

Lyndhurst, Ohio
March 4, 2019

The Council of the City of Lyndhurst held its Regular Meeting on Monday, March 4, 2019 at 7:32 P.M., Vice Mayor David A. Frey, presiding.

Members Present: Council Representatives L. A. Schlessel, J. A. Gambatese, S. Grushetsky, J.A. Marko.

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

Absent: Council Representative J. Price;
Council Representative C. A. LoPresti;
M. J. Carroll, Chief of Fire;
M. A. Kovalchik, Director of Finance;
J. Maichle, Building Commissioner.

It was moved by Mr. Marko, seconded by Mr. Gambatese, that the reading of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held Monday, February 18, 2019, 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 stated how busy it has been preparing for the budget meeting which is this coming Thursday.

Mayor Ward welcomed Mr. Roger Carney from Community Housing Solutions who was in attendance. He acknowledged the fantastic work that has been done for some of the residents, and thanked Mr. Carney for all that he has done for the community.

FINANCE COMMITTEE – Chairman Schlessel confirmed the committee is meeting on Thursday at 6pm to review the budget for the year with dinner being served starting at 5:30pm.

PUBLIC LANDS AND BUILDINGS COMMITTEE – Chairman Price was absent; therefore, there was no report.

ROADS AND UTILITIES COMMITTEE – Chairman Gambatese did not have a formal report; however, he stated the minutes from the committee meeting were submitted and a copy will be made part of the permanent record.

SERVICE AND SEWERS COMMITTEE – Chairman Grushetsky did not have anything to report.

SAFETY COMMITTEE – Chairman LoPresti was absent; therefore, no report was given.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE – Chairman Marko did not have a report.

PLANNING COMMISSION – Councilman LoPresti was absent; therefore, there was nothing to report.

SOUTH EUCLID-LYNDHURST BOARD OF EDUCATION – Neil Bloomberg thanked the Mayor and members of Council for continuing to allow the Board to share what is going on within the district related to the students.

Mr. Bloomberg began his report announcing the Brush Academic Team competed last Saturday at Copley High School which hosts the largest tournament in the state. The team brought home a championship trophy going undefeated in their division, which qualifies them to compete at Regionals in early April.

As a reminder and only available to juniors and seniors, Mr. Bloomberg stated the Excel TECC Exercise Science Sports Rehabilitation program, which takes place at Brush is moving along in its first year. Students in other participating schools are given the opportunity to study at the state of the art Arc Fit complex while earning college credits. He added this is an amazing facility, and there is a plan to eventually open to the community.

Mr. Bloomberg stated approximately 50 students at Greenview Upper Elementary School recently participated in the National Assessment of Educational Progress. He explained how the evaluation assessment utilizes information and data to demonstrate how Greenview students compete against other students on a global scale.

Mr. Bloomberg reported the Greenview Upper Elementary School 5th Grade students recently participated in a highly rigorous math competition that involves using a series of numbers and as the combination becomes more complex, students earn more points. The competition requires hands-on-skills along with quick and accurate thinking.

Mr. Bloomberg remarked on Friday, February 15th, Brush 9th graders spent the morning doing volunteer work on MedWish.

Mr. Bloomberg aired the Boys Basketball team are the Western Reserve Conference champions for the third year in a row which is the first time in school history. He noted the team is in the play-offs with the first game being last Saturday against Madison and Brush won 73-40. The second round is against Cleveland Heights/University Heights on Thursday at 7pm.

Mr. Bloomberg mentioned students Jake Young, Krystal Simmons, Julia Kiefer, and Sloane Boukobza represented Brush at the Ileen Kelner juried art show currently on display in Beachwood.

Mr. Bloomberg shared Brush High School junior Santasia Turner recently launched a lip gloss company called Glitty Cosmetics, along with friends from Cleveland Heights High School.

Mr. Bloomberg aired the annual Brown and Gold Event took place this past Saturday. He commented how they switched from a Night at the Races to a Casino theme this year including black jack tables, roulette and craps. Mr. Bloomberg expressed a fun time was had by all. He added how this year they had the most amount of raffle baskets.

Mr. Bloomberg announced Roland Elementary is going to have access to new playground equipment thanks to a recent grant awarded to the district by The Legacy Village Lyndhurst Community Fund.

Mr. Bloomberg announced the following upcoming events: Family Wellness Night March 6th from 6-7:30pm in the Welser Gym; the Brush Spring Band concert scheduled for this Thursday is cancelled due to the Championship basketball game; the National Honor Society is hosting a Red Cross Blood Drive on March 19th from 2-6pm; Brush Show Choir Festival will be on March 9th from 7-9:30pm at the PAC; Sunview Elementary is having a

Talent Show on March 22nd from 6:30-8:30pm at Sunview; the Spring Musical, Grease, will be on April 5th and 6th; Senior Art Show is on April 2-5th in the Brush Library.

Lastly, Mr. Bloomberg stated the 3rd quarter ends on March 15th and Spring Break is March 25-29th.

There were no requests for additions to the Agenda.

The meeting was open to public comment.

Roger Carney, 1232 Gordon Road, a 30 year resident of Lyndhurst, remarked he has followed the Brush Boys Basketball team for the past 4 years, attending 90 percent of the games. He commented how it is not just about the game of basketball, but showing boys how to become men. Mr. Carney suggested anyone interested should attend the game on Thursday to show support for these fine young gentlemen.

Mr. Carney spoke about the organization he works for, Community Housing Solutions, and the work they have done to help Lyndhurst residents. He also thanked those who serve the community that he loves. Mr. Carney mentioned the boys basketball team and football coach have volunteered to help on some of the projects to give back to the community. He asked that if anyone knows someone who might need assistance to contact him. Mr. Carney stated there are some income qualifications as well as be current on your property taxes.

Mayor Ward spoke about one of the recent projects where he stopped by with snacks and water for the students that were helping. He remarked how the work Mr. Carney and Community Housing Solutions offers is transformative and helping turn lives around. He also stated the City is waiving any permit fees or construction registration fees in return for all the work that is being provided to residents.

Councilman Gambatese thanked the Mayor and the administration, especially the Building Department, for forgiving some of the violations and fees. He also thanked Mr. Carney, his organization and the people that have helped, stating their work has saved lives.

SECOND READING

ORDINANCE NO. 2019-16 (AMENDED)

INTRODUCED BY: ADMINISTRATION

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 957.02 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES REGARDING SWIMMING POOL ADMISSION FEES FOR 2019, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mr. Murphy commented that at the most recent meeting, Mr. Gambatese indicated language being left out of the legislation. He explained the committee had requested each non-resident paying a single admission to the pool be accompanied by a Lyndhurst resident. Mr. Murphy stated it has been added to the Ordinance as an amendment, and he outlined the proper procedure for adopting the legislation.

It was moved by Mr. Gambatese, seconded by Mr. Marko, that Ordinance No. 2019-16 be amended to read as it was distributed to Council.

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

Motion carried.
Ordinance Number 2019-16 is amended.

It was moved by Mr. Schlessel, seconded by Mr. Gambatese, that Ordinance No. 2019-16 be adopted as amended.

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

Motion carried.
Ordinance No. 2019-16 (Amended)
is passed.

ORDINANCE NO. 2019-22
INTRODUCED BY: ADMINISTRATION

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A COMMUNITY COST-SHARE AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE NORTHEAST OHIO REGIONAL SEWER DISTRICT AND THE CITY OF LYNDHURST FOR THE STORM SEWER DYE TESTING ON THE BEACONFIELD/DORSET ROADS PROJECT

It was moved by Mr. Schlessel, seconded by Mr. Gambatese, that rules set forth under Section 123.01 of the Codified Ordinances be suspended for full reading, that Ordinance No. 2019-22 be placed on third reading for final passage and that it be highlighted.

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

Motion carried.
Rules Suspended.

Ordinance No. 2019-22 was highlighted by Mrs. Miller, with Section 3 being read in its entirety.

It was moved by Mr. Gambatese, seconded by Mr. Grushetsky that Ordinance No. 2019-22 be passed.

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

Motion carried.
Ordinance No. 2019-22 is passed.

ORDINANCE NO. 2019-23
INTRODUCED BY: ADMINISTRATION

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A COMMUNITY COST-SHARE AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE NORTHEAST OHIO REGIONAL SEWER DISTRICT AND THE CITY OF LYNDHURST FOR THE ACACIA DAM TREE AND BRUSH REMOVAL PROJECT

It was moved by Mr. Gambatese, seconded by Mr. Grushetsky, that rules set forth under Section 123.01 of the Codified Ordinances be suspended for full reading, that Ordinance No. 2019-23 be placed on third reading for final passage and that it be highlighted.

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

Motion carried.
Rules Suspended.

Ordinance No. 2019-23 was highlighted by Mrs. Miller, with Section 3 being read in its entirety.

It was moved by Mr. Gambatese, seconded by Mr. Grushetsky that Ordinance No. 2019-23 be passed.

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

Motion carried.
Ordinance No. 2019-23 is passed.

In response to request for same, it was moved by Mr. Schlessel, seconded by Mr. Gambatese, that the Clerk be and she is hereby authorized and directed to advertise for bids for the 2019 Asphalt Program, 2019 Sidewalk Program, and the Water main Replacement on Cherokee and Shawnee Roads.

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

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

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:40P.M.

Approved: March 18, 2019

Attest: _____
Clerk of Council

Vice Mayor