

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BROOK PARK, OHIO  
TO BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2015**

The meeting was called to order by Council President Patten at 8:02 p.m., the clerk called the roll and the following Members of Council answered:

**D'AMICO, TROYER, SALVATORE, MENCINI, BURGIO, POWERS, HIGGINS**

Also in attendance were Service Director Cayet, Finance Director Cingle, Safety Director Brynes, Recreation Director Fields, Law Director Jamison, Building Commissioner Hurst, Firefighter/Paramedic Wright, Engineer Piatak, Economic Development Commissioner Dolan, Gonzalez (8:04 p.m.).  
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**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PRECEDING MEETINGS:**  
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**REMARKS FROM THE AUDIENCE (ON ANY SUBJECT):**

Ray Peterlin

5811 Wengler

Mr. Peterlin asked if the city is under a snow emergency ban?

Mr. Patten responded I would say no, the city is not.

Mr. Peterlin continued it is my understanding that the city has two vehicles that take care of snow removal from the sidewalks and it seems that these two vehicles are very rarely used and it also seems that there is a safety issues in this city because these vehicles are not being used. There are mail people, delivery people and children walking to and from school that are walking in the street because they can't walk on the sidewalk. If these vehicles are being used at all that would be maybe 20% of the time for an eight-hour day shift and at 100% would be that the city would be missing 80% of the work week and if the vehicles are out at 20% of the time the city is not getting 20% work due to breaks and lunch; so maybe the city is getting 15% out of these expensive pieces of equipment and in the meantime the sidewalks can't be walked on. This is a safety hazard and what is the city going to do to fix this hazard.

Mr. Patten stated to Mr. Peterlin that the service director will meet with you after the meeting.

Mr. Peterlin stated that he would like something on the record that is the purpose of coming to the podium; I don't want a private meeting.

**Remarks from the audience on any subject: cont.**

Mr. Patten responded that's fine but I will the service director meet with you afterwards.

Mr. Peterlin interjected by saying can the safety director answer that question.

Mr. Patten responded that is under service, not the safety department.

Jim Astorino

6258 Engle Road

Mr. Astorino read the following into the record: I've come to the Council Chamber here tonight not only to address Council Members but also to address the community of Brook Park; as most times I come to speak frankly and directly. The votes are counted and the people have spoken and I'm here today to now say let the healing process begin. Let's all work together to make Brook Park a shiny example, once again, as a middle class community. I come tonight extending an olive branch and to offer my assistance to start that healing process. I know that for many Brook Park residents the state of politics in our city is a concern; the politics stand to divide and destroy us. If you haven't been personally affected by the political climate in our community on either side of the spectrum you probably know someone who has; a friend, neighbor or a member of your family. The community does not need to hear another round of debate about the crisis our city is in because they live it everyday. For some it's the worry that they wake up with and a source of sleepless nights; it's the job that they thought they would retire from but now they have lost and they're dreams are now hanging by a thread. The impact of the politics this year is real and is everywhere. But while our city may be weakened and our confidence shaken though we are living through difficult and uncertain times tonight I come to ask publicly that we put our differences aside and work on rebuilding and restoring Brook Park. If we do this and stop the political gamesmanship on both sides of the debate Brook Park will emerge stronger than before. The answers to our problems do not lie beyond our reach they exist in our community and the pride of Brook Park. Brook Park is home to some of the hardest working people and it is those qualities that have made Brook Park a great place to raise a family. What is required now is for Brook Park to pull together confront boldly the challenges we face and take responsibility for our future once more. Now if we're honest with ourselves we will admit that for too long we have not met these responsibilities as elected officials or as a community. I say this not to lay blame or to look backwards but because it is only by understanding how we arrived at this moment that we will be able to lift ourselves out of this predicament. The fact is our city did not fall into decline overnight nor did all of our problems begin when this administration came into office. We have lived through an era where too often short-term games were accepted over long term stability. Where we failed to look

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beyond the next payment, the next quarter or the next election. A surplus became an excuse to transfer funds for expenditures rather than taking the opportunities to invest in our future, well that day of reckoning has arrived and we must change the course to take charge of our future. Now is the time to form a citizen-based task force with members appointed from each side of the issue to work with this Mayor and his administration to develop a recovery plan for the city. To develop this plan we must be prepared to make hard choices to build up service; this is what the agenda needs to be, in my humble opinion, we need to find a way to work together. That's what I would like to offer to each of you tonight and I know there are some that may be skeptical of whether my offer is sincere, I understand that skepticism. Here in Brook Park we've all seen how quickly intentions can turn into broken promises and wasteful spending. I want to speak plainly and candidly without a plan that is well thought out and the whole community is invested in Brook Park will not recover. My concern is that if we do not start the healing Brook Park will continue to be polarized; our recovery will be choked off before it even begins. It is unreasonable to ask that we all take responsibility and give input to the vision for our community; Brook Park must create a blueprint for our future but that does not mean we can afford to ignore our long-term challenges. One suggestion is how about hosting an event and invite the community to a public forum and listen to what they have to say. Council Members with the plan of this scale comes enormous responsibility to get it right, we need to get this thing right. In our city's time of crisis we cannot afford to govern out of anger, malice or yield to the politics of the moment. So I ask this Council and Administration to join me in putting aside our differences and do whatever is necessary to heal our community; I reject that we cannot work together. It is your responsibility as law makers to make this system work but it is the responsibility of every citizen to participate in it. So tonight I ask and make a commitment to work towards being part of a solution. I know that we have not agreed on every issue thus far and there are surely times in the future when we will part ways. We need to overcome the extremism but I also know that everyone who is sitting here tonight loves Brook Park and wants it to succeed. That must be the starting point for every debate that we will have in the coming months and when we return after those debates are done. We all love Brook Park and are going to argue about things but at the end of the day we have to love Brook Park and move it forward; that's the foundation on which we build common ground. Our hometown history tells us that even in the most trying times, amid the most difficult circumstances there is decency and a determination that perseveres and Brook Park people have always helped Brook Park people; when someone in the community needs help everybody rallies and helps that person and we need to do that again. I am confident with the spirit that has always been in Brook Parkers that we can be successful, we are not quitters we are resilient. I would caution members of City Council not to view every disagreement as an attack; public education on issues should not be viewed as an attack. If we disagree with something that you are

**Remarks from the audience on any subject: cont.**

doing up there and tell you that it doesn't necessarily mean we're attacking you it just means we're telling you our point of view, don't treat it as an attack be a little more receptive to it. At times we will put pressure on you and I'm hopeful that you'll be receptive for the greater good, as always anyone who wants to meet for cup of coffee to talk about this I will buy the first cup.

Joan Markusic  
13911 Bellbrook Drive

This is my second attendance at a meeting, unfortunately, the Mayor obviously is not even at this meeting. At the last meeting I attended the Mayor told me that he would meet with me after the meeting to talk about concerns and issues. After the meeting the Mayor told me to call him to talk about my concerns and when I called him he is not available and obviously is not available tonight either. So I want to know when the Mayor will be available; when I will be able to talk to him and I'm telling you that you're being watched and am not going to let go of this. All of you need to be on the stick and get this city back and put it back the way it was. This is wrong and Council is accountable as well as the Mayor being accountable and he's not even here. This city just had an election and the Mayor can't be in attendance; is this a joke? People here tonight pay your salary and you are accountable to all of us and I am tired of this crap.

Susan Anderson  
5700 Grayland Drive

Mrs. Anderson stated when each of you took your Oaths of Office, whether elected or appointed, you raised your right hand and swore to uphold every law and ordinance of the City of Brook Park. The laws and ordinances of this city are to be applied by Council Members, without prejudice, to every resident, businesses, and visitor to this city, from the highest official down to the common man. The laws and ordinances of Brook Park are to apply equally regardless of consequences. When there are two sets of rules one for those in position of authority versus another set for the man and/or woman on the street you begin to veer dangerously close to chaos and anarchy; this is something that must never be allowed nor tolerated. The time has now come for Members of Council to search your individual and collective souls deciding whether or not you will truly fulfill your Oaths of Office; which you took before God and man, by enforcing the laws and ordinances of Brook Park. Each of you are duty-bound to do so; you cannot not, you must not do anything less. Please honor the will of the voters and reopen the Ruple Road Fire Station.

Jan Powers (podium)  
16160 Harrison Drive

Mrs. Powers stated I don't think things can be said too many times I've come to the podium to ask fellow Members of Council now that the debate is over and the voice

**Remarks from the audience on any subject: cont.**

of the people has been heard please become an active Member of Council; to sit back and be complacent is not acceptable. Council Members were elected by the people of this community who have spoken loudly on several occasions that the people are not happy with the direction the city is going. Council serves at the will of the people and for Council to play political games with the future of this city is unacceptable. Voting for everything this Administration brings forward and then not endorsing it and then sitting back with hands up and saying it's not me it's the Mayor. This is a mockery of the system and this community is in a dilemma and what does this Council do to resolve the dilemma. Council Members that are veterans scream, berate, and at times try to embarrass the new Council Members in front of others. As for the elected law and finance director you also have heard from the voters and your job is to not advocate the Mayor's desires but the desires of the voters. As the Mayor has said the voters are never wrong and this recent election shows me that while I might not have your protocol and procedures down I do have my the voice of my residents' and will continue to advocate to be their voice. I suggest that the rest of Council take a look at the results of this recent election and see how the residents' in your areas have spoken then align Councilmatic actions with the voters' desires. A lot of voters that I speak with are not completely convinced of your true motives and having their best interest at heart. I would like to hear a word of apology from City Council for doing nothing to protect this city and the interests of the residents; you could have place this issue on the November ballot but you chose not to. That action is what forced a Special Election that cost the city approximately \$30,000 not including whatever mailings the Administration put out and billed the city for; I doubt that will be heard tonight. I have heard the grumblings that only 2,500 voters voted and that represents only 35% of the electors. To you I say voting is done with a sample of 600 people in a community of this size to determine the community views with a high degree of accuracy. I ask my colleagues to take action and pass a resolution tonight urging the Mayor to acknowledge and respect the voice of the voters and open up the Ruple Road Fire Station immediately. I don't know if anyone has looked at the calendar or not but if no ones wants extra meetings it is time that Council get a proposed budget in order to study and ready by the end of March. Some of the things that I would like to see addressed on that budget is the animal shelter; employees using city cars; the clothing allowances and the paid lunches and I want to point out that I am wearing a uniform shirt tonight telling people who I am and that I am a Council person. If the city wants to buy any employee a shirt that tells you who they are and what department they belong to then we will know whether or not they are using company time to go do grocery shopping. The city should take over the purchasing of any uniforms not give the \$500.00 to \$700.00 allowance to city employees that don't have to account for where the monies are being spent and, of course, the paid lunches speak for themselves. The animal shelter has been a concern of mine for a long time because this city is spending approximately \$46,000 to \$48,000 a year on rent, utilities, dog food, and other

**Reports from the audience on any subject: cont.**

items; last year the city had 109 animals. In speaking to several different communities about animal shelters and found one community that will take Brook Park animals for \$150.00 per dog and \$100.00 per cat. This year if this interested community took 109 animals at \$150.00 per animal the city would be paying \$6,500 total cost versus the approximate \$50,000 being paid out.

Ted Hurst

16683 Crickett Lane

Mr. Hurst stated to Mrs. Powers when talking about taking the clothing allowance of \$500.00 to \$700.00 and the paid lunches; would that be something that you are in favor of across the board to every employee in the city.

Tom Greenlee

15841 Paulding Blvd.

Mr. Greenlee stated he slipped in the driveway hurting his hand and knee so thank you for taking away the senior snow plowing program. I wasn't going to speak this evening but heard what others had to say and wanted to stress possibly a viewpoint that Council has not considered. That is when Council took office and take command of this city in the legislative process Council inherited a city that had 36 firemen and in the first year of taking office that number has been chopped to 28 and Fire Station No. 2 was open and in the first year of taking office that station was closed and as of January 1<sup>st</sup> there 17 who had been employed by the city and are no longer employed by the city. The actions that Council has taken during the first year of office, that Council is responsible for, do not in my estimation warrant a passing grade. The next year that is coming forward Council will be facing a lot of very divisive issues not because they are current divisive issues but because Council is trying to totally alter this city that Council took control of. Since being a city there were operations for a fire department, police department, recreation center, emergency medical service and rubbish removal. The Council prior to this one invested in new automated trucks and rubbish cans for the entire city; now this Council will be faced with the issue of privatizing and making that a zero (0) equity investment, that loses all value even though there were large sums of money paid; it loses all value because the city will no longer be using it. There is a \$1.2 million dollar fire truck, according to the Mayor of Middleburg Hts., at least that is the value Mayor Starr placed on it. The City of Brook Park will be begging Middleburg Hts. to let this city use their own truck rather than how it is listed on the agenda as sharing. There is no share the City of Middleburg Hts. has the truck and this city will be begging them to let this city use it if there is an emergency. If the City of Middleburg Hts. hasn't exercised their control of the truck with another city and it's ten miles further away. Now that the people spoke at the recent election yesterday there is a whole new beginning the fire truck now has a place again for it and there will be two people manning it; which can offer first response into that geographic area. Which by the way if you haven't read Chapter 1710 the fire chief is to report

**Remarks from the audience on any subject: cont.**

every year whether or not he is able to meet those minimum requirements of 1710 in every geographical area of the city; which is 240 seconds for response with a four-man truck. From Holland Road to 210 Brookpark Road can't be met in 240 seconds and that is the minimum requirement according to 1710. Council is going to be facing a mutual agreement with the City of Cleveland that should be scrapped since it's not longer necessary that says that Council has exclusive responsibility for 210 Brookpark Road – NASA Glenn. This city has not response of 240 seconds to 210 Brookpark Road; that might get to Route 237 and Sheldon Road but not 240 seconds to NASA. If that would be possible what is wrong with using the fire station no. 2 to service all of this side of the town; no one would be for that because it can't be done and that side of the town can't be serviced from Holland Road, so that is another issue that should be scrapped. As well as the sharing of the fire truck, should be scrapped, and this Council will be voting on very shortly. Because it is not necessary since the voters spoke at the recent election and every one of you including the safety director, fire chief took an oath to uphold the ordinances of the City of Brook Park. The fire chief is no longer capable of honoring his oath, the safety director is no longer capable of honoring his oath and Members of Council are no longer capable in honoring your oaths; why? Because of an arbitrary decision by the Mayor that the people threw out and it is now up to Council as to what to do in your second year of running this city and the major things that will be faced.

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**REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES:****Aviation & Environmental Committee – Chairman, Higgins**

Mr. Higgins thanked Council for the approval of the annual Noise (National Organization to insure a sound controlled environment) dues.

**Finance Committee – Chairman, D'Amico**

Mr. D'Amico stated the Board of Control met earlier this evening and approved 15 items.

**Legislative Committee – Chairman, Troyer**

Mr. Troyer stated has nothing on tonight's agenda.

**Parks & Recreation Committee – Chairman, Burgio**

Mr. Burgio stated the Parks & Recreation committee has legislation on tonight's agenda and thanked Recreation Director Fields for the tour of the basement with the new leasing occupants coming in.

**Planning Committee – Chairman, Mencini**

Mr. Mencini stated the February 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting was cancelled due to lack of applications. The next Planning meeting will be held on March 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Safety Committee – Chairman, Salvatore**

Mr. Salvatore asked Safety Director Byrnes to thank the firefighters of the recent tour given.

**Reports from Standing Committees: cont.**

Service Committee – Chairwoman, Powers

Mrs. Powers stated driving on Henry Ford Blvd. from Brookpark Road to Hummel Road this past week and the road is a total washboard. If there is that many cracks with the freezing and thawing and water getting under the road how long will it take before the potholes. The city just did this road this past year so I would like to know from the Finance Director if that road project has been paid for entirely?

Mr. Cingle responded no the road has not been paid for in its entirety.

Mrs. Powers continued then one suggestion to all Council Members that since that road was only opened in September or October and is already falling apart. Should the city stop making any payments until the road is made correct. All of Council has to share the responsibility because of the approval of the monies; inspections and signing off on the project. Mrs. Powers continued that the city’s sidewalk snow sweeper on Fry Road today and inquired if all the sidewalks will be cleaned.

Mr. Patten stated this is under your Service Committee and the questions you’re asking should be given during the reports from city officials.

Board of Zoning Appeals – Chairman, D’Amico

Mr. D’Amico stated the Board of Zoning Appeals met on Monday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> and approved one item relating to Harley Davidson. The next Board of Zoning Appeals meeting will be held on March 2<sup>nd</sup> providing applications are received.

**REPORTS FROM SPECIAL COMMITTEES:**

Southwest General Health Center – Trustee, Salvatore

The next board meeting is scheduled for February 25<sup>th</sup>.

Berea Board of Education – Representative, Mencini

Mr. Mencini stated the board met on February 2<sup>nd</sup> and announced that the Berea City Schools will be starting a monthly newsletter on the website beginning in the second semester. The next board meeting will be held on February 9<sup>th</sup>.

**REPORTS FROM BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:**

**INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS OF COMMENDATION:**

**REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR:**

**REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM OTHER DEPARTMENTS,  
COMMISSIONS, PUBLIC OFFICIALS:**Engineer Piatak

Mr. Piatak stated with the Smith Road Sewer Project beginning on February 16<sup>th</sup> the project will be moving through the Smith and Snow Roads intersection. The contractor anticipates working around the clock until they get through the intersection area. There will be disruptions and traffic will be impacted and the city will do its best to minimize those impacts but there is only a certain way that a project like this can be done. Mr. Piatak stated to Mrs. Powers regarding Engle Road some of those joints have reflected through the surface course and the intermediate course of the asphalt. Both the inspection company and contractor have been notified that there is some issues on the roadway and is looking at getting those issues fixed in the spring.

Mr. Mencini asked when the Smith Road project is moving through the Smith-Snow Roads intersection will there be an auxiliary officer directing traffic.

Mr. Piatak responded yes and there is a meeting scheduled with the safety director and police chief for Monday to coordinate what will be needed.

Mr. Mencini stated when the streets rise that is water getting under the roadway?

Mr. Piatak responded yes that is the freeze-thaw that happens every year.

Mr. Mencini asked if Mr. Piatak ever spoke with the merchant at Brookgate Shopping Plaza.

Mr. Piatak responded a call was returned this past Friday and has not heard back to date.

Mr. Higgins stated traveling the curb lane on Smith Road by Brookgate has numerous bad potholes and something needs to be done because it's almost impassable.

Mr. Piatak responded the city's service crews have been out to some of those areas and the contractor is also trying to fill those potholes on a daily basis and will stay after them.

Mrs. Powers stated to Engineer Piatak with the Smith Road project from Hummel Road southbound lanes to the end of the road there are numerous potholes.

Mr. Burgio stated the streets are deplorable and a question asked last year does the roughness or the fish-board on the streets decrease when the roadway thaws.

**Reports and communications from other departments, commissions, public officials: cont.**

Mr. Piatak responded the streets go down a little bit but not like the city would like them to.

Mr. Burgio stated that hopefully monies can be found to fix all the streets because they are bad. What month do you and the service director go out to assess the streets?

Mr. Piatak responded usually in the spring or when the snow gets off the streets.

Mr. Burgio interjected March or April?

Mr. Piatak responded hopefully February but it is weather related.

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**Service Director Cayet**

Mr. Cayet stated that service crews have been plowing and salting and this has been a rough winter because if it's not snowing then there is freezing rain. 800 tons of salt were delivered last week and am expecting another 400 ton coming this week. When the crews are plowing they're out there filling potholes and recently third shift was filling the potholes, with the hotbox, on Smith Road because it can't be done during the day due to the traffic and both sides of the street being one lane only. What is happening with the potholes is all the heavy traffic is pushed to one lane so as soon as the cold-patch is put in the potholes the overweight trucks drive down and pop the mix back out. The sidewalk snowplows have been out several times including all day today and they are scheduled for third shift tonight if it stops snowing. There are not enough bodies to be in the snowplow trucks and the sidewalk sweeper. There is an ordinance on the books that people need to keep their own sidewalks clear and there are some people that can't do their own sidewalks and that is the reason for the sidewalk snowplow. The priority areas for the sidewalk sweeper is City Hall and public properties and the schools.

Mr. Mencini asked for clarification on how the streets get plowed?

Mr. Cayet responded the main streets are first, then the secondary's and then the residential streets.

Mr. Burgio asked how many crews are called out during a snowstorm.

Mr. Cayet responded the crews are limited to how many hours can be worked and there is a sign-up sheet. So when the snow starts guys are called in and work 12 hours and then the next crew is brought in for 12 hours. The department tries to

**Reports and communications from other departments, commissions, public officials: cont.**

put 12 trucks on the streets, if possible, from the small pickup trucks plowing the cul-de-sacs and three large trucks are put on the mains and there are eight routes.

Mr. Burgio commented under the circumstances the crews have been doing a good job with the limited resources; please thank them.

Mr. Troyer stated to Mr. Cayet that a resident on Forestview Circle called the other day saying that whoever plowed the cul-de-sac on Monday or Tuesday didn't push the snow on the driveways.

Mr. Cayet commented that what was started last year send a front-end loader and dump truck into the cul-de-sacs because of the limited places to put the snow. So the snow is hauled out of the cul-de-sacs and dumped at the water park parking lot.

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Safety Director Byrnes

Mr. Byrnes stated the Sgt. Roman Bartkowicz retired from the force after serving 28 years. On February 8<sup>th</sup> the police officers will be converting to 12-hour shifts as opposed to the eight hours current. This will help the department with overtime of the supervisors and also give the city more coverage during the busier times of the afternoon. This has been worked out with the FOP (Fraternal Order of Police) and OPBA (Ohio Patrolmen's Benevolent Association) and with the police chief.

Mr. Burgio asked Safety Director Byrnes to thank the firefighters for the recent tour and information shared. Mr. Burgio stated to Mr. Astorino that all of us need to pull together because we all love Brook Park. There may be different methods to achieve this goal but we all have in mind to make Brook Park a better place and to prosper. Mr. Burgio thanked everyone for all the hard work in getting the signatures and stated that democracy is a good thing.

Mr. Mencini stated to Safety Director Byrnes that snowplow drivers have been seen with no lights on.

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Law Director Jamison

Mr. Jamison stated no report this evening.

Mr. Higgins stated I need to clear something up because I heard it here tonight and it's just not true and if I'm wrong please correct me. There was a statement made that if Council would have passed an ordinance that the opening of the fire station would have went on the November, 2014 ballot and Council could have saved this special election; is that true?

**Reports and communications from other departments, commissions, public officials: cont.**

Mr. Jamison responded that was a false statement by Mrs. Powers, I'm trying to be nice in saying it. Basically by the time the committee presented the ordinance in August and for Council under the Charter and Ohio Revised Code to do what was needed to do there was not enough time. If the committee really wanted the ordinance on the November, 2014 ballot the petitions should have been presented earlier. The committee is the ones that chose that date and because of the timeframe Council properly followed the timeframes provided by law, so that statement was incorrect.

**Law Director Jamison: cont.**

Mr. Troyer stated to Law Director Jamison isn't it true that if Council would have acted quicker by putting the ordinance on the agenda of the special meeting called and turning it down quicker. That the committee could have went out to get the required signatures to get the ordinance on the November, 2014 ballot.

Mr. Jamison stated the law provides that from the time the ordinance is presented that there has to be a public hearing; Council complied with that. After that Council then had the right to either 30 or 60 days to then review the proposed ordinance and as we went through this back in August and September. Council could either adopt the ordinance, make changes or totally reject the ordinance; this body chose to amend it and that was their right. So to blame Council for doing that and not getting the ordinance on the November, 2014 ballot that was not their fault. If the committee would have looked at the law and the timeframes that were provided to allow Council to perform its duties then the committee should have done it earlier to get the ordinance on the November, 2014 ballot. So to blame Council that their inaction didn't put this on the November, 2014 ballot Council followed the appropriate course of time to review and go through the ordinance. I find it interesting that this is raised because Mr. Astorino get up and state let's heal and I agree with that but then Mrs. Powers gets up and takes a match and tries to set everything on fire two minutes after Mr. Astorino spoke and this was one of the topics. So to blame Council for that was an incorrect statement.

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**Recreation Director Fields**

Mrs. Fields stated that she had a great meeting with YOU (Youth Opportunities Unlimited) where the center might be able to work with this group to get juniors, seniors high school internships at the recreation center. These internships would be totally paid for and students would be earning extra money by helping with programming at the center.

Mr. Mencini stated any word on the Euphoria coming into the pool areas?

Mrs. Fields responded I know there is still an interest but have not heard anything else.

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Finance Director Cingle

Mr. Cingle stated the 2014 audit started on February 3<sup>rd</sup> so for the next three to four and a half months the auditors will be working on auditing the City of Brook Park financial records. The monthly financial reports for January, 2015 will be distributed within the next few days.

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**OTHER COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS, AND VERBAL APPROVAL:  
(INTRODUCTION OF NEW LEGISLATION):**

New Legislation: cont.

1. A Resolution repealing Resolution No. 11-2000, entitled 'Home Improvement Months waiver of building permit fees' and declaring an emergency.  
Introduced by Mayor Coyne **Placed in Finance Committee.**
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**MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS (APPOINTMENTS, CONFIRMATIONS):**

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**INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES: (FIRST READING):**

1. ORDINANCE NO. 9956-2015, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF CLEVELAND FOR MUTUAL AID AND ASSISTANCE IN FIRE PROTECTION AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.  
Introduced by Mayor Coyne

Mr. Patten stated Ordinance No. 9956-2015 has had its First Reading.

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**INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES: (SECOND READING):**

1. ORDINANCE NO. 9953-2015, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF MIDDLEBURG HEIGHTS TO SHARE THE USE OF A 2002 SUTPHEN AERIAL PLATFORM LADDER TRUCK AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY Introduced by Mayor Coyne

Mr. Patten stated that Ordinance No. 9953-2015, has had its Second Reading.

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**THIRD READING OF RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES:**

1. ORDINANCE NO. 9954-2015, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH OHIO GUIDESTONE, INC. AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY  
Introduced by Mayor Coyne

**Motion** by Mr. D'Amico, supported by Mr. Higgins, to adopt.

**Third Reading of Resolutions and Ordinances: cont.**

**ROLL CALL: AYES:** D'Amico, Higgins, Burgio, Mencini, Salvatore, Troyer  
**NAYS:** Powers. The motion carried with a vote of 6-1. Adopted.

2. ORDINANCE NO. 9955-2015, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH BRIDGES REHABILITATION SERVICES, LLC AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY Introduced by Mayor Coyne

**Motion** by Mr. Higgins, supported by Mr. D'Amico, to adopt.

**ROLL CALL: AYES:** Higgins, D'Amico, Salvatore, Mencini, Burgio  
**NAYS:** Troyer, Powers. The motion carried with a vote of 5-1. Adopted.

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There being no further business to come before this meeting Council President Patten declared this meeting adjourned at 9:04 p.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED Michelle Blazak  
Michelle Blazak  
Clerk of Council

APPROVED March 3, 2015

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