

**MINUTES  
PARMA CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
DECEMBER 16, 2019  
PARMA COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
7:02 P.M.**

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

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:      ALLAN DIVIS  
   ROY J. JECH  
   DENNIS M. KISH  
   DEBORAH LIME  
   LARRY NAPOLI  
   KRISTIN L. SABAN  
   BRIAN BROCHETTI  
   MARK CASSELBERRY  
   VITO DIPIERRO

Mr. Ramser – Mr. Chairman, 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 Department Attorney Milos Veljkovic, Auditor Brian Day, Treasurer Tom Mastroianni, Service Director Brian Higgins, Safety Director Thomas Weinreich, Building Commissioner/City Engineer Paul Deichmann, Communications and Community Relations Director Carolyn Kovach, Recreation Commissioner Mickey Vittardi, Director of Human Resources Renee Guy, Chief of Staff Michael Culp, and Clerk of Council Kenneth A. Ramser.

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**INVOCATION**

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

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**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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**VOICE VOTE:**

Presentation was given to the Fall Session's graduating class of the Parma Police Department's Citizen Police Academy. Lt. Siedlecki advised that the seventeen graduating will make a total of 35 graduates this year, the 19<sup>th</sup> class. Mayor DeGeeter, along with Clerk of Council Kenneth Ramser, handed out certificates and congratulated the new officers.

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RESOLUTION NO. 236-19    12/16/19    L-236-19

BY:    **L. NAPOLI, B. BROCHETTI, M. CASSELBERRY, R. J. JECH, V. DIPIERRO, A. DIVIS,**  
         **D. M. KISH, D. LIME, K. L. SABAN**

A RESOLUTION HONORING NORMANDY DRAMA WORKSHOP ON THEIR  
9/11 PERFORMANCE

Motion made by Councilwoman Lime seconded by Councilman Casselberry to adopt Resolution No. 236-19. Motion carried.

Mayor DeGeeter along with Councilman Napoli, Councilman Divis, Councilman Jech and Councilman Casselberry joined the performers and handed out certificates. The Mayor invited the group to come back again next year to perform. I was so moved. Everyone agreed.

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**COUNCIL RECESSED TO RETURN TO THE COMMITTEE MEETINGS AT 7:25 P.M. AND RECONVENED THE COUNCIL MEETING AT 7:50 P.M.**

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**LEGISLATIVE COMMENT**

No one wished to speak.

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**DISPOSAL OF JOURNAL**

Mr. Brennan – Stated, you have before you the Minutes from the Regular Council Meeting of December 2, 2019. Asked if there were any additions or corrections to the Minutes? Stated hearing none, the Minutes will stand approved as printed.

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**COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS AND CLAIMS**

Communication from Cin-Day Lucky Dawgs will be on file in the Council Office.

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Notice to the Legislative Authority from the Ohio Division of Liquor Control for a New C1 C2, to Jounieh 2LLC DBA Marathon, 7411 State Rd.

Mr. Brennan – Said Liquor Permit was referred to Ward 5 Council and the Safety Director.

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**INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

**FIRST READING:**

RESOLUTION NO. 238-19    12/16/19    L-238-19

BY:    D. M. KISH  
(By Request – Building Commissioner)

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE BUILDING COMMISSIONER TO INSTITUTE SUMMARY NUISANCE ABATEMENT OF PERMANENT PARCEL NUMBER 448-15-026, 6144 WEST 54<sup>TH</sup> STREET, PARMA, OHIO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mr. Brennan – Said Resolution will be referred to the Public Safety Committee.

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RESOLUTION NO. 239-19    12/16/19    L-239-19

BY:    V. DIPIERRO  
(By Request – Building Commissioner)

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE BUILDING COMMISSIONER TO INSTITUTE SUMMARY NUISANCE ABATEMENT OF PERMANENT PARCEL NUMBERS 442-17-037, 442-17-038, AND 442-17-039, 5522 RIDGE ROAD, PARMA, OHIO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mr. Brennan – Said Resolution will be referred to the Public Safety Committee.

ORDINANCE NO. 240-19      12/16/19      L-240-19  
BY: B. BROCHETTI  
(By Request – Service Director)

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE LOWEST AND BEST BIDDER FOR SPECIAL MULTI-PERIL INSURANCE INCLUDING CONTENTS AND BOILERS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

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

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ORDINANCE NO. 241-19      12/16/19      L-241-19  
BY: B. BROCHETTI  
(By Request – Law Director)

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE LOWEST AND BEST BIDDER FOR MUNICIPAL EXCESS LIABILITY INSURANCE FOR THE CITY OF PARMA, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

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

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RESOLUTION NO. 242-19      12/16/19      L-242-19  
BY: VITO DIPIERRO  
(By Request – Building Commissioner)

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE BUILDING COMMISSIONER TO INSTITUTE SUMMARY NUISANCE ABATEMENT OF PERMANENT PARCEL NUMBER 443-21-045, 7118 VELMA AVENUE, PARMA, OHIO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mr. Brennan – Said Resolution will be referred to the Public Safety Committee.

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ORDINANCE NO. 246-19      12/16/19      L-246-19  
BY: K. L. SABAN  
(By Request – City Engineer)

AN ORDINANCE TO APPOINT AN ASSESSMENT EQUALIZATION BOARD TO HEAR AND DETERMINE OBJECTIONS FILED WITH RESPECT TO THE BROADROCK COURT AND OLD ROCKSIDE ROAD SANITARY SEWER ASSESSMENTS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

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

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ORDINANCE NO. 247-19      12/16/19      L-247-19  
BY: K. L. SABAN  
(By Request – City Engineer)

AN ORDINANCE SETTING THE TIME AND THE PLACE OF THE ASSESSMENT EQUALIZATION BOARD HEARING WITH RESPECT TO THE BROADROCK COURT AND OLD ROCKSIDE ROAD SEWER ASSESSMENTS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

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

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ORDINANCE NO. 248-19      12/16/19      L-248-19  
BY: A. DIVIS, B. BROCHETTI  
(By Request – City Engineer)

AN ORDINANCE LEVYING SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO RIDGE ROAD PHASE 2 SEWER PROJECT FROM STEARNS FARM TO THE NORTH ROYALTON CORPORATION LINE IN THE CITY OF PARMA, CONSISTING OF THE INSTALLATION OF SANITARY SEWERS WITH ALL NECESSARY APPURTENANCES THERETO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

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

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ORDINANCE NO. 249-19      12/16/19      L-249-19  
BY: D. LIME  
(By Request – Community Services & Economic Development Director)

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, OR HIS AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE, TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR ACCOUNTING SERVICES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

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

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ORDINANCE NO. 250-19      12/16/19      L-250-19  
BY: B. BROCHETTI  
(By Request – Service Director)

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE LOWEST AND BEST BIDDER FOR THE 2021 RESIDENTIAL SOLID WASTE COLLECTION, DISPOSAL AND RECYCLING SERVICES IN THE CITY OF PARMA, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

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

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**SECOND READING:**

RESOLUTION NO. 231-19      12/2/19      L-231-19  
BY: D. LIME  
(By Request – Building Commissioner)

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE BUILDING COMMISSIONER TO INSTITUTE SUMMARY NUISANCE ABATEMENT OF PERMANENT PARCEL NUMBER 443-14-

038, 5619 WESTLAKE AVENUE, PARMA, OHIO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Motion made by Councilwoman Lime seconded by Councilman Casselberry to refer Resolution No. 231-19 back to the Public Safety Committee. Motion carried.

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BY: B. BROCHETTI  
(By Request – City Engineer)

ORDINANCE NO. 233-19      12/2/19      L-233-19

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH DLZ OHIO, INC., TO PROVIDE PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES INCLUDING A CITY-WIDE STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PROGRAM, STORM/SANITARY REPAIR AND REHABILITATION/REPLACEMENT PROGRAM, AS WELL AS ROADWAY AND STATE/FEDERAL INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING ASSISTANCE, ON AN AS NEEDED BASIS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Motion made by Councilman Brochetti seconded by Councilman Casselberry to refer Ordinance No. 233-19 back to the Finance Committee. Motion carried.

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**SUSPENSION OF THE RULES:**

Mr. Brennan – Shall the statutory provision and Rule 48 requiring the full and distinct reading of Ordinance No. 244-19 and Ordinance No. 245-19 on three different days be dispensed with?

Yes: Divis, Jech, Kish, Lime, Napoli, Saban, Brochetti, Casselberry, Dipierro  
No: None; Motion carried.

Mr. Brennan – Shall Rule 45 requiring reference to committee be dispensed with and Ordinance No. 244-19 and Ordinance No. 245-19 be placed on final passage?

Yes: Divis, Jech, Kish, Lime, Napoli, Saban, Brochetti, Casselberry, Dipierro  
No: None; Motion carried.

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BY: D. LIME  
(By Request – Safety Director)

ORDINANCE NO. 244-19      12/16/19      L-244-19

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY OF PARMA, OHIO COUNCIL 8 AND LOCAL 3924 OF THE AMERICAN FEDERATION OF STATE, COUNTY, AND MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES, AFL-CIO, REGARDING THE POSITION OF SECRETARY IN THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT FOR THE TRAINING AND PLACEMENT OF THE APPLICANT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Motion made by Councilwoman Lime seconded by Councilman Casselberry to adopt Ordinance No. 244-19.

Yes: Divis, Jech, Kish, Lime, Napoli, Saban, Brochetti, Casselberry, Dipierro  
No: None; Ordinance No. 244-19 is adopted.

BY: B. BROCHETTI  
(By Request – Human Resources Director)

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE HEADING, AND A PORTION OF SECTION 1 OF  
ORDINANCE NO. 189-18 RELATIVE TO THE DENTAL INSURANCE COVERAGE  
FOR CITY EMPLOYEES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Motion made by Councilwoman Lime seconded by Councilman Casselberry to adopt  
Ordinance No. 245-19.

Yes: Divis, Jech, Kish, Lime, Napoli, Saban, Brochetti, Casselberry, Dipierro

No: None; Ordinance No. 245-19 is adopted.

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**PUBLIC SESSION**

No one wished to speak.

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**MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS**

Mayor DeGeeter – No comment.

Safety Director Weinreich – No comment.

Service Director Higgins – No comment.

Auditor Day – Merry Christmas

Law Department – Merry Christmas

Treasurer Mastroianni – Merry Christmas

Councilman Divis – Merry Christmas

Councilman Jech – Merry Christmas and a Good Night to all!

Councilman Kish – Merry Christmas and please remember those folks that don't have the means to buy themselves dinner and check with your local churches to drop off donations for them.

Councilwoman Lime – Thanked the Mayor and the Service Director and everyone for their help with the Frosty's Fest. It was a great event for the City! And Thank You SANTA! Dennis this is the third time saying goodbye to you. It was a pleasure to work with you over the years. Merry Christmas.

Councilman Napoli – Saying goodbye again to Dennis. Good luck. I enjoyed working with you over the years. I see the incredible work in the back with the gifts. Kudos to all the people helping. Merry Christmas to everybody and remember the reason for the season.

Councilwoman Saban – Merry Christmas. Echoing the Frosty Fest was a huge success and thanks to all the volunteers that love this City! Santa did a fantastic job. See you at the golf course!

Councilman Brochetti – Merry Christmas and upcoming holidays. Hope to see you at the course.

Councilman Casselberry – Merry Christmas. The Frosty Fest was well attended. And Santa-it may be your real future! Dennis it has been a pleasure working with you. The Young Professionals are doing the lighting contest. Some of these people are getting bigger and better each year, Keystone is a Street event this year! Merry Christmas everyone

Councilman Dipierro – Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! Wish the best for Dennis. Thank you for serving the City and the residents.

Mr. Brennan – Thank you Mr. Kish for your years of service and advice. Great job on Frosty Fest and all the volunteers that helped out. I saw a panhandler today by the airport and thought how thankful I was and lucky. Honor to have you all as friends to serve our City. Merry Christmas everyone.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made by Councilwoman Lime seconded by Councilman Casselberry to adjourn said Meeting at 8:05 P.M. Motion carried.

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**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, December 16, 2019.

*/s/ Kenneth A. Ramser*

*/s/ Sean P. Brennan*

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KENNETH A. RAMSER  
CLERK OF COUNCIL

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SEAN P. BRENNAN  
PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

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