

**VILLAGE OF CUYAHOGA HEIGHTS
COUNCIL MEETING
July 10, 2024
5:01 p.m.**

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COUNCIL PRESIDENT CONTIPELLI CALLED CAUCUS TO ORDER at 5:01 p.m.

MAYOR BACCI CALLED ROLL CALL: Bloam, Centa, Contipelli, Schoeffler, Unger, Volek

This evening, Councilman Matthew Schoeffler's niece Talya Schoeffler who is a Cuyahoga Heights resident attended the caucus meeting for a merit badge with her Boy Scout Troop.

Mr. Contipelli asked council if there were any questions with the agenda.

Mr. Volek asked about the roof repair at Klima and if the roof was a tear-off.

Mayor Bacci advised Mr. Volek that while roof replacement was approved during this past January's meeting, the insulation amount has gone up since then. Mr. Volek asked if there was a chance that the village can get a NOPEC grant for lighting.

Mr. Contipelli asked the Mayor if there were any plans in the future to repair Klima and the historical building after the Village Hall Campus improvements are finished.

Mayor Bacci responded to Mr. Contipelli that he met briefly with CFO Meriwether before the meeting today to discuss the possible funds for the 2nd half of the Village Hall Campus improvement project, Toscana Hall, the continual water issue on East 71st Street along with updates and beautifications of Klima that would include new fencing, garage doors, a man door near the kitchen for easier access and having Village Engineer Todd Sciano take a look at the rear parking lot since it desperately needs redone.

Mr. Bloam asked the mayor if he had renderings of Toscana Hall to show council.

Mayor Bacci responded to Mr. Bloam that yes, a copy can be provided. While it's a simple front facing rendering, they will see that the building will now be burgundy with a single grey stripe that will be sealed in rhino shield for a more durable finish. The entrance will be a western reserve style gable, additional window and door updates to the building on the south side.

Mr. Schoeffler asked the mayor if that once Toscana Hall is finished, will it be able to rent for events.

Mayor Bacci responded to Mr. Schoeffler that the village already offers the village hall auditorium and Klima Gardens along with the three pavilions at Bacci Park for events to rent and that Toscana Hall will be used more as a recreational type facility, that will require a pass, this may also include school district residents with a pass, so kids can bring school friends along with them.

The mayor is excusing Building Commissioner Norm Casini from tonight's meeting, as he is on vacation in Florida with his family.

Cuyahoga Heights Board of Education is having a reception honoring Tom Evans on Thursday, July 18 from 5:00 – 6:00 p.m. at the Bahner-Ray Media Center in the high school.

Mayor Bacci asked council if they wanted to do a ribbon cutting for the completion of the Willowbrook Connector project and they council said they did not.

Council did agree to do a ribbon cutting ceremony for the splash pad but will wait until the fall once the playground is finished.

Mr. Contipelli mentioned that residents have been asking him about how they would be accessing the pickleball courts and if a pass will be needed.

Mayor Bacci responded that once the project is closer to being completed, there will be a meeting regarding protocol, procedures, usage of the courts in order for there to be no confusion or frustration for the public.

CFO Meriwether let the council know that the rec passes for the courts and splash pad will mirror the current pool passes in which the rules and regulations will be available through signing up.

Mayor Bacci informed the council that the north side of the pool will be a designated area for refreshments and food to keep the courts, splashpad and pool area clean and noticed that some folks are already implementing that which is great.

Law Director Ben Chojnacki informed the council know that there is an addition to the agenda authorizing the mayor to issue a special permit for construction of noise of the Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District (NEORS) project pursuant to section 632.05 of the codified ordinances.

The NEORS will be presenting its sound mitigation plan for the project to the Village Planning and Zoning commission meeting next Wednesday. By passing the motion, the Council will have provided the Mayor with the ability to grant NEORS with a permit for construction activities outside of regular hours.

Caucus ends at 5:57 p.m.

MAYOR BACCI CALLED THE COUNCIL MEETING TO ORDER at 6:05 p.m.

MAYOR BACCI CALLED ROLL CALL: Volek, Bloam, Centa, Contipelli, Schoeffler, Unger

Building Commissioner Norm Casini is not in attendance for the meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS: None.

PERMITS: None.

FINANCE APPROVALS:

May Surplus Property Disposal Sale: 2008 Chevy Impala, Golf Cart Top and Golf Cart Seats.
Donation: 2015 Ford Taurus to Cuyahoga Valley Career Center.

MINUTES:

June 12, 2024 Council Meeting

Motion to accept the minutes as prepared and place them on file. Mr. Bloam made the motion to accept the minutes as prepared, seconded by Mr. Centa. All in favor, none opposed, motion approved.

June 12, 2024 and June 28, 2024 Finance Committee Meeting

Motion to accept the minutes as prepared and place them on file. Mr. Centa made the motion to accept the minutes as prepared, seconded by Mr. Contipelli. All in favor, none opposed, motion approved.

FINANCE REPORTS:

RITA Final Report June 2024

Position of Cash Report June 2024

Motion to accept the financial reports as prepared and place them on file. Mr. Contipelli made the motion to accept the financial reports as prepared, seconded by Mr. Schoeffler. All in favor, none opposed, motion approved.

LEGISLATION:

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-47 Second and Final Reading

June Payment of Certain Claims and Transfers \$1,738,390.67

Mr. Schoeffler moved, seconded by Mr. Unger, that the rules be suspended, and the Resolution be placed on second and final reading. Bloam, Centa, Contipelli, Schoeffler, Unger and Volek voting aye for suspension of the rules, motion carried. Bloam, Centa, Contipelli, Schoeffler, Unger and Volek voting aye for the adoption, motion approved.

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-48

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A CHANGE ORDER TO THE VILLAGE'S
CONTRACT WITH GARLAND/DBS, INC. FOR THE PROVISION OF
ROOFING SERVICES AND MATERIALS AT KLIMA GARDENS UNDER
THE MASTER COOPERATIVE PURCHASING AGREEMENT WITH
COOPERATIVE COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS AND EQUALIS GROUP
AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Unger moved, seconded by Mr. Volek, that the rules be suspended, and the Resolution be placed on third and final reading. Bloam, Centa, Contipelli, Schoeffler, Unger and Volek voting aye for suspension of the rules, motion carried. Bloam, Centa, Contipelli, Schoeffler, Unger and Volek voting aye for the adoption, motion approved.

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-49

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH SNIDER RECREATION, INC. FOR POOL PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Volek moved, seconded by Mr. Bloam, that the rules be suspended, and the Resolution be placed on third and final reading. Bloam, Centa, Contipelli, Schoeffler, Unger and Volek voting aye for suspension of the rules, motion carried. Bloam, Centa, Contipelli, Schoeffler, Unger and Volek voting aye for the adoption, motion approved.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Motion to authorize the mayor to issue a special permit for construction of noise of the Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District (NEORS) project pursuant to section 632.05 of the codified ordinances.

Mr. Bloam made the motion to authorize the mayor to issue a special permit for the noise of the Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District (NEORS) project pursuant to section 632.05 of the codified ordinances, seconded by Mr. Centa. All in favor, none opposed, motion approved.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS:

MAYOR BACCI:

Hope everyone had a great 4th of July.

Don't forget that this Saturday our village will be holding our annual shred day at Gateway Recycling located at 4223 East 49th Street.

Our recreation department along with our pool staff will be hosting a Christmas in July party on the 25th from 6:00-9:00 p.m. for all pool pass holders.

July birthday wishes to employees: (2) Christina Caporuscio & David Lukas....who share a birthday with me; (5) Rick Henley; (17) Tony Dorris; (18) Nicolas Mancini; (27) Fire Chief Michael Suhy

MR. BLOAM: Nothing at this time.

MR. CENTA: Our Cuyahoga Heights Seniors celebrated our 50th anniversary and went to Blue Canyon for our dinner that had wonderful food and great service.

MR. CONTIPELLI: Happy birthday mayor! Wishing former council woman Marilyn Duzsinki a very happy 85th birthday and wish her well.

MR. SCHOEFFLER: Nothing at this time.

MR. UNGER: Nothing at this time.

MR. VOLEK: Nothing at this time.

POLICE CHIEF BRIAN STURGILL: Go Team USA!

SERVICE DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR SAMMONS: Happy birthday mayor!

FIRE CHIEF SUHY: Nothing at this time.

LAW DIRECTOR CHOJNACKI: Nothing at this time.

CFO MERIWETHER: Nothing at this time.

ASSISTANT TO MAYOR BACCI SCHOEFFLER: Nothing at this time.

ASSISTANT BUILDING COMMISSIONER LABELLA: Nothing at this time.

VILLAGE ENGINEER SCIANO: Nothing at this time.

MAYOR BACCI: In closing; within the 5 months that the village hall campus project kicked off, look at the progress that's been made by the administration, and all involved. Great job!

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE: None.

WHEREFORE, there is no further business before this council, Mr. Centa moved, seconded by Mr. Volek that the council meeting be adjourned at 6:12 p.m. All voting aye, none opposed, motion approved.


Approved 

Mayor



Mayor and or President of Council

On July 10, 2024



Chief Fiscal Officer and Clerk of Council