

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BROOK PARK, OHIO
TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, APRIL 16, 2019**

The meeting was called to order at 7:31 p.m., the clerk called the roll and the following Members of Council answered:

SCOTT, BURGIO, ORCUTT, STEM, MENCINI, POINDEXTER, SALVATORE

Also in attendance were Mayor Gammella, Law Director Horvath, Recreation Director Elliott, Finance Director Cingle, Service Director Gardner and Middleburg Hts. Councilman Grech.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PRECEDING MEETINGS:

1. Special Caucus meeting held on March 26, 2019.

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

ROLL CALL: AYES: Burgio, Poindexter, Mencini, Stemm, Orcutt, Scott, Salvatore
NAYS: None. The motion carried.

2. Special Council meeting held on March 26, 2019.

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

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mencini Poindexter, Salvatore, Stemm, Orcutt, Burgio, Scott
NAYS: None. The motion carried.

3. Caucus prior to meeting held on April 2, 2019.

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

ROLL CALL: AYES: Poindexter, Mencini, Stemm, Salvatore, Scott, Burgio, Orcutt
NAYS: None. The motion carried.

4. Regular Council meeting held on April 2, 2019.

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

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mencini, Orcutt, Burgio, Scott, Salvatore, Poindexter, Stemm
NAYS: None. The motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Salvatore, supported by Mr. Orcutt to go out of the Regular Order of Business to letters M-4, M-14 and G 1-6.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Salvatore, Orcutt, Burgio, Scott, Poindexter, Mencini, Stemm
NAYS: None. The motion carried.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS: FIRST READING:

4. RESOLUTION NO. 8-2019, HONORING MIDPARK HIGH SCHOOL CLASS REUNION COMMITTEE OF 1968 ON THEIR 50TH YEAR REUNION AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Introduced by Councilman Salvatore, Council as a Whole and Mayor Gammella.

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

ROLL CALL: AYES: Salvatore, Orcutt, Burgio, Scott, Poindexter, Mencini, Stemm
NAYS: None. The motion carried.

Introduction of Ordinances and Resolutions (First Reading): cont.

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

ROLL CALL: AYES: Salvatore, Orcutt, Burgio, Scott, Poindexter, Mencini, Stemm

NAYS: None. Resolution No. 8-2019, has passed under Suspension of the Rules. Adopted.

The clerk read the 'Whereas' as requested as Mr. Salvatore and Mr. Grech presented the Resolutions to the 1968 Midpark High School Reunion committee.

Mr. Grech thanked all elected officials for this honor, really appreciated.

14. RESOLUTION NO. 12-2019, HONORING BECKY CONROY FOR BEING CHOSEN AS 2018-2019 CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Introduced by Councilman Scott, C/W and Mayor Gammella.

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

ROLL CALL: AYES: Scott, Salvatore, Poindexter, Mencini, Stemm, Orcutt, Burgio

NAYS: None. The motion carried.

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

ROLL CALL: AYES: Salvatore, Orcutt, Burgio, Scott, Poindexter, Mencini, Stemm

NAYS: None. Resolution No. 12-2019, has passed under Suspension of the Rules. Adopted.

The clerk read the 'Whereas' as requested as Mr. Scott presented the Resolution to Mrs. Conroy and thanked her for all her dedication and hours given to the City of Brook Park.

Mrs. Conroy thanked everyone and stated this is overwhelming.

Mayor Gammella thanked Mrs. Conroy for everything she does for the community as well as her husband.

Mr. Vecchio stated on behalf of Council it's a pleasure having you represent the city and continue to do great things.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS OF COMMENDATION:

1. A PROCLAMATION HONORING THE 5TH - 6TH GRADE GIRLS BASKETBALL LEAGUE CHAMPIONS 'THUNDER'.
2. A PROCLAMATION HONORING THE 1ST - 2ND GRADE COED BASKETBALL LEAGUE CO-CHAMPIONS 'HEAT'.
3. A PROCLAMATION HONORING THE 1ST - 2ND GRADE COED BASKETBALL LEAGUE CO-CHAMPIONS 'CELTICS'.
4. A PROCLAMATION HONORING THE 3RD - 4TH GRADE BOYS BASKETBALL LEAGUE CHAMPIONS 'CLIPPERS'.
5. A PROCLAMATION HONORING THE 5TH - 6TH GRADE BOYS BASKETBALL LEAGUE CHAMPIONS 'MAGIC'.

Introduction of Resolutions of Commendation: cont.

6. A PROCLAMATION HONORING THE 10TH - 12TH GRADE BOYS BASKETBALL LEAGUE CHAMPIONS 'TARHEELS'.

The clerk read the proclamations honoring the basketball teams as Mayor Gammella presented them to the players and coaches and congratulated them on a great season. Also thanked parents, guardians, grandparents and caregivers for their support during the season.

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

ROLL CALL: AYES: Salvatore, Poindexter, Mencini, Stemm, Orcutt, Burgio, Scott
NAYS: None. The motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Poindexter, supported by Mr. Mencini, to take a five-minute recess.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Poindexter, Mencini, Stemm, Salvatore, Scott, Burgio, Orcutt
NAYS: None. The motion carried at 8:02 p.m.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

Aviation & Environmental Committee - Chairman, Poindexter

Mr. Poindexter gave an oral report that is attached to these minutes.

Finance Committee - Chairman, Scott

Mr. Scott stated Finance Committee has two items on the agenda. The Board of Control met earlier approving 19 items; two largest being for Ready Field Solutions, LLC for playground chips and Euthenics Engineering services in the amount \$22,500.

Legislative Committee - Chairman, Mencini

Mr. Mencini reported Legislative Committee has one item on tonight's agenda and one item at the Caucus Prior to for Citizen of the Year, Becky Conroy; congratulations to Mrs. Conroy and all the basketball teams.

Parks & Recreation Committee - Chairman, Salvatore

Mr. Salvatore thanked Mayor Gammella for bringing back the team proclamations to Council meetings. The main event for recreation is the Easter Egg Hunt to be held on Saturday, April 20th at 10:00 a.m. at the City Hall gazebo, pictures with the Easter Bunny will be available. The hours for the hunt are 10:00 a.m. for ages three and under, 10:20 a.m. for ages four and five, 10:40 a.m. ages six, seven and eight, 11:00 a.m. for ages nine through 12.

Planning Committee - Chairman, Burgio

Mr. Burgio reported the Planning Committee has legislation on tonight's agenda and thanked Council for the sponsorship of two high-school students, one boy and one girl, for the Best of Brook Park event.

Safety Committee - Chairman Stemm

Mr. Stemm reported Safety Committee has nothing on tonight's agenda, one announcement the next Neighborhood Watch meeting is April 24th at 7:00 p.m. at the library.

Reports of Standing Committees: cont.

Service Committee - Chairman, Orcutt

Mr. Orcutt reported the service committee has one item on tonight’s agenda. The service department is open for yard waste and service crews have started the replacement of three wastewater pumps at the Hummel Road pump station. One comment it was nice to see the teams, coaches and everyone at tonight’s meeting, when it’s cold outside it fun in Brook Park.

Board of Zoning Appeals - Chairman, Scott

Mr. Scott stated no report this evening. Mr. Scott thanked Kelly Mayer, Kelly Vrzic, Lavaine Cates, Tim Chornak, Dan Eberhardt, Tom Dufour, William Sheppard and Bill Bailey for their outstanding job done on the Citizen of the Year committee.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

Southwest General Health Center - Trustee, Salvatore

Mr. Salvatore reported the first year turnover rate is at 15% and overall turnover rate is down to 12%, better than target. Nursing services staff celebrated providing high-quality safe patient care. The main surgery center as well as the Big Creek surgery continue to be above budget from last year. There is \$5.3 million-dollars approved for the budget along with \$20 million-dollars for capital. The Family Physician practice will continue to be a part of Southwest General and LifeWorks is celebrating 20-years of service providing health and wellness. The Lakefront Group notified Southwest has once again received an A-grade in the LeapFrog Safety, a gold standard for patient safety among hospitals across the country. Southwest has also been recognized for Medicare and Medicaid services as a five-star hospital and the Southwest Police Department was recently formed. The next board meeting will be held on May 1st.

Berea Board of Education Committee - McDonnell, Poindexter

Mr. Poindexter provided a verbal report that is attached to these minutes.

REPORTS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS OF COMMENDATION:

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

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR:

Mayor Gammella reported the Glimcher Group attended the last meeting to discuss Brookgate Shopping Center who along with Council wants to see some improvements at the center; to the group’s credit the maintenance cleanliness of the center has improved. With the BP station on Snow and Smith it was very tough to find out the owners for that station and it is interesting that the Glimcher Group would like to purchase that old gas station. The Ford (Land) talks continue and am very optimistic and think by year’s end there will be something to talk about for that property, that is exciting and exhilarating. Mayor Gammella continued that he will be making an

Reports and Communications from the Mayor: cont.

presentation to the Aerozone Tech Park later this month and NASA's news of increased budget hold well for this community. What the city will do is capture a lot of the outside contractors coming into NASA, the city's Opportunity Zone that extends from IX Center Drive and a good part of Eastland Road. Mayor Gammella thanked Tax Director Cingle and his staff for the great work with helping residents during tax season.

Questions:

Mr. Salvatore asked for an update on the hotel on Howard Johnson hotel on Snow Road are they up to code with the violations?

Mayor Gammella responded the city has stayed on the (owners) and they are supposed to be doing something with that site shortly. Currently, they are in compliance with the west side open for business, east side still closed.

Mr. Salvatore continued with the demolition of the former City Hall and Council Chambers. Has there been any thought of preserving the entryway of the former City Hall for the purpose of restrooms during concerts and so forth.

Mayor Gammella thanked Mr. Salvatore for the suggestion and will look into that.

Mr. Mencini thanked Mayor Gammella for having the Glimcher Group here last week and mentioned the restrooms could use some upgrading and could be looked into.

Mr. Orcutt commented there is a new approach for the Howard Johnson hotel on Snow Road and will talk personally. The concerns are still there with residents' and is very important. With the Ford (land) property will there be an announcement of who is purchasing that in the near future?

Mayor Gammella responded let's just say the list is cut-down to three and there is one that stands out as being absolutely outstanding, and hoping that it can be pulled off.

Mr. Salvatore asked if there is something that can be done or offered to bring that one outstanding business to the city?

Mayor Gammella responded Council has already been done with the mention from the business that the community is very pro-business and will work with whoever comes in there, but will not give the city away by any means; this is going to be an outstanding venture for the City of Brook Park. The city is vigilant and will stay on it to land something good there. The message has been conveyed to them that the city gives their support which is important.

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

Finance Director Cingle

Mr. Cingle reported the 2018 audit continues with work being done onsite and offsite for the next few months. Mr. Cingle continued with the comments about the tax department being open on Saturday, April 13th and assisting 67 taxpayers; on April 15th the tax department assisted 383 individuals during normal business hours and publicly thanked the tax staff for a job well done.

Recreation Director Elliott

Mr. Elliott thanked the teams, coaches, parents, players and all who were at tonight’s meeting and provide support throughout the season. With Becky Conroy, being named as Citizen of the Year and will receive another award at the Best of Brook Park event held on May 2nd; along with other city community groups, churches and organizations. The Recreation Commission meeting will be held on April 18, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. The last Golden Gloves boxing tournament had great attendance and in two weeks the Junior Olympics tournament will be held on May 3rd and 4th as well as the boxing show.

Law Director Horvath

Mrs. Horvath stated the pending civil litigation list has been distributed and report that there are no new additions nor has the status of any of the cases listed changed.

Service Director Gardner

Mr. Gardner reported last Bulk Monday picked up 70 tons with the next bulk pickup being May 13th. Saturday, April 20th the first of two Shred-It days will be held at the service garage from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The resident summer yard-waste and drop-off program from 7:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Monday-Friday and Saturdays from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., no plastic bags or mixed rubbish allowed.

Engineer Piatak

Excused from tonight’s meeting.

Questions:

Mr. Salvatore commended Mr. Elliott and staff for the great participation at the recreation center and also the Tax Department staff for their assistance with residents. Mr. Salvatore would like to meet with the law director possibly on Thursday.

Mr. Burgio commented to Mr. Gardner it’s nice to see the street cleaner cleaning the streets.

Mr. Mencini commended the Tax Department for assisting residents. To Mr. Elliott the team proclamations this evening and the Easter Egg Hunt this coming Saturday are great events. To Mr. Gardner thank you for the ride-along last week seems like old times.

Mr. Orcutt asked Mrs. Horvath for a meeting to discuss ideas about the Howard Johnson hotel Snow Road.

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

New Legislation:

1. An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into a license agreement with Mcimetro Access transmission services to occupy and use the various public rights-of-way of the city for the installation, maintenance and operation of wireline telecommunications facilities and declaring an emergency. Introduced by Mayor Gammella. Placed in Safety Committee.

2. An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into a community cost-share agreement by and between the Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District (NEORS) and the City of Brook Park and declaring an emergency Introduced by Mayor Gammella. Placed in Safety committee.

3. An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement of cooperation with the County of Cuyahoga for the resurfacing of West 130th Street (County ID#1209) and declaring an emergency. Introduced by Mayor Gammella. Placed in Service committee.

4. An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to entire into an agreement with the Ohio Department of Transportation for the resurfacing of Smith Road (PID108950) and declaring an emergency. Introduced by Mayor Gammella. Placed in Service committee.

1. Correspondence received from resident on April 12, 2019.
The clerk read the correspondence in its entirety that is on file in the Council office.

Mayor Gammella commented on the correspondence read, with all due respect to the author of that letter the firefighters’ overtime isn’t out of control. As a result of a court decision for a seven-man minimum and the city has to abide by that court decision. There is nothing more important than the safety of these residents’ and we’re going to keep this city safe; whether police or fire. The firefighters are doing their jobs and that is all, don’t criticize for them for doing their job. This was a court decision for a seven-man minimum and the city is abiding by that.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS, APPOINTMENTS, CONFIRMATIONS:

REMARKS FROM THE AUDIENCE ON ANY SUBJECT MATTER:

Frank Kosmerl
15942 Paulding

Mr. Kosmerl expressed concerns with the cost of \$2 million-dollars for the Holland Road construction project from Fry to Engle Road. Also, the demolition of the former City Hall and Council buildings and possibly leasing or selling the City Hall building.

Remarks from the audience on any subject matter: cont.

Tom DuFour

15300 Richard Drive

Mr. DuFour reminded everyone that the next 'Brook Park Under 40' event will be held on Wednesday, April 17th at Boss Pro-Karting.

Motion by Mr. Poindexter, supported by Mr. Orcutt, to address the audience.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Poindexter, Orcutt, Burgio, Scott, Salvatore, Mencini, Stemm

NAYS: None. The motion carried.

Mr. Poindexter stated to Mr. Kosmerl that the Holland Road reconstruction project is a full-depth repair and rebuilding the road from scratch. With the former city hall and council buildings the energy efficiency program agreement allowed for renovation of the recreation center with those buildings contracted to be demolished; per state law.

Mr. Mencini stated to Mr. Kosmerl not only will Holland Road be done but also the driveway aprons and tree lawns and is a main thoroughfare for the school. With the former city buildings that from afar are beautiful structures built in 1955, no one wants to see them torn down.

Motion by Mr. Burgio, supported by Mr. Orcutt, to go back to regular order of business.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Burgio, Orcutt, Scott, Salvatore, Poindexter, Mencini, Stemm.

NAYS: None. The motion carried.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS: FIRST READING:

1. ORDINANCE NO. 11077-2019, AMENDING CHAPTERS 1803 AND 1806 OF THE BROOK PARK CODIFIED ORDINANCES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Introduced by Mayor Gammella.

Motion by Mr. Scott, supported by Mr. Orcutt, to suspend.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Scott, Orcutt, Burgio, Stemm, Mencini, Poindexter, Salvatore

NAYS: None. The motion carried.

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

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mencini, Scott, Burgio, Orcutt, Stemm, Poindexter, Salvatore.

NAYS: None. Ordinance No. 11077-2019, has passed under Suspension of the Rules. Adopted.

2. ORDINANCE NO. 11078-2019, AUTHORIZING THE DEMOLITION OF THE FORMER BROOK PARK CITY HALL AND COUNCIL CHAMBER BUILDINGS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Introduced by Mayor Gammella.

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

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mencini, Burgio, Orcutt, Scott, Salvatore, Poindexter, Salvatore

NAYS: None. The motion carried.

Introduction of Ordinances and Resolutions: (First Reading: cont.

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

Mr. Salvatore reiterated that hopefully save the bathrooms of the former City Hall building.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Scott, Poindexter, Salvatore, Mencini, Stemm, Orcutt, Burgio
NAYS: None. Ordinance No. 11078-2019, has passed under Suspension of the Rules. Adopted.

3. RESOLUTION NO. 7-2019, HONORING EXPRESS DELI AND BEVERAGE FOR MAKING YELP'S TOP 100 LIST OF BEST PLACES TO EAT IN THE ENTIRE COUNTRY AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Introduced by Councilman Salvatore, Council as a Whole and Mayor Gammella.

Mr. Vecchio stated Resolution No. 7-2019 has had its First Reading.

4. RESOLUTION NO. 8-2019, HONORING MIDPARK HIGH SCHOOL CLASS REUNION COMMITTEE OF 1968 ON THEIR 50TH YEAR REUNION AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Introduced by Councilman Salvatore, Council as a Whole and Mayor Gammella.

Note: Resolution No. 8-2019 **moved** by motion to the beginning of the meeting.

5. RESOLUTION NO. 9-2019, URGING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO NEGOTIATE LOWER DRUG PRICES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Introduced by Councilman Salvatore, Council as a Whole and Mayor Gammella.

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

ROLL CALL: AYES: Salvatore, Poindexter, Mencini, Orcutt, Burgio, Scott

NAYS: None.

ABSTENTION: Stemm.

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

Mr. Salvatore commented hopefully this will get Congress's attention to lower drug prices.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Salvatore, Poindexter, Mencini, Orcutt, Burgio, Scott

NAYS: None.

ABSTENTION: Stemm. Resolution No. 9-2019, has passed under Suspension of the Rules with a vote of 6 and 1 abstention. Adopted.

Mr. Vecchio thanked Mr. Salvatore for bringing this forward, this is a great piece of legislation.

Introduction of Ordinances and Resolutions: (First Reading): cont.

6. RESOLUTION NO. 10-2019, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ODOT CONTRACT FOR ROAD SALT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Introduced by Mayor Gammella and C/W.

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

ROLL CALL: AYES: Salvatore, Orcutt, Burgio, Scott, Poindexter, Mencini, Stemm.

NAYS: None. The motion carried.

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

ROLL CALL: AYES: Burgio, Poindexter, Mencini, Stemm, Salvatore, Scott

NAYS: None. Resolution No. 10-2019, has passed under Suspension of the Rules. Adopted.

7. RESOLUTION NO. 11-2019, DEDICATING THE BROOK PARK 2019 SOFTBALL SEASON IN HONOR AND REMEMBRANCE OF KHLOE NIDA AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Introduced by Councilman Salvatore, Council as a Whole and Mayor Gammella.

Mr. Vecchio commented that a mother of a child on his team is willing to make helmet decals for all the teams in remembrance of Khloe.

Mr. Salvatore commented that Khloe played on Councilman Salvatore's team and her team number eight will be retired; all other team members will be wearing number eight and a plaque will be on display at the field.

Mr. Vecchio stated Resolution No. 11-2019 has had its First Reading.

8. ORDINANCE NO. 11079-2019, REPEALING ORDINANCE NOS. 9993-2015, 9999-2016, 10073-2017 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Introduced by Mayor Gammella & Councilman Salvatore & C/W.

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

ROLL CALL: AYES: Poindexter, Mencini, Stemm, Salvatore, Scott, Burgio, Orcutt.

NAYS: None. The motion carried.

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

ROLL CALL: AYES: Salvatore, Mencini, Poindexter, Stemm, Orcutt, Burgio, Scott

NAYS: None. Ordinance No. 11079-2019, has passed under suspension of the rules. Adopted.

9. ORDINANCE NO. 11080-2019, AUTHORIZING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE BROOK PARK HOME MAINTENANCE ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM (HMAP) AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Introduced by Mayor Gammella & Councilman Salvatore & C/W.

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

ROLL CALL: AYES: Poindexter, Salvatore, Mencini, Stemm, Orcutt, Burgio, Scott

NAYS: None. The motion carried

Introduction of Ordinances and Resolutions: (First Reading): cont.

Motion by Mr. Poindexter, supported by Mr. Orcutt, to adopt.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Poindexter, Orcutt, Burgio, Scott, Salvatore, Mencini, Stemm

NAYS: None. Ordinance No. 11080-2019 has passed under suspension of the rules. Adopted.

10. RESOLUTION NO. 12-2019, HONORING BECKY CONROY FOR BEING CHOSEN AS 2018-2019 CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Introduced by Councilman Scott, C/W and Mayor Gammella.

Note: Resolution No. 12-2019 **moved** by motion to the beginning of the meeting.

SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

1. RESOLUTION NO. 6-2019, PROCLAIMING JUNE 8, 2019 AS 'GLOBAL WELLNESS DAY' IN BROOK PARK AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Introduced by Councilman Orcutt, Council as a Whole and Mayor Gammella.

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

ROLL CALL: AYES: Salvatore, Poindexter, Mencini, Stemm, Orcutt, Burgio, Scott

NAYS: None. The motion carried.

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

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mencini, Burgio, Orcutt, Scott, Salvatore, Poindexter, Stemm

NAYS: None. Resolution No. 6-2019 has passed under suspension of the rules. Adopted.

Mr. Orcutt thanked Council and Mayor for supporting this legislation and commented this is a special day in its eight year with the motto of 'One day can change your whole life'. Mr. Orcutt extended an invitation for the Ward 3 picnic will be held on June 8th from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Wedo Park. This will include a one-mile walk beginning at 11:00 a.m. for cancer with donations being taken.

THIRD READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

Mr. Salvatore thanked Mayor Gammella for speaking up on the correspondence read into the record and doesn't want anyone thinking that the former Administration and Council or present Administration and Council did not try to do something about the firefighters' overtime. There are issues that came to a courtroom battles and certain items that had to be done. Some of the suggestions printed in the correspondence is what has tried to be negotiated over the years.

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

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mencini, Orcutt, Burgio, Scott, Salvatore, Poindexter, Stemm
NAYS: None. The motion carried.

Council President Vecchio declared this meeting adjourned at 9:17 p.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED *Michelle Blazak*
Michelle Blazak
Clerk of Council

APPROVED *May 7, 2019*

THESE MEETING MINUTES APPROVED BY BROOK PARK CITY COUNCIL ARE A SYNOPSIS, NOT TRANSCRIBED IN THEIR ENTIRETY, ALTHOUGH ACCURATE.

4,005 words

Aviation and environmental report 4/16/2019

The aviation and environmental committee has no items on tonight's agenda. However, there are a couple items to speak about.

- There will be a rain barrel workshop held in here in the rec center tomorrow, 4/17/2019 from 6:30 – 8:00pm. The workshop is sponsored by the city of brook park, the cuyahoga soil and water conservation district, and the rocky river watershed council. Pre registration was required by 4/10 to attend the workshop
- There has been no news as to when the environmental design group is meeting with the city of cleveland to discuss granting an easment for the potential abrams creek project. I will reach out to them this week to see where they are on that front
- I received a call from a resident who was complaining about a neighbor burning wet wood and leaves. Chapter 1511 of the brook park codified ordinances deals with "open burning". I urge our residents who engage in burning to look over that ordinance to familiarize themselves with it. But here are some key points in that chapter
 - Only seasoned firewood shall be burned in outdoor fireplaces and chimeneas;
 - no rubbish, green wood or treated wood, painted wood, stained wood or pallets will be permitted to be burned;
 - Flames shall not be higher than the components of the fireplaces
 - An adequate fire extinguisher (one extinguisher with a minimum 4-A rating or two extinguishers with a minimum 2-A rating) or garden hose is required to be readily accessible in close proximity to the fire
 - If wind direction causes smoke to be a nuisance to the public, the fire will be required to be relocated or extinguished. The Fire official has the right to determine if wind conditions pose a hazard requiring fires to be extinguished

-There is a lot more to chapter 1511, so I again urge anyone who likes to burn, to please read up on this ordinance. And I also urge you to be courteous to your neighbors and only burn appropriate materials. "green or wet" wood and leaves creates a lot of smoke, and it can be a nuisance to your neighbors.

Thank you and that's the end of my report

School Board Report for 4/16/2019 council meeting

1. The construction of the new elementary school will be complete some time in early 2020. After listening to the school's staff, the community and the board of education, we unanimously decided to open the elementary school to students in August 2020, at the beginning of the school year. That is a significant change from the original plan to move in mid school year.
2. When the new elementary school opens in 2020, Tracy Schneid will become the principal of the school.
3. Mike Kostyak will move into the position of Early childhood coordinator at that time
4. Beginning in the 2019-2020 school year, Jason Niedermeyer will become the new director of Technology due to the retirement of Kevin Jaynes.
5. As a result of Jason Niedermeyer taking the new role of Director of Technology, the district will be posting a position for the Academic Affairs Department.
6. The District has recently established a committee that will be working on naming our new elementary school.
7. There will be a "progress as promised" meeting on Wednesday, May 1st in the BMHS auditorium to update the public on the progress of the construction projects within the district
8. The next school board meeting will be held Monday, April 29, 2019

