

City of Seven Hills

Record of Minutes of

COUNCIL MEETING HELD March 9, 2015

This Regular Council Meeting was called to order by Council President Pro Tem Michael C. Barth at 7:31 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Present and accounted for were Mayor Dell'Aquila, Director of Law Pignatiello, Director of Finance Johnson, Councilman-at-Large Barth, Councilwoman-at-Large Lecznar, Councilman-at-Large Trafis, Ward 1 Councilman Bryda, Ward 2 Councilman Fraundorf, Ward 3 Councilman Snitzky, and Director of Public Service and Properties Moga. Absentees were Ward 4 Councilwoman Ernst and Building Commissioner Moro.

MOTION by Mr. Barth, seconded by Mrs. Lecznar, to excuse the absence of President of Council Michele K. Ernst from tonight's Council Meeting.
Roll Call: all yea **MOTION CARRIED**

READING AND DISPOSAL OF JOURNAL

MOTION by Mr. Fraundorf, seconded by Mrs. Lecznar, to accept the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held February 23, 2015, as printed.
Roll Call: all yea **MOTION CARRIED**

CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION by Mrs. Lecznar, seconded by Mr. Fraundorf, to amend the Consent Agenda of March 9, 2015, by removing Motion No. 4, in reference to residential Recycling Containers from Otto Environmental Systems North America, Inc., in its entirety. **Mrs. Lecznar** stated that details are still being worked on regarding these carts to possibly obtain better pricing.
Roll Call: all yea **MOTION CARRIED**

MOTION by Mrs. Lecznar, seconded by Mr. Fraundorf, to accept the Amended Consent Agenda of March 9, 2015, as revised, if there is no division of the question.
Roll Call: all yea **MOTION CARRIED**

RESOLUTIONS OF COMMENDATION

There were no Resolutions of Commendation.

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REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Planning, Zoning, and Economic Development

Planning, Zoning, and Economic Development Committee Chairman Snitzky stated that the Committee will hold its next regular meeting on Monday evening, March 16, 2015. Mr. Snitzky said that the minutes from the previous meeting (Tuesday, February 17, 2015) are on file with the Clerk of Council.

Public Works

Public Works Committee Chairman Bryda stated that the Committee last met on Monday evening, March 2, 2015, and the minutes from that meeting are on file with the Clerk of Council. Mr. Bryda said that the Committee will hold its next regular meeting on Monday evening, April 6, 2015.

Community Services

Community Services Committee Chairman Fraundorf stated that the Committee last met on Monday evening, February 2, 2015, and the minutes from that meeting are on file with the Clerk of Council. Mr. Fraundorf stated that the Committee will hold its next meeting in special session on Monday evening, March 16, 2015.

Police and Fire

Police and Fire Committee Chairman Trafis stated that the Committee last met in special session on Monday evening, March 2, 2015, and the minutes from all previous meetings are on file with the Clerk of Council. Mr. Trafis stated that the Committee will hold its next regular meeting on Monday evening, March 16, 2015.

Parks and Recreation

Parks and Recreation Committee Chairperson Lecznar stated that the Committee will hold its next regular meeting on Monday evening, March 16, 2015.

Rules, Ordinances, and Ethics

Rules, Ordinances, and Ethics Committee Chairperson Ernst was not present; there was no report from the Rules Committee. *(The Committee will hold its next meeting in special session on Monday evening, March 16, 2015.)*

Finance, Civil Service, and Personnel

Finance, Civil Service, and Personnel Committee Chairman Barth stated that the Committee last met on Monday evening, March 2, 2015, and the minutes from that meeting are on file with the Clerk of Council. Mr. Barth stated that the Finance Committee will hold its next regular meeting on Monday evening, March 16, 2015.

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APPOINTMENTS AND CONFIRMATIONS

Mayor Dell'Aquila requested to be recognized by Council President Pro Tem Barth.

Mayor Dell'Aquila addressed Council:

"At this time I would like to nominate **Mr. Eric Akin**, an elector residing on Drexel Drive, to fill one of the two vacant positions on the Zoning Board of Appeals. We introduced Mr. Akin at Caucus earlier this evening. I am very encouraged to have someone with his skills, background and devotion to this City willing to step up and volunteer to fill this position. So at this time I would like to nominate **Eric Akin**.

MOTION by Mr. Barth, seconded by Mr. Trafis, to confirm and accept the appointment of **ERIC AKIN** to the City of Seven Hills Zoning Board of Appeals.
Roll Call: all yea **MOTION CARRIED**

The appointment of Eric Akin to the City of Seven Hills Zoning Board of Appeals is hereby approved.

Mayor Dell'Aquila thanked Council for the confirmation of Mr. Akin's appointment.

Council President Pro Tem Barth congratulated Mr. Akin who was seated in the audience.

COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS, AND CLAIMS

The Clerk of Council stated she would like to acknowledge a letter received from Nino J. Seritti, Board Member, UH-PMC, 3360 Pasadena Drive, dated February 21, 2015, addressed to Mayor Dell'Aquila and Council, as follows:

"Dear Mayor Dell'Aquila, Council President Ernst, and Members of Seven Hills City Council:

I'm in formal receipt of the Minutes of the Council Meeting of 9th February 2015, Appointments & Confirmations, in which the action to reappoint me to the University Hospital Parma Medical Center Board was approved. I appreciate the trust you hold in me and cherish the opportunity to continue to work with Eric Moore, in guiding University Hospital – Parma Medical Center, so that it continues to serve the residents of Seven Hills and surrounding communities in the greatest degree possible.

Respectfully yours, Nino J. Seritti, Board Member, UH-PMC"

COUNCIL OPEN TO THE AUDIENCE ON LEGISLATION ONLY

There were no questions or comments from the audience.

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ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Amended Ordinance No. 116-2014 – AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 151.091, COMPENSATION OF EMPLOYEES GENERALLY, AS CONTAINED IN CHAPTER 151, EMPLOYEES GENERALLY, OF TITLE FIVE, ADMINISTRATIVE, OF PART ONE, ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SEVEN HILLS, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADJUSTING COMPENSATION RATES FOR THE PART-TIME DEPUTY FINANCE DIRECTOR EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2015.

MOTION by Mr. Trafis, seconded by Mr. Snitzky, to read Amended Ordinance No. 116-2014 by title only for its third and final reading.

Roll Call: all yea

MOTION CARRIED

Amended Ordinance No. 116-2014 was read by full title only for its third and final reading.

MOTION by Mr. Trafis, seconded by Mr. Snitzky, to pass Amended Ordinance No. 116-2014.

Roll Call: all yea

MOTION CARRIED

AMENDED ORDINANCE NO. 116-2014 IS DECLARED PASSED.

Amended Ordinance No. 122-2014 – AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 997.01(b), PERMIT REQUIRED, AS CONTAINED IN CHAPTER 997, FENCES, OF TITLE ELEVEN, PROVISIONS AFFECTING USE, STRUCTURE AND AREA, OF PART NINE, PLANNING AND ZONING CODE, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SEVEN HILLS, OHIO, FOR THE PURPOSE OF INCREASING THE YEARS REQUIRED FOR THE PERFORMANCE OF A BOUNDARY SURVEY PRIOR TO INSTALLATION OF A WALL, FENCE, TRELLIS, OR OTHER SUCH TYPE STRUCTURE.

MOTION by Mr. Snitzky, seconded by Mr. Trafis, to read Amended Ordinance No. 122-2014 by title only for its third and final reading.

Roll Call: all yea

MOTION CARRIED

Amended Ordinance No. 122-2014 was read by full title only for its third and final reading.

MOTION by Mr. Snitzky, seconded by Mr. Trafis, to pass Amended Ordinance No. 122-2014.

Mr. Snitzky stated:

“I’d just like to say as head of the Planning, Zoning and Economic Development Committee that this is one of those times where it was really a pleasure to be involved in this. It’s a minor thing, but it’s one of those types of things where Council came together and used the resources of the Planning Commission. There was a great concern that by eliminating the time on the survey that boundary markers have on occasion been a problem, but at the same

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time residents were coming to us and they were concerned of the expense of having to redo a boundary marker that, when the pegs were still visible and it hadn't been that many years, so we extended it to ten years and made it as long as you could see the defined boundary markers, that was good enough. The plan was approved. It's nice to be able to save the residents a little bit of money when they are trying to improve their property. So this was a good thing as far as everybody coming together on it, and it was nice to see."

Mr. Trafis stated:

"During my first three years on the City Council I was Chairman of the Planning and Zoning Committee and I heard from many, many residents about the length of time that these surveys were applicable. I, too, am very happy that we acted on this and extended the length of the survey. So, everybody worked together on that, and I thank you for that."

Roll Call: all yea

MOTION CARRIED

AMENDED ORDINANCE NO. 122-2014 IS DECLARED PASSED.

Ordinance No. 12-2015 – AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT WITH MERITECH, INC., OF CLEVELAND, OHIO, FOR THE KYOCERA 3050 DOCUMENT IMAGING SYSTEM BEING USED AT THE SEVEN HILLS COMMUNITY RECREATION COMPLEX; AND APPROPRIATING AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,400.00 FOR SAID SERVICE FOR THE PERIOD COVERING JANUARY 1, 2015 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2015.

MOTION by Mr. Bryda, seconded by Mr. Barth, to read Ordinance No. 12-2015 by title only for its third and final reading.

Roll Call: all yea

MOTION CARRIED

Ordinance No. 12-2015 was read by full title only for its third and final reading.

MOTION by Mr. Bryda, seconded by Mr. Barth, to pass Ordinance No. 12-2015.

Roll Call: all yea

MOTION CARRIED

ORDINANCE NO. 12-2015 IS DECLARED PASSED.

Ordinance No. 13-2015 – AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 1143.07, NONCOMPLIANCE WITH NOTICE, AS CONTAINED IN CHAPTER 1143, EXTERIOR MAINTENANCE, OF TITLE THREE, LOCAL BUILDING PROVISIONS, OF PART ELEVEN, BUILDING CODE, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SEVEN HILLS, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CORRECTING THE CODIFIED ORDINANCE SECTION REFERENCE FOR DELIVERY OF A NONCOMPLIANCE NOTICE.

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MOTION by Mrs. Lecznar, seconded by Mr. Fraundorf, to read Ordinance No. 13-2015 by title only for its third and final reading.

Roll Call: all yea

MOTION CARRIED

Ordinance No. 13-2015 was read by full title only for its third and final reading.

MOTION by Mrs. Lecznar, seconded by Mr. Fraundorf, to pass Ordinance No. 13-2015.

Roll Call: all yea

MOTION CARRIED

ORDINANCE NO. 13-2015 IS DECLARED PASSED.

Amended Ordinance No. 16-2015 – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF SEVEN HILLS, OHIO, AND IN CONJUNCTION WITH UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL, WITH ELLET SIGN COMPANY OF AKRON, OHIO, FOR THE PURPOSE OF MODIFYING THE SEVEN HILLS COMMUNITY RECREATION CENTER SIGNAGE ON THE BROADVIEW ROAD SIDE OF THE BUILDING (BACK WEST SIDE) AND APPROPRIATING AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$3,150.00 FOR SAID MODIFICATION.

Amended Ordinance No. 16-2015 was read by full title only for its second reading.

Amended Ordinance No. 18-2015 – AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SUBSECTION 137.04(a), SUBSECTION 137.04(b), AND SUBSECTION 137.04(c), COMPENSATION, AS CONTAINED IN CHAPTER 137, DEPARTMENT OF FIRE, OF TITLE FIVE, ADMINISTRATIVE, OF PART ONE, ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SEVEN HILLS, OHIO.

Amended Ordinance No. 18-2015 was read by full title only for its second reading.

Amended Ordinance No. 19-2015 – AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SUBSECTION 137.04, COMPENSATION, AS CONTAINED IN CHAPTER 137, DEPARTMENT OF FIRE, OF TITLE FIVE, ADMINISTRATIVE, OF PART ONE, ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SEVEN HILLS, OHIO, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADDING LONGEVITY PAY AND CLOTHING ALLOWANCE FOR THE FIRE CHIEF AND ASSISTANT FIRE CHIEF TO THE EXISTING ORDINANCE.

Amended Ordinance No. 19-2015 was read by full title only for its second reading.

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Ordinance No. 20-2015 – AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SUBSECTION 137.04(b)(1), ASSISTANT FIRE CHIEF, AS CONTAINED IN SECTION 137.04, COMPENSATION, OF CHAPTER 137, DEPARTMENT OF FIRE, OF TITLE FIVE, ADMINISTRATIVE, OF PART ONE, ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SEVEN HILLS, OHIO, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADDING A FIXED 13% DIFFERENTIAL SALARY ADJUSTMENT BETWEEN THE ASSISTANT FIRE CHIEF AND FIRE DEPARTMENT CAPTAIN.

Ordinance No. 20-2015 was read by full title only for its second reading.

Amended Ordinance No. 21-2015 – AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SUBSECTIONS 137.04(a)(b)(c), COMPENSATION, AS CONTAINED IN CHAPTER 137, DEPARTMENT OF FIRE, OF TITLE FIVE, ADMINISTRATIVE, OF PART ONE, ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SEVEN HILLS, OHIO, FOR THE PURPOSE OF INCREASING THE ANNUAL SALARIES OF THE FIRE CHIEF, ASSISTANT FIRE CHIEF, AND FIRE PREVENTION OFFICER, TO REFLECT THE SAME PERCENTAGE INCREASE RECEIVED BY THE SEVEN HILLS FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION IN THEIR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT.

Amended Ordinance No. 21-2015 was read by full title only for its second reading.

Ordinance No. 22-2015 – AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE APPROPRIATIONS OF THE CITY OF SEVEN HILLS, OHIO, FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2015.

Ordinance No. 22-2015 was read by full title only for its first reading.

Ordinance No. 23-2015 – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH JACKSON-DIEKEN & ASSOCIATES, INC., OF WESTLAKE, OHIO, AND APPROPRIATING A SUM NOT TO EXCEED \$84,992.00 FOR THE FURNISHING OF COMPREHENSIVE MUNICIPAL LIABILITY COVERAGE, AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY & PHYSICAL DAMAGE COVERAGE, PUBLIC OFFICIALS ERRORS & OMISSIONS INCLUDING EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES LIABILITY, POLICE PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY, PROPERTY (Building & Contents) COVERAGE, INLAND MARINE COVERAGE, BROAD FORM CRIME COVERAGE, EDP COVERAGE, UMBRELLA COVERAGE, AND BOILER COVERAGE, EFFECTIVE APRIL 1, 2015 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2016, WITH A 3-YEAR RATE GUARANTEE.

Ordinance No. 23-2015 was read by full title only for its first reading.

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Ordinance No. 24-2015 – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A TECHNICAL SERVICE SUPPORT AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF SEVEN HILLS, OHIO, WITH PHYSIO-CONTROL, INC., FOR PERFORMING ANNUAL TECHNICAL SERVICE SUPPORT OF THE AED UNITS LOCATED AT THE CITY OF SEVEN HILLS SERVICE GARAGE, LIFEPAK 500 (2), CITY HALL'S LIFEPAK 500 (2), THE RECREATION CENTER'S LIFEPAK 1000 AND LIFEPAK 500 (2), AND THE FIRE DEPARTMENT'S LIFEPAK 12 (2), LIFEPAK 15 (2), LUCAS US (2), AND LIFEPAK 1000 (1); AND APPROPRIATING THE SUM NOT TO EXCEED TWENTY-EIGHT THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED FIFTY-EIGHT DOLLARS AND SIXTY-EIGHT CENTS (\$28,958.68) FOR SAID SERVICE.

Ordinance No. 24-2015 was read by full title only for its first reading.

Ordinance No. 25-2015 – AN ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE A SUM IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$10,670.00 FOR THE PURCHASE OF TURNOUT GEAR TO BE USED BY THE THREE (3) NEWLY-HIRED CITY OF SEVEN HILLS FIREFIGHTERS, SAID PURCHASE TO BE MADE FROM WARREN FIRE EQUIPMENT, INC., OF WARREN, OHIO.

Ordinance No. 25-2015 was read by full title only for its first reading.

Ordinance No. 26-2015 – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE CUYAHOGA COUNTY DISTRICT BOARD OF HEALTH FOR THE PURPOSE OF MONITORING AND TESTING MS4 OUTFALL LOCATIONS AS REQUIRED BY THE CITY'S NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM PERMIT FOR STORM WATER, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS NOT TO EXCEED \$3,250.00 FOR SAID SERVICE FOR THE YEAR 2015 REPORT PERIOD.

Ordinance No. 26-2015 was read by full title only for its first reading.

Ordinance No. 27-2015 – AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH SUPERIOR-SPEEDIE PORTABLE SERVICES, INC., OF AKRON, OHIO, TO PROVIDE PORTABLE TOILET SERVICE FOR SUMMITVIEW COMMONS, JOHN GLENN PARK, CALVIN PARK, AND NORTH PARK, AND AUTHORIZING AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,180.00 FOR SAID SERVICE.

Ordinance No. 27-2015 was read by full title only for its first reading.

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Ordinance No. 28-2015 – AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH SUPERIOR-SPEEDIE PORTABLE SERVICES, INC., OF AKRON, OHIO, TO PROVIDE PORTABLE TOILET SERVICE DURING THE CITY OF SEVEN HILLS 2015 HOMEDAYS, AND AUTHORIZING AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$645.00 FOR SAID SERVICE.

Ordinance No. 28-2015 was read by full title only for its first reading.

MISCELLANEOUS

Mr. Trafis:

Thank you, Mr. President. Just one thing. I'd be remiss if I didn't comment on the articles that were posted today by the Sun Post regarding the Recreation Center. If anybody hasn't seen them yet, I encourage you to check them out.

First off, the Recreation Center nearly broke even in both 2013 and 2014, and is very conservatively budgeted at a small loss for 2015. It is operating at levels that were planned initially and voted on by our residents thirteen years ago. My problem is that Mayor Dell'Aquila is constantly blaming the Recreation Center for the City's woes when, in fact, those losses that occurred during the previous Administration's tenure and Council leadership were for the most part self-inflicted. Quite honestly the best summary I heard recently was by the Mayor's Recreation Director who said "*We are a service provided to the City voted that way by the residents long ago*". My take is that the overall City must be run on the matching of existing revenues to expenses, and not by more smoke and mirrors. Thank you, Mr. President.

Mrs. Lecznar:

I just want to wish Councilman Bryda 'Happy Birthday' tomorrow.

Mr. Snitzky had no miscellaneous comments.

Mr. Fraundorf had no miscellaneous comments.

Mr. Bryda:

I just wanted to shoot out a thanks to Jack Moga in making some contacts for the recent postal problems we've had on Orchardview. It's looking like there might be a remedy real soon.

Mr. Barth said he thought that Director Moga will have more on that issue during his report later in the meeting.

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Mr. Barth:

At our last meeting City Council received a briefing on the conceptual plan for Rockside Road Development. The next meeting will be a joint public hearing for the residents of Seven Hills and Independence where everybody will get a chance to voice their opinion. As I was listening to the City Planning Commission Chairman Ed Foley introduce *planning Next* and talk about our collaborative effort with the City of Independence, I couldn't help but to think how fortunate the City was to have someone the caliber of Doctor Foley representing Seven Hills. Doctor Foley is a very bright and dedicated public official who represents our City in a very professional manner and thus enhancing our reputation. And I want to publicly thank him for his efforts with this project and the many other projects he has been involved with the City.

Council President Ernst was not present.

REPORTS FROM THE DIRECTORS OF DEPARTMENTS AND OTHER OFFICIALS

Director of Finance Johnson had no formal report.

Director of Law Pignatiello had no formal report.

Director of Public Service and Properties Moga:

Last week I had the opportunity to talk to the postal carrier who delivers mail on Orchardview – not by design, but it went from informative to nasty. With that being said, when I came back to the office I started making phone calls to the Postmaster General and some other people. The postal carrier was removed from delivering mail on Orchardview. I had to act in such a way because my heart went out to the residents on Orchardview who were not getting their mail. There was talk because of this postal carrier that they were going to move mailboxes to one side or a parking ban was going to be put into effect. I just want to let everyone know, with the help of the Mayor and direction from everyone here, not only is the postal carrier going to be looked at but also there might be some reaction to the Postmaster at Independence for complaints falling on deaf ears and not responding in a timely manner. I just want to let you know that I'm happy to say the carrier was removed and we will now have a responsible mail carrier on Orchardview.

Council President Pro Tem Barth responded:

“I guess that's good news, and I want to thank Councilman Fraundorf, Councilman Trafis, and Mayor Dell'Aquila for your letter to the Congresswoman – obviously that carried some weight. I'm sure the people on Orchardview are going to be very happy. So congratulations to all those involved.”

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Building Commissioner Moro was not present.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR-SAFETY DIRECTOR

Mayor Dell'Aquila made the following remarks:

Thank you, Mr. President. I know we have a lot of folks here this evening who are interested in what's going on with the John Glenn School property. Last Friday I sent out a letter, which I'm going to propose be added to the minutes this evening, advising that the Seven Hills Planning Commission will hold formal consideration of the proposal on Wednesday, March 25th, at 7:00 p.m. That will also be an opportunity for anybody who wishes to engage with the various City Officials here with any questions they may have about the process. As you know I don't participate within the Planning Commission, however I will be in the audience and I will make myself available for that purpose. I'd like to introduce that letter to include in the minutes.

The Letter to Residents from Mayor Richard P. Dell'Aquila, dated March 6, 2015, in reference to the Former John Glenn School Property in the City of Seven Hills, has been included and appended to these minutes as an exhibit.

I also wanted to commend everybody involved in the Orchardview mail situation. We had contact with Congresswoman Marcia Fudge's office and I know everybody here had a little bit of a hand in the situation. It just shows what we can all do if we all kind of pull together in the same direction for the folks not receiving their mail. It's a little disheartening to have learned that the Postmaster had scheduled to be here, and I don't think she told us she was not going to be here ahead of time – she was just not here. That was a little disappointing. So I'm glad we have a result and I want to commend everybody for being involved in doing that.

Matt, you brought up about the Recreation Center. Let me just kind of clarify a little if I may about the Sun Post article. I generally don't go on line – I received an email from somebody who referenced the article.

We've been talking for a number of years that at the time when the Recreation Center was first proposed about fifteen or more years ago that it was anticipated, and that it was acceptable, that the Recreation Center could potentially require a subsidy in the area of \$250,000.00, and that was in 1990 dollars. I did take a look at the numbers in the article and did some quick math and in the ten years between 2002 and 2011 the subsidy totaled \$2,945,498.00 for an annual average over that ten-year period of \$294,000.00. So during that ten years, even with shutdowns, with not having a whole lot of membership, activity with having to remove the roof for a period of time as we were attempting to correct the construction issues over there, we were averaging a subsidy in the area of about \$44,000.00 over the \$250,000.00 projected back at the time of its construction.

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Mayor Dell'Aquila (continued):

In the three years between 2012 and 2014 we dramatically reduced that subsidy to a total of \$143,000.00 for those entire three years, or about \$48,000.00 on an average for a three-year period. So when I add the two together, the total losses over the thirteen years of operation there is just over \$3 million -- \$3,089,388.00. Dividing that by thirteen, we come up with an average subsidy over that thirteen year period each year of \$238,000.00. What this indicates is that for the first time we have actually beaten the \$250,000.00 projection that was made fifteen years ago. I would stress that number is in 2015 dollars – not in 2000 dollars. So we are on track. I guess there is more that needs to be done there. We understand about another \$250,000.00 in construction defects need to be addressed. Last December we added a \$500,000.00 unit to the top of the natatorium to replace the defective unit that was there previously. And, again, the Recreation Center has been a great amenity for the City. Nobody should doubt that. We have needed a central focus in this town ever since I was a kid, and it has been a great addition to the town. But we should also be cognizant of the fact and recognize that it has been a substantial financial burden on the City. And we'll have more opportunity to talk about that in the future. Thank you, Mr. President.

COUNCIL OPEN TO THE AUDIENCE

Tom Jaros, 224 Crescent Ridge Drive made the following comments:

“Good evening. First thing, Mr. Barth congratulated Mr. Foley on his actions and qualifications and all that. Mr. Foley is the one that passed Issue 87 to us without any due diligence and we haven't forgotten that part. And we will continue to remember that part.”

Mr. Jaros continued:

“I, too, saw the Mayor's letter. I sent an email to all of Council and the Mayor and pointed out in that letter referring to the John Glenn development that a number of Ward 1 residents, not just Tom Jaros – a number of Ward 1 residents – would like to see the Mayor, Mr. Barth, and Mrs. Lecznar refrain from having any input into what happens at John Glenn. And that's because you took contributions from the developer. Maybe it's legal – I guess it is legal – but it sure doesn't look good, and having input into that is doing a disservice as far as I'm concerned, and we're concerned.”

Mr. Jaros concluded:

“We are still looking for you, Mr. Mayor, to put together a meeting with us and your whole development team. You told me personally to go to these individual people and try to arrange something. We're asking you, as our representative, to put together a meeting between us and your development team so we can understand the process that you have indicated to the media we don't understand. Pretty simple request. Thank you very much.”

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MOTION by Mrs. Lecznar, seconded by Mr. Trafis, to adjourn the meeting.

Roll Call: all yea

MOTION CARRIED

The March 9, 2015 Council Meeting was adjourned at 8:09 p.m.

Michael C. Barth, President of Council Pro Tem

Attest: _____
Carol L. Sekerak, Clerk of Council

Date: _____



City of Seven Hills Ohio

7325 SUMMITVIEW DRIVE • SEVEN HILLS, OHIO 44131 • PHONE 216/524-4421

March 6, 2015

Resident
Seven Hills, OH 44131

Re: Former John Glenn School Property
The City of Seven Hills

Dear Resident,

I am writing to inform you of an important meeting of the Seven Hills Planning Commission at **7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 25, 2015** at Seven Hills City Hall, 7325 Summitview Drive, Seven Hills, OH 44131.

The purpose of this meeting will be to consider an application by Landsong Engineering, Inc. for a residential subdivision on the former elementary school property. After failure this past fall of the proposed re-zoning for an assisted living facility on the same parcel, we asked the developer to meet directly with local residents, without city involvement, before coming back to the city with any new development proposal.

Now that this has occurred, the March 25th Planning Commission meeting will also be your opportunity to engage with various city officials to ask any questions about the process in the City of Seven Hills. The Planning Commission will hold a work session at 7:00 p.m., followed by a formal meeting immediately thereafter.

I also want to remind you of the Mayor's State of the City presentation, which is scheduled for **7:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 26, 2015** at the Recreation Center. Please tell your friends and neighbors about these two important events, and I Hope to see you at both.

Sincerely,

Richard P. Dell'Aquila
Mayor