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COUNCIL MEETING HELD July 27, 2015

This Regular Council Meeting was called to order by Council President Michele K. Ernst at 7:46 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

After the Pledge of Allegiance, Council President Ernst announced to the audience:

“For anybody that wasn’t in the Caucus Room, if you want a copy of the Agenda, they are available up here on the dais.”

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 2 Councilman Fraundorf, Ward 3 Councilman Snitzky, Ward 4 Councilwoman Ernst, and Director of Public Service and Properties Moga. Absentee was Building Commissioner Moro.

WARD 1 COUNCIL VACANCY

The election of ROBERT J. LEECH to fill the vacant Ward 1 seat was confirmed by the remaining members of Council during APPOINTMENTS AND CONFIRMATIONS of this Regular Council Meeting, in accordance with Article III, Section 8, of the Charter of the City of Seven Hills (see Page 3).

READING AND DISPOSAL OF JOURNAL

There were no minutes on the agenda for approval.

CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION by Mrs. Lecznar, seconded by Mr. Fraundorf, to accept the Consent Agenda of July 27, 2015, as printed, 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 last met on Monday evening, July 20, 2015, and the minutes from that meeting are on file with the Clerk of Council. Mr. Snitzky stated that the Committee will hold its next regular meeting on Monday evening, September 21, 2015.

Public Works

Council President Ernst called on Councilman Trafis for any report of the Public Works Committee. Mr. Trafis stated that the Public Works Committee last met on Monday evening, July 6, 2015, and the minutes from that meeting are forthcoming. Mr. Trafis stated that the Committee will hold its next regular meeting on Tuesday evening, September 8, 2015.

Community Services

Community Services Committee Chairman Fraundorf stated that the Committee last met on Monday evening, July 6, 2015. Mr. Fraundorf stated that the Committee will hold its next regular meeting on Tuesday evening, September 8, 2015.

Police and Fire

Police and Fire Committee Chairman Trafis stated that the Committee last met on Monday evening, July 20, 2015, and the minutes from that meeting are on file with the Clerk of Council. Mr. Trafis stated that the Committee will hold its next regular meeting on Monday evening, September 21, 2015.

Parks and Recreation

Parks and Recreation Committee Chairperson Lecznar stated that the Committee last met on Monday evening, July 20, 2015, and the minutes from that meeting are on file with the Clerk of Council.

Rules, Ordinances, and Ethics

Rules, Ordinances, and Ethics Committee Chairperson Ernst stated that the Committee last met on Monday evening, July 6, 2015, and the minutes from that meeting are on file with the Clerk of Council. Mrs. Ernst stated that the Committee will hold its next regular meeting on Tuesday evening, September 8, 2015.

Finance, Civil Service, and Personnel

Finance, Civil Service, and Personnel Committee Chairman Barth stated that the Committee last met on Monday evening, July 20, 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 Tuesday evening, September 8, 2015.

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APPOINTMENTS AND CONFIRMATIONS

MOTION by Mr. Barth, seconded by Mr. Trafis, to nominate **ROBERT J. LEECH** to fill the vacant position of **Ward 1 Councilman** for the remainder of the term ending December 9, 2015.

Roll Call: all yea

MOTION CARRIED

ROBERT J. LEECH'S ELECTION TO THE POSITION OF WARD 1 COUNCILMAN IS HEREBY CONFIRMED.

There was a round of applause from everyone in the audience.

Council President Ernst stated that **Robert J. Leech** would now be sworn into office by Director of Law Pignatiello.

Law Director Pignatiello administered the Oath of Office to **Robert J. Leech** before the dais on Council floor.

There was another congratulatory round of applause from everyone in attendance.

At this point of the meeting **Councilman Robert J. Leech** formally took his place and joined Council and the Administration seated on the dais. Councilman Leech thanked Council for his appointment to the position of Ward 1 Councilman.

Council President Ernst stated, "Councilman Leech, if you'd like to make a short statement."

Councilman Leech made the following comments:

"A brief statement.....okay. I'm back!! You may have heard I had a bad break a few months ago, but my mind is sharper than ever – really. And I'm so delighted to be working with such great people here, honestly. There are some very great minds here. I think we can work together to better our City – together. And I hope I can bridge the gap. I'm so humbly grateful to the people of Seven Hills who have been great to me over the years.....the 23 years before. And now I hope I can bring us together and sort of bridge that gap. I hope the bad press is in the past. There is no reason for personal attacks. It's healthy for seven of us to have seven different opinions, but there is also no reason for us to be disagreeable. Let's move on with things as such. You can disagree without being disagreeable. It's an election year, and things happen as such, but I'm really looking forward to working with this Council. It's a very sharp and very smart Council. Thank you very much for your confidence."

Council President Ernst thanked Councilman Leech for his comments.

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Mr. Barth made the following comments:

“As a resident in Ward 1, I would just like to say that the residents of Ward 1 are fortunate to have someone with as much experience as what Bob has. After talking to him, I know he’s not here just to keep the seat warm for three months. I imagine he’s going to set it on fire! I know that Council is happy to have Bob, and he’s going to be able to hit the ground running because of the experience that he does have. Thank you.”

Council President Ernst made the following comments:

“I would like to say that all of the candidates that we had for this position were exceptional. Because it was a very short term left, we chose somebody with more experience because he could step in and hit the ground running. And trust me, he’s been doing that already.”

Mr. Snitzky made the following comments:

“The first political encounter I ever had in the City of Seven Hills, and it had to be at least twenty years ago, there was a volunteer program of painting the playground equipment at North Park. And Matt’s father was there....and I had paint up to my elbows – and it’s oil base paint – and this guy taps me on the shoulder and says ‘*Hi, I’m Councilman Bob!*’ And I turned around and stuck out a painted-up hand and said ‘*Hi, I’m Citizen Tom!*’ And he shook my hand even though it was full of paint. So, Bob, it’s a pleasure to be working with you.”

Mr. Trafis made the following comments:

“I just want to say that I’m very happy that you’re on Council again. I’m looking forward to working with you over the next few months. And I’m very happy to see that your recovery is moving along quickly.”

Mrs. Lecznar made the following comments:

“When Mike said that you’re going to set the chair on fire, the microphones are probably going to get worn out, too! Welcome, Bob!”

Councilman Leech thanked his colleagues for the kind words.

Council President Ernst asked if there were any other appointments or confirmations.

Mr. Fraundorf asked to be recognized by the Council President.

Council President Ernst mistakenly said, “Yes, Councilman Trafis.” Mrs. Ernst corrected herself stating, “Councilman Fraundorf – sorry.”

Mr. Fraundorf replied, “You did it again. You did that about a month ago.”

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Council President Ernst answered, “I did. I do apologize.”

Mr. Fraundorf added, “I think that’s a Freudian slip.”

Council President Ernst stated, “Perhaps.”

MOTION by Mr. Fraundorf, seconded by Mrs. Lecznar, to confirm and accept the appointment of **JEFF BRYDA, MARK MORO, and HELEN PEKALA** as members of the **TAX INCENTIVE REVIEW COUNCIL**, also known as TIRC, if there is no division of the question.

Roll Call: all yea

MOTION CARRIED

The appointment of JEFF BRYDA, MARK MORO, and HELEN PEKALA as members the TAX INCENTIVE REVIEW COUNCIL is hereby approved.

COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS, AND CLAIMS

There were no communications, petitions, or claims.

COUNCIL OPEN TO THE AUDIENCE ON LEGISLATION ONLY

Ed Maslowski, 1035 Joy Oval, made the following comments:

“I have one quick comment on Ordinance No. 69-2015, but first I want to make a general comment. I made a special trip here to see if I could find the wording of these ordinances. And they’re not posted. They’re not on the website – they’re not posted. This is the first time I could get this. I had about one minute and one-half to read it. This is not acceptable when you have a website that is being worked on, and it could be posted there. Or as a minimum, it should be posted outside. I went through that whole stack, and 69-2015 and 70-2015 weren’t there, okay? I did find the agendas, but I can’t hardly criticize the titles.”

Council President Ernst responded:

“According to the Charter, we actually post the ordinances after they’re passed, but I agree that they should be posted on the website before the agenda, and that will be something, with the new website, we will look into posting in advance.”

Mr. Maslowski said, “That’s interesting. There is no requirement that they be posted ahead of time?”

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Council President Ernst replied, “They are available if anybody wants them. And, sir, if you would like to be added to the distribution list – Carol has a large distribution list that she sends out.”

Mr. Maslowski added:

“I see another Charter change that needs to be made. Anyway, I had a real quick question, and as I said, I didn’t have much of a chance to read it. But I did notice that you added.....this is 69-2015.....you did add one of the issues we had about the rezoning and people not being informed. And it does say for public notice of a meeting affecting zoning the City Council will also so far as is practical provide written notice to property owners or their agent, etc., etc.”

Council President Ernst said, “Within 1000 feet.”

Mr. Maslowski continued, “Right. And I have one question. What is the legal meaning of *so far as is practical*?”

Law Director Pignatiello replied:

“It’s something that we’re required to do, if somehow it is impossible to do it. I can’t give you a specific example, because my experience is that we just do it and always have, like when it comes to the Zoning Board of Appeals.”

Mr. Maslowski asked, “Well, can’t you write these in English?”

Council President Ernst thanked Mr. Maslowski for his comments.

Chris Romano, 1267 East Dartmoor, made the following comments:

“Like the gentleman before me, it would be nice if these were on this new website. That was talked about last year.”

Council President Ernst replied, “We will be doing that.”

Mr. Romano continued:

“But anyways, okay. On Ordinance No. 72-2015, just from reading this, it has to do with the general tree and shrub regulations – you know, pruning and stuff like that. On easements – on City easements. Does that mean.....the back of my house there are wires owned by.....”

Council President Ernst said, “This is only over the streets. What we changed on this, at the request of our Service Director, is that if it is on City property – City easement – and it is overhanging the street, the trees have to be thirteen feet up.”

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Council President Ernst continued, “Our Service Director has basically said that he thinks that the City should be taking that back. We used to do that. We stopped doing it because the residents are not doing it, and when our snow plows plow, they tend to go out around and they don’t clear the catch basins. So this is only changing that we will take care of it over the street. Not even over the sidewalk.”

Mr. Romano concluded, “Thanks a lot.”

Council President Ernst replied, “You’re welcome.”

Dave Miozzi, 5947 Graydon Drive, made the following comments:

“Hello. I’m talking in reference of the amendment 74-2015. I just need to stress what a safety issue it is. I can’t stress enough what I’ve seen living on the street with the cars parked up toward the stop sign. I wanted to stress that.”

Council President Ernst thanked Mr. Miozzi for his comments.

Anthony Biasiotta, 1227 Rockside Road, made the following comments:

“Good evening. I’m here to support my fellow residents on Graydon Drive and urge Council to approve Amended Ordinance No. 74-2015. I do believe it is a safety issue. Thank you.”

Council President Ernst thanked Mr. Biasiotta for his comments.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Amended Ordinance No. 64-2015 – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE PLACEMENT OF THE ANNUAL CITY OF SEVEN HILLS SANITARY AND STORM SEWER MAINTENANCE FEES ON THE HOMEOWNER’S TAX DUPLICATE AS A SPECIAL ASSESSMENT.

MOTION by Mr. Fraundorf, seconded by Mr. Barth, to read Amended Ordinance No. 64-2015 by title only for its third and final reading.

Roll Call: all yea

MOTION CARRIED

Amended Ordinance No. 64-2015 was read by full title only for its third and final reading.

MOTION by Mr. Fraundorf, seconded by Mr. Barth, to pass Amended Ordinance No. 64-2015.

Roll Call: all nay

MOTION DEFEATED

AMENDED ORDINANCE NO. 64-2015 IS DECLARED DEFEATED.

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Amended Ordinance No. 67-2015 – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION PROJECT GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF OHIO, ACTING BY AND THROUGH THE DIRECTOR OF THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION, ALLOWING THE CITY TO ACCEPT A GRANT AWARD IN RESPECT OF THE PROJECT NAMED ‘HEMLOCK CREEK WATERSHED UTILITY IMPROVEMENTS’, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,401,470.00, FOR THE SOLE AND EXPRESS PURPOSE OF FINANCING OR REIMBURSING COSTS OF THE PROJECT AS SET FORTH IN THE ATTACHED AGREEMENT AND APPENDICES ATTACHED HERETO; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

MOTION by Mr. Snitzky, seconded by Mrs. Lecznar, to read Amended Ordinance No. 67-2015 by title only for its second and final reading.

Roll Call: all yea

MOTION CARRIED

Amended Ordinance No. 67-2015 was read by full title only for its second and final reading.

MOTION by Mr. Snitzky, seconded by Mrs. Lecznar, to pass Amended Ordinance No. 67-2015 as an emergency measure.

Mr. Snitzky stated:

“I just want to thank the Administration for all the hard work they’ve done to try and generate as much grant money as possible for this project. We have about 305 properties – residences – in that area which is the last part of the EPA mandated project to have septic tanks replaced throughout the City. This is a really big deal for those residents, and this is going to make a substantial dent in the cost of that to those residents. We need to make a bigger dent, and we’re going to keep digging under every rock we can to try to find as much grant money as we can. And I’m going to insist on it. But they have really come through on this one, and I want to thank them for this and tell them that we expect more. So that’s it, thank you.”

Roll Call: all yea

MOTION CARRIED

AMENDED ORDINANCE NO. 67-2015 IS DECLARED PASSED.

Amended Ordinance No. 68-2015 – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO SIGN THE ‘NOTICE OF AND CONSENT TO SUBLEASE OF GROUND LEASE 100374 AND SUBSEQUENT LEASEBACK OF A PORTION OF SITE 205866, LOCATED AT 2243 MAPLEVIEW DRIVE, SEVEN HILLS, OHIO (CELL TOWER); AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

MOTION by Mr. Leech, seconded by Mr. Trafis, to read Amended Ordinance No. 68-2015 by title only for its second and final reading.

Roll Call: all yea

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Amended Ordinance No. 68-2015 was read by full title only for its second and final reading.

MOTION

by Mr. Leech, seconded by Mr. Trafis, to pass Amended Ordinance No. 68-2015 as an emergency measure.

Mr. Snitzky stated:

“I just want to tell the folks out there that we don’t normally pass this many emergencies. The reason we’re doing this is because we are on leave next month, so we’re doing this to try to make sure that all these ordinances get out there and get acted upon. That’s why there are so many emergencies tonight. I just want everybody to realize that.”

Roll Call: all yea

MOTION CARRIED

AMENDED ORDINANCE NO. 68-2015 IS DECLARED PASSED.

Amended Ordinance No. 69-2015 – AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF SEVEN HILLS, OHIO, A CERTAIN CHARTER AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO ARTICLE X OF THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF SEVEN HILLS, OHIO, FOR THE PURPOSE OF AMENDING ARTICLE V, ADMINISTRATIVE DEPARTMENTS, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS, SECTION 7, PLANNING COMMISSION, TO AMEND THE NOTIFICATION OF ZONING CHANGES; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

MOTION

by Mr. Trafis, seconded by Mr. Leech, to read Amended Ordinance No. 69-2015 by title only for its second and final reading.

Roll Call: all yea

MOTION CARRIED

Amended Ordinance No. 69-2015 was read by full title only for its second and final reading.

MOTION

by Mr. Trafis, seconded by Mr. Leech, to pass Amended Ordinance No. 69-2015 as an emergency measure.

Roll Call: all yea

MOTION CARRIED

AMENDED ORDINANCE NO. 69-2015 IS DECLARED PASSED.

Amended Ordinance No. 70-2015 – AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF SEVEN HILLS, OHIO, CERTAIN CHARTER AMENDMENTS PURSUANT TO ARTICLE X OF THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF SEVEN HILLS, OHIO, FOR THE PURPOSE OF AMENDING ARTICLE VIII, ORDINANCES AND EFFECTIVE DATES, SECTION 1, ORDINANCES, TO REVISE THE DESIGNATED POSTING PLACES IN THE CITY OF SEVEN HILLS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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MOTION by Mr. Fraundorf, seconded by Mrs. Lecznar, to read Amended Ordinance No. 70-2015 by title only for its second and final reading.

Roll Call: all yea

MOTION CARRIED

Amended Ordinance No. 70-2015 was read by full title only for its second and final reading.

MOTION by Mr. Fraundorf, seconded by Mrs. Lecznar, to pass Amended Ordinance No. 70-2015 as an emergency measure.

Roll Call: all yea

MOTION CARRIED

AMENDED ORDINANCE NO. 70-2015 IS DECLARED PASSED.

Amended Ordinance No. 71-2015 – AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 521.15, SMOKING PROHIBITED, AS CONTAINED IN CHAPTER 521, HEALTH, SAFETY AND SANITATION, OF PART FIVE, GENERAL OFFENSES CODE, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SEVEN HILLS, OHIO, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROHIBITING SMOKING AT THE MAIN DOORS OF CITY HALL AND THE POLICE DEPARTMENT; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

MOTION by Mrs. Lecznar, seconded by Mr. Fraundorf, to read Amended Ordinance No. 71-2015 by title only for its second and final reading.

Roll Call: all yea

MOTION CARRIED

Amended Ordinance No. 71-2015 was read by full title only for its second and final reading.

MOTION by Mrs. Lecznar, seconded by Mr. Fraundorf, to pass Amended Ordinance No. 71-2015 as an emergency measure.

Mr. Fraundorf stated:

“I would just like to say that during Home Days – yesterday as a matter of fact – Councilwoman Lecznar and I had a conversation in the Firefighters’ Beer Tent about the evils of smoking and tobacco. And, as her daughter put it, she said ‘*Well, you just got the mom lecture about all that*’. So we did come to the conclusion that tobacco is a bad thing, and this is the right thing to do, so I just wanted to say that.”

Mr. Snitzky added:

“How many beers did it take to come to that conclusion?”

Mrs. Lecznar concluded:

“Does this mean I have to call you *son*?”

Roll Call: all yea

MOTION CARRIED

AMENDED ORDINANCE NO. 71-2015 IS DECLARED PASSED.

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Amended Ordinance No. 72-2015 – AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 707.05, GENERAL TREE AND SHRUB REGULATIONS, OF CHAPTER 707, STREET TREES, OF TITLE ONE, STREETS AND SIDEWALKS, OF PART SEVEN, STREET AND PUBLIC SERVICES CODE, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SEVEN HILLS, OHIO, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADDING NEW SUBSECTION 707.05(d), TRIMMING OF TREES ON CITY EASEMENT/RIGHT OF WAY; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

MOTION by Mr. Snitzky, seconded by Mr. Barth, to read Amended Ordinance No. 72-2015 by title only for its second and final reading.

Roll Call: all yea

MOTION CARRIED

Amended Ordinance No. 72-2015 was read by full title only for its second and final reading.

MOTION by Mr. Snitzky, seconded by Mr. Barth, to pass Amended Ordinance No. 72-2015 as an emergency measure.

Roll Call: all yea

MOTION CARRIED

AMENDED ORDINANCE NO. 72-2015 IS DECLARED PASSED.

Ordinance No. 73-2015 – AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 931.12, NOTICE; PUBLIC NOTICE, AS CONTAINED IN CHAPTER 931, DEFINITIONS, OF TITLE FIVE, ZONING ADMINISTRATION, AS CONTAINED IN PART NINE, PLANNING AND ZONING CODE, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SEVEN HILLS, OHIO, FOR THE PURPOSE OF AMENDING POSTING LOCATIONS.

Ordinance No. 73-2015 was read by full title only for its second reading.

Amended Ordinance No. 74-2015 – AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 305, TRAFFIC CONTROL MAP AND FILE, SECTIONS 305.01 AND 305.02, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SEVEN HILLS, OHIO, BY ADDING THERETO A ‘NO PARKING FROM HERE TO INTERSECTION’ SIGN ON GRAYDON DRIVE TO PROHIBIT PARKING ON THE WEST SIDE OF GRAYDON DRIVE FROM THE INTERSECTION OF GRAYDON DRIVE AND ROCKSIDE ROAD TO 200 FEET NORTH OF THE INTERSECTION; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

MOTION by Mr. Barth, seconded by Mr. Snitzky, to read Amended Ordinance No. 74-2015 by title only for its second and final reading.

Roll Call: all yea

MOTION CARRIED

Amended Ordinance No. 74-2015 was read by full title only for its second and final reading.

MOTION by Mr. Barth, seconded by Mr. Snitzky, to pass Amended Ordinance No. 74-2015 as an emergency measure.

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Mr. Barth stated:

“Graydon is a very narrow street with no sidewalks and no curbs, and parking is on the West side of the street. Parking on Graydon too close to Rockside presents a safety issue with a potential for cars backing up on Rockside when cars heading simultaneously North and South on Graydon because only one car can pass at a time when a car is parked in close proximity to Rockside. I witnessed first-hand – I walk my dog down Graydon – and there was a Fed Ex truck one time and I had to walk around it and was almost hit by a car coming on Graydon. It’s definitely a safety issue.”

Mr. Leech stated:

“First of all, I’d request to add my name as a sponsor of the legislation, seeing that this is my ward.”

Council President Ernst replied, “Yes, we will do that.”

Mr. Leech continued:

“Second of all, I did walk that area last week. Two hundred feet goes past the second driveway. It is a safety issue — it really is. You can’t argue with safety. I would also ask the other Ward Councilmen to look at their wards to see if there are similar situations to this that should also be added to the Traffic Control Map.”

Roll Call: all yea

MOTION CARRIED

AMENDED ORDINANCE NO. 74-2015 IS DECLARED PASSED.

Ordinance No. 77-2015 – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A “COMMERCIAL ENERGY SALES AGREEMENT” ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF SEVEN HILLS, OHIO, WITH CHAMPION ENERGY SERVICES, LLC (or its affiliate, Champion Energy, LLC), IN ORDER TO RECEIVE ELECTRICAL ENERGY SUPPLY AT SPECIFIC LOCATIONS LOCATED THROUGHOUT THE CITY OF SEVEN HILLS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

MOTION by Mr. Leech, seconded by Mr. Trafis, to read Ordinance No. 77-2015 by title only for its first and final reading.

Roll Call: all yea

MOTION CARRIED

Ordinance No. 77-2015 was read by full title only for its first and final reading.

MOTION by Mr. Leech, seconded by Mr. Trafis, to pass Ordinance No. 77-2015 as an emergency measure.

Roll Call: all yea

MOTION CARRIED

ORDINANCE NO. 77-2015 IS DECLARED PASSED.

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Ordinance No. 78-2015 – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR AND THE FINANCE DIRECTOR TO FACILITATE THE AUCTIONING OF A 2008 FORD CROWN VICTORIA (Vin#2FAFP71V68X150108), A 2008 FORD CROWN VICTORIA (Vin#2FAFP71V68X150111), A 1999 FRHT DUMPTRUCK (Cab and Dump Body 10-ton) (Vin#1FV6JLBBOXHA38502) AND A 2001 FRHT DUMPTRUCK (Cab and Dump Body 10-ton) (Vin#1FVABXBS31HF51989) AT THE GREATER CLEVELAND AUTO AUCTION LOCATED AT 5801 ENGLE ROAD, CLEVELAND, OHIO, WITH THE PROCEEDS OF SAID AUCTION BEING DEPOSITED INTO THE APPROPRIATE CITY’S GENERAL FUND; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

MOTION by Mr. Trafis, seconded by Mr. Leech, to read Ordinance No. 78-2015 by title only for its first and final reading.

Roll Call: all yea

MOTION CARRIED

Ordinance No. 78-2015 was read by full title only for its first and final reading.

MOTION by Mr. Trafis, seconded by Mr. Leech, to pass Ordinance No. 78-2015 as an emergency measure.

Roll Call: all yea

MOTION CARRIED

ORDINANCE NO. 78-2015 IS DECLARED PASSED.

Ordinance No. 79-2015 – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A FOUR-YEAR CONTRACT WITH GREAT LAKES RECYCLING, INC., dba SIMPLE RECYCLING, OF SOLON, OHIO, FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISPOSING OF SOFT RECYCLABLES COLLECTED THROUGH THE CITY OF SEVEN HILLS WITH THE CITY RECEIVING ONE CENT (\$.01) PER POUND OF GROSS RECEIPTS OF SOFT RECYCLABLES IN THE SERVICE AREA; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

MOTION by Mr. Fraundorf, seconded by Mrs. Lecznar, to read Ordinance No. 79-2015 by title only for its first and final reading.

Roll Call: all yea

MOTION CARRIED

Ordinance No. 79-2015 was read by full title only for its first and final reading.

MOTION by Mr. Fraundorf, seconded by Mrs. Lecznar, to pass Ordinance No. 79-2015 as an emergency measure.

Mr. Snitzky stated:

“This is another example of the Administration doing good things, of being innovative and coming up with good ideas. This is the type of thing that’s going to help somebody out – we get money back for doing it, and it’s going to reduce our tonnage of disposables. So this is one of those win-win-wins that the City should be proud of when it comes up with these type of things. I just wanted to compliment people on this one.”

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MOTION CARRIED

ORDINANCE NO. 79-2015 IS DECLARED PASSED.

Ordinance No. 80-2015 – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO SUBMIT AN ‘APPLICATION TO COMMIT ENERGY EFFICIENT/PEAK DEMAND REDUCTION PROGRAMS’ FOR THE SEVEN HILLS SERVICE GARAGE ROOF (CASE NO. 15-1254-EL-EEC) AND FOR THE SEVEN HILLS REC CENTER (CASE NO. 15-1256-EL-EEC) FOR THE PURPOSE OF APPLYING FOR AN EXEMPTION FROM THE ENERGY EFFICIENCY COST RECOVERY MECHANISM IMPLEMENTED BY THE ELECTRIC UTILITY COMPANY; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

MOTION by Mr. Barth, seconded by Mr. Snitzky, to read Ordinance No. 80-2015 by title only for its first and final reading.

Roll Call: all yea

MOTION CARRIED

Ordinance No. 80-2015 was read by full title only for its first and final reading.

MOTION by Mr. Barth, seconded by Mr. Snitzky, to pass Ordinance No. 80-2015 as an emergency measure.

Roll Call: all yea

MOTION CARRIED

ORDINANCE NO. 80-2015 IS DECLARED PASSED.

Ordinance No. 81-2015 – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A MERCANTILE CUSTOMER PROJECT COMMITMENT AGREEMENT EXEMPTION OPTION ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF SEVEN HILLS, OHIO, WITH THE CLEVELAND ELECTRIC ILLUMINATING COMPANY FOR THE PURPOSE OF ACCEPTING ESTIMATED EXEMPTIONS FOR ENERGY CONSERVATION IMPROVEMENTS PERFORMED THROUGHOUT THE CITY’S BUILDINGS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

MOTION by Mr. Snitzky, seconded by Mr. Barth, to read Ordinance No. 81-2015 by title only for its first and final reading.

Roll Call: all yea

MOTION CARRIED

Ordinance No. 81-2015 was read by full title only for its first and final reading.

MOTION by Mr. Snitzky, seconded by Mr. Barth, to pass Ordinance No. 81-2015 as an emergency measure.

Roll Call: all yea

MOTION CARRIED

ORDINANCE NO. 81-2015 IS DECLARED PASSED.

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Resolution No. 12-2015 – A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PROPOSED ALTERNATE TAX BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF SEVEN HILLS, OHIO, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2016.

MOTION by Mrs. Lecznar, seconded by Mr. Fraundorf, to read Resolution No. 12-2015 by title only for its third and final reading.

Roll Call: all yea

MOTION CARRIED

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

MOTION by Mrs. Lecznar, seconded by Mr. Fraundorf, to adopt Resolution No. 12-2015.

Roll Call: all yea

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION NO. 12-2015 IS DECLARED ADOPTED.

Amended Resolution No. 13-2015 – A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AND FILE AN APPLICATION WITH THE OHIO EPA FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE UNDER THE SECTION 319(H) PROGRAM FOR THE CALVIN PARK POND RESTORATION PROJECT (2015); AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

MOTION by Mr. Leech, seconded by Mr. Trafis, to read Amended Resolution No. 13-2015 by title only for its second and final reading.

Roll Call: all yea

MOTION CARRIED

Amended Resolution No. 13-2015 was read by full title only for its second and final reading.

MOTION by Mr. Leech, seconded by Mr. Trafis, to adopt Amended Resolution No. 13-2015 as an emergency measure.

Roll Call: all yea

MOTION CARRIED

AMENDED RESOLUTION NO. 13-2015 IS DECLARED ADOPTED.

COUNCIL OPEN TO THE AUDIENCE

Marty Delmore, 4321 Gene Drive made the following comments:

“Good evening. I understand there is a fine if you feed deer in our City -- for \$1,000.00? Is there a fine for killing deer?”

Mrs. Lecznar responded, “It’s not \$1,000.00. It’s a misdemeanor.”

Mr. Delmore asked, “Has anybody ever been fined?”

Mrs. Lecznar replied, “They have been warned. I don’t know about fined.”

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Mr. Delmore asked:

“Okay. Is there a fine for killing deer? The reason I ask is I have nine doe that come through my yard every day, and there are five nice-sized bucks. If nothing happens, there will be twenty-five deer coming through next year. I can’t have a garden. I just decided to put \$2800.00 worth of landscaping in, and I don’t intend to feed those twenty-five deer. So tell me what it’s going to cost if I kill a couple of deer.”

Council President Ernst replied, “There are laws about discharging a firearm or bow hunting in the City at this time.”

Mr. Delmore continued, “So if I don’t use a bow or a firearm – if I kill a deer, there is no fine? Mr. Pignatiello, you’re the Law Department.”

Law Director Pignatiello replied, “I’m not here to advise you on how to kill a deer.”

Mr. Delmore said, “Oh, I know plenty of ways to kill them. I just want to know if it’s going to cost me anything?”

Mr. Snitzky said, “Sir, what’s your address. I’m just curious.”

Mr. Delmore replied, “4321 Gene Drive.”

Council President Ernst said, “He’s in my ward, Tom.”

Mr. Snitzky said, “You might want to call the Ohio Department of Natural Resources. They do issue persons deer permits. I don’t know that you can get by the fact that we have an ordinance in this town that says that you can’t do anything.....”

Mr. Delmore interrupted Mr. Snitzky saying, “Well, you can get a varmint permit to kill deer if they do over \$10,000.00 worth of damage if you’re a farm. However, I’m not a farm – I’m just a homeowner. And that one buck is about an 8-point, and I can get within six feet of him. He has no fear of me. Right now he’s in velvet, and when he’s in rut I don’t want him in my yard.”

Mrs. Lecznar added, “The ODNR will give you a deer damage permit. If you call them out to your property, they will survey it, and if you have enough damage, they will issue a permit.”

Mr. Delmore said, “I don’t have that much damage. I’d like to be able to have a tomato out of a garden. Or I’d like to be able to trim my own shrubs.”

Mrs. Lecznar said, “I sympathize with you. I sympathize with you. I’m on your side. I know that they need to be taken care of.”

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Mr. Delmore said, “So, if there is no charge, that’s all I need to know.”

Mrs. Lecznar replied, “If you know someone that is feeding them – purposely – setting out food – you can report them. The only problem is that they have to be caught in the act of doing it in order to be fined.”

Mr. Delmore said, “So I would have to be caught in the act of killing a deer – the same way? Thank you. That’s all I need.”

Chris Romano, 1267 East Dartmoor, made the following comments:

“For the gentleman here (*referring to Mr. Delmore*), I put a fence up around my yard. I still can’t have a garden because of the chipmunks. A couple of things. One is, I want to thank you guys – Mr. Moga and Council – for filling in my tree lawn, and I have something green growing in there now. So, that’s taken care of. Thank you very much for that.”

Mr. Romano continued:

“The second thing is, for the John Glenn/Mercury Lane – I guess it’s going to be called – project, that was all pending on the sewer system study. And I’ve got to apologize as I haven’t been here for a while. I take it that’s been done since some of the sewers have been going in?”

Mr. Trafis responded, “That’s a great question. I don’t know.”

Council President Ernst replied, “Mark Moro would be the person to ask that. Ed Foley, or Mark Moro, our Building Commissioner would be the person to ask. Or Jim Sickels, our Engineer.”

Mr. Romano continued:

“Okay, I assume there was because one side is in. The other side is ready to go in. I’ll check up on that. The third thing is, are you aware that on Crossview and Rockside, that light there, it sometimes gets stuck. That is green going Rockside, and going on Crossview it’s red. It seems like it’s around 9:00 in the morning or something – every now and then it gets stuck. One time I was there, I pulled up there, there was a big, long line there when there shouldn’t have been anybody there. I sat there for like six minutes until the person finally made a left turn on red, and then everybody else was going right. Just be aware of that.”

Service Director Moga answered, “I can take care of that for you. I’ll make a phone call tomorrow and have somebody check that out.”

Mr. Romano concluded, “It’s not every day, but it just seems like in the morning, when I get there around 9:00 or 9:30 sometimes. It gets stuck. Okay, thank you.”

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Police Officer Greer, Seven Hills Police Department, who was in attendance at the meeting, added, “To speak to the Crossview incident, the sensors that are by Rockside, if the people don’t pull all the way forward, they don’t activate the sensor. We’ve had that issue a number of times.”

Mr. Romano continued, “That’s what we figured. In fact, we actually got out of the car and went by the sensor. Even then it didn’t go. We actually had one of the dump trucks from John Glenn – and those things are huge – they were just sitting there. And nobody can make a right turn, but still, he was over that sensor. You can see where that square is. So there is something up with that sensor.”

Council President Ernst thanked Mr. Romano for his comments.

Mike Lehet, 1038 Joy Oval, made the following comments:

“We worry about deer and other stuff, but there’s a dire problem – a serious problem that’s going to happen – excessive speeding on East Dartmoor, running the stop signs constantly on John Glenn where it comes in to where the school was. I can sit in my back yard, and I should take videos and show you the amount of cars that go through there in one hour. It’s bad. When a child gets hurt or a child gets killed, it’s going to be a problem. I think it’s very important and it should be addressed. No, the Police can’t be there all of the time, but I just want to bring it to your attention. Thank you.”

Council President Ernst thanked Mr. Lehet for his comments.

Dave Miozzi, 5947 Graydon Drive, made the following comments:

“I’d just like to thank everyone on Council – Michael Barth, Bob Leech – for helping us with this safety issue. I think I can speak for everyone on Graydon Drive that I think this will help us, and I think it will be a good idea. Thank you.”

Council President Ernst thanked Mr. Miozzi for his comments.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR-SAFETY DIRECTOR

Mayor Dell’Aquila made the following comments:

Thank you, Madam President. Just a few things.

I first want to also express how pleased I am by Council’s selection of Councilman Bob Leech to fill in the vacancy in Ward 1. I think you all know how I feel about your choice, and I’m looking forward to some great things in a very active few months from Councilman Leech. By the way, the longest serving, I believe, Councilman in the history of Seven Hills.

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Mayor Dell'Aquila (continued):

Mr. Leech replied, "Thank you – you're right!"

Secondly, the City of Seven Hills is eligible again this year for another \$150,000.00 in Federal Community Development Block Grant funds administered by the Cuyahoga County Executive and County Council through the Department of Development. Those funds can be used for a variety of things within the City, and in our case North of Rockside Road – what we did with that money last year was to use it for resurfacing some of the streets there that needed some work. We are in the process yet again this year of applying for an additional \$150,000.00 grant, hopefully the entire amount, and hopefully to be used for that same purpose. We will be having, and residents by the way are invited to a hearing to voice their opinions on this proposed grant and how it is to be used. That will be held tomorrow evening here at City Hall, at 7:00 p.m. -- July 28th. And you are obviously invited and more than welcome to participate and express your desires and concerns. Again, the money can only be used North of Rockside Road, the North side of Ward 1. We're hoping to receive again this year another \$150,000.00 in federal money.

Thank you, Council, and thank you everyone, for all of your work in realizing the passage this evening of Ordinance No. 67-2015. This was a long, arduous road to get to this point. As you know, we are all under an EPA mandate to replace our sanitary systems here in Seven Hills. The Hemlock Creek Program is the last remaining large program that we are required by federal mandate to implement. That project is estimated to cost approximately \$8 million. The grant that was just approved this evening, \$2.4 million, represents about 30% of that cost. In order to receive that grant, the City had to apply last year, along with 57 other communities who applied last year, of which only 15 projects scored high enough to receive funding approval. Unfortunately, and regrettably, in that first series, the Seven Hills program did not score high enough. I can tell you that Tom Snitzky said some very nice things, but he was a little bit of a pest and almost a Mother Hen in making sure that we didn't allow that to remain as it was, and we, together, made sure – and I should also recognize our City Engineers and especially Jim Sickels – we went to bat and appealed that decision. There were six total communities, six appeals that were filed in that process, and of the six appeals that were filed, only the City of Seven Hills was overturned. Our project was granted an additional 5 points, which was just enough to move us up into the funding category. And the result of that is that the residents will be receiving \$2.4 million to offset the cost of that \$8 million project. And, Tom, I know you're not going to leave me alone, and I know I'm going to keep hearing about how we're going to have to look for more. I just heard it again from you tonight, and believe me, I'm right there with you. If there's anything we can do to get some additional money for our residents, I'm all about that. This \$2.4 million, by the way, represents approximately 10% of the total \$25 million that was available through the District One Public Works Integrating Committee, the DOPWIC program. So, yes Tom, I heard you, and we're going to keep pushing. I'm not going to let it go. If there's anything there, we're going after it.

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Mayor Dell'Aquila (continued):

Lastly, I just want to talk a little bit about Home Days. For the first time in maybe a decade, by my memory, it didn't rain. The history in Seven Hills is, usually, if you want rain, you schedule a Home Days. And – no rain. The vendors were ecstatic. I understand that most of them, if not all of them, cleared their initial investment by Friday evening. We tried to be a little bit innovative this year. We brought in a helicopter on Saturday for the kids to take a look at – the UH MedEvac Helicopter was here. We had 62 cars in our Classic Car Show. We ran the Farmers' Market, I believe, one afternoon – I think it was Saturday. But, again, this is the biggest community effort that we put together annually in our town. It's a tradition, and it's an important tradition.

We have come under some criticism for the expense, and we have done everything we can, at this point anyway, to try to be as mindful as possible as to the necessity to cut the expense of that project. Some of those are fixed numbers. The Service Department crew, you either put in hours at Home Days or they are doing other things around the City. So this year we got even more creative, and thanks to Tony Terry, our Director of Community and Senior Services, for implementing this – we brought in a number of volunteers to help with set-up and take-down and clean-up. So, we need to recognize the Padua Football Team for helping us set up on Thursday. I want to recognize the Holy Name Football Team for helping us take down today and clean up, and also the Community Services volunteers from our Mayor's Court who went around and made sure everything was clean and tidy throughout the entire weekend.

Also important to recognize the three most prominent employees in our City who put that program together for us this year – Tony Terry, obviously, and my Executive Assistant, Kathy Holland, who basically did it as a volunteer – this is not her job description, but she stepped forward to do it – as well as Jen Burger, our Recreation Director, also not part of her job description. She and her employees, and all of our employees and volunteers, Jack Moga and his staff, Mark Moro, and I could go on and on.

But without the volunteers – the members of the cars who helped us with parking.....And, oh, by the way, I want to mention, as long as we're talking about parking – it came up that apparently a resident on Summitview and Hillside was charging for parking. I got a number of text messages from friends of mine who were very critical thinking that the City was charging for parking. I had to explain that this was a private individual charging for parking. The City does not charge for parking at Home Days. These were friends of mine who were very angry with me.

So, all in all, a great Home Days. Very excited that it went so well. We're going to get some hard numbers to Council in September. And congratulations and thanks to everybody. If I left someone off, it wasn't intentional. Everybody did a great job. Thank you, Madam President.

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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:

Jim Sickels wanted me to add that this Thursday we will be opening bids for the 2015 Road Program. So far we have six handouts, and that's pretty good. So a reminder that the bid opening for the road program will be this Thursday, July 30th.

Building Commissioner Moro was not present.

MISCELLANEOUS

Mr. Snitzky:

I just want to reiterate what a great Home Days it was. I think the Mayor and I have probably been going to Home Days longer than anybody else – except for maybe Mr. Leech over here. And I talked to Sarge with his macaroni and pulled pork sandwich there and he said he has been there a dozen years. And in a dozen years this is the first time it hasn't rained. So thank you Lord. But it was a good Home Days. The weather was beautiful and it was just wonderful to see everybody out.

Mr. Fraundorf:

First of all I see a lot of people in the audience tonight – I recognize your faces from Home Days. So it's nice that you are also able to participate in that event. I'm going to add this. I picked three things. One is my favorite band, and this is no disrespect to any of the other entertainers there, but I thought Ethnic Jazz yesterday – Sunday afternoon – the polkas were absolutely outstanding, and I saw quite a few people dancing, which was nice.

I'm also a big fan of shopping local. If anyone likes Mediterranean food – hummus and tabouli and some very wonderful pastries – Dairy Deli at Crossview and East Ridgewood, they had a wonderful booth set up. And I absolutely enjoyed the food. The hummus – they had a plain and they also had a spicy version – I recommend the spicy.

Then the last thing is – I have to congratulate Tony Terry sitting in the back. The absolute funniest program I witnessed all weekend was the Chicken Wing Eating Contest. It was Saturday at noon, so it was very sparsely attended, but quite honestly I laughed from the beginning to the end, and I'm hopeful that we can move that to a more populated period during the next Homedays. So next year remember that. The Chicken Wing Eating Contest is a hoot. You're going to love it. That's it, thank you.

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Mr. Leech:

I'd like to thank Council for this honor to serve the City that I love. I've been here forty years, and I hope we all have the same intentions of serving. Let's do it together. I don't want to read negative stuff in the paper anymore.

My first disagreement, Tim – Elvis was the best Saturday. He just was.

I also want to thank the City for honoring me on Saturday. There was a group of us who started the Seven Hills Basketball League back in 1980, and I was honored by being included in the Seven Hills Hoop of Fame on the Recreation Center wall. Thank you very much.

I spent an hour Friday morning at John Glenn School/Park – the school is gone. Mr. Simich is doing a fantastic job on his own nickel. He is not only donating the equipment – the play equipment, the big toys – but also he hired a company to put them in. He's fixing up the area with mulch and all that stuff – that's phenomenal. I'm sure it's a \$20,000.00 job. That is just phenomenal, Mayor. Thank you very much for working that out for the City – thank you so much.

I want to thank my predecessor, Mr. Bryda. He did a nice job. He's a quiet guy, a little bit different than I am. And also the other four candidates that applied for this position. I encourage them to run next election for this position. It's an honor and I can only serve until the end of the year. I hope everyone understands that. I'm going to do my very, very best. Actually it was the easiest election that I've had in thirteen elections.

Did I hit my three minutes?

Council President Ernst replied, "You already had one, Bob. This is your second one."

I have thirteen years to make up!

Real quick. I hope to read positive things, of course, in the paper.

The last thing is – what a City we have here. I'm elected to this position, and then we go on vacation tomorrow. I love this job! It's great!! Thank you so much.

Council President Ernst thanked Mr. Leech for his comments while everyone enjoyed a chuckle over Bob's last remark.

Mr. Trafis:

I'm not sure how to follow that!

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Mr. Trafis (continued):

First I want to speak to the comments briefly about the John Glenn property that Mr. Romano brought up. I was unaware that sewers were already being put in. One of the things that was very important to myself and to Councilman Fraundorf, which is what sparked our ‘no’ votes on this project, was if the existing infrastructure – the sewers – could handle another twenty-two houses. The developer and Ed Foley, the Chairman of the Planning Commission, continuously told us that a study would be conducted and the results would be provided to Council before the sewers would be put in. I cannot believe that we don’t know about it. I have no idea to this day if the existing infrastructure can handle twenty-two new houses. And believe me, I’m going to be looking into this very soon.

On another note, I’m very happy to talk about one of my projects this summer. For the fifth year I’ve been a coach and manager in the Seven Hills Baseball Federation and this is the first season that my team went to the championship and actually won. I’m very proud of the boys. They are 13 through 15 years old – a lot of Seven Hills residents. I just want to list their names off real quickly to congratulate them:

Jimmy Schoffstall
Jessie Bacha
Michael Bubna
Joey Carcioppolo
Mason Prescott
Max Mrugacz

Noah Klubnik
Kevin Vonderau
Christopher Vales
Jimmy Thomas
John Talion

I also want to thank the coaches and the parents that helped on this team.

Gus Argento
John Talion
Michael Klubnik

Brian Trafis
Pete Vonderau

We had a team sponsor this year. I suppose I need to recognize him, for sure – it was **Law Director Richard Pignatiello**. So I want to thank him for sponsoring our team. Since I guess he could kind of be our team owner, now that we won the championship I think I deserve a raise as coach, right Rich?

Law Director Pignatiello replied, “Absolutely!”

But I just want to say how proud I was of these kids that are from Seven Hills for winning this championship.

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Mr. Trafis (continued):

Finally, Councilman Bob, welcome back. I've known you since I was a very young child, and believe me I never thought I would be serving on City Council with you.

Mr. Leech replied, "The pleasure is mine!"

That's all I have, thank you.

Council President Ernst thanked Mr. Trafis for his comments.

Mrs. Lecznar:

I, like the rest of my colleagues, spent all weekend up here at Home Days. I really want to commend Tony Terry, Jack Moga, Jen Burger for an absolutely wonderful, wonderful job. You guys ran everything so smoothly and, Tony, you're not going anywhere anymore because I'm bound and determined that you're the reason we had good weather. You know somebody upstairs that has the connections.

The soft recyclables – I thank you for agreeing to the soft recyclable legislation. I'm a big recycle person. I go through two of the big bins every week, and believe me I'm more of a recycle person probably more than anyone else on this dais.

The soft recyclables, to name a few things, are anything made out of fabric, blankets, rags, and anything like that. It can even include small appliances, like toasters, radios, irons, hair dryers. So it's a good thing that we're getting those things out of the landfills also. They are going to be going to a different place, and put to better use.

Lastly I want to congratulate Mike Barth and his beautiful wife, Rose, on their brand new grandchild. I didn't want to do it at the last Council Meeting because it was a little bit long and dragged out, but I thought that deserved recognition. Mike couldn't be a happier Papa, I'm sure.

Mr. Barth thanked Mrs. Lecznar for the congratulatory remarks.

Mr. Snitzky added, "First grandchild, right?"

Mr. Barth replied, "Yes, first one!"

I hope everyone has a very nice break. See you in September.

Council President Ernst thanked Mrs. Lecznar for her comments.

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Mr. Barth:

I don't know if my wife knows this. My daughter called me today, and she took the baby to the doctor. The doctor asked if that was her father last week who was with her. And she said yes. And he said *'I see a little bit of your father in that baby!'*

There were a few unidentifiable comments from the dais of "Oh Boy" and "Poor Child"!

It was a great Home Days weekend. Tony, thank you for a job well done. And I'm not going to name any other City employees because I think everybody kicked in, from the Police to the Fire, to Kathy to everybody. And I named employees, didn't I?

I'm going to disagree with Tim, as well. I think Elvis still lives. I really do. He was fantastic – Elvis was fantastic. First disagreement, Tim.

Mrs. Lecznar added, "I go with Tim, though. I have to say I go with Tim."

One other thing. Tonight we heard about two initiatives – two ordinances of the City being awarded grants. Mayor, this Administration has done a tremendous job of flushing out free money. And, believe me, I know how difficult it is to get free money from the government when it comes to grants. I think in this financial environment we could use every bit of free money we can get. So, congratulations.

Everybody – enjoy the August break, but I imagine we're going to be back in a couple of weeks.

Council President Ernst said, "At least for one meeting."

Council President Ernst:

I would just like to reiterate what everybody has said about Home Days. Tony, you did a great job. Your volunteers were awesome. It was clean. It was a lot of fun. The weather was really great. So – you did a great job on that.

I also would like to remind all of the candidates that are here on the dais and out in the audience that there is an ordinance talking about the political signs. It's Section 171.07. It states what the rules are, and also you do need to register with the Building Department before you start putting signs out. So please keep that in mind and take a look at it.

That's all I have.

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

Roll Call: all yea

MOTION CARRIED

The July 27, 2015 Council Meeting was adjourned at 9:01 p.m.

Michele K. Ernst, President of Council

Attest: _____
Carol L. Sekerak, Clerk of Council

Date: _____