

**SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BROOK PARK, OHIO
HELD ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2017**

The meeting was called to order by Council President Pro-Tem Mencini at 8:30 a.m., who read the meeting notice. The clerk called the roll and the following Members of Council answered:

SCOTT, BURGIO, SALVATORE, McDONNELL, MENCINI

Also in attendance were Assistant Law Director Sackett and Service Director Cayet.

Mr. Mencini excused Councilmembers Troyer, Powers and Council President Astorino from this meeting.

Mr. Mencini stated the clerk is going to read a letter from a Council colleague.

Mr. Salvatore - Point of Order, this is a special meeting I don't think anything can be added to the agenda. You have to make a ruling on that Mr. Chairman, because I don't think anything can be added.

Mr. Mencini - I'm going to let the clerk read it.

The clerk read the letter from Council President Astorino into the record as to why he is unable to be in attendance at today's meeting.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION ON ITEMS ON THE AGENDA ONLY:

Tom Greenlee
15841 Paulding Blvd.

Mr. Greenlee asked if the items listed on the agenda the actual items on today's meeting, no changes?

Mr. Mencini responded yes.

Mr. Greenlee questioned the four ordinances calling for personal services contract. Could someone explain how the Mayor has the authority to advertise for requests for proposals without an act of Council giving that authority. That's a legislative action the he is performing and you do not have the authority to delegate that Council power. Secondly, there were seven respondents to the request and eventually two of them came forward with a proposal. Then the Mayor chose his own committee to determine which one of those two companies would be the one chosen to perform the duties. My understanding is the committee chose the most expensive of the two with an inferior product to be the one that the city is going to be purchasing. How this whole ludicrous series of events can take place on an action that should not have occurred to begin with is what Council is going to have to answer. The Mayor does not have any authority the right to go out and request for proposals.

Mr. Salvatore clarified audience participation is ended.

Mr. Mencini concurred.

Mr. Salvatore referred to Assistant Law Director Sackett as to the audience comments about the validity over suspension. Is Council acting in its rights?

Mr. Sackett responded it is my understanding after discussing the matter with the law director Thursday afternoon about the issue raised by the individual and we came to the conclusion that the Mayor has the authority. Not only is it an item of the budget but it's also a personal services contract and the Mayor does have the authority to enter into the contract and has the authority to request bids. I believe that Council is appropriate with moving forward with second reading.

Mr. Salvatore stated that's not only the city's elected law director's opinion that's also yours?

Mr. Sackett concurred.

1. **ORDINANCE NO. 10096-2017, AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A PERSONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH PRO ONCALL FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**
Introduced by Mayor Coyne

Mayor Coyne stated that Council has been provided a memorandum today from the communications team. At the last Council meeting, Council was made known that there was a protest on the proposals and both of the finalists are challenging each other's proposal. So the administration is asking Council to defeat this legislation and ask all the interested parties to resubmit new proposals on the phone system, so there is a fair and balanced equation and valuation to be submitted to Council.

Mr. Salvatore stated to get this to a vote Council will have a motion for suspension and there are not enough votes, so this can't be taken into consideration until next meeting.

Mr. Mencini stated Ordinance No. 10096-2017 has had its Second Reading.

2. **ORDINANCE NO. 10097-2017, AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A PERSONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH CUSTOMIZED PHONE SYSTEMS, INC. AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Mr. Mencini stated Ordinance No. 10097-2017, has had its Second Reading.

3. **ORDINANCE NO. 10098-2017, AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A PERSONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH VIASOUND FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**
Introduced by Mayor Coyne

Mr. Mencini stated Ordinance No. 10098-2017, has had its Second Reading.

Second Reading of Ordinances and Resolutions:

- 4. ORDINANCE NO. 10099-2017, AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A PERSONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH BUILDING TECHNICIANS CORP. FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Introduced by Mayor Coyne

Mr. Mencini stated Ordinance No. 10099-2017, has had its Second Reading.

- 5. ORDINANCE NO. 11000-2017, AUTHORIZING THE CONSULTING ENGINEER TO PREPARE PLANS AND BID DOCUMENTS AND THE MAYOR TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR THE ADMINISTRATION PARKING LOT PROJECT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Introduced by Mayor Coyne

Mr. Mencini stated Ordinance No. 11000-2017, has had its Second Reading.

- 6. ORDINANCE NO. 11001-2017, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO HIRE INSPECTOR(S) FOR THE ADMINISTRATION PARKING LOT PROJECT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Introduced by Mayor Coyne'

Mr. Mencini stated Ordinance No. 11001-2017, has had its Second Reading.

Mr. Mencini stated the above items will be placed on the next Special Council meeting to be held on September 26, 2017.

There being no further business to come before this meeting a **motion** by Mr. Salvatore, supported by Mr. Burgio, to adjourn.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Salvatore, Burgio, Scott, Mencini, McDonnell
NAYS: None. The motion carried.

Mr. Mencini declared this meeting adjourned at 8:40 a.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED *Michelle Blazak*
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Clerk of Council

APPROVED *October 3, 2017*

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