

**MINUTES
APRIL 1, 2024
COUNCIL MEETING
PARMA COUNCIL CHAMBERS
7:08 P.M.**

The Regular Council Meeting was called to order by President of Council Vito Dipierro presiding:

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

MONICA WILSON
KELLY ZACHARIAS
AMANDA BOYD
MARK CASSELBERRY
ALLAN DIVIS
ROB EUERLE
KEVIN C. KUSSMAUL
DEBORAH LIME
KAMMY SHUMAN

Mrs. Saban – 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 Director Scott M. Tuma, Deputy Auditor Mark Prok, Treasurer Tom Mastroianni, Service Director Tony Vannello, Safety Director Bob Coury, Recreation Commissioner Mickey Vittardi, Chief of Staff Rich Summers, and Clerk of Council Kristin L. Saban.

INVOCATION

The Invocation was given by Councilwoman Kammy Shuman.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

VOICE VOTE:

RESOLUTION NO. 28-24 4/1/24

BY: **D. LIME**, A. BOYD, M. CASSELBERRY, A. DIVIS, R. EUERLE, K. C. KUSSMAUL, K. SHUMAN, M. WILSON, K. ZACHARIAS

A RESOLUTION HONORING WE ARE PARMA PROUD CITIZENS OF THE MONTH –
APRIL, 2024

Motion made by Councilman Kussmaul seconded by Councilman Casselberry to adopt Resolution No. 28-24. Motion carried.

Councilwoman Lime presented We Are Parma Proud with a Resolution and Certificates. Mayor DeGeeter presented a Proclamation.

CERTIFICATE

Parma Towing was presented with a Certificate from Councilwoman Lime and Mayor DeGeeter.

LEGISLATIVE COMMENT

No one wished to speak.

DISPOSAL OF JOURNAL

Mr. Dipierro – Stated, you have before you the Minutes from the March 18, 2024, Regular Council Meeting. Asked if there were any additions or corrections? Stated, hearing none, the minutes will stand as printed.

COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS AND CLAIMS

Mr. Euerle - Mr. Chairman, the Planning Committee of Council met this evening to discuss the proposal to vary for the applicant Mike Phillips of FTC Signs, agent for Lindsey Cima Network Inc. The request is for an Area Variance Section 1196.07 – Signs in Commercial Districts. The proposal is for a 136 SF sign. The variance would result in 33 SF more wall signage than code allows.

Motion made by Councilman Euerle seconded by Councilwoman Shuman to grant the variance as recommended by the Board of Zoning Appeals and the Planning Committee of Council. Motion carried.

Mr. Euerle - Mr. Chairman, the Planning Committee of Council met this evening to discuss the proposal to vary for the applicant Dale Story of Premier Barber Shop. The request is for an Area Variances Section 1196.07 – Signs in Commercial Districts. The proposal is to have permanent window signage on 100% of the windows. The variance would result in allowing 75% more permanent signage in the windows. The stipulation is to reduce the allowed window signage to 40% of the windows and that the signage only be related to services and products offered. The proposal is for a 50 SF major wall sign on a side wall of the building. The variance would result in 34 SF more wall signage area than code allows.

Motion made by Councilman Euerle seconded by Councilman Casselberry to grant the variance with the stipulation as recommended by the Board of Zoning Appeals and the Planning Committee of Council. Councilwoman Lime opposed. Motion carried.

Notice from the Ohio Division of Liquor Control for a new D1 and D3 liquor permit K&K Essence LLC 7431 Ridge Rd. Mailed on March 21, 2024. Responses must be postmarked no later than April 22, 2024.

Mr. Dipierro – Said permit was referred to the Safety Director and Ward Council.

FIRST READING:

RESOLUTION NO. 47-24

4/1/24

BY: DEBORAH LIME

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY TO ISSUE A PERMIT TO TRANSPORT INTO THE TERRITORIAL LIMITS OF THE CITY OF PARMA, FIREWORKS AND FIREWORK SUNDRIES FOR A PYROTECHNIC DISPLAY IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE PARMA RIB N ROCK, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

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

BY: KAMMY SHUMAN

AN ORDINANCE TO APPROVE THE EDITING AND INCLUSION OF CERTAIN ORDINANCES AS PARTS OF THE VARIOUS COMPONENT CODES OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES; TO APPROVE, ADOPT AND ENACT NEW MATTER IN THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES; TO REPEAL ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT THEREWITH; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY

Mr. Dipierro – Said Ordinance to be referred to the Governmental Operations Committee.

ORDINANCE NO. 49-24

4/1/24

BY: DEBORAH LIME

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE GENERAL OFFENSES CODE OF THE CITY TO CONFORM TO CURRENT STATE LAW, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mr. Dipierro – Said Ordinance to be referred to the Public Safety Committee.

ORDINANCE NO. 50-24

4/1/24

BY: DEBORAH LIME

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE TRAFFIC CODE OF THE CITY TO CONFORM TO CURRENT STATE LAW, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mr. Dipierro – Said Ordinance to be referred to the Public Safety Committee.

ORDINANCE NO. 53-24

4/1/24

BY: DEBORAH LIME
(By Request – Safety Director)

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND/OR THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH CLEVELAND COMMUNICATIONS TO UPDATE AND SERVICE THE RADIO SYSTEM FOR THE POLICE AND FIRE DEPARTMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS CENTER, INCLUDING THE PURCHASE OF L3 HARRIS MASTER-V SIMULCAST RADIO SYSTEM COMPONENTS, ASSOCIATED HARDWARE FOR THE CURRENT EXISTING L3 HARRIS P-25, 11 CHANNEL RADIO SYSTEM, AND MOBILE AND PORTABLE RADIOS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mr. Dipierro – Said Ordinance to be referred to the Finance Committee.

SECOND READING:

ORDINANCE NO. 32-24

3/4/24

BY: MARK CASSELBERRY, ALLAN DIVIS
(By Request – Service Director)

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE NORTHEAST OHIO REGIONAL SEWER DISTRICT (NEORS) FOR THE DALESIDE DRIVE SEWER IMPROVEMENT

PROJECT THROUGH THE COMMUNITY COST-SHARE PROGRAM (CCS) IN THE CITY OF PARMA, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Motion made by Councilman Casselberry seconded by Councilwoman Shuman to amend Ordinance No. 32-24 by accepting Exhibits A, B and C and refer Ordinance No. 32-24 back to the Finance Committee. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 44-24

3/18/24

BY: MARK CASSELBERRY
(By Request – City Engineer)

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND/OR DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE LOWEST AND BEST BIDDER FOR THE KRUEGER AVENUE SEWER IMPROVEMENT PROJECT - PHASE II (FROM W. 48TH STREET TO W. 44TH STREET), IN THE CITY OF PARMA, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Motion made by Councilman Casselberry seconded by Councilwoman Lime to refer Ordinance No. 44-24 back to the Finance Committee. Motion carried.

THIRD READING:

ORDINANCE NO. 11-24

2/5/24

BY: **MARK CASSELBERRY, ALLAN DIVIS,** DEBORAH LIME
(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 2024 PAVEMENT MAINTENANCE PROGRAM, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Motion made by Councilman Casselberry seconded by Councilwoman Lime to amend Ordinance No. 11-24 as follows: In Section 1 line 2 the blank shall read Crossroads Asphalt Recycling, Inc., and in line 3 the blank shall read \$354,375.00. Further moved to waive Rule 52 and place Ordinance No. 11-24 on Third reading for passage as amended. Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilwoman Lime seconded by Councilman Casselberry to adopt Ordinance No. 11-24 as amended.

Yes: Wilson, Zacharias, Boyd, Casselberry, Divis, Euerle, Kussmaul, Lime, Shuman.

No: None; Ordinance No. 11-24 is adopted as amended.

ORDINANCE NO. 12-24

2/5/24

BY: **MARK CASSELBERRY, ALLAN DIVIS,** DEBORAH LIME
(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 PURCHASE OF ASPHALT CONCRETE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Motion made by Councilman Casselberry seconded by Councilwoman Lime to amend Ordinance No. 12-24 as follows: In Section 1 line 2 the blank shall read Stoneco. Inc., dba Allied Corporation, and in line the 3 the blank shall read \$1,819,500.00. Further moved to waive Rule 52 and place Ordinance No. 12-24 on Third Reading for passage as amended. Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilwoman Lime seconded by Councilman Casselberry to adopt Ordinance No. 12-24 as amended.

Yes: Wilson, Zacharias, Boyd, Casselberry, Divis, Euerle, Kussmaul, Lime, Shuman.

No: None; Ordinance No. 12-24 is adopted as amended.

ORDINANCE NO. 13-24

2/5/24

By: MARK CASSELBERRY, ALLAN DIVIS
(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 PURCHASE OF TACK COAT AND PRIME COAT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Motion made by Councilman Casselberry seconded by Councilwoman Lime to amend Ordinance No. 13-24 as follows: In Section 1 line 2 the blank shall read Crossroads Asphalt Recycling and in line 3 the blank shall read \$223,300.00. Further moved to waive Rule 52 and place Ordinance No. 13-24 on Third Reading for passage as amended.

Motion made by Councilwoman Lime seconded by Councilman Casselberry to adopt Ordinance No. 13-24 as amended.

Yes: Wilson, Zacharias, Boyd, Casselberry, Divis, Euerle, Kussmaul, Lime, Shuman.

No: None; Ordinance No. 13-24 is adopted as amended.

ORDINANCE NO. 31-24

3/4/24

BY: MARK CASSELBERRY
(By Request – Auditor)

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A WRITTEN POST-ISSUANCE COMPLIANCE POLICY IN CONNECTION WITH THE ISSUANCE OF TAX-EXEMPT AND TAX-PREFERRED OBLIGATIONS BY THE CITY, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Motion made by Councilwoman Lime seconded by Councilman Casselberry to adopt Ordinance No. 31-24.

Yes: Wilson, Zacharias, Boyd, Casselberry, Divis, Euerle, Kussmaul, Lime, Shuman.

No: None; Ordinance No. 31-24 is adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 33-24

3/4/24

BY: **MARK CASSELBERRY, ALLAN DIVIS, EUERLE**
(By Request – Service Director)

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE NORTHEAST OHIO REGIONAL SEWER DISTRICT (NEORS) FOR THE RUSTIC TRAIL STORM SEWER IMPROVEMENT PROJECT THROUGH THE COMMUNITY COST-SHARE PROGRAM (CCS) IN THE CITY OF PARMA, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Motion made by Councilman Casselberry seconded by Councilwoman Lime to amend Ordinance No. 33-24 by accepting Exhibits A, B, & C and further moved to waive Rule 52 and place Ordinance No. 33-24 on Third Reading for passage as amended.

Motion made by Councilwoman Lime seconded by Councilman Casselberry to adopt Ordinance No. 33-24 as amended.

Yes: Wilson, Zacharias, Boyd, Casselberry, Divis, Euerle, Kussmaul, Lime, Shuman.
No: None; Ordinance No. 33-24 is adopted as amended.

ORDINANCE NO. 37-24

3/4/24

BY: MARK CASSELBERRY
(By Request – Treasurer)

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$14,000,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF IMPROVING THE MUNICIPAL GOLF COURSE, INCLUDING CONSTRUCTING A CLUBHOUSE AND EVENT CENTER AND FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING THE SAME; TOGETHER WITH SITE IMPROVEMENTS AND ALL NECESSARY APPURTENANCES THERETO; APPROVING RELATED MATTERS IN CONNECTION WITH THE ISSUANCE OF THE BONDS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Motion made by Councilwoman Lime seconded by Councilman Casselberry to adopt Ordinance No. 37-24.

Yes: Wilson, Zacharias, Boyd, Casselberry, Divis, Euerle, Kussmaul, Lime, Shuman.
No: None; Ordinance No. 37-24 is adopted.

SUSPENSION OF THE RULES:

Mr. Dipierro – Shall the statutory provision and Rule 48 requiring the full and distinct reading of Resolution 51-24, Ordinance No. 52-24, and Ordinance No. 54-24 on three different days be dispensed with?

Yes: Wilson, Zacharias, Boyd, Casselberry, Divis, Euerle, Kussmaul, Lime, Shuman.
No: None; motion carried.

Mr. Dipierro – Shall Rule 45 requiring reference to committee be dispensed with and Resolution No. 51-24, Ordinance No. 52-24, and Ordinance No. 54-24 be placed on final passage?

Yes: Wilson, Zacharias, Boyd, Casselberry, Divis, Euerle, Kussmaul, Lime, Shuman.
No: None; motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 51-24

4/1/24

BY: MARK CASSELBERRY
(By Request – Auditor)

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CITY AUDITOR'S POST CERTIFICATION OF REQUISITIONS AS DETAILED IN EXHIBIT "A" AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Motion made by Councilwoman Lime seconded by Councilman Casselberry to adopt Resolution No. 51-24.

Yes: Wilson, Zacharias, Boyd, Casselberry, Divis, Euerle, Kussmaul, Lime, Shuman.
No: None; Resolution No. 51-24 is adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 52-24

4/1/24

BY: DEBORAH LIME
(By Request – Safety Director)

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND A PORTION OF EXHIBIT "A" OF ORDINANCE NO. 348-04 TO AMEND THE POSITION OF "COMM CENTER MANAGER" WITHIN THE POLICE DEPARTMENT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Motion made by Councilwoman Lime seconded by Councilman Casselberry to adopt Ordinance No. 52-24.

Yes: Wilson, Zacharias, Boyd, Casselberry, Divis, Euerle, Kussmaul, Lime, Shuman.

No: None; Ordinance No. 52-24 is adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 54-24

4/1/24

BY: MARK CASSELBERRY
(By Request – Auditor)

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE 2024 PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS OF THE CITY OF PARMA, OHIO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Councilwoman Lime – Asked for an explanation.

Deputy Auditor Prok – Stated the funds are for Linden Lane, Krueger Ave., Daleside Drive and Rustic Trail sewer improvements.

Motion made by Councilwoman Lime seconded by Councilman Casselberry to adopt Ordinance No. 54-24.

Yes: Wilson, Zacharias, Boyd, Casselberry, Divis, Euerle, Kussmaul, Lime, Shuman.

No: None; Ordinance No. 54-24 is adopted.

PUBLIC SESSION

No one wished to speak.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Mayor DeGeeter – Recognized Christopher Phelps on his return to Parma. He moved to the Grand Canyon 11 years ago. He worked as an administrator for the Parma courts.

Safety Director Coury – No comment.

Service Director Vannello – No comment.

Deputy Auditor Prok – No comment.

Law Director Tuma – Thanked Council for the passage of Ordinance No. 31-24 and Ordinance No. 37-24.

Treasurer Mastroianni – No comment.

Councilwoman Wilson – No comment.

Councilwoman Zacharias – No comment.

Councilwoman Boyd – Stated that Wall of Books will be having a special event for the solar eclipse.

Councilman Casselberry – Stated that everyone be safe when viewing the solar eclipse.

Councilman Divis – Asked that everyone be safe when viewing the solar eclipse. Thanked everyone that participated in the World Water Day, they had their largest crowd 700 residents.

Councilman Euerle – Stated that the libraries are handing out the glasses to view the solar eclipse.

Councilman Kussmaul – Reminded everyone about the Strategic Planning Zoom Meeting for the Parma City Schools on April 2, 2024. Congratulated Councilman Divis and Councilwoman Shuman on a successful event.

Councilwoman Lime – No comment.

Councilwoman Shuman – Thanked everyone that helped with World Water Day. Also, she will be reading at Walls of Books on April 13th.

Councilwoman Wilson – Stated that she was recognized by the National Council of Negro Women by awarding her with a Trail Blazer award.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Councilwoman Lime seconded by Councilman Casselberry to adjourn said meeting at 7:44 P.M.

CERTIFICATION

I, Kristin L. Saban, 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, April 1, 2024.

/s/ Kristin L. Saban
Kristin L. Saban
Clerk of Council

/s/ Vito Dipierro
Vito Dipierro
President of Council

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