

JANUARY 5, 2015
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
PARMA COUNCIL CHAMBER
7:00 P.M.

The Regular Council Meeting was called to order by President of Council Sean P. Brennan presiding:

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

VITO DIPIERRO
ALLAN DIVIS
DEBORAH LIME
LARRY NAPOLI
SCOTT M. TUMA
BRIAN BROCHETTI
MARK CASSELBERRY
JEFFREY CROSSMAN
BRIAN DAY

Mr. Ramser – Mr. President, the Roll of Council has been called, and I find a quorum of Council members present. The following officials and department heads were also present: Mayor Timothy DeGeeter, Law Director Timothy Dobeck, Treasurer Tom Mastroianni, Auditor Dennis Kish, Safety Director Greg Baeppler, Service Director Brian Higgins, Building Commissioner/City Engineer Paul Deichmann, Communications and Community Relations Director Jeannie Roberts, Recreation Commissioner Mickey Vittardi, Director of Public Housing Lev Kulchytsky, and Clerk of Council Kenneth A. Ramser.

INVOCATION

The Invocation was given by Clerk of Council Kenneth A. Ramser.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

LEGISLATIVE COMMENT

No one wished to speak.

DISPOSAL OF JOURNAL

Mr. Brennan – You have before you the Minutes from the special Council Meeting held on December 8, 2014, the Regular Council Meeting held on December 15, 2014, the Special Council Meeting held on December 22, 2014 and the Special Council Meeting held on December 29, 2014. Asked if there were any additions or corrections to these Minutes? Hearing none, the Minutes will stand approved as printed.

COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS AND CLAIMS

Councilman Divis - Stated Mr. Ken Bechke of 6207 Renwood Drive is requesting an extension of the Area Variance granted by Council on June 6, 2014, due to contractor delays in the start of their project. The variance is for the construction of a new garage larger in size than permitted by Code. This will be the first request for an extension of the variance on this project.

Motion made by Councilman Divis seconded by Councilman Day to grant the Variance extension to Mr. Bechke. Motion carried.

Mr. Ramser – Council Annual Report for 2014 is on file in the Council Office.

FIRST READING:

ORDINANCE NO. 1-15 1/5/15 L-1-15
BY: B. DAY
(By Request – Safety Director)

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND A PORTION OF SECTION 3 OF ORDINANCE NO. 42-10 RELATIVE TO THE LEASE/PURCHASE OF TWO (2) HORTON EMERGENCY MEDICAL VEHICLES FOR THE PARMA FIRE DEPARTMENT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mr. Brennan – Said Ordinance will be referred to the Finance Committee.

ORDINANCE NO. 2-15 1/5/15 L-2-15
BY: L. NAPOLI, B. DAY, J. CROSSMAN
(By Request – Mayor)

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 134-05, AS AMENDED BY ORDINANCE NO. 197-08, BY ACCEPTING THE SECOND AMENDMENT TO LEASE, RELATIVE TO THE NINETY-NINE (99) YEAR LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS OF CLEVELAND METROPOLITAN PARK DISTRICT FOR WEST CREEK RESERVATION FOR THE LEASE OF CERTAIN LANDS WITHIN THE CITY OF PARMA KNOWN AS WEST CREEK PRESERVE WHICH WILL ALLOW FOR ADDITIONAL LAND TO BE ADDED TO THE RESERVATION, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mr. Brennan – Said Ordinance will be referred to the Finance Committee.

SECOND READING:

ORDINANCE NO. 240-14 12/1/14 L-240-14
BY: S. TUMA
(By Request – Law Director)

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH TRIDENT INSURANCE SERVICES, A SUBSIDIARY OF THE ARGONAUT INSURANCE GROUP, THROUGH MCGOWAN GOVERNMENTAL UNDERWRITERS, FOR MUNICIPAL EXCESS LIABILITY INSURANCE FOR THE CITY OF PARMA, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Motion made by Councilman Tuma seconded by Councilman Day to refer Ordinance No. 240-14 back to the Finance Committee. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 241-14 12/1/14 L-241-14

BY: S. TUMA
(By Request – Service Director)

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH TRIDENT INSURANCE SERVICES, A SUBSIDIARY OF THE ARGONAUT INSURANCE GROUP, THROUGH MCGOWAN GOVERNMENTAL UNDERWRITERS, FOR SPECIAL MULTI-PERIL INSURANCE INCLUDING BUILDINGS, CONTENTS AND BOILERS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Motion made by Councilman Tuma seconded by Councilman Day to refer Ordinance No. 241-14 back to the Finance Committee. Motion carried.

THIRD READING:

ORDINANCE NO. 235-14 11/17/14 L-235-14

BY: B. DAY
(By Request – Safety Director)

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE LOWEST AND BEST BIDDER FOR THE PURCHASE OF A 2015 CHEVROLET 4500 CUTAWAY VAN FOR THE PARMA POLICE DEPARTMENT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Motion made by Councilman Tuma seconded by Councilman Day to Hold Ordinance No. 235-14 on Third Reading. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 239-14 12/1/14 L-239-14

BY: L. NAPOLI, V. DIPIERRO, A. DIVIS, D. LIME, S. TUMA, B. BROCHETTI,
M. CASSELBERRY, J. CROSSMAN, B. DAY
(By Request – City Engineer)

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN ANNUAL AGREEMENT FOR 2015 WITH THE CUYAHOGA SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT FOR TASKS RELATED TO PUBLIC EDUCATION AND PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT, PLAN REVIEWS AND CONSTRUCTION SITE INSPECTION ACTIVITIES WITH REGARD TO THE CITY'S NPDES PERMIT FOR STORMWATER MANAGEMENT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Motion made by Councilman Tuma seconded by Councilman Napoli to adopt Ordinance No. 239-14.

Yes: Dipierro, Divis, Lime, Napoli, Tuma, Brochetti, Casselberry, Crossman, Day.

No: None; Ordinance No. 239-14 is adopted.

Water Meter Program. The contact person is Gregg Faust, Manager of Meter Operations for the Cleveland Water Department, 216-348-7277 ext. 3203.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Mayor DeGeeter – Stated that the State of the City Address will be on Monday, February 23, 2015. More information will follow.

Safety Director Baeppler – No comment.

Service Director Higgins – No comment.

Auditor Kish – No comment.

Law Director Dobeck – No comment.

Treasurer Mastroianni – No comment.

Councilman Dipierro – Wished everyone a Happy New Year and congratulated all the Holiday lighting winners.

Councilwoman Lime – Wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Councilman Napoli – Wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Councilman Tuma – Wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Councilman Brochetti – Wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Councilman Casselberry – Wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Councilman Crossman – No comment.

Councilman Day – No comment.

Mr. Brennan – Commented on the Inauguration Ceremonies for the new County Leadership.

Wished everyone a Happy New Year.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Councilman Day seconded by Councilman Divis to adjourn said Meeting at 7:20 P.M. Motion carried.

CERTIFICATION

I, Kenneth A. Ramser, Clerk of Council for the City of Parma, Ohio, do hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of the Minutes from the Regular Council Meeting held on Monday, January 5, 2015.

/s/ Kenneth A. Ramser

KENNETH A. RAMSER
CLERK OF COUNCIL

/s/ Sean P. Brennan

SEAN P. BRENNAN
PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

Minutes completed on January 6, 2015/lk