

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BROOK PARK, OHIO
TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2017**

The meeting was called to order by Council President Astorino at 7:30 p.m., the clerk called the roll and the following Members of Council answered:

SCOTT, BURGIO, SALVATORE, TROYER, McDONNELL, MENCINI

Also in attendance were Mayor Coyne, Safety Director Byrnes, Finance Director Cingle, Building Commissioner Hurst, Law Director Horvath, Engineer Piatak, Human Resources Commissioner Sinatra, Mayor's Executive Assistant Oakar, City Hall Receptionist Johnson, Economic Development Commissioner Dolan (7:50 p.m.).

Council President Astorino excused Councilwoman Powers from this meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PRECEDING MEETINGS:

1. Caucus Prior to the Council Meeting held on December 5, 2017.

Motion by Mr. Burgio, supported by Mr. Mencini, to approve as printed.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Burgio, Mencini, McDonnell, Troyer, Salvatore, Scott

NAYS: None. The motion carried.

2. Regular Council Meeting held on December 5, 2017.

Motion by Mr. Troyer, supported by Mr. Mencini, to approve as printed.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Troyer, Mencini, McDonnell, Scott, Burgio, Salvatore

NAYS: None. The motion carried.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

Aviation & Environmental Committee - Co-Chairman, Scott

Mr. Scott stated no report.

Finance Committee - Chairwoman, McDonnell

Mrs. McDonnell the Finance Committee has several items on tonight's agenda.

Legislative Committee - Chairman, Troyer

Mr. Troyer stated Legislative Committee has one item on tonight's agenda. Mr. Troyer took a moment to thank Ward 1 residents for allowing him to serve for four years; it was greatly appreciated and learned a lot. Mr. Troyer also thanked the Council Clerk for all her assistance the past four year; we didn't always agree but worked it out. The clerk has great experience and is a great asset to this Council for the last four years.

Reports from Standing Committee: cont.

Parks & Recreation Committee - Chairman, Mencini

Mr. Mencini welcomed everyone for coming and continued with his report. The sleepover was held on December 9th at the Recreation Center with a great success. The Seniors had their Christmas party earlier today with a great success and good time, food was provided by Naks Eatery. On Thursday, December 28th the seniors will be having their New Year's Eve party with the children's New Year's Eve party on December 29th.

Planning Committee - Chairman, Troyer

Mr. Troyer stated no meeting was scheduled for December. Mr. Troyer took a moment to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy and prosperous New Year.

Safety Committee - Chairman, Salvatore

Mr. Salvatore thanked Chairman Astorino for the appointment to the Safety Committee and thanked Safety Director Byrnes for all of his hard work the last few years. Quite a bit of accomplishments was achieved by the safety director and fire and police departments. Mr. Salvatore was impressed with some of the accomplishments for not only the city but individual residents' disputes. Mr. Salvatore continued by stating he is extremely proud of the safety director, safety forces, fire chief, police chief, paramedics, patrol officers and paramedics that do an outstanding job. Mr. Salvatore wished everyone a very Merry Christmas and successful New Year.

Service Committee - Chairman Burgio

Mr. Burgio thanked the service director and service department for all the hard work and quick responses to the memos sent to the Mayor for assistance to the residents. Mr. Burgio wished everyone a very Merry Christmas and happy, healthy, prosperous New Year.

Board of Zoning Appeals - Chairman, Scott

Mr. Scott stated nothing on tonight's agenda and wished Ward 4 neighbors and Brook Park residents a Merry Christmas and healthy, prosperous New Year.

Motion by Mr. Salvatore, supported by Mr. Scott, to go out of the Regular Order of Business to letter L - Remarks from the audience on any subject matter.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Salvatore, Scott, Burgio, Troyer, McDonnell, Mencini

NAYS: None. The motion carried.

REMARKS FROM THE AUDIENCE ON ANY SUBJECT MATTER:

Rick Salvatore - Resident

14094 Park Drive

Mr. Salvatore stated I'm here today as a resident, not an elected official, to do something that is one of the hardest things to do with my friendship and relationship with Mayor, Thomas J. Coyne, Jr. Mr. Salvatore stated on behalf of myself, Members of Council and many other elected officials are behind me on making this presentation. This is truly an honor to do this but also a sad time to

Remarks from the audience on any subject matter:

present this plaque for all of your accomplishments and being the longest running Mayor in the history of the City of Brook Park; serving 24 years. From the bottom of my heart, Mayor, thanks for the memories and you certainly were a Mayor that really, truly did it your way. A singing tribute was given to Mayor Coyne of Frank Sinatra's 'My Way'.

Joann Tabanji**14412 Thompson Blvd.**

Ms. Tabanji stated she was at the last meeting and am here again to speak on keeping Recreation Commissioner, Maryann Fields and what she has done for my son, the children, the seniors and the community. I have spent a lot of time with Maryann who has given 110% by working 12-hour shifts, by getting donations and advertisements and has done so much for the community center; I have never seen anyone else do anything like it and lived here since I was ten-years-old and about to be 35. Never have I known another director besides Maryann with her smile and knows everyone by name; children, adults, grandparents and members of the Recreation center. I have never seen anyone care with so much heart as Maryann does. Like I said before all I'm asking from the new Mayor is to give her a chance, interview her, talk to her and see what she is about. Because she has turned this place around with absolutely nothing so please take that into consideration before making your decision.

Motion by Mr. Salvatore, supported by Mr. Mencini, to go back to the Regular Order of Business.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Salvatore, Mencini, McDonnell, Troyer, Burgio, Scott

NAYS: None. The motion carried.

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

Mr. Salvatore stated there hasn't been a meeting since last report and gave a brief summary of major accomplishments of Southwest General. The health center has received some type of an award almost every month; it's been a tremendous year for Southwest. On behalf of the health center's CEO and members of the systems and health boards and entire staff wishing the City of Brook Park a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Berea Board of Education - Representative Burgio

Mr. Burgio stated the board established the Organizational meeting to be held on January 8, 2018 at 6:15 p.m. and will be followed by the regular school board meeting. The renaming of the Middleburg Junior High School was approved and changed to Berea-Midpark Middle School starting in the 2018 school year. The girls shower alteration at Roehm was approved at a cost of \$47,680 and a construction update, David Riley - District Attorney and group architect discussed the increase

Reports from Special Committees: cont.

Berea Board of Education Burgio:

cost of construction and possible reduction by \$15 million dollars for removal of the swimming pool at the new high school because a pool exists at Midpark Middle School.

REPORTS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS OF COMMENDATION:

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR:

Mayor Coyne stated appointments have been submitted for confirmation by Council this evening. Mayor Coyne continued that was something, I've never been serenaded at a Council meeting. I've been serenaded into a Council meeting by the firefighters' bagpipes for a demonstration that was nice, but never personally serenaded and it's interesting that one of my favorite singers, Frank Sinatra, that song reflects my life. This is the second time I'm saying goodbye, 16 years ago I left here in 2002 after what many think is an amazing accomplishment by a public official in this county and that was the settlement and approval by the voters of this city of the airport agreement; it's my proudest accomplishment and one that was certainly controversial. As a matter of fact, not a single elected official with the exception of Finance Director Cingle supported me in that measure. It was voted by the people of the city and today that single agreement is what sustains this community in keeping above water; without it the way we live our lives in Brook Park would be drastically different. Mayor Coyne continued I'm really proud to receive this plaque and have always said I never wanted anything named after me or a statue because I didn't want to be the relief-station for pigeons to fly across Kennedy Park and still feel that way. I left in 2002 burned out, it was a very, very tough situation in the city and I had enough and it was time to do something else. I've done all that I could to sustain this city for its future and should never have to worry about anything. As a matter of fact, my last two year's people of Brook Park didn't pay property taxes to the City of Brook Park and they did not pay very much city income tax and I'm proud of that as well. That day may never come again but it's the kind of situation that I had hoped to do again. I've been through some things in my life and when I left here I went into the lobbying business and was very successful. As a matter of fact, I probably made a lot of money a little too fast and almost ended my life. My job was entertainment and that entertainment almost took my life and lost my family from me. I was in a little place in California that had bricks of Elizabeth Taylor and Mickey Mantle outside of my window at the Betty Ford Clinic. While I've never crawled on my belly like a reptile for anyone I got down on my knees and said if I was given an opportunity again and able to get my life back together along with my business and career back together; I would

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give back to those people who gave to me. I did that with my family and the place that did most for me is this little city of Brook Park; this little town right here where I played on the front lawn of this building in 1959 before all the ballfields. Gave me every opportunity in life to be counselor of two presidents, to win a primary for the United States Congress and be a qualified elector for the President of the United States, Donald Trump. The only thing I didn't accomplish was being elected Mayor as a Republican and there might be some poetic justice to that. Mrs. Fischer always told me she never voted for me, her husband always did and I went to Giant Eagle at Brookgate and she told me you have to come back to the city and straighten it out. I said really and suspicious and I'll never forget she gave me a big hug and an older lady said Mrs. Fischer is hugging the Mayor, oh my goodness, what's going on they fought for all those years here. I came back with a mission to retain this city to the kind of city that I wanted to live in and as Councilman Mencini quotes me every once in a while. "What kind of city do you want to live in"? I believe that you believe with me that you wanted to live in the kind of city that I grew up in, this town right here. The best city to raise a family in America and that was my mission to come back here. That was my quest, my goal to do so and we almost got there. I came back with a knowledge and understanding of how this city breathes every day and second to none nobody has knowledge of how this city operates and what it's potential is. To talk about potential, it reached its greatest potential under Mayor, Tom Coyne, and we're almost there at the end. I asked the voters of this city on two occasions to help me, give me this revenue and here's what we'll do and they said no. We're not going to do that, we demand this level of service with the resources you have and I did it. Was it hard, yes it was hard, but that was my job and I did it and tonight before I leave. I'm going to do my job going out the door to protect the interest of people who did not vote for me on the west end of this city because they have been wronged. Because what I left in understanding was changed and put them in precarious situation. As I'm going out this door, again, protecting the rights of the people of this community. Mayor Coyne took a picture off the Chambers wall of Mayor Coyne with the children of Brook Park Memorial School on Memorial Day that says 'A part of the Mayor's Day meeting with tomorrow's leaders'; this is the only thing that mattered to me is the children for today, tomorrow and for the future. What I'm seeing today is Tom Coyne's time is done as the Mayor of this city, I will never run for Mayor again. The people of this city don't love me anymore but I still love this town. I'm going to sit back and watch and give advice and counsel. I'm so proud of the three new young people that are coming to this City Council. Probably if they were elected the last time I probably wouldn't have run, I see a hope there. I also see a cancer and poison that has to be eradicated from this city so that citizens can get the facts and truth about what's going on. The last two years have been the most difficult time of my tenure as Mayor because we spun our wheels on foolish things that got nowhere. Because we had an atmosphere that we're going to obstruct no matter what and I persevered through that and we never stopped and we put the city in the position to

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the recreation center is going to be renovated. I won't be able to see that but it's on its way there will be a new City Hall. You'll have a pool open but you're not going to open it for \$200,000 and that will be the first thing given to the new Council, it's going to be several million dollars. This city has to make a decision, again, what kind of city they want to live in. Make no mistake about it unless these citizens are willing because there's no dream coming around the corner here, you'll find out here very soon no matter who's promising magic, it's not happening very soon. You have to take stock in the city that you live in, you have to make it what it is and for some small sacrifices it can be done. My greatest regret is going out there and I lost between women of 79 and 81 because they were made about the Senior Snow Removal Program because they believe that they still had to pay hundreds of dollars. What a tragedy if those people didn't enjoy those programs because of that, they're signing up now. We're seeing expansive things for them and they're getting the best services. Can you imagine people complaining that they have a landscaper taking care of their driveway and grass in a middle-class American city. That's what we have here, we have great things, there's nothing wrong with this town except for some of the folks that occupy these seats up here, that go out and talk to these people. My other surprise was this I don't know who lives here anymore. There are so many new people, new faces and new families out there that have to be touched, reached and told the story about the possibility of the city. Before I close, I want to recognize a few things about the \$2 or \$3 million-dollar cabinet, my Building Commissioner, Ted Hurst what a remarkable job he's done for the City of Brook Park. When I interviewed Ted, first of all he was nominated by his Aunt Dudie, and I always listened to Dudie Cavney who the city lost last year. Mr. Hurst laid out all the things that he had wanted to do and the things that I wanted from the Building Department coming in. The Quonset Hut is finally down on Brookpark Road, the railroad caboose is gone and the house on Wengler was torn down today. Neighborhoods of this city that you see revitalization in and the Brookpark Road Corridor that was part of the airport deal; look at the transformation of Brookpark Road that I believe will continue. We have Human Resources Commissioner, Jennifer Sinatra, and thanked her for coming tonight. Economic Development Commissioner, Mike Dolan, who worked so hard with so many seniors on the HMAP (Home Maintenance Assistance Program) with life-saving improvements to their home and thank Council for passing the legislation but Mr. Dolan did all the hard work. Patty Oakar does all the communications for the city and all the nice things that you read on social media and the only thing that (former) Mayor Elliott listened to me on was keeping the switchboard operator, Terry Johnson. Everybody from Brook Park talks to this young lady who is absolutely remarkable in dealing with residents; tells them off when they have it coming and gives the right information but isn't it nice to call City Hall and talk to a human being. Safety Director, David Byrnes, who I brought in and Mr. Astorino was probably shocked when I nominated his predecessor as safety director; who did a remarkable job for the city and the safety forces and knowing that we can't man our

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departments like we used to because of the revenues that we have. The directors have to get the most out of what they have and police and fire, all of them performed admirably with working with us and help us get the job done for living in one of the safest communities out there. To Service Director, Lou Cayet, the challenge the service department with the most layoffs and still performed nobody plows streets like Brook Park service crews. Finally, it seems to be the woman of controversy is Recreation Director, Maryann Fields. I charged her with a very difficult task by telling her I want this department to respond like former director, Mr. Bill Hufsey. Every child in this town knew who Mr. Hufsey was and loved him and Maryann answered that challenge and then some. Absolutely remarkable, there are so many young children and families that depend on her it's beyond belief. Every Mayor is entitled to appoint who they feel are qualified to do the job. Maryann is going to be a blessing for someone else but her time here was clearly well-spent and we're grateful and she is at the recreation center tonight. Carol Horvath, who I opposed her election is one tough woman and brilliant lawyer I have come to learn. We worked together very well and handles all challenges to the city and hopes she has a long career here. To Finance Director, Greg Cingle, and to share a story many years ago when I interviewed him for the Finance Director when Shelby Lawhun retired. We were at TGIFriday's in the Great Northern shopping center and was impressed with him and knowing his family and lifelong residents of the city. When leaving I asked Greg are you registered to vote and he said no and I told him to get over to the library and register to vote; because to be appointed as Finance Director you must be a qualified elector. I don't think the curtain is over for me at all and I believe I will be involved in politics and think the President is considering me for something. What I'd really like to do is provide a program to the nation that will put a lot of people to work in the infrastructure. You'll be seeing some writings about me, I'm very concerned about the pensions of not only public employees but union employees of this country. This is an issue that's always been a concern to me so I hope to be that voice. While I couldn't finish rebuilding the great American city I can help the President, who I believe still has the greatest domestic program to make this country greater than it's ever been. I had three heroes in my life, Jack Kennedy for obvious reasons and think was the most charismatic leader that our country has ever seen. I learned from him and his ability to address the media. The second person who I think is the greatest person in history was Winston Churchill, who lead his nation through instrumental odds and sometimes always felt the whole world was against us. Who is this little Brook Park demanding that they have NASA Glenn, which was part of the airport deal. Who is this little Brook Park fighting this, why are they fighting the utilities and thinking about...We were always at the forefront of a battle that many people in this region benefitted and most of the time we were successful and I'm proud of that. I hope that spirit never leaves whoever sits in this chair or at this dais. Finally, my truly great American hero was Douglas MacArthur and the way I feel today. The first time I left I was kind of burned-out and maybe only regret is that I

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didn't stay. That could have been bad or good if I would have stayed but don't know. Mr. MacArthur was thrown off his island and he bowed to return and did and rebuilt a country that was our enemy. He was taken away probably in his greatest hours in Korea. When he told the world what the problem was and what was going to happen and he was relieved of his command much too early. I'm being relieved of my command earlier than planned but I hope that the things that I have tried to accomplish for the city be continued. I hope the vision of this city that I still have is realized by this community and I have no regrets of any decisions that I've made as the Mayor of this city, not a single one. Every one of them, every single day, I thought was the best for this community whether people like it or not, that's what I had to do. In all my polls the first question to consultants was do you think Tom Coyne is arrogant and bossy. Yes, I am, I'm confident and bossy. Anyone that has worked with me or opposed me at the end the final result usually worked out pretty well. All I can say is farewell, God Bless and thank you for the opportunity.

Mr. Mencini stated me as a person, and both of us starting out at the service garage. I wouldn't have been there but because of you, Angelo Wedo put me down there after being defeated. By the instilment of my mother who pushed him to do it and kept working because you kept me on there. I want to say I see a lot of people out there and seen a lot of seniors today and people in Brook Park. As you said there's a lot of new families here and I want to think, Mayor, that's because of you. We're bordered line with the City of Cleveland and some suburbs haven't worked out well but both times you left you put us in good shape. There is nobody here that is going to tell me anything different, regardless. One thing I definitely have to say, Mayor, is your heart is here in Brook Park and will always be here. You gave more of yourself when asked of someone being in need or hurting, you were always there; I can't think of one time you ever told me or a resident no. When my parents had the house-fire in 1994 you were the first one there. That was a tough time of my parents they lost a lot of personal items, a lot, that's the type of guy you were. You made the comment that people don't love you anymore, I beg to differ. They might have disagreed with you politically with a decision or two that you made. But, I believe this town loves you and you put this town in great shape when you left in 2001 and obviously when you're leaving now. The past two years were rough and I will say that I got a college education the last four years and you're a big part of it. There's been some rough times but I've never seen you turn away from the fight, so as a person and I'd like to think that I speak for a lot of residents and people in Brook Park. I'd like to thank you and think you're a great man and have done a lot of great things and have put this city where it is today. Still has some ways to go but it's because of you for going in that direction and thank you for all of that and thank you Mayor.

Mr. Burgio speaking as a resident for most of those years that you were the Mayor. I bought my first house in Brook Park in 1976, raised my family in the city and want

to thank you for paving the way and all the programs that made my life and families life good in Brook Park growing up. It is a good place to live and use that saying over and over again to grow up and retire, it really is the truth. A lot of programs we have today were started by you. What other city had a sewer truck that was unheard of and we did it because we could do it, the funding was there because of Ford (Motor). You always supported Ford (Motor) because it was important to make sure they stayed in the city and stayed for a long time because of your relationship with them. Also, the tax incentives that Council approved over the years and we benefited from all that. In all the things that you struggled to make Brook Park a better place was the flooding problems in the 1980's and spending millions of dollars on those flooding problems; we still have some flooding problems but not like in the 1980's. Buying the establishments (bars) on the north side of Brookpark Road was a huge thing because we can now control the north side of the border; using Cleveland's own money to do so. We can see what has happened on Brookpark Road that has come a long, long way and is so much better and improved our city. You mentioned the historic airport agreement at that time I think NASA was only generating less than \$2 million-dollars tax revenues and is now a lot more than that. Where would be without that? So, all in all, I want to thank you for all the contributions you've made to the city over the years to make it a better place and there is no doubt in my mind that you love this city. Congratulations and thank you for what you've provided.

Mayor Coyne commented I didn't get the dog park for you.

Mr. Burgio stated you made the effort and I appreciate that, too.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM DEPARTMENTS, COMMISSIONS, AND OTHER PUBLIC OFFICIALS:

Engineer Piatak

Mr. Piatak reported with the Sylvia Drive Reconstruction Project between Fry and Smith Roads, construction work is scheduled to resume tomorrow and will continue through Thursday or Friday. The contractor will clean up all the barrels and signs so the road will be reopened to two-way traffic, there was a little delay with the weather to get some things done. The crack seal Project work will resume tomorrow in the Champaign, Defiance, Crestview and Forestview areas. Mr. Piatak wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Mr. Mencini asked for a tentative date for the Sylvia project to be complete.

Mr. Piatak responded the road will be opened before Christmas, if not Thursday night then Friday morning.

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

Mr. Mencini stated on Smith Road by Holland there is a sign the county put up that is leaning or falling?

Mr. Troyer noted that Grosse Drive is in need of crack seal.

Safety Director Byrnes

Mr. Byrnes thanked Councilman Salvatore for the kind words and stated on behalf of the police, fire, animal control and building department that work under my authority have all done a great job. Mr. Byrnes thanked Council for all of their help during the last four years and stated it's been an honor to work here and work for the people of Brook Park and Mayor and wished everyone a Merry Christmas. It dawned on me earlier that with the Administration staff the Mayor thanked earlier I'm the only one with a microphone. So on behalf of my colleagues that work for the city thank you for those words. It was an honor to work with you as well, I've learned a lot and as some people know we didn't get along in our careers and it's ironic that I end up here.

Law Director Horvath

Ms. Horvath stated I wanted to talk a little about the pending Active Civil litigation the city currently has. With regard to the case in federal court of Hallis vs Chief Foster. This particular matter has been voluntarily dismissed by the Plaintiff, who sued the chief and others for over \$2 million dollars. That leaves the city with two cases, one is a foreclosure and the city is involved because of a lien on the house; a default hearing is scheduled in that matter. There is also a case pending in the Court of Claims involving public records requests and in that particular case mediation is still in progress. What I'm hoping is since there is such a short case list that perhaps indulge me to speak on matters which are not technically legal but are, I feel, still important to say. The last meeting of this Councils' term and, at this time, I just wanted to acknowledge Council President Astorino, Councilwoman Powers although she is not here and Councilman Troyer who are at the end of their terms and wish them a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. I also wanted to say to Councilwoman, Rachel McDonnell, that you've performed equivalent of coming in and pitch-hitting in the sixth inning with the bases loaded and have done so with grace and style. I wanted to thank you for your insight and professionalism, I enjoyed working with you and wish you and your family Happy Holidays. Mr. Cayet and Ms. Fields aren't here tonight but wanted to thank them for their service, help and assistance and wished them and families Happy Holidays. To Safety Director Byrnes thank you for all of your hard work keeping us safe and for your dedication and professionalism. Certainly, do to your daily efforts we, the citizens, can move around the city doing daily business without a second thought. With regard to commissioners in the audience, Mr. Dolan, Ms. Sinatra, Patti Oakar thank you for all your help in the legal department and hard work and wishing to you and

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your family Merry Christmas and Happy Holiday. Same to Ted (Hurst) and Terry (Johnson). To Mayor Coyne it's been said tonight that you've been Mayor for about 24 years and I believe the last four years have been the most significant years of your Mayoral service and it's been very much my pleasure to serve with you for the last two years. I wanted to thank you for your dedication to our city and I'd like to paraphrase an old saying to express my thoughts. May the road rise to meet you, may the wind always be at your back, may the sunshine warm upon your face, may you get all of your wishes but one, so you always have something to strive for and may the dreams that you hold dearest be those that come true. Merry Christmas to Mayor Coyne, newly-elected Councilmembers in the audience; Mr. Vecchio, Mr. Orcutt and returning Councilmembers Burgio, Salvatore, Scott, Mencini and Council clerk. Also, happy holidays to Mr. Piatak and Mr. Cingle. Merry Christmas to everyone.

Finance Director Cingle

Mr. Cingle stated the Administration thanks Council for your consideration of Ordinance No.'s 11008-2017 and 11009-2017 on tonight's agenda. My hope is that they will both pass this evening so fiscal year 2017 can be closed out and begin preparation of fiscal year 2018. Mr. Cingle wished Councilmembers Troyer, Powers, McDonnell and Council President Astorino best wishes in future endeavors and hope all of you continue to stay active in the community. To Mr. Byrnes, Mr. Cayet, Ms. Fields, Patty Oakar and am probably missing a few. It was wonderful working with all of you the last four years and thank you for all you've done for the finance department. Again, wishing you all the best in your future endeavors. To Councilmembers Mencini, Burgio, Salvatore and Scott see you next year and to the newly-elected Councilmembers Vecchio, Poindexter, Orcutt and Stemm I look forward to working with you over the next two years. To Mayor Coyne there is not much more to be said than what has been said tonight; you weren't supposed to say anything about that meeting 22 years ago and thank you for all you've done for me both personally and professionally and wish you the best of luck in all your future endeavors. To all the residents of Brook Park a Merry Christmas and Happy, Healthy and Prosperous 2018.

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

New Legislation:

1. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an all-hazards mitigation plan with Cuyahoga County and declaring an emergency. Introduced by Mayor Coyne. **Placed in Safety Committee**
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MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS, APPOINTMENTS, CONFIRMATIONS:

Mayor Coyne stated I've submitted to Council considerations of three citizen appointees to vacancies on the Planning Commission: Gloria Sensel to fill the unexpired term of Mike Vecchio, elected Council President, term ending 12/2020. Jennifer Roberts to fill the unexpired term of Gregory Stemm, elected to Council Ward 1, term ending 12/2019 and Timothy Chornak to fill the unexpired term of Ed Orcutt, elected to Council Ward 3, term ending 12/2019.

Mass motion by Mr. Scott, supported by Mr. Mencini, of those three appointments.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Scott, Mencini, McDonnell, Salvatore, Burgio

NAYS: None.

ABSTENTION: Troyer. The motion carried with a vote of 5 - 0 with one abstention. Appointments confirmed.

Mr. Scott stated Council must fill the remaining term on the Recreation Commission due to the untimely death of Rich Kestranek.

Motion by Mr. Scott, supported by Mr. Burgio, to appoint Jerome Kitchen to fill the position.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Scott, Burgio, Salvatore, McDonnell, Mencini

NAYS: None.

ABSTENTION: Troyer. The motion carried with a vote of 5-0 with one abstention.

REMARKS FROM THE AUDIENCE ON ANY SUBJECT MATTER:

Note: Moved by motion to the beginning of the meeting.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS: (FIRST READING):

SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

1. RESOLUTION NO. 30-2017, HONORING ASTRONAUT AND SENATOR, JOHN GLENN AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Introduced by Councilman Troyer

Motion by Mr. Troyer, supported by Mr. Mencini, to suspend.

Mr. Astorino asked Mr. Troyer if co-sponsors would be allowed.

Mr. Troyer responded yes. Mr. Astorino was the only Councilmember to co-sponsor.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Troyer, Mencini

NAYS: McDonnell, Salvatore, Burgio, Scott. The motion failed with a vote of 2-4.

Mr. Astorino stated Resolution No. 30-2017 has had its Second Reading.

THIRD READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

1. ORDINANCE NO. 11008-2017, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 10070-2017, THE APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF BROOK PARK AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Introduced by Mayor Coyne

Motion by Mr. Scott, supported by Mr. Mencini, to adopt.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Scott, Mencini, McDonnell, Salvatore, Burgio

NAYS: Troyer. The motion carried. Ord. No. 11008-2017, has passed under Third Reading with a vote of 5-1. Adopted.

2. ORDINANCE NO. 11009-2017, TO PROVIDE FOR THE TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS OF THE CITY OF BROOK PARK, STATE OF OHIO, FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDING ON MARCH 31, 2018 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Introduced by Mayor Coyne

Motion by Mr. Mencini, supported by Mr. Burgio, to adopt.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mencini, Burgio, Scott, Salvatore, Troyer, McDonnell

NAYS: None. The motion carried. Ord. No. 11009-2017 has passed under Third Reading. Adopted.

Motion by Mr. Troyer, supported by Mr. Mencini, for pending legal matters and litigation.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Troyer, Mencini, McDonnell, Salvatore, Burgio, Scott

NAYS: None. The motion carried at 8:35 p.m.

In attendance: Councilmembers, Mayor Coyne, Law Director Horvath, Finance Director Cingle and Economic Development Commissioner Dolan.

Mayor Coyne and Economic Development Commissioner Dolan left Executive Session at 8:40 p.m.

Motion by Mr. Mencini, supported by Mr. Troyer, to adjourn the Executive Session.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mencini, Troyer, Salvatore, Burgio, Scott, Mencini

NAYS: None. The motion carried at 9:01 p.m.

Motion by Mr. Mencini, supported by Mr. Scott, to go back to the Regular Order of Business.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mencini, Scott, Burgio, Salvatore, Troyer, McDonnell

NAYS: None. The motion carried at 9:02 p.m.

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

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mencini, Troyer, McDonnell, Scott, Burgio, Salvatore

NAYS: None.

Council President Astorino declared this meeting adjourned at 9:02 p.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED



Michelle Blazak
Clerk of Council

APPROVED



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