

Lyndhurst, Ohio
October 2, 2017

The Council of the City of Lyndhurst held its Regular Meeting on Monday, October 2, 2017 at 7:35 P.M., Vice Mayor Joseph A. Marko, presiding.

Members Present: Council Representatives, L. A. Schlessel, J. Price,
J. A. Gambatese, S. Grushetsky, D. A. Frey,
C. A. LoPresti.

Others Present: P. A. Ward, Mayor;
P. T. Murphy, Director of Law;
R. F. Porrello, Chief of Police;
A. Fioritto, Director of Service;
J. Maichle, Building Commissioner;
K. L. Miller, Assistant Clerk of Council.

Absent: M. A. Kovalchik, Director of Finance;
M. J. Carroll, Chief of Fire.

It was moved by Mr. Schlessel, seconded by Mr. LoPresti, that the reading of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held Monday, October 2, 2017, copies of which were distributed to all Members, be dispensed with and said minutes stand approved as circulated.

The question was put to a voice vote and passed unanimously.

MAYOR'S REPORT – Mayor Ward announced Council Coffee will take place this Saturday October 7, 2017 from 9am-11am. He remarked how this annual event offers residents the opportunity to sit down with members of City Council and representatives from each of the City departments in an informal setting to discuss matters of interest. Mayor Ward mentioned other participants will include the Cleveland Water Department, the Community Partnership on Aging, Hillcrest Meals on Wheels, NEORS, and the South Euclid- Lyndhurst Schools. He welcomed all resident to attend for information, conversation and some really, good food.

Mayor Ward stated the Annual Children's Halloween Party will be October 21, 2017 from 5-7pm. He commented how the event is designed for children 8 years old and under. The party will consist of games, crafts, kid-friendly food, entertainment, and a modified trick-or-treat.

Mayor Ward mentioned that the municipal parking lot expansion project will be completed this coming week.

Mayor Ward indicated concrete will be poured early next week on Brainard Road for the widening project. He explained travel lanes will not be completely opened up until the driveway aprons impacted by the project are completed.

FINANCE COMMITTEE – Chairman Schlessel had no report.

PUBLIC LANDS AND BUILDINGS COMMITTEE – Chairman Price had no report.

ROADS AND UTILITIES COMMITTEE – Chairman Gambatese had no report.

SERVICE AND SEWERS COMMITTEE – Chairman Grushetsky had no report.

SAFETY COMMITTEE – Chairman LoPresti had no report.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE – Chairman Schlessel had no report.

PLANNING COMMISSION – Councilman Frey had no report.

SOUTH EUCLID-LYNDHURST BOARD OF

EDUCATION (First meeting of the month) – Mrs. Rhine thanked council for the privilege of attending the meeting and would like to share what is going on in the South Euclid Lyndhurst schools.

Mrs. Rhine began her report outlining how technology is being used in the district. Specifically, the 2nd and 3rd grade students at Adrian, Sunview and Roland can participate in afterschool technology clubs. Mrs. Rhine stated the students learn about web based resources, creating power points and access apps which help with their school work. At Roland and Greenview, results from online tests allow students to break into smaller groups and receive peer to peer help. Mrs. Rhine remarked how these are critical skills for students to help meet the testing requirements placed by the state as well as future needs for students going off to college. She further commented that allowing students in 4th, 5th and 6th grades to learn how to take tests and turn in assignments online will strengthen their skills for the future.

Mrs. Rhine aired how much she appreciated Mayor Ward and Council members Mr. Schlessel and Mr. Price for taking time to meet with the Superintendent and staff to learn about state testing. She expressed disappointment over the recent scores especially because of the amount of work that goes in on a daily basis. Mrs. Rhine explained how receiving a letter grade of a D can be misleading as the system is complicated. For example, the gifted program received an F from the state even though they scored 110 out of 117. By raising the point scale, the state expectation is to score above average while the reality is the majority of our students are scoring on national average. She also explained how Superintendent Reid is getting involved at the state level and bringing back many new ideas from her conferences. Mrs. Rhine commented they will continue to fight for students.

Mrs. Rhine shared that the football team was highlighted on Spectrum Sports last Thursday. She remarked at how the announcers spoke more about the coach and caliber of the team rather than their athletic abilities. Now in his third year, Coach Fink and his staff are very focused on academics; over half of the team has higher than a 3.0 average GPA and one player has a 4.2 GPA. Mrs. Rhine stated the coach is not only interested in building a great program but also interested in building great men. She expressed that as a parent, she is proud to be part of this district.

Finally, Mrs. Rhine announced the South Euclid Lyndhurst PTA Council will be presenting a 'Magical' Night on Friday October 20, 2017. This family focused event welcomes all ages for a night of 'Magic' with Rick Smith Jr., a Lyndhurst native. The benefit will begin at 6pm and be held at Brush High School. Proceeds from this event will support Grants for Student Programming in the South Euclid Lyndhurst School District.

Mayor Ward added that Rick Smith is scheduled for a “Las Vegas” themed night next year which will hopefully raise a lot of money for the district.

Mayor Ward aired how he appreciates the positive comments about Coach Fink adding the coach is interested in building well educated athletes, leaders and role models.

Mayor Ward also wanted to speak to Mrs. Rhine's comments about the meeting with Superintendent Reid and her staff on the test scores. He has had conversations with the State Board of Education regarding their accountability. Based on the amount of resources we have for education, Mayor Ward indicated the state of Ohio should be ranked in the top 10 in the country; the state is currently ranked 31. He went on to explain how these test scores directly affect our economic development. Mayor Ward stated companies looking to relocate are going to look at the metrics and will consider what the state is doing overall. He suggested it is dismissive and horribly unfair how Ohio is the only state that measures by letter grade pointing out that this is how our community is perceived and portrayed. He went on to say, continually being asked to chase a number is not preparing students for life and these tests do not measure their ability to be successful members of society.

Speaking directly to Mrs. Rhine, Mayor Ward announced we are willing to do this together; however, it's going to take trust that the information exchanged is going to be used for a noble purpose. He further remarked this is an optimal time to get state legislature and the state Board of Education aligned in the interest of students and the success for the state of Ohio.

The meeting was opened to public comment.

E. Dale Inkley, 5126 E. Farnhurst, declared that with the approaching fall season, he thinks the City needs to be preparing for the culling of deer. He stated there were four deer in his neighborhood last year and this year there are nine. While he understands approval is needed from the Department of Natural Resources, Mr. Inkley would like to see something done to get this under control.

Mr. Gambatese inquired whether any of his colleagues have had a problem with the green bagged PD Wrap Up littering the driveways in their wards. He expressed his concerns regarding the papers being left at vacant homes and eventually getting collected in the catch basins.

Mayor Ward asked if anyone has an issue with this problem to let him know and he will contact The Plain Dealer directly.

ORDINANCE NO: 2017-58
INTRODUCED BY: ADMINISTRATION

**AN ORDINANCE TO REVISE THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES BY
ADOPTING CURRENT REPLACEMENT PAGES AND DECLARING AN
EMERGENCY**

It was moved by Mr. Schlessel, seconded by Mr. Frey, that rules set forth under Section 123.01 of the Codified Ordinances be suspended for full reading, that Ordinance No. 2017-58 be placed on third reading for final passage and that it be highlighted.

Roll Call: Yeas: Schlessel, Price, Gambatese, Grushetsky, Frey, LoPresti,
Marko.
Nays: None.

Motion carried.
Rules Suspended.

Ordinance No. 2017-58 was highlighted by Mrs. Miller, with Section 4 being read in its entirety.

It was moved by Mr. Schlessel, seconded by Mr. Price, that Ordinance No. 2017-58 be passed.

Roll Call: Yeas: Schlessel, Price, Gambatese, Grushetsky, Frey, LoPresti,
Marko.
Nays: None.

Motion carried.
Ordinance No. 2017-58 is passed.

ORDINANCE NO: 2017-59
INTRODUCED BY: ADMINISTRATION

AN ORDINANCE CONTINUING A MORATORIUM ON GRANTING ANY BUILDING PERMIT OR CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY FOR ANY BUILDING, STRUCTURE, USE OR CHANGE OF USE THAT WOULD ENABLE THE CULTIVATION, PROCESSING OR RETAIL SALE OF MEDICAL MARIJUANA FOR A PERIOD NOT TO EXCEED SIX MONTHS FROM THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ORDINANCE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

It was moved by Mr. Schlessel, seconded by Mr. Grushetsky, that rules set forth under Section 123.01 of the Codified Ordinances be suspended for full reading, that Ordinance No. 2017-59 be placed on third reading for final passage and that it be highlighted.

Roll Call: Yeas: Schlessel, Price, Gambatese, Grushetsky, Frey, LoPresti,
Marko.
Nays: None.

Motion carried.
Rules Suspended.

Ordinance No. 2017-59 was highlighted by Mrs. Miller, with Section 7 being read in its entirety.

It was moved by Mr. Frey, seconded by Mr. LoPresti, that Ordinance No. 2017-59 be passed.

Roll Call: Yeas: Schlessel, Price, Gambatese, Grushetsky, Frey, LoPresti,
Marko.
Nays: None.

Motion carried.
Ordinance No. 2017-59 is passed.

**ORDINANCE NO: 2017-60
INTRODUCED BY: ADMINISTRATION**

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 WITH CAMINO CONSTRUCTION, INC. FOR THE HANSFORD ROAD WATERLINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT, AUTHORIZING THE CLOSEOUT OF SAID CONTRACT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

It was moved by Mr. Frey, seconded by Mr. Price, that rules set forth under Section 123.01 of the Codified Ordinances be suspended for full reading, that Ordinance No. 2017-60 be placed on third reading for final passage and that it be highlighted.

Roll Call: Yeas: Schlessel, Price, Gambatese, Grushetsky, Frey, LoPresti,
Marko.
Nays: None.

Motion carried.
Rules Suspended.

Ordinance No. 2017-60 was highlighted by Mrs. Miller, with Section 6 being read in its entirety.

It was moved by Mr. Schlessel, seconded by Mr. LoPresti, that Ordinance No. 2017-60 be passed.

Roll Call: Yeas: Schlessel, Price, Gambatese, Grushetsky, Frey, LoPresti,
Marko.
Nays: None.

Motion carried.
Ordinance No. 2017-60 is passed.

**ORDINANCE NO: 2017-61
INTRODUCED BY: ADMINISTRATION**

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 WITH H&J CONSTRUCTION, INC. FOR THE 2017 SIDEWALK REPAIR PROGRAM, AUTHORIZING THE CLOSEOUT OF SAID CONTRACT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

It was moved by Mr. Frey, seconded by Mr. Price, that rules set forth under Section 123.01 of the Codified Ordinances be suspended for full reading, that Ordinance No. 2017-61 be placed on third reading for final passage and that it be highlighted.

Roll Call: Yeas: Schlessel, Price, Gambatese, Grushetsky, Frey, LoPresti,
Marko.
Nays: None.

Motion carried.
Rules Suspended.

Ordinance No. 2017-61 was highlighted by Mrs. Miller, with Section 6 being read in its entirety.

It was moved by Mr. Schlessel, seconded by Mr. LoPresti, that Ordinance No. 2017-61 be passed.

Roll Call: Yeas: Schlessel, Price, Gambatese, Grushetsky, Frey, LoPresti,
Marko.
Nays: None.

Motion carried.
Ordinance No. 2017-61 is passed.

**RESOLUTION NO: 2017-62
INTRODUCED BY: ADMINISTRATION**

**A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE UPDATED 2017-2022 ALL-HAZARDS
MITIGATION PLAN FOR CUYAHOGA COUNTY AND DECLARING AN
EMERGENCY**

It was moved by Mr. Schlessel, seconded by Mr. Price, that rules set forth under Section 123.01 of the Codified Ordinances be suspended for full reading, that Resolution No. 2017-62 be placed on third reading for final passage and that it be highlighted.

Roll Call: Yeas: Schlessel, Price, Gambatese, Grushetsky, Frey, LoPresti,
Marko.
Nays: None.

Motion carried.
Rules Suspended.

Resolution No. 2017-62 was highlighted by Mrs. Miller, with Section 3 being read in its entirety.

It was moved by Mr. Grushetsky, seconded by Mr. LoPresti, that Ordinance No. 2017-62 be passed.

Roll Call: Yeas: Schlessel, Price, Gambatese, Grushetsky, Frey, LoPresti,
Marko.
Nays: None.

Motion carried.
Resolution No. 2017-62 is passed.

**RESOLUTION NO: 2017-63
INTRODUCED BY: ADMINISTRATION**

**A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR HALLOWEEN OBSERVANCE UPON
THE STREETS AND OUT-OF-DOORS FOR OCTOBER 31, 2017, BETWEEN
THE HOURS OF 6:00 P.M. AND 8:00 P.M.**

It was moved by Mr. Frey, seconded by Mr. Schlessel, that rules set forth under Section 123.01 of the Codified Ordinances be suspended for full reading, that Resolution No. 2017-63 be placed on third reading for final passage and that it be highlighted.

Roll Call: Yeas: Schlessel, Price, Gambatese, Grushetsky, Frey, LoPresti,
Marko.
Nays: None.

Motion carried.
Rules Suspended.

Resolution No. 2017-63 was highlighted by Mrs. Miller, with Section 3 being read in its entirety.

It was moved by Mr. Schlessel, seconded by Mr. LoPresti, that Resolution No. 2017-63 be passed.

Roll Call: Yeas: Schlessel, Price, Gambatese, Grushetsky, Frey, LoPresti,
Marko.
Nays: None.

Motion carried.
Resolution No. 2017-63 is passed.

It was confirmed by Mr. Schlessel, that Traffic Directive #161 be noted with no changes.

It was confirmed by Mr. Schlessel, that Traffic Directive #162 be noted with no changes.

It was moved by Mr. Schlessel, seconded by Mr. Gambatese, that the meeting be adjourned.

The question was put to a voice vote and passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:08 P.M.

Approved: October 16, 2017

Attest: _____
Clerk of Council

Vice Mayor