

**SUMMARY OF CAUCUS DISCUSSION AND MINUTES OF THE STRONGSVILLE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING HELD ON, MONDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2019.**

The Council of the City of Strongsville met in the Caucus Room at the Mike Kalinich Sr. City Council Chamber, 18688 Royalton Road, on **Monday, December 16, 2019 at 7:15 p.m.**

Present: Council Members: Matthew A. Schonhut, Annmarie P. Roff, Matthew P. Patten, Joseph C. DeMio, Kelly A. Kosek, Gordon C. Short and James E. Carbone. **Also Present:** Clerk of Council Aimee Pientka. **Administration:** Mayor Thomas P. Perciak, Law Director Neal M. Jamison, Finance Director Joe Dubovec, Economic Development Director Brent Painter, Communications and Technology Director David E. Sems, Service Director Joe Walker, Building Commissioner Tony Biondillo, City Engineer Ken Mikula, Human Resource Director Steve Kilo, Public Safety Director Charles Goss, Fire Chief Jack Draves and Police Chief Mark Fender.

Absent: Recreation and Senior Services Director Bryan Bogre.

Council President DeMio called the caucus to order at 7:15 p.m.

The following Council Committees met to review legislation on the agenda:

Planning, Zoning & Engineering Committee: Chairman Schonhut advised Ordinance No. 2019-188 is to approve a change order for a decrease in the contract price with Perram Electric Inc. in connection with the Strongsville Traffic Signal Upgrade Project. The decrease is in the amount of \$168,577.59. Mr. Schonhut advised one thing was added; and that was making sure the hardware matched the poles. There were some other minor changes as well (conduit, surveying, etc.). The recommendation was to suspend and adopt this legislation. Mr. DeMio asked if there is a timeframe for completion. Mr. Mikula advised this project will be completed sometime in 2021.

Finance Committee: Chairman Carbone recommended suspension and adoption for Ordinance No. 2019-187 which is the general salary ordinance for the year 2020. This will be amended tonight to reflect changes in Sections 9-004 and 9-005. Mr. Carbone advised there were some questions regarding the new jailer position. One of the questions was if the new position was created, what would happen if the city did not fill the Corrections Officer Coordinator position. Mr. Goss advised filling the position that would be vacated by the person who is currently doing it is not important at this moment. The coordinator does such things as scheduling and ordering supplies. The critical need right now is to have corrections officers. Mr. Goss advised the jail has evolved into one of the most complex and difficult environments (violence, suicide attempts, etc). Mr. Goss advised the city cannot cut back on the staffing for that facility. Chief Fender advised the jail houses for 17 cities in the area. Right now, there are 2 corrections officers on a shift, which is inadequate. Currently, there are 9 full-time CO's and 8 part-time CO's. Chief Goss advised in addition, the State Bureau of Adult Detention mandates the staffing levels, along with other things, that the city had to comply with. Mr. Carbone clarified that the position in the salary ordinance being vacated is not just a corrections officer position. Mr. Goss stated it is a corrections officer within the bargaining unit who is filling in the capacity as a jail coordinator. Mr. Goss advised it is a discretionary assignment; there could be one or more people doing that, or none. The corrections officer(s) in this title are given extra responsibilities, non-supervisory, and will receive a pay increase for these extra duties. They are still serving as a corrections officer in the jail and doing those responsibilities as well. Ms. Roff asked Mr. Goss if he is looking for females in these positions. Mr. Goss advised female corrections officers in the jail are valuable because they can perform the duties needed for both male and female inmates; whereas, a male CO is not able to do that with female inmates. Mr. Goss advised the new position is to make sure there is ongoing auditing and oversight back there to make sure nothing slips through the cracks and that compliance is being met. Mr. Goss encouraged council to tour the facility sometime and see what goes on there. Chief Fender agreed with Mr. Goss. Mr. Goss advised there is always between

12-18 inmates back there at one time. Ms. Kosek asked when was the last time our city increased the cost to other municipalities to house their inmates for them. Chief Goss advised we have within the last few months. Ms. Kosek feels that if our city is taking on more costs to hire employees for the jail, she would like to consider increasing what we charge municipalities to house their inmates in order to help defray the cost to us. Mr. Schonhut asked if the State mandates this new position above the Sergeant who supervises the jail. Chief Fender advised the State mandates the number of bodies that should be present during a shift. The additional supervisor is needed for the complexity of the facility back there. Mr. Semms is in the process of helping to automate some of the system checks. Chief Fender also advised the inmates that come there are under numerous medications that have to be administered, as well as various psychological issues where we have to be in contact with a doctor on a routine basis. Chief Goss advised within the last couple of months, two corrections officers have been assaulted in the jail. Ms. Roff asked if the position in question could do other responsibilities besides supervisory. Chief Fender would like to see there be cross-training to handle multiple duties. Chief Fender reiterated that it is important to have an adequate level of well-trained staff in the jail so the city doesn't open itself up to liability. Mr. Short advised as chairman for the Public Safety Committee, his recommendation is this position is needed for very good reasons; and the cost for this position is already in the budget. Mr. DeMio advised he is in support of this. The recommendation for this legislation was to suspend and adopt as amended.

Ordinance No. 2019-189 is the last appropriations ordinance for the year 2019. The recommendation was to suspend and adopt this legislation. Suspension and adoption was also recommended for Ordinance No. 2019-190. This is an appropriations ordinance for the year 2020.

Public Safety & Health Committee: Chairman Short recommended suspension and adoption for Ordinance No. 2019-191. This is to amend Sections 254.02 and 254.03 of the codified ordinances of Strongsville to provide for fire department responses for treatment and transport; and to adjust certain fees for emergency medical services. Chief Draves advised the definitions in these sections were changed to create more consistency with the levels of service we provide. We also brought these sections up to code with what the Ohio Department of Public Safety, as well as the Ohio Administrative Code reflect on the different skill levels of service. Chief Draves advised the last time the city raised the fees for treatment was in 2015. The fees reflect current rates of what the municipalities surrounding Strongsville charge. These fees go directly into the emergency vehicle fund which go towards the city's ems vehicles.

Public Service & Conservation Committee: Chairwoman Roff recommended suspension and adoption for Resolution No. 2019-192; a resolution to repurchase certain certificates for burial rights in the Strongsville Municipal Cemetery.

Committee of the Whole: Mr. DeMio asked Mr. Jamison to go over the remaining legislation. Mr. Jamison advised Ordinance No. 2019-193 is to repeal and enact a new Chapter 672, along with amending Sections 476.03(f), 648.01(c), 1060.51 and 1060.52 of the Strongsville Codified Ordinances concerning firearms. This is in response to the amendments a year ago to Section 9.68 of the Ohio Revised Code. These amendments were passed by the Ohio Legislature, vetoed by Governor Kasich, then the veto was overrode. The language in the amendments were concerning to many municipalities in the State as it relates to potential liability for our existing ordinances being in conflict with the State Code. There is currently a pending lawsuit in Summit County related to this. Mr. Jamison deleted several sections in Chapter 672; however, all those sections are still covered by the Ohio Revised Code as it relates to carrying a concealed weapon, using a weapon while intoxicated, improperly handling a firearm in a motor vehicle, etc. In amending this, Mr. Jamison followed the State Code, which is what our police department does anyway for those violations. After discussions with Chief Goss, Chief Fender and others and in order to protect the city, it was determined to keep in the section pertaining to prohibiting the discharge of a firearm within the city's limits. Mr. Jamison reviewed the other areas of the Strongsville Code he amended. The Ohio law goes into effect December 28, 2019;

and that is why council has to pass this tonight. Mr. Jamison advised the protections are still in place at the State Code level, such as bringing a firearm into the rec center, into a school, etc. Many nearby communities are also modifying their Code as it pertains to this. Mr. Jamison will continue to monitor the Summit lawsuit and any other matters that come up in regards to this. Mr. DeMio asked how that pertains to Homedays and the Rib Burnoff. Mr. Jamison advised he would look into it but he believes it will remain as it has been in the past. We have police and safety personnel there during those events. Ms. Kosek asked Mr. Jamison to go into some more detail about the lawsuit. Mr. Jamison advised Cleveland, Akron, Stow and some other cities filed a suit in Summit County to enjoin the enforcement of this law; so basically, they sued the State of Ohio. The argument is this is violating Home Rule authority. Mr. Schonhut asked how this would affect hunting within the city limits. Mr. Jamison advised this would not affect hunting. The recommendation was to suspend and adopt this legislation.

Suspension and adoption was recommended for Ordinance No. 2019-194. This is an ordinance amending Section 210.12 of the codified ordinances concerning information submitted by bidders for municipal construction contracts. Councilman Patten requested this legislation. Mr. Jamison advised we have added additional information that has to be supplied by the bidder for municipal contracts. Mayor Perciak was in favor and adding these amendments. Mr. Schonhut thanked Mr. Patten for doing the research on this and requesting this legislation.

Ordinance No. 2019-195 is to exempt all business establishments, within the City of Strongsville, from the Cuyahoga County disposable bag ban; as well as to authorize the administration to study and make recommendations concerning future use of disposable bags. Councilman Short brought this to the attention of Mr. Jamison. Under the County Charter, County Council has the ability to enact legislation. Under that same Charter, each municipality has the ability to exempt out of that legislation if they wish to. What we are proposing to do is to exempt out and revisit this issue and come back with a proposal by the end of 2020. Three stores (Heinens, Walmart and Regos) in the city reached out to Mr. Jamison, all expressing concern about the county's decision to ban disposable bags. They also expressed they are looking at alternatives to what they can do, instead of being told what to do, in an attempt to address this situation. As Mr. Walker has stated, the problem is there is less of a market for some of the plastics being recycled. Mr. Jamison advised the blue plastic bags some of the businesses use have less of a recyclable value than the clear bags used. Mr. Jamison said what the county has passed will affect the residents as well because this could result in an increase in the dollar amount of what you have to pay when you check out at a store. Mr. Jamison will have continuing conversations with Brent Painter, Jennifer Milbrandt and Joe Walker to see what alternatives the city can do. The State House recently passed a bill last week to not allow the local regulation. It is currently in the hands of the Senate. Mr. Jamison will monitor this as well. Ms. Kosek would like to see residents included in any future meetings to get their feedback. Ms. Kosek advised she does want to see a future alternative to address this besides just exempting out. The recommendation was to suspend and adopt this legislation.

Mr. Carbone made a motion to adjourn into executive session for the purpose of discussing litigation matters. It was seconded by Mr. Schonhut to adjourn from open session into executive session [Article XI, Section 9, City Charter]. All members present voted aye and the motion carried. Council adjourned into executive session at 7:52 p.m. Also present from the Administration: Mayor Thomas P. Perciak and Law Director Neal Jamison. Mayor Perciak and Mr. Jamison left executive session at 8:02 p.m. The executive session concluded at 8:15 p.m. and reconvened into open session.

MINUTES OF THE STRONGSVILLE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2019 IN THE MIKE KALINICH SR. CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS.

CALL TO ORDER:

Council President DeMio called the meeting to order at 8:17 p.m. All joined in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

CERTIFICATION OF POSTING:

The Clerk of Council certified that the meeting had been posted in accordance with Ordinance No. 2004-273.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Council Members: Matthew A. Schonhut, Annmarie P. Roff, Matthew P. Patten, Joseph C. DeMio, Kelly A. Kosek, Gordon C. Short and James E. Carbone. Also Present: Clerk of Council Aimee Pientka. **Administration:** Mayor Thomas P. Perciak, Law Director Neal M. Jamison, Finance Director Joe Dubovec, Economic Development Director Brent Painter, Communications and Technology Director David E. Sems, Service Director Joe Walker, Building Commissioner Tony Biondillo, City Engineer Ken Mikula, Human Resource Director Steve Kilo, Public Safety Director Charles Goss, Fire Chief Jack Draves and Police Chief Mark Fender.

Absent: Recreation and Senior Services Director Bryan Bogre.

COMMENTS ON MINUTES:

The Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on December 2, 2019 were approved as submitted.

APPOINTMENTS, CONFIRMATIONS, AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS:

(None)

REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES:

SCHOOL BOARD – Mr. Schonhut: Thank you Mr. DeMio, it was well attended by all parties up here. The mayor honored Carl Naso and Jane Ludwig for their years of service on the board. It was their last meeting for both of them. He presented them a proclamation from himself and all of us which was very nice. Ann was honored by the school board as well; something that us council people need to pick up on-honoring some of our media members for the coverage that they give to us here; so thank you Ann. Most notably, the board voted to approve to purchase BOLO sticks which are a security device in the event that the schools need to go in lockdown; that I'm sure our safety forces were working hand in hand with them on that. That's the report back unless anybody has any questions.

SOUTHWEST GENERAL HEALTH SYSTEM – Mr. Short: Thank you, I wanted to let everybody know that just last week, Southwest General was awarded a full designation as a "Pathway to Excellence" organization by the American Nurses Credentialing Center; which means that the healthcare organization's provides a positive practice environment that empowers and engages its nurses. It's a very prestigious award and there have been only 6 healthcare facilities in Ohio designated with this "Pathway to Excellence" for nurse; so it's kind of a big hats off to Southwest General Hospital. That concludes my report but I will happily take any questions.

REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES (cont'd):

BUILDING AND UTILITIES – Mr. Patten:

Mr. DeMio – Before Mr. Patten does Building and Utilities, this council-and anyone please jump in, wants to thank you for your great service. Your honesty, your integrity, the way you share with us your experiences, and your experiences in Columbus and how you started probably the single most important, in my opinion, ordinance we've done in at least the last calendar year; which is Ordinance No. 2019-194. The reason I say that is because being here through many years, there's hills and valleys we go through in construction projects and how we go out and do bids. This is another terrific layer that will allow this law department, this council and this great administration to be able to breathe a little better about what we're getting when we agree to a contract. Matt, I want to personally thank you. I know this council would like, and I would like, everyone to stand and applaud for our good friend, Matt Patten.

(Applause)

Mr. DeMio – I want to say that that Irish face of yours looks pretty red; and that's a good thing once in a while.

Mayor Perciak – Mr. President, if I may just interject a minute, can we ask Mr. Patten's family to come up on the dais and let's take a picture of him up here. Someone do that please...come on kids.

Mr. Schonhut – Joe, just really quick, Matthew-it's been a pleasure; as much as I didn't like having somebody else that has the same first name sitting up here because it complicates things; but at a time when Ward 1 needed somebody to step up, you sure did after the passing of Mike (Daymut). It was a hole for us and you did a great job filling it and really brought a piece of this puzzle that I've never had in my time serving with anybody else of really, the knowledge you gained down in your time with the State and beyond that. You'll be missed but I'm sure we'll still be talking a lot; so keep at it and I know we'll see you and the family around because we always do. We love you brother.

Mr. Carbone – Matt, it was an absolute pleasure; your friendship over the years, your friendship on council, your knowledge on council, what you brought was inspiring as well. It might be the end of one chapter but I'm sure with you there will be other opportunities. I look forward to conversations on the phone and bouncing things off you because you have a great perspective on things and you will be missed.

Ms. Kosek – I'm going to say something too since everybody is talking. I think one of the unexpected pieces of being on this council was getting to know everybody; but I didn't know you at all before you joined council and I'm so happy to call you my friend. I have so much respect for you-the way that you advocate for your residents and the knowledge that everyone has talked about that you shared has added so much. I will continue to call you with the questions that I have so don't lose my number. Thank you for all of the things that you have done.

Mr. Short – I just would like to add that before you were appointed I didn't know you; but it's been great to work and serve with you and continue to get to know you better-whether it's running into together at the airport in Salt Lake City of all places; but we'll definitely keep in touch. Thank you for your service and everything you do for the city. You can't get out of it this easily.

REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES (cont'd):

BUILDING AND UTILITIES – Mr. Patten (cont'd):

Ms. Roff – So now I'm responsible to talk because if I didn't...I'm just kidding Matt. I truly feel blessed sitting with you here for the last year. I knew that Mike's open spot was not going to be replaceable by probably anyone. You've done 99.9%. He would feel honored to have had you replace him I think. I appreciate it and I know your residents appreciate it. I also call you a friend, thank you. I could not have done this last year without you.

Mr. Schonhut – Aimee wants to cry now, but I think the family might be a little happy to have a little bit more dad back. I know he's a busy guy but I know he's a family man first too.

Mr. DeMio – Matt, do you want to say anything about yourself?

Mr. Patten – I will start with there are no ordinances or resolutions tonight in my committee. Mr. President, if I could take a moment of personal privilege I would appreciate that. First of all, I thank all of you for the opportunity a year ago. My family certainly...this was unexpected as many of you mentioned in your comments. I didn't know a good number of you. I was certainly surprised and pleased to be selected to replace Mike Daymut. Mike was a personal friend and a mentor that served Ward 1 for 20+ years. From the time my wife and I moved in with just a few kids to now that we have 4, Mike was always quick on the response and a guiding hand and help in Ward 1 that I felt very honored to have the opportunity to replace him. I want to thank the mayor and his administration. All of his directors have been...it's been quite a whirlwind of a year to get sworn in, run a primary, run a general, and do really the most important thing which is to serve our residents as they call upon us and ask for help for things they need. Everyone one of you guys have been nothing but gentlemen and helpful. I want to thank the law director, Neal Jamison for guiding me through, what was it-the first meeting it was 20+ pieces of legislation we had to get up to speed on. Some had been delayed with the absence of Mike's untimely death. I appreciated that a year ago and the conversations ever since. To each one of you on council for showing the new guy around when it comes to committee work. A lot of people give credit to people who've been in other bodies but I think that there's respect that needs to be given to each one. When your new to the State House, you need to be aware and find some of the people that have been around for something as simple as where the bathroom is located to the structure and function of how each committee works; and each one of you were very helpful for me and understanding how I could get into Ward 1 and really hit the ground running. It doesn't happen without a group of good people. I owe each one of you a debt of gratitude for that. To Aimee and Tiffany, for that first meeting after getting sworn in the mayor's office and getting me up to speed on everything that would be required of me, I owe both of you a huge thank you. I won't forget all the help you guys gave me over the last year. Most importantly, you don't get all this stuff done; especially in the busy year we had, without a super supportive family. For all the work my kids put in from delivering newsletters in March on their spring break, when other kids were heading off to the beach, my kids were out just delivering nothing but information to the residents. There was nothing political behind it; just trying to communicate and help people understand the ways that hopefully Strongsville can help them if they need anything. I owe each one of you, and my wife Katherine, my daughter Ella, my son Nicholas, my son Jack, my daughter Gabrielle, thank you, thank you, thank you. I love you and appreciate all the help. With that, I will gladly close my committee, thank you very much.

REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES (cont'd):

BUILDING AND UTILITIES – Mr. Patten (cont'd):

Mr. Carbone – I just want to add one more thing Matt. One thing that I really respected your husband and your father for, every conversation we had, he always mentioned his family, always. There was always a conversation about what you guys were doing and what you guys were involved in. He was so excited for that; so that tells you what type of father you have, thank you.

Mr. Walker – Mr. President, if I could weigh in please, I've heard enough mushy stuff tonight, okay, but in a brief conversation...

Mr. DeMio – For the record, that's Joe Walker, our service director.

Mr. Walker – In a brief conversation prior to the meeting, I found out some very important information. Councilman Patten, your youngest daughter would like a hot tub for Christmas, okay?

(Laughter)

Mr. Walker – So, if you would...I told her I feel sorry for her first boyfriend, she has very expensive taste; but I just thought that you need to cut to the chase. You need to know what's going on here, okay?

Ms. Roff – I'm sure you'll need an ordinance for that too.

Mr. Walker – Thank you, if you need any help installing that, give me a call, thank you.

Mr. DeMio – We'll certainly miss you Matthew, that's for sure.

COMMUNICATIONS AND TECHNOLOGY – Ms. Kosek: I cannot be nearly as entertaining as what we've just discussed with hot tubs; so for Communications and Technology we have no ordinances or resolutions today, but I'm happy to take any questions that anyone may have.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – Ms. Kosek: We did have a meeting on December 9th. Our minutes are not quite ready. We'll have those at the next meeting-the next council meeting that is. Our next Economic Development meeting will be on January 27th at 7:00 p.m. in the council chambers. That's all I have.

FINANCE – Mr. Carbone: I have Ordinance No. 2019-187; this is an ordinance amending the general salary and repealing all other ordinances with the recommendation to suspend and adopt. I have Ordinance No. 2019-189; this is appropriating expenses and expenditures for 2019 and repealing Ordinance No. 2019-139. Basically, what is happening is projects that we did not get completed in 2019, we transfer them over to the 2020 budget and annual expenses; and that is Ordinance No. 2019-190; so Ordinance Nos. 2019-189 and 2019-190-the recommendation for both is to suspend and adopt.

PLANNING, ZONING AND ENGINEERING – Mr. Schonhut: Thank you Mr. DeMio, just one ordinance tonight, Ordinance No. 2019-188. This is a decrease in the contract price with Perram Electric who is doing the traffic signal upgrade project; a decrease of \$168,000.00 as it relates to a few different line items. The recommendation on that is suspend and adopt tonight unless anybody has any questions, comments or concerns.

REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES (cont'd):

PUBLIC SAFETY AND HEALTH – Mr. Short: Thank you Mr. DeMio, we have one ordinance on tonight's agenda, it's Ordinance No. 2019-191. This is just to amend the ordinance of the city for the fees that the fire department provides for treatment and responses for transport for emergency medical transport; and also updating that code section accordingly. The recommendation there is to suspend and adopt and I'll happily take any questions. If not, I'll close my report.

PUBLIC SERVICE AND CONSERVATION – Ms. Roff: I have Resolution No. 2019-192 and this is giving permission to repurchase burial rights in the Strongsville Cemetery. The recommendation there is suspend and adopt.

RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES – Ms. Roff: I do not have anything for Recreation but we are going over some dates. We are hopefully looking at 3 movie nights, one for each month throughout the summer. We talked about that a little bit last year because we had such a big success with our movie night; that's our goal for the summer. Bryan is not here to okay that, but we're looking at those dates now. That's all I have unless anybody has any questions.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – Mr. DeMio: We have Ordinance Nos. 2019-193, 2019-194 and 2019-195. The first one is an ordinance just keeping up with the State with their new laws. The second one is Mr. Patten's, the one I referred to earlier that really locked down the ability of us to get good contracts in the city. The third is the ordinance that Mr. Short spearheaded for the plastic bags...to get us some time to digest and see what's best for our residents as well as the realtors in our town. I want to take a special thanks to Neal and I'll tell you why. Our law director had a bunch of an awful lot of stuff in the last two weeks; a lot of legislation that normally would be at least a 2 or 3 council meeting discussion. He did a Yeoman's job and that's why he is one of the most respected law directors in this county. I know that first time with my experience working with him, directly and indirectly, since 1987 till today; and I just want to put that on the record. I think that oftentimes people come to the podium expecting a little bit more directness from the law director. Neal has a sensitive way of doing business and getting the job done right; so I want to thank you.

Mr. Jamison – Thank you.

Mr. DeMio – That echoes from...I know Mr. Patten talked about it with me and I know Mr. Short talked about that with me as well during the last couple of weeks; so thank you so much.

Mr. Jamison – Thank you for the kind words; I will say though it was a team effort, from the mayor to all his staff. Like I said back in caucus on the firearms, it was meeting with the police, safety director, prosecutor, assistant law director, and getting it done. As it relates to the bidding ordinance, the city engineer, building commissioner, Mr. Walker the service director, taking the time out to get it done and to do it the right way; so it was really a team effort on all levels. Thank you for those kind words.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR, DIRECTORS OF DEPARTMENTS AND OTHER OFFICERS:

MAYOR PERCIAK: Thank you Mr. President, I'm just going to be very brief. On behalf of my wife and myself, the entire administration and the city council, a Merry Christmas to each and every one of you and a very happy, healthy new year and all the best for 2020. That ends my report Mr. President.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT – Mr. Dubovec: Thank you Mr. President, funds are available for all ordinances and resolutions on this evening's agenda requiring certification of funding. That ends my report, thank you.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR, DIRECTORS OF DEPARTMENTS AND OTHER OFFICERS (cont'd):

LAW DEPARTMENT – Mr. Jamison: All ordinances and resolutions are in proper legal form. That concludes my report, thank you.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

(No one came to the podium)

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

Ordinance No. 2019-187 by Mayor Perciak and All Members of Council. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE GENERAL SALARY ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTIONS 4-013, 5-152, 5-156, 5-187, 6-003, 9-007, 9-008, 9-009, 9-010 AND 9-011, IN ORDER TO ADJUST CERTAIN PROVISIONS CONCERNING SALARY AND HOURLY PAY RANGE SCHEDULES; TO FIX THE COMPENSATION OF CERTAIN SALARIED AND HOURLY EMPLOYEES; AND REPEALING ALL OTHER ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. *First reading 12/2/19.*

Motion by Mr. Carbone, to amend the legislation to reflect the changes in **Sections 9-004 and 9-005** of the General Salary Ordinance, second by Mr. Schonhut. All members present voted aye and the motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Carbone to suspend the rules requiring every ordinance or resolution to be read on three different days, second by Mr. Patten. All members present voted aye and the motion carried.

Motion to adopt as amended by Mr. Carbone, second by Mr. Patten.

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries. Ordinance No. 2019-187 ADOPTED **AS AMENDED.**

Ordinance No. 2019-188 by Mayor Perciak and All Members of Council. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO ISSUE AND APPROVE CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 FOR AN ADJUSTMENT IN THE CONTRACT PRICE REFLECTING A NET DECREASE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF STRONGSVILLE AND PERRAM ELECTRIC, INC., IN CONNECTION WITH THE STRONGSVILLE TRAFFIC SIGNAL UPGRADE PROJECT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Motion by Mr. Carbone to suspend the rules requiring every ordinance or resolution to be read on three different days, second by Mr. Patten. All members present voted aye and the motion carried.

Motion to adopt as amended by Mr. Carbone, second by Mr. Patten.

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries. Ordinance No. 2019-188 ADOPTED.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS (cont'd):

Ordinance No. 2019-189 by Mayor Perciak. AN ORDINANCE MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE ANNUAL EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF STRONGSVILLE, OHIO, FOR THE YEAR 2019 AND REPEALING ORDINANCE NUMBER 2019-139.

Motion by Mr. Carbone to suspend the rules requiring every ordinance or resolution to be read on three different days, second by Mr. Patten. All members present voted aye and the motion carried.

Motion to adopt by Mr. Carbone, second by Mr. Patten.

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries. Ordinance No. 2019-189 ADOPTED.

Ordinance No. 2019-190 by Mayor Perciak. AN ORDINANCE MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE ANNUAL EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF STRONGSVILLE, OHIO, FOR THE YEAR 2020.

Motion by Mr. Carbone to suspend the rules requiring every ordinance or resolution to be read on three different days, second by Mr. Patten. All members present voted aye and the motion carried.

Motion to adopt by Mr. Carbone, second by Mr. Patten.

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries. Ordinance No. 2019-190 ADOPTED.

Ordinance No. 2019-191 by Mayor Perciak and All Members of Council. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 254.02 AND 254.03 OF CHAPTER 254 OF TITLE SIX OF PART TWO OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF STRONGSVILLE IN ORDER TO PROVIDE FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT RESPONSES FOR TREATMENT AND TRANSPORT; TO ACCORDINGLY ADJUST CERTAIN FEES FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Motion by Mr. Carbone to suspend the rules requiring every ordinance or resolution to be read on three different days, second by Mr. Patten. All members present voted aye and the motion carried.

Motion to adopt by Mr. Carbone, second by Mr. Patten.

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries. Ordinance No. 2019-191 ADOPTED.

Resolution No. 2019-192 by Mayor Perciak and All Members of Council. A RESOLUTION GRANTING PERMISSION TO REPURCHASE CERTAIN CERTIFICATES FOR BURIAL RIGHTS IN THE STRONGSVILLE MUNICIPAL CEMETERY [Jenny].

Motion by Mr. Carbone to suspend the rules requiring every ordinance or resolution to be read on three different days, second by Mr. Patten. All members present voted aye and the motion carried.

Motion to adopt by Mr. Carbone, second by Mr. Patten.

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries. Resolution No. 2019-192 ADOPTED.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS (cont'd):

Ordinance No. 2019-193 by Mayor Perciak and All Members of Council. AN ORDINANCE REPEALING EXISTING CHAPTER 672 AND ENACTING A NEW CHAPTER 672 OF PART SIX-GENERAL OFFENSES CODE; AMENDING SECTIONS 476.03(f) OF PART FOUR-TRAFFIC CODE; SECTION 648.01(c) OF PART SIX-GENERAL OFFENSES CODE; AND SECTIONS 1060.51 AND 1060.52 OF PART TEN-STREETS, UTILITIES AND PUBLIC SERVICES CODE OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF STRONGSVILLE CONCERNING FIREARMS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Motion by Mr. Carbone to suspend the rules requiring every ordinance or resolution to be read on three different days, second by Mr. Patten. All members present voted aye and the motion carried.

Motion to adopt Mr. Carbone, second by Mr. Patten.

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries. Ordinance No. 2019-193 ADOPTED.

Ordinance No. 2019-194 by Mayor Perciak and All Members of Council. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 210.12 OF CHAPTER 210 OF TITLE TWO OF PART TWO-ADMINISTRATION CODE OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF STRONGSVILLE CONCERNING INFORMATION SUBMITTED BY BIDDERS FOR MUNICIPAL CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS.

Motion by Mr. Carbone to suspend the rules requiring every ordinance or resolution to be read on three different days, second by Mr. Patten. All members present voted aye and the motion carried.

Motion to adopt by Mr. Carbone, second by Mr. Patten.

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries. Ordinance No. 2019-194 ADOPTED.

Ordinance No. 2019-195 by Mayor Perciak and All Members of Council. AN ORDINANCE EXEMPTING ALL BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS WITHIN THE CITY OF STRONGSVILLE FROM THE CUYAHOGA COUNTY DISPOSABLE BAG BAN; AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATION TO STUDY AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS CONCERNING FUTURE USE OF DISPOSABLE BAGS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Motion by Mr. Carbone to suspend the rules requiring every ordinance or resolution to be read on three different days, second by Mr. Patten. All members present voted aye and the motion carried.

Motion to adopt by Mr. Carbone, second by Mr. Patten.

Ms. Kosek – I just want to make clear that I support the fact that we will be looking into this to make some legislation that actually addresses what we need in the city; so with that, I'm voting yes.

Ms. Roff – I would just echo what Kelly is saying and I will cast a yes vote for this with the understanding that within the next year that we will have something in place for this ordinance to be good for the city all the way around.

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries. Ordinance No. 2019-195 ADOPTED.

COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS AND CLAIMS:

(None)

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:

Set public hearing on the matter of the possible re-appointment and re-employment of Joseph M. Walker (who will be submitting his retirement notice with the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS) to be effective March 31, 2020) to his current position as Service Director for the City of Strongsville to be effective April 1, 2020.


Motion made by Mr. Carbone, pursuant to Section 145.381 of the Ohio Revised Code, to set a public hearing for Monday, March 16, 2020, at 8:00 p.m., at the Mike Kalinich Sr. City Council Chamber, concerning the matter of the possible re-appointment and re-employment of Joseph M. Walker (who will be submitting his retirement notice with the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS) to be effective March 31, 2020) to his current position as Service Director for the City of Strongsville, to be effective April 1, 2020. Second by Mr. Schonhut. All members present voted aye and the motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before this Council, President DeMio adjourned the meeting at 9:51 p.m.



Aimee Pientka, MMC
Clerk of Council



Date