

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BROOK PARK, OHIO
TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 18, 2015**

The meeting was called to order by Council President Patten at 8:31 p.m., the clerk called the roll and the following Members of Council answered:

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

Also in attendance were Engineer Piatak, Service Director Cayet, Safety Director Brynes and Law Director Jamison.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PRECEDING MEETINGS:

1. Special Caucus meeting held on July 21, 2015.

Motion by Mr. D'Amico, supported by Mr. Mencini, to approve as printed. Members of Council voted AYE. The motion carried.

2. Special Council meeting held on July 21, 2015.

Motion by Mr. Mencini, supported by Mr. D'Amico, to approve as printed. Members of Council voted AYE. The motion carried.

3. Special Caucus meeting held on July 27, 2015.

Motion by Mr. Mencini, supported by Mr. D'Amico, to approve as printed. Members of Council voted AYE. The motion carried.

4. Special Council meeting held on July 27, 2015.

Motion by Mr. Mencini, supported by Mr. D'Amico, to approve as printed. Members of Council voted AYE. The motion carried.

REMARKS FROM THE AUDIENCE (ON ANY SUBJECT):

Rudy Viol

15550 Paulding Blvd.

Mr. Viol handed the clerk manifests for all elected officials and directors and read it into the record (manifest is available for review in the Council office.)

Cory Farris

15020 Indian Creek

Middleburg Hts., OH

Ms. Farris introduced herself and stated that she is running for a position on the Berea City School District. Ms. Farris has lived in Middleburg Hts. for the past 18 years and has two children; one that graduated with the last class of Midpark High School and a junior who will attend Berea-Midpark High School this year. The three principles that Ms. Farris is running on is: 1. Financial Responsibility of the district, 2. Improved communication with the staff, parents and students of the district, 3. an emphasis on academics.

Remarks from the audience on any subject: cont.

Jack Thomas

15913 Remora Blvd.

Mr. Thomas stated I would like to preface these remarks this evening by saying that this issue that I'm going to discuss does not involve the Mayor since it includes a timeframe when he was not serving as the chief official for the city. It does involve those who have been on Council for quite a long time so I will direct this inquiry to Councilman Burgio. According to page S-22 of the 2014 City Annual Financial Report (CAFR) membership in the Recreation Center went from 7,961 members in 2008 down to 7,746 members in 2009, down to 4,762 members in 2010 and has continually declined to its present day figures of 2,653; actually at the end of last year the number was 2,163. What were we doing during those time periods? From 2008 to 2010 we experienced a 40.5 drop in membership and the table from the CAFR for those time periods say that the \$551,000 in fees for 2008; \$603,000 in 2009 and \$589,000 in 2010; last year the figures were \$312,000. I bring these up to make a point that means in the three highest years of membership the average cost per member was approximately \$70.00 with a full-service recreation center. Conversely, last year the center's cost was \$144.00 per member so my question is what happened from Council's perspective to explain the drop in membership and consequently revenue during those peak periods? Are the reports from focus groups of Council Members that might still be seated here today, during those detailing possible drivers of all this behavior? Were there any discussions at all as to how this might influence future leaders' ability to affectively maintain the standards of service offered at our fantastic facility? Were fee structures reviewed to make sure they were mixed with other recreation centers in the surrounding vicinity. Did anyone, on Council, at that time look at the best practices from other communities to jumpstart revenue generation. Did Council make any recommendations on how to right that ship or were we truly asleep at the switch? In the best case scenario it appears that these figures were ignored and in the worst case that they were totally mismanaged.

Ray Peterlin

5811 Wengler Drive

Mr. Peterlin stated I'm glad to see that for the sidewalk program the options are being kept open for raising and grinding the sidewalks. As far as the snow removal is concerned I am a little concerned. If you had 1,028 people the last time that the city did snow removal and if it's going to cost approximately \$70,000 if the city were to do it but the Mayor says there is additional costs such as gasoline. Then why not charge those 1,028 people let's say \$50.00 that would bring the city to \$50,000 over what the real cost is which would certainly pay for the gas. In my case my wife and I park at the end of the driveway so all we would need is the ten feet for the apron and a lot of people need the apron and are willing to wait 24-hours. So the city has the equipment and the people and residents would be willing to wait; why aren't these items being addressed? With the length of the driveway d

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does it have to be the whole driveway, can't it just be the apron if that's what residents want. If residents are willing to wait 24 hours why isn't that a consideration the city does have the people and the equipment and if your doing all the streets this is only a tiny percentage of the snow removal being done; maybe five-percent (.5%). I don't understand how it can be said that the city doesn't have the people because you're doing 99% of the streets; only a couple percent is for the driveways.

Julie McCormick
6375 Schaaf Drive

Mrs. McCormick stated that she is a candidate on the November ballot for Council at large. Ms. McCormick stated residents are expressing displeasure that Brook Park does not have a United States Post Office. The residents' have shared their dissatisfaction with the current and past elected officials to no avail. Residents' are frustrated with basic services being denied and while this is an issue that must be addressed by another governing body it is a job of elected Brook Park officials to represent the citizens' views and advocate the wishes of the community. Why this is not a complex issue it is one that I can take into my hands and start a discussion on; this is an issue that impacts the business and residential communities. Current local elected officials and Economic Development Commissioner Dolan continue to underperform bringing businesses into the community. Earlier today I did what this body and current administration should have done when they assumed their position two years ago or longer if they were serving in May, 2011 when the Brook Park Post Office closed its doors. Ms. McCormick handed the clerk a letter to be handed out to all elected officials that was sent to Postmaster Brennan, Senator Brown and Representative Kaptur (on file for review in the Council office) asking for postal service of some kind be restored to the City of Brook Park; it's important for the City of Brook Park to be a full service community and every little bit helps create an image of a vibrant community. It is shameful for seniors that depend on a post office must drive three miles to a neighboring community and it is appalling that businesses don't have fast access to send out packages in the retail district of Brook Park. There must be some kind of incentives that can be offered to the postal service to conduct business in the city again and serve the residential and business community. Brookgate Shopping Center has a number of empty storefronts that need to be filled and a postal center would help customers and possibly fill other vacancies. The city is sitting on an Economic Development Fund that has, up to this point, done nothing but play footsie with Ford Motor Company and redevelop undeveloped land which is vital to the city's future and to the City of Cleveland for parking lots; that should be looked at if a deal is struck. With nearly 19,000 residents and numerous businesses a post office is not a luxury it is an essential part of everyday life there is no reason that Snow Road should have every fast food establishment but no place to conduct basic day to day business. I have taken the first step to accomplish something feasible and am encouraging residents'

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administrative personnel, Council Members or candidates to restore service to 44142. I gave my word to residents that I would come here tonight and ask what is being done to address this issue.

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

Mr. Higgins stated no report this evening.

Finance Committee – Chairman, D’Amico

Mr. D’Amico stated the Board of Control met earlier this evening and passed 19 items. There will be an Appropriation Ordinance and legislation coming forward to transfer funds.

Legislative Committee – Chairman, Troyer

Mr. Troyer stated Legislative Committee has no report this evening.

Parks & Recreation Committee – Chairman, Burgio

Mr. Burgio stated the Recreation Commission will meet on Thursday, August 20th and to answer Mr. Thomas’s question Recreation Director Fields has made some changes and will be sharing those at the August 20th meeting; after that meeting I will have a full report. There have been many changes in the past 1 ½ years and the center is on its way back I think instead of condemning those that were in charge of the Recreation Center in the past we should now be looking ahead and embrace the new changes that coming forward.

Planning Committee – Chairman, Mencini

Mr. Mencini stated there have been no meetings since my last report but would like to give an update on the Planning & Zoning meetings. All meetings are held in the Council Chambers generally the first Monday of the month. The Board of Zoning meeting begins at 7:00 p.m. with Planning Commission meeting following at 7:15 p.m. Applications for the Board of Zoning and Planning Commission include a \$25.00 filing fee for residential and \$75.00 for commercial. The next Planning Commission meeting will be held on Monday, September 14th.

Safety Committee – Chairman, Salvatore

Mr. Salvatore stated the Safety Committee has legislation on tonight’s agenda.

Service Committee – Chairwoman, Powers

Mrs. Powers stated no report.

Board of Zoning Appeals – Chairman, D’Amico

Mr. D’Amico stated the next Board of Zoning Appeals will be held on Monday, September 14th, if applications are submitted.

REPORTS FROM SPECIAL COMMITTEES:**Southwest General Health Center - Trustee, Salvatore**

Mr. Salvatore reported there has been no meeting since last report.

Reports from Special Committees: cont.**Berea Board of Education – Representative, Mencini**

Mr. Mencini reported today was the first day of school so please drive carefully. Mr. Mencini welcomed potential school board candidate, Mrs. Farris. On Friday, August 17th through Sunday, August 19th the state enacted a one-time sales tax holiday for clothing at \$75.00 or less; school supplies at \$20.00 per item or less; school industrial materials at \$20.00 or less would be tax exempt for this weekend. Berea-Midpark High School opened a new Studio Production Course with the district station called DCSDTV; where students can learn about shooting programs, lighting and editing. Another new program is the 21st Century Graphic Design to teach students artwork for advertising, marketing which includes websites, logos, t-shirts, etc.,

REPORTS FROM BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:**INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS OF COMMENDATION:****REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR:**

Mayor Coyne welcomed the audience at home due to the streamlining of Council meetings and watching government at work that will hopefully be beneficial to both the administration and City Council. Mayor Coyne thanked Shannon Dolan and Brandon Reynolds for donating their time for operation of the camera angles. Due to some changes with the Ohio PERS (Personal Employee Retirement System) that affect back-up part-time employees in the Building Department and senior coordinators and senior drivers will probably be leaving the city due to changes affecting their benefits. If anyone is interested in driving the city's senior buses and has a CDL (Commercial Drivers' License) please contact Human Resources Commissioner Sinatra. Mayor Coyne stated to Mr. Viol that is why you are Citizen of the Year and your observations are always pretty keen and some of the resolutions you have the problems are a bit more complicated. The entire Northeast Ohio is trying to solve the deer problem through different methods and neighborhood in the city is affected by this problem; the west end probably more than others. With you comment of telling the difference between a weed and a flower the Snow Road Underpass area became a weed and was maintained over the years and did well, unfortunately, the city didn't have the ability to take care of it as needed. The landscaping is ¼ mile long and ten (10) foot wide and it was not a good decision at the time. There could have been more decorative nuances found to enhance the grade separation than what was planted and hopefully next year there will be something placed there showing interest to the city. The Beautification Committee has artificial flowers for the entrance sign because of not being able to water and tend to the flowers. The city will continue to do everything possible to make the city look as good as it can for the right price but items that

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need a lot of overdue maintenance on them are things that the city can't afford to do anymore. Mayor Coyne stated to Berea School Board District candidate that hopefully the City of Brook Park can count on her to make sure that Brook Park gets its fair share of capital improvements by the school board. It is tough for Brook Park residents' to see that Roehm gets a football field and Brook Park Memorial with the help of Councilman Mencini have to fight to get a play structure for children. Mayor Coyne continued that he spoke with Jack Thomas at great length today about the Recreation Center issue and way back when I wanted to tear the existing building down and build a new one but couldn't convince Council at the time to do that. So the city spent \$8 million dollars making many improvements to the building and in retrospect that building should have probably been torn down and had a smaller, smarter facility built. The largest problem is that there are not enough young families in the city to sustain the recreation building as it stands right now. As I told you there will be various things looked at to do to market the center, improve the center and make sure that it is affordable to be there if the energy assistance program goes forward; so that the problems can be fixed there. Currently there is about \$3 million dollars worth of issues on the roof that have to be addressed so hopefully with a combination of moving the city offices to the center plus enhancements to improve some of the facilities there to make the center marketable but it is pretty hard to compete against a company that is charging \$10.00 a month. While residents' like the recreation center they don't like paying very much for the center so it's a tough situation. All Members of Council have worked with the Administration to try and get marketing items. Councilman D'Amico went out to the Brunswick Recreation Center that is being sponsored by a hospital so that is another issue that will be coming up. Before Southwest's LifeWorks was built there should have been arguments with the participating cities that the recreation centers could have been used as a specialty rehabilitation center where there was a presence of the hospital; that may be possible in the future. Mayor Coyne stated to Mr. Peterlin you always have ideas that seem impressive but they just don't work. What you missed was is the city does not have enough employees to do the driveways and won't in the foreseeable future; so while looking at the isolated program costing \$70,000 in order, and I didn't say surplus, I said to replenish the city's reserves which are important there was \$1.7 million dollars cut out of the operating costs of the city and this famous \$2 million dollars and another \$300,000 was assumed by the employees for health care. So that is how the city addressed getting back and not spending into the city's surplus that has been going on for a long time. The first winter being returning Mayor I used the Code Red emergency notification system notifying seniors that the city will be plowing driveways beginning at 6:00 a.m. Service Director Cayet can tell you that there was probably 100 phone calls between 6:00 a.m. and 6:15 a.m. saying that the Mayor called me last night and said that my driveway would be plowed at 6:00 a.m.; logistically that's not possible. Citizens' patience on many things is very good but when it comes to plowing driveways in

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the wintertime is not one of them and it's not as simple as plowing the driveway out people have to get out of their garages and things like that. So the logistics to the operation again is delivering a service for a reasonable cost in a different way to provide residents needs. Mayor Coyne welcomed Council candidate, Julie McCormick and stated every person sitting on this dais would stand with you to get a post office back in the City of Brook Park. I have been trying to move the mailbox up to Brookgate for 20 months, offered to pour the pad, offered to move it, offered to bolt it down and Huntington Bank offered to put it on their island; the city cannot touch the mailbox. You're not going to get a post office back in Brook Park that powers to be have decided have decided that they don't want to take a great American institution and will not let it compete; they are the only federal agency that has to overfund their pension costs which makes them lax their ability to be competitive. Congress ties their hands in competing on so many services that would probably exceed FedEx and UPS if they were allowed to but they are prohibited from doing that. So while it's a great crusade that you go on the fact of the matter is they've made a decision. As a matter of fact they were looking at closing the airport post office as well that has different hours for convenience. The City of Brook Park would like to have a post office and if you're successful in that then you should be a representative from Congress, not just a representative of City Council. I think your criticism of the Economic Development Commissioner are totally unwarranted and what you will learn going through the process in Brook Park that there is a two-fold issue. Clearly, the automotive industry has been the backbone of this city since it became a city and will continue to be in auto sales and a combination of things. So while we're trying to work through things at Ford Motor there have been myriad of interested parties trying to go on the property that are not related to Ford and we're having some differences of opinions about that and everyone will be reading about that soon. So every single day we are trying to create a job and it is my responsibility to generate \$160 million dollars in payroll in this city so we can replace the \$3 million dollars a year that this city has lost. We have even suggested to Ford Motor Company that they allow a private concern to build a private casting plant on the property to build engines for Ford Motor Company. So there are a myriad of issues that address that, however, we have to continue to create the small businesses and if one day you'd like to work with the Economic Director Commissioner Dolan you're more than welcome. We're even trying to take the positive of our railroads and address it in Brook Park to increase rail service to some of the industries that can take advantage of that transportation mode. So I think that criticism is vastly unfounded of the Economic Development Commissioner. As far as my endeavor is concerned I will continue to do what I think is best for the city and welcome a debate with any candidate and hopefully will have that opportunity very soon. I enjoyed my conversation with you the other day and hope that you and all the candidates will continue to seek out Finance Director Cingle on the finances and I've opened up all my directors for any questions that they may have relative to city operations or the city's engineer relative to capital projects and needs that the city has.

Council comments to the Mayor:

Mr. Mencini asked Mayor Coyne is there any movement on the CDBG (Community Development Block Grant) to rehabilitate a home or streets?

Mayor Coyne responded that the city is applying for grants but with the assistance program; like the sewer assistance program some years ago many homes were tested for the cross-connections; there were about 50 residents' that applied once the letter was sent out so the city will be going to those people first to be tested and get them done. If there is anybody out there that has an issue that they want addressed about a home or a building are encouraged to come in. The monies are available and we are working with the banks to set the criteria as to how to do the program; so this is always a work in progress. The city is trying to facilitate this program so that some people that are denied by traditional lenders will not be denied by the program.

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

Mr. Piatak reported the Smith Road Sewer Project – Phase III service connections are concluded and the mainline is installed and up and running and the contractor is currently working on getting the pavement restored and landscaping done. City Engineer Piatak thanked everyone for their patience during this long project. With the Sylvia-Leslie Watermain Project the contractor finished water main installation last week and the new main passed the pressure test and is currently in the process of being chlorinated. Once the chlorination passes the contractor will come back on site to install the new water main service connection. Once that's complete the contractor will then be doing the pavement replacement work. Mr. Piatak stated that he will be attending a work shop on Wednesday, August 19th for the District 1 Public Works Integrating Committee with the topic being 'State Capital Improvement Fund and the applications that go along with that program for the next funding cycle. After the workshop the list of projects will be viewed and narrowed down to the best project for scoring and has the best chances of getting funding. Legislation will be forthcoming for the Mayor to prepare applications for a public works project that has an application deadline of September 18th.

Mr. Mencini clarified mid-September for the finishing of the Smith Road Construction Project.

Mr. Piatak concurred.

Mr. Burgio asked for a completion date for the Leslie-Sylvia Watermain Project?

Mr. Piatak responded around Thanksgiving this November.

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

Mr. Burgio stated with the upcoming sidewalk program will the city be able to begin and finish that project this fall?

Mr. Piatak responded it is anticipated to begin that project this year with time allowed for residents' to respond on whether or not they want to participate; depending on how many participants would dictate if the project gets finished this year.

Mr. Burgio stated with that project if lawns or tree lawns are damaged with the program include the repair to the lawns or tree lawns around the sidewalk blocks?

Mr. Piatak responded if there is any tree lawn damage as a result of the project the contractor will be responsible for restoration.

Mr. Troyer stated with the Sylvia-Leslie agreement mentioned November 12th and there were some other dates for the completion of the project. Mr. Troyer continued with the Sylvia-Leslie Drive Project with the water line the contractor covers it, tests it, chlorinates it and re-dig to make the connections from each house, is that correct?

Mr. Piatak concurred.

Mr. Troyer stated so if residents have questions why it's being done this way that is the reason.

Mr. Piatak responded that is the proper and only way to do it because Cleveland Water will not let a line be tapped until it passes the pressure and chlorination tests.

Mr. Troyer stated the inspector is being paid a daily fee to be at the project whether or not the contractors are working, is that how it goes?

Mr. Piatak responded no, the inspector is paid an hourly rate and when the contractor there the inspector is there typically. I know the inspector was there today and the contractor was not working; the inspector was doing paperwork today.

Service Director Cayet

Mr. Cayet stated no report this evening.

Mr. Mencini thanked the service crews for taking down the trees on Richard Drive. Will crews be patching the potholes in the residential areas?

Mr. Cayet responded service crews have been out in different neighborhoods so if a pothole has appeared after the street was done then let me know.

Mr. D'Amico stated to Service Director Cayet with the Cargill Salt/Morton Salt agreement did the city make the reimbursement claim yet?

Mr. Cayet responded yes, myself along with the Finance Director Cingle and Law Director.

Mr. D’Amico asked is it known what the portion for the city will be yielded out of that agreement.

Mr. Cayet responded the letter received from the Attorney General stated that it will be divided up depending on how many cities throw their hat into the lawsuit.

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Safety Director Byrnes

Mr. Byrnes stated the police officers are out and watching the school zones heavily so please drive carefully.

Law Director Jamison

Mr. Jamison stated no report.

Mr. Mencini stated asked for an update on the situation with the Delores/Holland situation.

Mr. Jamison responded the research has been started and I will follow-up with you.

Finance Director Cingle

Mr. Cingle stated July monthly reports have been distributed and there will be an Appropriation Ordinance coming forward.

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

Verbal Approval:

1. TO INSTALL A NEW UTILITY POLE IN THE PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY FOR THE PURPOSE OF MOUNTING WIRELESS COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT AT 19147 SNOW ROAD; 17993 SYLVIA DRIVE; 5017 WEST 137TH STREET; 5269 WEST 137TH STREET.

Motion by Mr. Higgins, supported by Mr. Mencini, to verbally approve

ROLL CALL: AYES: Higgins, Mencini, Burgio, Powers, D’Amico, Troyer, Salvatore

NAYS: None. The motion carried.

Other communications, petitions and verbal approval: (Introduction of new legislation: cont.

2. ORDINANCE NO. 9967-2015, AMENDING SECTIONS 1705.01, 1705.02, 1713.02(a) OF THE BROOK PARK CODIFIED ORDINANCES PROVIDING FOR AN INCREASE IN THE ANNUAL INCOME TAX RATE FROM TWO PERCENT (2%) TO TWO AND ONE-HALF PERCENT (2 ½%); SAID ONE-HALF PERCENT (.5%) INCREASE SHALL BE LEVIED BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2016 TO BE LIMITED TO FIVE (5) CONSECUTIVE YEARS AND ALL TAXES COLLECTED FOR SAID INCREASE SHALL BE RESTRICTED TO EXPENDITURES FOR ROAD REPAIRS, ROAD CONSTRUCTION, SEWER REPAIRS AND SEWER CONSTRUCTION AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY Introduced by Council Members D'Amico, Higgins, Mencini, Burgio and Council President Patten **Per Section 3.03 (b) of the City Charter this item must be reconsidered by Council.**

Mr. Patten stated as I spoke earlier at the Caucus meeting this is on the Mayor's veto; there is other attachments outside of the veto that will be available for the public's view in the Council office.

The clerk read the Mayor's veto into the record.

Mr. D'Amico stated as we all heard that and I've read the veto from the Mayor twice going over it; 9967-2015 was a piece of legislation that was purposely brought forward for taxation for strictly income and sewers and roads. At that time I made amendments, I was the author of that, and my colleagues voted for that. As Finance Chairman and author of the amendment and hearing the veto from the Mayor that was actually brought to us August 5th and the legislation was due down at the Board of Elections on August 5th at 4:00 p.m. At this point in time I'm not going to debate this whole thing with the veto itself because I think the legislation actually died from natural causes but I will have to go ahead as again Finance Chairman and author of the amendments and just put a disclaimer in what I'm about to say that it is not directly pointed to my colleagues who voted for these legislation amendments. I do want to say that with the excess of its contents, the 13 pages given to Council by the Mayor mentions as political motivation Council and the residents' looking at themselves in the mirror reconnecting with residents and no communication. Again, as Finance Chair I feel an obligation to respond to this and this is my response at this point. As far as a finder renewal starting off with the city streets and sewer work and other mention of concrete work there's no way this whole city would have been done as the remaining part of the term of the Mayor at this point for a few years; so I thought a five-year plan would be appropriated at that time. I thought we need to rebuild the trust of the people and I've been around the city many times and I know you keep hearing the line when you're at the door talking to the people you hear a lot of things but that statute of trust is probably what the people really want in the city. This is their government and they want some control especially with taxation because it's the lowest level of government. I think if you put a five-year plan on there and execute and ask for a

Other communications, petitions and verbal approval: (Introduction of new legislation: cont.

renewal when its time it's no different with the libraries and hospitals that have been doing it and has been successful for years; I've been speaking with the residents' and they like the five-year plan. Looking at myself in the mirror I've done that elections before and especially before I stepped up here in 2014 to see the Councilman I'd like to be at this point. Politically, I don't feel it's not at all and think it's just another good idea to help them and make possible of an already failed tax before it helps the ballot. Being afraid of speaking out, absolutely not, I've said many things up here on this dais and I've lost elections over it because I thought it was the right thing to do and am willing to risk elections over elections after again; to do what's right for the city and will put my head down to do what's right. At this point in time I can certainly look the public in the eye and say after 23 years of no tax increase we need a source of revenue that's either through economic development and unfortunately not have been so lucky with that and that is certainly not a dig at anybody or a hit; that's just the way things are going in America today add more tax. As far as the communication up here we all know what's been going on for 20 months and I don't think the residents' have enough time to hear about that tonight. Also, someone said that they were told that if we did it for five years we wouldn't be able to get a loan for that small amount of money. I don't know about that but our general obligations that are bond-rated I'm sure that we would get anyone to float us a bond. Also, I'm sure any surrounding community would jump at the chance to have \$27 million dollars specifically to do roads and sewers. Other cities like Middleburg Heights have borrowed \$6 million dollars and Berea is spending \$39,000 for their roads programs. As I said in the beginning I'm not here to debate this or argue with you Mayor I just disagree, thank you Mayor and Council.

Motion by Mr. Higgins, supported by Mr. Mencini, that item number two was discussed.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Higgins, Mencini, Burgio, D'Amico, Troyer, Salvatore

NAYS: Powers. The motion carried with a vote of 5-1.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS (APPOINTMENTS, CONFIRMATIONS):

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES: (FIRST READING):

1. ORDINANCE NO. 9972-2015, AMENDING CHAPTER 937 FO THE BROOK PARK CODIFIED ORDINANCES ENTITLED SENIOR CITIZENS AND PHYSICALLY DISABLED SERVICES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY Introduced by Mayor Coyne and Councilman Salvatore

Mr. Patten stated that Ordinance No. 9972-2015 has had its First Reading.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES: (SECOND READING):

1. ORDINANCE NO. 9968-2015, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE BROOK PARK POLICE SERGEANTS AND LIEUTENANTS, OHIO PATROLMEN'S BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY Introduced by Mayor Coyne

Mr. Troyer stated these are all the contracts for police, fire and city workers and all these were signed over 30 days ago. I believe all these are already effective whether Council votes on this or not so I suggest they be removed from the agenda because they are already in effect.

Mr. Patten asked are you making a motion, Councilman.

Mr. Troyer responded yes.

Mayor Coyne stated that's not correct.

Mr. Salvatore stated that's not true we have to pass them.

Mayor Coyne interjected Council has to vote these up or down, that statements not correct that you just made.

Mr. Patten stated the motion died for a lack of second.

Motion by Mr. Salvatore, supported by Mr. Higgins, to suspend.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Salvatore, Higgins, Troyer, Mencini, Burgio, Powers, D'Amico
NAYS: None. The motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Salvatore, supported by Mr. Troyer, to adopt.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Salvatore, Troyer, Higgins, D'Amico, Powers, Burgio, Mencini
NAYS: None. Ord. No. 9968-2015, has passed under Suspension of the Rules. Adopted.

2. ORDINANCE NO. 9969-2015, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AMENDMENT TO THE EXISTING COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT WITH THE BROOK PARK FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE, LODGE 15, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY Introduced by Mayor Coyne

Motion by Mr. Burgio, supported by Mr. Salvatore, to suspend.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Burgio, Salvatore, Troyer, Higgins, D'Amico, Powers, Mencini
NAYS: None. The motion carried.

Motion by Mr. D'Amico, supported by Mr. Salvatore, to adopt.

ROLL CALL: AYES: D'Amico, Salvatore, Troyer, Higgins, Mencini, Burgio, Powers
NAYS: None. Ordinance No. 9969-2015, has passed under Suspension of the Rules. Adopted.

Introduction of Resolutions and Ordinances: (Second Reading):

3. ORDINANCE NO. 9970-2015, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH MUNICIPAL FOREMENS' AND LABORERS' UNION LOCAL 1099 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY Introduced by Mayor Coyne

Motion by Mr. Burgio, supported by Mr. Salvatore, to suspend.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Burgio, Salvatore, Troyer, Higgins, D'Amico, Powers, Mencini

NAYS: None. The motion carried.

Motion by Mr. D'Amico, supported by Mr. Salvatore, to adopt.

ROLL CALL: AYES: D'Amico, Salvatore, Troyer, Higgins, Burgio, Powers, Mencini

NAYS: None. Ordinance No. 9970-2015 has passed under Suspension of the Rules. Adopted.

4. ORDINANCE NO. 9971-2015, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AMENDMENT TO THE EXISTING COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT WITH THE BROOK PARK FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION, LOCAL 1141, INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FIREFIGHTERS, AFL-CIO-CLC AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY Introduced by Mayor Coyne

Motion by Mr. D'Amico, supported by Mr. Troyer, to suspend.

ROLL CALL: AYES: D'Amico, Troyer, Higgins, Salvatore, Mencini, Burgio, Powers

NAYS: None. The motion carried.

Motion by Mr. D'Amico, supported by Mr. Burgio, to adopt.

ROLL CALL: AYES: D'Amico, Burgio, Mencini, Powers, Higgins, Troyer, Salvatore

NAYS: None. Ordinance No. 9971-2015, has passed under Suspension of the Rules. Adopted.

THIRD READING OF RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES:

There being no further business to come before this meeting Council President Patten declared this meeting adjourned at 9:36 p.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED Michelle Blazak
Michelle Blazak
Clerk of Council

APPROVED September 16, 2015

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