Lasky attended a Meth Lab class at the Cuyahoga Heights Fire Department. It seems that meth labs are the up and coming thing in the neighborhoods.

Mr. Cichocki asked how this dispatch idea will impact our safety as a village.

Chief Algeri said that the plan ...911 Consolidation Plan ...is on the county website and cost has not been discussed with anyone yet. He said his concern is how do you take the eighteen cities in the Southwest Council of Governments, a population of 350,000 and 200 square miles and dispatch from one center and have good service.

Mr. Cichocki is concerned about the familiarity of the dispatching.

Chief Algeri said it will be a very high tech system.

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Mr. Cichocki said that we are not all on the same radios and Chief Lasky said this is years down the road.

Mr. Cichocki said that right now, Mr. FitzGerald is pushing for a plan by August, 2014 but Chief Algeri said that if he heads to Columbus who knows what will happen with the plan.

Mayor Procuk said that we will not attend any meetings unless invited by Cuyahoga Heights to be present.

Mrs. Presot asked how the safety meetings with the school are going and Chief Algeri said there will be another meeting in June. She asked if there will be any changes come September and Chief Algeri said that they are currently working on the cameras and the plan is to have a couple of meetings every year.

Mrs. Presot asked if the teachers have had any training and Chief Algeri said that the teachers that have been there for some time had training through our SWAT team on lock-down drills and the bus drivers on bus assaults but the new teachers are trained on the safety policy.

Chief Algeri commended Mr. Piper for putting together a good safety plan and to Mr. Evans for keeping it moving forward.

RECREATION DIRECTOR

Mr. Presot said that soccer will begin this Saturday.

MOTION: Mr. Black moved to pay Valley View \$1,565 for the five teams that played basketball in their recreation center. Second by Mr. Selig Motion passed 5-0

ENGINEER

Mr. Henry said he has had no response from the Rosby attorney regarding the leachate.

The State of Ohio will be advertising for bids for the Granger Road repairs.

The Park & Playground committee will meet on April 16th to discuss the broken fencing at diamond #2.

Mr. Henry said there is a resolution up for consideration tonight authorizing him to prepare plans and advertise for bids for the concrete repairs for Resource Drive.

Mr. Henry thanked council for their support of the OHIO EPA 319 program in the form of a resolution. This allows us with the West Creek Preservation Committee to seek financial assistance to design and install innovative storm water measures within the Brooklyn Hts. Park.

SERVICE DIRECTOR

Mr. Hatgas informed council that we received the Cuyahoga County Solid Waste District Recycling Grant and the magnets are on order.

We received the Cuyahoga County Sanitary Engineers report stating that \$79,446 was spent by them in Brooklyn Heights on: house calls, smoke & dye testing, cleaning of the sanitary sewers etc. This money comes out of the Sanitary Sewer Fund.

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

Mr. Perry, Mayor Procuk, Clerk/Treasurer Clymer, Mr. Dowling, reps from the Fed EPA and the State of OHIO met to discuss the Brownfield grant.

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BUILDING INSPECTOR

No report

CLERK/TREASURER

Mr. Clymer stated that the 1st quarter general fund is down year-to-date \$238,558 due in part to increased Salaries, legal fees, police pensions, retiring police lieutenant, road salt and part-time police salaries. The RITA collection was also down \$30,000 for the 1st quarter.

Mr. Clymer would like a special meeting to consider an ordinance to renew our liability insurance.

Mr. Clymer will be in Columbus for the State Auditors Convention April 3rd and 4th and he was invited to join the Auditor of State Regional Advisory Board.

LAW DIRECTOR

Mr. Dowling received a letter from the County Executive asking the County Prosecutor to ask the State Attorney General for an opinion on collecting the court costs for the County Regional Information System which will affect Mayor's Court.

MAYOR'S COURT

Fines collected	\$11,849.00
Paid to the State of Ohio	(2,260.50)
Indigent Driver & Alcohol Fund	(1,225.00)
Cuyahoga Regional Info System	(215.00)
Brooklyn Heights General Fund	\$8,148.50

MOTION: Mr. Foote moved to approve expenditure of court funds in the amount of \$1,267.40 to upgrade the court computer system. Second by Mrs. Presot Motion passed 5-0

Mayor Procuk received a copy of the letter today from Mr. Rosby in response to the letter of violation. He will put it in council packets since he and Mr. Dowling have not had a chance to read it through.

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS

ORDINANCE 34-2013 – APRIL PAY ORDINANCE

Sponsor: Mrs. Presot

Second: Mr. Selig

Yeas: Presot, Selig, Cichocki, Foote, Black

Nays: none

Ordinance 34-2013 passes 5-0

ORDINANCE 35-2013 – AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND/OR VILLAGE CLERK/TREASURER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH TC CONSTRUCTION TO REPAIR CATCH BASINS AT FOUR LOCATIONS WITHIN THE VILLAGE

Sponsor: Mr. Black

Second: Mr. Foote

Yeas: Black, Foote, Presot, Cichocki, Selig

Nays: none

Ordinance 35-2013 passes 5-0

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ORDINANCE 36-2013 – AN ORDINANCE REPEALING SECTION 1068.15 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF BROOKLYN HEIGHTS (Section 1068.15 prohibits animals from the park)

Sponsor: Mr. Cichocki

Second: Mr. Black

Not an emergency ordinance so it will be up for consideration at the next regular meeting of council on April 16, 2013.

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

Yeas: All

Meeting adjourned.



Mayor



Clerk/Treasurer