

City of Seven Hills

Record of Minutes of the

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING HELD – APRIL 25, 2023

Mr. Kiriazis called the Regular Council Meeting of April 25, 2023 to order at 7:00 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

1. **ROLL CALL**

Present and accounted for were Mayor Biasiotta, Director of Law Moore, Director of Finance Petrunyak, Councilman-at-Large Elliott, Councilwoman-at-Large Kelly, Councilman-at-Large Costanzo, Ward 1 Councilman Kiriazis, Ward 2 Councilman Martin, Ward 3 Councilman Snitzky, Ward 4 Councilman Morrow, Director of Public Services and Properties Johnson, and Engineer Schmitzer.

MOTION to excuse Building Commissioner Grassi from tonight's meeting by Mr. Kiriazis, seconded by Ms. Kelly.

Roll Call: all ye

MOTION CARRIED

2. **READING AND DISPOSAL OF JOURNAL** – There were no submissions.

3. **CONSENT AGENDA** - There were no submissions

4. **RESOLUTIONS OF COMMENDATION** – There were none.

5. **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

Planning, Zoning, and Economic Development

Planning, Zoning, and Economic Development Committee Chair Snitzky stated that the Committee met this evening, April 25, 2023 and the minutes from that meeting will be on file with the Clerk of Council. Mr. Snitzky said that the Committee will hold its next regular meeting on Tuesday, May 30, 2023.

Public Works

Public Works Committee Chair Costanzo stated that the Committee met this evening, Tuesday, April 11, 2023, and the minutes from that meeting will be on file with the Clerk of Council. Mr. Costanzo said that the Committee will hold its next regular meeting on Tuesday, May 16, 2023.

Community Services

Community Services Chair Kelly stated that the last meeting was held on April 11, 2023, and the minutes from that meeting are on file with the Clerk. Ms. Kelly said that the Committee will hold its next regular meeting on Tuesday, May 30, 2023.

Police and Safety

Police and Fire Committee Chair Elliott stated that the Committee last met on April 11, 2023 and the

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minutes from that meeting are on file with the Clerk of Council. Mr. Elliott said that the Committee will hold its next regular meeting on Tuesday, May 16, 2023

Parks and Recreation

Parks and Recreation Committee Chair Morrow stated that the Committee met today, April 25, 2023 and the minutes are pending. Mr. Morrow said that the Committee will hold its next regular meeting on Tuesday, May 30, 2023.

Rules, Ordinances, and Ethics

Rules, Ordinances, and Ethics Committee Chair Martin stated that the Committee met this evening, April 25, 2023 and the minutes from that meeting will be on are on file with the Clerk of Council. Mr. Martin said that the Committee will hold its next regular meeting on Tuesday, May 30, 2023.

Finance, Civil Service, and Personnel

Finance, Civil Service and Personnel Committee Chair Kiriazis stated that the Committee met this evening, April 25, 2023 and the minutes from that meeting are pending. Mr. Kiriazis said that the Committee will hold its next regular meeting on Tuesday, May 16, 2023.

6. APPOINTMENTS AND CONFIRMATIONS

Mayor Biasiotta stated that he would like to have approved the appointments of Finance Director Petrnyak as the delegate to RITA (Regional Income Tax Agency) and to appoint Joe Hotchkiss as the alternate delegate to RITA.

MOTION: by Mr. Kiriazis, seconded by Mr. Elliott.

Roll Call: all yea.

MOTION CARRIED

7. COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS AND CLAIMS - There were none.

8. COUNCIL OPEN TO THE AUDIENCE ON LEGISLATION ONLY – There were none.

9. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

a. **Ordinance No. 22- 2023** - - AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO TAKE ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO ACCEPT THE NORTHEAST OHIO PUBLIC ENERGY COUNCIL (NOPEC) 2023 ENERGIZED COMMUNITY GRANT.

Third Reading.

MOTION by Ms. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Elliott to suspend the rules of Council and Read Ordinance

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No. 22-2023 by title only for its third and final reading.

Roll Call: all yea.

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION by Ms. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Elliott to pass Ordinance No. 22-2023.

Roll Call: all yea.

MOTION CARRIED

ORDINANCE NO. 22-2023 IS DECLARED PASSED.

- b. Ordinance No. 24-2023 -- AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 537, OFFENSES AGAINST PERSONS, AS CONTAINED IN PART FIVE, GENERAL OFFENSES, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SEVEN HILLS BY ADDING NEW SECTION 537.073 TITLED "*CRIMINAL CHILD ENTICEMENT.*"

Third Reading.

MOTION by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. Costanzo to suspend the rules of Council and Read Ordinance No. 24-2023 by title only for its third and final reading.

Roll Call: all yea.

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. Costanzo to pass Ordinance No. 24-2023.

Roll Call: all yea.

MOTION CARRIED

ORDINANCE NO. 24-2023 IS DECLARED PASSED.

- c. Ordinance No. 26-2023 -- AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A LICENSE FOR ENTRY TO PERFORM DEMOLITION ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF SEVEN HILLS, OHIO, WITH THE CUYAHOGA COUNTY LAND REUTILIZATION CORPORATION, TO ALLOW CUYAHOGA COUNTY LAND REUTILIZATION CORPORATION THE RIGHT, PRIVILEGE AND LICENSES TO ENTER ON AND IN THE PROPERTIES AT 3190 ROCKSIDE ROAD AND 3250 ROCKSIDE ROAD TO PERFORM ACTIONS ASSOCIATED WITH THE DEMOLITION PRIOR TO OR FOLLOWING THE DEMOLITION OF SAID PROPERTIES.

Second Reading.

ORDINANCE NO. 26-2023 WAS READ FOR ITS SECOND READING.

- d. Ordinance No. 27-2023 -- AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT WITH GRACE HOME HEALTH AND WELLNESS LLC, JESSICA NADZAM, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING ROCK STEADY BOXING/PARKINSONS FITNESS AT THE CITY OF SEVEN HILLS RECREATION COMPLEX.

Second Reading.

ORDINANCE NO. 27-2023 WAS READ FOR ITS SECOND READING.

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- e. **Ordinance No. 29-2023** - - AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF SEVEN HILLS, OHIO, WITH BIG "O" ENTERTAINMENT LLC FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING AMUSEMENT RIDES, GAME CONCESSIONS, AND FOOD/CONFECTIONARY CONCESSIONS, AND SHOWS FOR THE CITY OF SEVEN HILLS' HOMEDAYS 2023 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

First Reading.

MOTION by Mr. Morrow, seconded by Mr. Kiriazis to approve the emergency clause in section 3 of the Ordinance.

Roll Call: all yea.

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION by Mr. Morrow, seconded by Mr. Kiriazis to pass Ordinance No. 29-2023 as an emergency measure.

Roll Call:

MOTION CARRIED

ORDINANCE NO. 29-2023 IS DECLARED PASSED.

10. **COUNCIL OPEN TO THE AUDIENCE.**

Carol Szczepanik, 2725 Chestnut Road - said that she wanted to thank Mayor Biasiotta, all of Council and all of the Directors for the way our finances are being handled in the City. We have a surplus in our General Fund, which we might need if our State Government, once again, cuts allocations to municipalities. Thank you for giving the City of Seven Hills things that we need and want and yet balancing the budget.

11. **REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR/SAFETY DIRECTOR.**

Mayor Biasiotta said a lot of exciting things are happening in the greater community. The Mayor thanked Council President Kiriazis for representing him at the Eastern European Congress last week. He said he heard that Council President did a good job speaking at the Eastern European Congress.

They wanted to create awareness and bipartisan support for the folks from Eastern Europe for economic development and education among the multi cultures to discuss their needs with other groups in Ohio. They are looking to do more with Seven Hills in the future. So, we are talking about having one of their events at our Rec Center and explore and even greater partnership.

One of our residents was inducted into the Cleveland International Hall of Fame. It is quite an honor. It represents 120 different ethnic groups in northern Ohio. You only get into the Hall of Fame by bringing together multicultural individuals. The Mayor thanked Pierre and said he has

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been a resident of Seven Hills for 25 years. He is the President of the Cleveland American Middle Eastern Organizations, and he was recognized for his work with different cultures. He has the ability to build bridges to all the other communities. It is about everyone coming together and having a voice. We recognize Pierre for that. I look forward to doing more with this group, as well as the Middle Eastern Congress. The French Consulate is coming to town next week for an International Chamber of Commerce Event and I will be speaking at this event. If anyone on Council would like to attend, please contact me.

12. **REPORTS FROM THE DIRECTORS OF DEPARTMENTS AND OTHER OFFICIALS:**

- a. Director of Finance Petrunyak – no report
- b. Director of Law Moore – no report.
- c. Director of Public Service & Properties Johnson – no report,
- c. City Engineer Schmitzer – no report.
- e. Building Commissioner Grassi – excused.

13. **MISCELLANEOUS**

- a. Mr. Snitzky stated that at the Zoning Board of Appeals hearing of Wednesday, April 12, 2023, the Board made the following recommendation to Council on the variance submitted by Yesenia Real and Kevin Brayer, property owners of 570 Simich Drive:

The Zoning Board of Appeals voted whether or not to grant the applicants and property owners, Yesenia Real and Kevin Brayer, 570 Simich Drive, a 12' variance to Ordinance No. 997.03(a) Obstruction to View, to allow the installation of a 6' high fence 12' forward of the rear building line on the westerly side of the home as depicted on the submitted drawings.

Roll Call: 4 yea, 0 nay

MOTION CARRIED
Variance Approval
Recommended

MOTION: by Mr. Snitzky, seconded by Ms. Kelly to concur with the findings of the Zoning Board of Appeals of April 12, 2023, in granting the variance request of Yesenia Real and Kevin Brayer, 570 Simich Drive, a 12' variance to Ordinance No. 997.03(a) Obstruction to View, to allow the installation of a 6' high fence 12' forward of the rear building line on the westerly side of the home as depicted on the submitted drawings.

Roll Call: all yea.

MOTION CARRIED

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MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS

Councilman Costanzo – no comments.

Councilman. Elliott - no comments.

Councilman Morrow - no comments.

Councilman Martin – no comments.

Councilman Sntizky – no comments.

Council President Pro-Tem Kelly – no comments.

Council President Kiriazis – stated that the Middle Eastern Congress event on Saturday night was a great event. There were many diverse cultures, along with ethnic dancers, and Eastern European food. I was able to meet many interesting people from Northeast Ohio.

14. ADJOURNMENT Mr. Kiriazis asked if there was any other business to be conducted this evening.

MOTION by Mr. Kiriazis, seconded by Ms. Kelly to adjourn the April 25, 2023 Council meeting at 7:18 p.m.

Roll Call: all yea.

MOTION CARRIED

Phil Kiriazis, President of Council

Attest: _____
Judith Goslin, Clerk of Council

Date: _____