

SUMMARY OF CAUCUS DISCUSSION AND MINUTES OF THE STRONGSVILLE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING HELD ON, MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2025.

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, September 15, 2025, at 6:30 p.m.**

Present: Council Members: Gordon C. Short, James E. Carbone, James A. Kaminski, Kelly A. Kosek, Thomas M. Clark, and Brian M. Spring. **Also Present:** Clerk of Council Aimee Pientka. **Administration:** Mayor Thomas P. Perciak, Law Director Neal Jamison, Finance Director Eric Dean, Public Safety Director Charles Goss, and Human Resources Director Steve Kilo.

Council President Gordon C. Short, called the caucus to order at 6:30 p.m.

Mr. Carbone made a motion to adjourn into executive session for the purpose of discussing Collective Bargaining matters and personnel matters pertaining to training of members of Council. It was seconded by Mr. Kaminski 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 6:31 p.m. Also present from the Administration: Mayor Thomas P. Perciak, Law Director Neal Jamison, Finance Director Eric Dean, Public Safety Director Charles Goss, and Human Resources Director Steve Kilo. Members of the administration left at 6:42 p.m. The executive session concluded at 6:51 p.m. and reconvened into open session.

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

Public Safety & Health Committee:

Chairwoman Kosek – Ordinance No. 2025-086 is our ordinance regarding the dispatch that we have had readings for. This will be our third reading tonight, so I think that we are at a point that we will be voting on it. Jim, I know that your brother-in-law is a dispatch supervisor...director for the center. Are you good to vote? Have you gotten an advisory opinion, or are you conflicted?

Mr. Kaminski – No, I am good to vote. He has submitted his retirement for November 1, 2025.

Ms. Kosek – So, he is not retired yet?

Mr. Kaminski – No.

Mr. Jamison – I have discussed it with Mr. Kaminski, and again, it's up to him to decide. We felt that there is no conflict at least in my opinion. Ultimately, each of you makes your own decisions as to whether you have a conflict or not. We did discuss it based on your recent discussions with him, and in my opinion, there is none.

Ms. Kosek – Okay, does anybody else have...

Ms. Roff – I know we have also done rehires after people have retired. Is that going to be...I just want to make sure that...

Mr. Jamison – Who is being rehired?

Ms. Roff – I'm just saying in general. I don't know if he would put...I guess if Jim votes no on moving to dispatch, then that benefits his brother-in-law?

Mr. Jamison – Again, he has already submitted his retirement. This vote will not affect his employment whatsoever.

Ms. Roff – Okay.

Mr. Jamison - He is gone anyways.

Mayor Perciak – He has made it perfectly clear to me in writing that he is going...he is retiring. It's in writing, and we have it.

Mr. Short – Are there any other questions or comments about Ordinance No. 2025-086?

(No questions or comments)

Mr. Short – Thank you, Ms. Kosek.

Planning, Zoning & Engineering:

Chairman Spring – Thank you, President Short. Ordinance No. 2025-092; this was the ordinance authorizing the Mayor to grant an easement for the water meter vault purposes. For the construction and installation of a water meter vault purposed for the new Strongsville Fire Station #5 to be constructed on the south side of Royalton Road. This was placed on first reading and referred to the Planning Commission. It received a favorable recommendation by the Planning Commission. The recommendation tonight is to suspend and adopt.

Mr. Short – Thank you, Mr. Spring. Any questions for Mr. Spring on that?

(No questions)

Recreation & Community Services Committee:

Chairman Kaminski – Yes, we have one ordinance this evening. Ordinance No. 2025-101; this is a proposal to receive funding from the Cuyahoga County Department of Health and Human Services in connection with various senior programs, including transportation for 2026 and 2027 in the amount of \$242,100.00. The recommendation is suspension and adoption on that ordinance this evening. That concludes my report.

Mr. Short – Thank you, Mr. Kaminski. Any questions for Mr. Kaminski?

(No questions)

Finance Committee:

Chairman Short – For the Finance Committee, we have one resolution tonight. Resolution No. 2025-102; this is the annual certification by the County Fiscal Officer for the necessary tax levies for the City of Strongsville. The recommendation there is to suspend and adopt. Any questions on that?

(No questions)

Committee of the Whole:

Chairman Short – We have Resolution No. 2025-103; this again deals with entering into the participation for the settlement in the opioid epidemic litigation. This one is with...there's several.

Mr. Jamison – There's eight manufacturers.

Chairman Short – There's eight manufacturers in this, so we will become a part of that settlement and receive any funds should they be disbursed. The recommendation there is to suspend and adopt. Any questions on that?

(No questions)

Mr. Short – Anything else before...

Mr. Jamison – Mr. Short, you are also going to reappoint and confirm David Houle for BZA (Board of Zoning Appeals).

Mr. Short – Correct.

Mr. Jamison – Just as a reminder.

Mr. Short – We will recognize some members of our high school to talk about an upcoming event for their homecoming this Thursday.

Mr. Jamison – They are here.

Mr. Short – They are here, perfect. With that, we will be back in three minutes and thirty seconds.

*****Please note – The legislation discussed above on tonight's agenda can be viewed in entirety at: <https://www.strongsville.org/government/city-council/minutes-agendas> by clicking on the September 15, 2025 agenda link. *****

MINUTES OF THE STRONGSVILLE CITY COUNCIL ORGANIZATIONAL AND REGULAR MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2025 IN THE MIKE KALINICH SR. CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS.

CALL TO ORDER:

Council President Gordon C. Short called the meeting to order at 7:00 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. 2023-182.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Council Members: Gordon C. Short, James E. Carbone, James A. Kaminski, Kelly A. Kosek, Thomas M. Clark, and Brian M. Spring. **Also Present:** Clerk of Council Aimee Pientka. **Administration:** Mayor Thomas P. Perciak, Law Director Neal Jamison, Finance Director Eric Dean, Public Safety Director Charles Goss, and Human Resources Director Steve Kilo.

COMMENTS ON MINUTES:

The Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on September 2, 2025, were approved as submitted.

APPOINTMENTS, CONFIRMATIONS, AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS:

Mayor's re-appointment and confirmation of David J. Houle to a four (4) year term on the City's Board of Zoning Appeals, effective September 17, 2025, and expiring on September 16, 2029.

Motion made by Mr. Carbone, second by Mr. Kaminski, to re-appointment David J. Houle to a four (4) year term on the City's Board of Zoning Appeals, effective September 17, 2025, and expiring on September 16, 2029. All members present voted aye and the motion carried.

Mr. Short – Give Mr. Houle our congratulations, Mayor, and thank him for his continued service to our city.

Mayor Perciak – I will forward that message to him. I'm sure I will see him when I get home tonight.

Mr. Short – We do have some members of our Strongsville High School here to address Council and present about the upcoming homecoming parade for this Thursday, September 18, 2025. The floor is yours.

Vincent Cifani, 13463 Richards Drive, Strongsville, Ohio 44136: Hello, my name is Vinny Cifani, and I am a senior at the Strongsville High School. Thank you for having us come here.

Abigail Holmes, 10141 Huntington Park Drive, Strongsville, Ohio 44136: Hi, my name is Abby Holmes, and I am also a senior at the Strongsville High School. It's great to see everybody, and it's nice to meet you guys.

Mr. Cifani – First, we want to talk about why we are having this homecoming parade. Our goal was to bring all the elementary schools and the whole community together for one big celebratory event. In our parade, we have kindergarteners watching the parade, and we have third graders through fifth graders in the parade. We also have middle schoolers and high schoolers. All the schools are coming together to be at this big event that we have.

Ms. Holmes – The parade will be on September 18, 2025, at 6:30 p.m., but the roads will close at 6:00 p.m. It's recommended to get there before 6:00 p.m.

APPOINTMENTS, CONFIRMATIONS, AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS (cont'd):

Mr. Cifani – What we need from you guys is that we want you guys to come there and support us. If you want to walk in the parade, I'm sure the school will welcome you in it. Be there, and bring your friends and family. We want to have a great turnout this year. I know last year thousands of people were watching – we want to up that number this year. If you see the flyer that we gave you guys, it has a QR code if you want to scan it. You can donate there for donations such as signs. The school...we are going to reimburse them for the floats that they are making. They are really good this year, so we recommend that you come and see. Thank you, guys, for having us again, and we really want you guys to come out. Come show your Strongsville spirit and really bring the community together.

Mr. Short – Thank you. Quick question: Do you also have a link or any social media posts that we could share on our social media or Facebook pages to encourage the community to come and watch and attend the parade?

Mr. Cifani – Yes, we actually have an Instagram page. It's called @Strongsville_HoCo_Parade. I think it should be on the website as well, but the QR code is on there.

(Background conversation)

Mr. Cifani – The QR code goes to just donations.

(Background conversation)

Mr. Cifani – We have a link to a slide show that also has the Instagram in there that we can send out as well. The Instagram is: @Strongsville_Hoco_Parade.

Mr. Kaminski – Thank you for organizing, and I look forward to attending.

Mr. Cifani – Great, thank you.

Mr. Short – Thank you. It should be a great event, and it should be beautiful weather.

Mr. Cifani - We also have our community pep rally at the end. The band, the cheerleaders, and the football team get together at the stadium.

Mr. Short – Thank you, and we will see you Thursday night. Mr. Mayor, is there anything further under Confirmations, Awards, and Recognition?

Mayor Perciak – Nothing, sir.

REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES:

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – Mr. Clark: Thank you, President Short. There are a couple of things I want to talk about under the Economic Development Committee. This past week, as you know, Strongsville is a member of the Aerozone Alliance. This past week...last week was Ohio Space Week. The Aerozone Alliance hosted the first Aerozone summit last Monday. There were about 200 people that registered, and it was a sold-out event. We had three of us from Strongsville there in the morning. I was fortunate enough to stay for the day, and it was a great event. A lot of things are going on with Aerozone. There were business leaders there presenting; and there were government officials there presenting in the morning. Various different non-government organizations presenting throughout the day. I think the theme really was around driving economic development throughout Northeast Ohio and leveraging the major assets we have; not just with NASA, but all these businesses around Northeast Ohio that support aerospace. It was a great event. There will be some follow-up, and I will forward an email out to you guys when the summaries come out from that. I also wanted to share one of the things that was highlighted near the end of the day, which was this project that NASA is involved with. It has to do with fission power on the moon - that's necessary in order for us to go from the Moon to Mars. That is being studied here at NASA...NASA Glenn right around the corner. By the end of the week, that project was approved and will continue at NASA. Again, for Monday, Ohio Space Week is ending. That's a positive recap from last week, and certainly an opportunity for more businesses to come here. Those businesses, many of them know, that we have space available coming soon in our Foltz Industrial Parkway Phase II, and to that, attract manufacturing here in Northeast Ohio. Later this month, not put on by us solely, but we are a part of it, is Business Expansion Resources fostering global relationships. That is going to be hosted here in our Strongsville Recreation Center - that will be on September 26, 2025. That's really for manufacturing businesses that want to grow their global presence. It's great that event is here at the same time that we know that we have space available for these companies that have an opportunity to grow. That's going to be on September 26, 2025. I do also want to share again, and I shared it at the last meeting, but September 22, 2025, at 10:00 a.m., our next Economic Development Committee meeting is going to be at 10:00 a.m. We are leaving the city, and we are going down to the MAGNET facility, which is the Manufacturing Advocacy and Growth Network. Great tour for an organization that helps businesses grow here in Northeast Ohio. That concludes my report, but I will gladly take any questions.

Mr. Kaminski – Just a quick comment. The Aerozone Alliance Summit was very good. I appreciate that you are keeping us informed of those opportunities and helping us build our knowledge on what needs to happen in Northeast Ohio – great event. Thank you.

Mr. Clark – I think it's very fortunate that the Mayor has been involved with it, really, from the beginning. Our Economic Development Director, Brent Painter, has been intimately involved with it; he is on the board there. That's been a great collaboration event. He is involved in several committees that helped with the preparation and is really contributing to the success, which is good for the region.

Mayor Perciak – You saw the working relationship, whether it would be from members of Congress, whether it would be from our county, or whether it would be from our municipal Mayors; it's really a good working group all working towards one common cause.

REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES (cont'd):

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – Mr. Clark (cont'd):

Mr. Clark – I will shoot to that point. There was a quote, and I think many of us have heard him say it before, but Matt Dolan, who is the CEO of Team NEO (an economic development agency) ...and I think we know him and his name from some of his previous roles, but today, he is the CEO of Team NEO - he spoke during that event. He said, and I will paraphrase: It's crystal clear that economic development is a team sport. That event was really a great hallmark of that - bringing all these entities together for the good of Northeast Ohio.

Mayor Perciak – Just to add one more thing. We are getting ready to probably pave the balance of Foltz Parkway. We hope to have a ribbon cutting next month and attach...I don't know how we are going to do it yet, a breakfast or a lunch to it. Kind of keep your eyes and ears open for that day. We will have people here from the state, and everyone who was involved in helping make that become a reality, especially, our Economic Development Director from the state, Lydia Mihalik. As you know, she was the one who was very instrumental with the governor in making certain that we get grant money there. I personally invited her and members of the administration there. We are looking forward to that final thing so that we can get that open. In the meantime, we are beginning to continue to work with the realtor in interviewing different candidates at the type of businesses that want to go there. As you know, we are somewhat limited to...we can't bring in any major I.T. groups because of the power grids and the blackouts here in Northeast Ohio. We spoke about that at the Aerozone meeting. We are working closely and doing whatever we can to make sure that goes off and starts off the way it should.

Mr. Clark – Well, Mayor, I think it was you at the breakfast in the morning that reminded the group that was working together that all this stuff that we want requires capital and power.

Mayor Perciak – You're right about the power, thank you.

Mr. Short – I would just like to say to my colleagues and the committee that if you have a chance to go see MAGNET...Tom, you said it was the 22nd?

Mr. Clark – It's Monday, September 22, 2025.

Mr. Short – I was just there last week, and it's quite an impressive facility that we have in Cleveland, Ohio. If you can make time, I think it's definitely worth the trip.

Ms. Kosek – Mayor, did you say what date the ribbon cutting was going to be?

Mayor Perciak – Not yet, because the weather is weather, and we have been blessed up until now. I want to make sure everything is done there, so that we can actually walk; and there isn't going to be any issue with us getting around up and down the street and everything else.

Ms. Kosek – I totally understand.

Mayor Perciak - As soon as I have a date, I will let everyone know.

Ms. Kosek - I thank you. You said you had invited the economic development director, so I wasn't sure if it was just an "it will be around this time", or if there was a specific date.

REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES (cont'd):

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – Mr. Clark (cont'd):

Mayor Perciak – It's pretty much how it worked, yes.

Ms. Kosek – Thank you.

Mayor Perciak – We will make sure everybody is there...whoever wants to be there. For certain, this is a big thing.

BUILDING AND UTILITIES – Ms. Roff:

(No report)

PUBLIC SERVICE AND CONSERVATION – Ms. Roff:

(No report)

PUBLIC SAFETY & HEALTH – Ms. Kosek: We do have Ordinance No. 2025-086, which is to...it would authorize the Mayor to enter into an agreement with the Chagrin Valley Dispatch. This would be our third reading. I think that we are ready to vote on that. I don't know...we've had a lot of discussion; we've had a lot of public comments; and I think this is one of the most important issues that we have been tasked with in the recent past. I think we all take the responsibility to keep our families and our first responders safe – I take that very seriously. That's why I thought that it was just so important that we all go and get an opportunity to see the Southwest Dispatch and to see the Chagrin Valley Dispatch. I appreciate everyone who took the time to participate in those tours. In addition to those tours, I have listened to what the administration has told us, I have read the communications that we have seen from our first responders and our residents; and overwhelmingly I have heard that Strongsville residents prefer not to go to CVD. I have considered all the information available to me including some important facts. If Strongsville joins CVD, it would be the largest community by square miles and one of the largest cities by population. It will have the largest, or one of the largest, industrial and retail populations in CVD. With that, Strongsville is unique. It may be cheaper in the short term to go to CVD, but in the long-term it may not be. Money is not the only factor that we should be considering. Mayor Perciak had said repeatedly over the years that the most important service that a community can offer, its residents and businesses, is safety - I wholeheartedly agree. Strongsville has the best first responders bar none. As a city and as a Council, we have a moral obligation to protect our residents and to protect our safety forces and first responders. I have never voted not to support our safety forces. Our safety forces have needed funding, and I have consistently supported that funding. Now, CVD is a capable dispatch organization, but it is very large and it's made up of communities spanning all across Cuyahoga County. The majority of which are on the east side. I think that Strongsville needs something different, and something that is more tailored to the community that Strongsville is. When services are outsourced, you lose the ability to control your own costs. It becomes a bill you pay without control or significant input. If we join CVD, we will lose our ability to control costs because we will just be another community in the 30 (communities) that are part of CVD. If we join CVD, we will be forced to pay a big portion of the build for the new dispatch center that they plan to build in another city – not in Strongsville. If we join CVD, we will lose the connection that our first responders have to our fire medics and our police officers.

REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES (cont'd):

PUBLIC SAFETY & HEALTH – Ms. Kosek (cont'd): They will lose those day-to-day interactions and connections that they experience here in Strongsville. Those connections are part of what enables them to be the best first responders. To suggest that Strongsville only has two options here is just not true. Strongsville could have continued the Southwest Dispatch, but this administration chose to end Southwest Dispatch at the end of July without Council's input. If Southwest Dispatch is not the answer, we should consider whether we should create our own Council of Governments or if the administration is willing to partner with other cities. With a smaller Council of Governments, we would have greater input. Alternatively, we could join another dispatch center – other communities are joining North Olmsted. At the end of the day, even if it costs more initially, Strongsville can dispatch for itself. Other communities, like Lakewood, do their own dispatching. If we want to be premiere, and if we want to be the best, then we should do it ourselves. No one can do it better than we can. I would ask that you consider this before you vote tonight. I will open the floor to anyone else who has comments that wants to discuss this. I think we owe it to the community to have a conversation.

Ms. Roff – Kelly, I just wanted to go over...Eric forwarded me some of those numbers. I just want to make sure that I am reading it correctly. Eric, if we stay and we do not go to CVD, our costs would be approximately \$3,400.00 or so a year, which would be about \$400,000.00 - sounds like a big chunk. I'm sorry, \$34,000.00 per month, but then the cost would be about \$400,000.00 per year for us is how I am reading the information that Eric sent to me. I feel that \$400,000.00 is what we spend on many other things and is not a large price tag to keep us serving our residents the way we serve them now. I don't know if you want to go over those numbers, Eric, and tell me if I am adding that up correctly.

Mr. Dean – Absolutely. Thank you for the email and the request for the information. I did put some of the numbers together based on how we currently operate, and projected those out. Looking at the contract that we were offered with CVD, it's going to cost the city probably around \$1.24 million dollars. That's based on what was in the ordinance currently tonight. Looking overall, if we did keep the center in the city at the staffing level that we thought we would need, we were thinking it's going to be probably around a \$522,000.00 increase in cost. That would be just because we don't really have the economies of scale to keep that in the city. The total that we are looking at to keep it here would be around \$1.76 million dollars.

Mr. Short – With reduced staffing, correct?

Mr. Dean – That's correct.

Mayor Perciak – In fact, we considered lower numbers on this because the numbers that we were told was about 18 (employees). When we ran the numbers, we ran with 14 (employees).

Mr. Dean – Yes.

Mayor Perciak – That's with keeping it at a bearable minimum.

REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES (cont'd):

PUBLIC SAFETY & HEALTH – Ms. Kosek (cont'd):

Mr. Carbone – I know the City of Lakewood, which is about 3,000 – 4,000 more calls than we receive, has 100 police officers, 50,000 residents, and 12 dispatchers, and their police sergeant oversees the training and supervision, and he reports to a captain. Their overall dispatch budget is \$1.35 million dollars.

Mayor Perciak – Jim, we did not involve the...like in this case, our deputy chief – he's there. We didn't involve his salary in that, or the police officers that are involved. That stays in our city.

Mr. Carbone – Correct.

Mayor Perciak – It stays in the police budget. You can't mix it up.

Ms. Roff – So the deputy chief...he's retiring, correct?

Mr. Jamison – No.

Ms. Roff – Who did you say...?

Mayor Perciak – No.

Ms. Roff – I'm sorry.

Mayor Perciak – The deputy police chief is over there.

Ms. Roff – The person that oversees that organization right now...

Mayor Perciak – Charlie, do you want to answer that?

Mr. Goss – We have a dispatch supervisor and two assistant supervisors. Those civilians answer to a deputy chief who ultimately answers to the chief.

Ms. Roff – So, we have somewhere we can look; especially if we are not having other cities involved and it's just us. It will be smaller and easier to maintain control and oversee it. We wouldn't necessarily need to replace him once he retires. Would we?

Mr. Goss – Eric built his budget on a certain staffing level, which I think includes two supervisors.

Mr. Dean – Yes, If I could...

Ms. Roff – So, does that mean that there is somebody on from 12 a.m. to 12 p.m.? Is that how the supervisors work? Or are there just two supervisors?

Mr. Dean – We have three supervisors - we did add the third one recently. I have 10 dispatchers and the director. We would have a director at the center.

Ms. Roff – The director can fall under...like even under Charlie, correct? If we don't have all the other cities in. It's just us and it's easier to manage.

REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES (cont'd):

PUBLIC SAFETY & HEALTH – Ms. Kosek (cont'd):

Mayor Perciak – At the end of the day, we still have to pay them. Where do we want to slot them? Do we want to slot them in the police department budget? Or, do we want to slot them in the dispatch budget? No matter how, they still need to be paid. What we did is we actually...or what Eric did, and the safety director said, that this is exactly dispatch. However, the deputy chief still needs to be paid. We did not put him in that budget. He still remains in the police budget.

Ms. Roff – Is he still overseeing it now?

Mayor Perciak – He's there helping and doing things, yes. Is he there for the most part, Charlie?

Mr. Goss – All the cities...it has to do with state law and LEADS access. They have to fall under the authority of ultimately the police chief. All of these dispatch centers, any that access LEADS; which is all of them, have to organizationally be under the direction of the police chief.

Mr. Carbone – When we look at....

Ms. Roff – That is under the police chief. What I am asking, I guess, if we have just our city, are we not able to oversee that without one person being a director, especially, if he's...I'm not sure; is he there all the time...not all the time? How much time needs to be invested in that? Are there other people that can step up where we could release that cost and put it back into our extra costs if we keep our services here?

Mr. Carbone – I think what Ann is saying is similar to Lakewood. They have more officers, more call volume, and 12 dispatchers; they are all on 12-hour shifts, and they have a police sergeant that oversees dispatch. There's no supervision within the dispatch. It is overseen by a sergeant within the Lakewood Police Department that reports to the captain. When you look at the comparable, I think it is essential that we keep these services in our town for multiple reasons. When given those numbers, and when you look at those numbers in doing the comparable, \$1.35 million dollars compared to \$1.2 million dollars going to Chagrin Valley Dispatch, I think it's worth its weight in gold. Then, what we can do is, as we keep it here, we can develop a Council of Governments. We can change to Sundance over the controversial Motorola P-1, and we can leave the light on and the door open for other partnerships in the future with cities. We can become that premiere regional dispatch center, again, that I was sold on originally. All the benefits of keeping it here in town, and going around town for all these years, are about how we have the best. Well, that best starts with our first responders, who are our dispatchers, our fire, and our police. I just think it is essential that we keep it here. This is why tonight; I will not be in favor of the contract with Chagrin Valley Dispatch. I think, like Kelly said, they are a reputable dispatch center. When we want to be premiere, and we want to have premiere...like what Tom is saying in our industrial parkways, do we want anything to interfere with our services? We are using Lakewood tonight, and Lakewood went through this a couple of years ago. They had to weigh a lot of options on what they were going to do—cost was one of them. I'll just repeat what their chief had said about the City of Lakewood. For a city the size of Lakewood, with more than 50,000 residents, the police chief said, "Maintaining autonomy with dispatch services is imperative. Our dispatchers know the city; they know the police officers, the firefighters, and the EMTs, and they are familiar with our policies, our capability, and our resources. They are the person's best ability to get the proper personnel and equipment to a scene of any emergency in our industrial parkways, to our homes, and to our schools as quickly and efficiently as possible."

REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES (cont'd):

PUBLIC SAFETY & HEALTH – Ms. Kosek (cont'd):

Mr. Carbone (cont'd) - This is why his recommendation...he believed having his own dispatchers in the City of Lakewood is essential for providing the safety of the citizens, as well as the safety forces, in the best manner possible. Keeping it here is the best manner possible. Why we are even having this debate is beyond me.

Mr. Jamison – Mr. Chairman, if I can respond to a couple of things Mr. Carbone said.

Mr. Short – Sure.

Mr. Jamison – You can't have it both ways. You can't sit here and say we are going to be on our own, and then we are going to go out and market it to all these other communities. If you are going to have to go out and market it, you need someone to run it. You can't cut it to the bare bone and then try to recruit other communities. You also mentioned the Motorola P-1. That is the state-of-the-art technology that even your department at the sheriff's department is using. There are some challenges with the record management; and Strongsville has already moved to Sundance. We did that this summer, and we are in the process of implementing that. What that means is, as the officers used that program, the data entry and retrieval has been found, at least in our department, not to be as smooth as they would like it. We recognize that and independently, before we even did this, we decided...the police department decided to move to Sundance. That statement was not correct about the Motorola P-1, and Sundance. As far as looking into the future, what you have to realize is that as this comes up, the software and equipment evolve and change. That's where the economies of scale come in. If you are going to be on your own, God bless Lakewood for making the decision they made; but in five to ten years, as that technology changes and evolves and we have to keep up with the equipment, that's where the cost goes higher. So, you have to look to the...

Ms. Roff – So that same cost...

Mr. Jamison – Let me finish, please. You have to look to the future in terms of those kinds of costs as well. It's not just a static ...looking at it this year and maybe we won't be as bad down the road - that's not necessarily true. The other thing is, the state is nudging everybody to be in a regional center. We can sit here and say, we can do this and we can do that to try and attract other cities, but they are doing what's best for them at the end of the day. They are deciding in terms of service and costs and other things like that. It's not as easy as you think to go out and recruit other communities going forward. I just wanted to refute some of the things you had just said.

Ms. Roff – My question really quick, sorry...

Mr. Short – Hold on, Mr. Kaminski had some comments.

REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES (cont'd):

PUBLIC SAFETY & HEALTH – Ms. Kosek (cont'd):

Mr. Kaminski – First of all, when we first started these conversations, one of the things we talked about was keeping the family together, the jobs that would be involved, and the impact of people losing their jobs. By sustaining on our own in Strongsville, you will need less staffing. There would be more people that would lose their jobs if we vote no on this – hands down everyone agrees with that. For people to lose their jobs in this situation, I think that is wrong. We have a situation to move over to Chagrin Valley Dispatch right now. To me, this is the best alternative given the situation that we have with all the communities leaving Southwest Dispatch. Now, in a major crisis situation, if you were to have a tornado or a major fire, the community is safer with a Chagrin Valley Dispatch type of situation versus overwhelming one, two, or three dispatchers in a single community operation. Hands down that is factual, and no one can argue with that. In a major crisis situation, our community is safer in that particular situation. I have done my homework on this, and I have also talked to residents who are dispatchers. They hands down said that Chagrin Valley Dispatch is the best alternative. They have better career opportunities, better salary, and better chances for advancement out of all the ones that I have talked with. After the research that I have done and the citizens that I have talked with, this is...to me, by keeping everyone together as a family unit, which we talked about, we have that opportunity. Everyone has the chance to go to Chagrin Valley Dispatch to keep their job. If we stay here, there will be less staffing - absolutely less staffing. How do you go about reducing that staffing?

Ms. Roff – I don't believe that they have the ability to take all of our dispatchers. That's incorrect because not all of the city that we were dispatching for is going over there. They are not going to take all of ours. If there are already people that have gone that way, or feel that that's the better spot for them to be, then they are going anyhow. If some of the dispatchers are already going there, then we still have the people that hold value to stay here to hold down the fort, and to put their all into it.

Mr. Kaminski – Correct me if I'm wrong, but if this wasn't to pass tonight, then that whole thing is null and void. They wouldn't go over there at all.

Mr. Jamison – Right, that goes up in smoke.

Mr. Kaminski – So people...

Ms. Roff – They are going to need more dispatchers.

Mr. Kaminski - ...would lose their jobs...period. Let's be honest with the residents. People would lose their jobs.

Ms. Kosek – Let's be honest with the residents. The administration sent a letter at the end of July out to the communities and told them that we no longer were having a Southwest Dispatch Center. Other communities that were part of our Southwest Dispatch Center are now going to Chagrin Valley Dispatch. They will need more people to dispatch. Whether the agreement that Strongsville has created with them is null and void, I haven't seen the documents. I don't know what they say. If there are people who want to go to Chagrin Valley Dispatch, and there are communities that are currently sitting with us and they are going to Chagrin Valley, Chagrin Valley is going to need more people to dispatch. No one is going to lose their job in this situation. Let's be honest with the people, Mr. Kaminski; that is not going to happen.

REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES (cont'd):

PUBLIC SAFETY & HEALTH – Ms. Kosek (cont'd):

Mr. Kaminski - I am being honest with the people. Financially, number one, we are financial stewards. We have to do what is best financially, too, for the residents.

Ms. Kosek – For the safety of our residents.

Ms. Roff – There is no price on somebody's life...

Mr. Kaminski – First of all...

Ms. Roff - ...or on any of our first responders, I'm sorry.

Mr. Kaminski – First of all, this is a safe option. To say that it is not a safe option is not correct. You have no data to say that number one, there is going to be any risk or any increase in call time by making this change.

Mr. Short – Okay, I'm going to call this meeting to order. This is why we have committees. There should have been a Public Safety Committee meeting hearing for this debate. I'm sorry, Chairman Kosek, you did not call one. This is Reports of Council Committees. I know this is a very important vote, but I think we have heard both of the pros and cons; this is not the time or place. That should have been in a Public Safety and Health Committee meeting. With that, I would just say that we vote our conscience tonight; whatever decisions are made after that, the city, the residents, the administration, and this Council will deal with it.

COMMUNICATIONS AND TECHNOLOGY – Ms. Kosek:

(No report)

RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES – Mr. Kaminski: We have one ordinance this evening. Ordinance No. 2025-101, is to submit a proposal to receive funding from the Cuyahoga County Department of Health and Human Services in connection with various senior programs and transportation for 2026 and 2027; that's in the amount of \$242,100.00. The recommendation is suspension and adoption. That completes my report.

Mr. Short – Any questions for Mr. Kaminski?

(No questions)

PLANNING, ZONING AND ENGINEERING – Mr. Spring: Thank you, President Short. I have Ordinance No. 2025-092; this is an ordinance for the Mayor to grant an easement for the water meter vault purposes to the City of Cleveland in connection with the construction and installation of a water meter vault for the proposed new Strongsville Fire Station # 5 to be constructed on the south side of Royalton Road. This was placed on first reading and referred to the Planning Commission. It received a favorable recommendation by the Planning Commission. Today, the recommendation is to suspend and adopt. Does anybody have any questions on that?

REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES (cont'd):

PLANNING, ZONING AND ENGINEERING – Mr. Spring (cont'd):

(No questions)

Mr. Spring – I have nothing else further.

Mr. Short – Thank you, Mr. Spring.

SCHOOL BOARD – Mr. Carbone: There were further talks with the Athletic Director Mr. Keppler, the superintendent, and the board to discuss the baseball and softball fields turf project. They are exploring fundraising opportunities, and then Mr. Keppler will report back to the board. Mr. George Anagnostou, the school's treasurer, presented a slide show to the board on their five-year forecast. This is the same presentation that will officially be presented at the end of the month. The kids did a great job tonight. They were accompanied by Mr. Wrangler, the principal. That was also a topic tonight. If you can, last year was the first year for the homecoming parade, which is going to be this Thursday at 6:30 p.m. It was a tremendous turnout last year. For year one, seeing young and old there, it was quite amazing. If you have a minute, have an early dinner. If not, there will be food trucks and a bunch of different venues there. Take advantage of it and be a part of the foundation of our community – our schools.

Mr. Short – Any questions for Mr. Carbone?

(No questions)

Mr. Short – Thank you, Mr. Carbone.

SOUTHWEST GENERAL HEALTH SYSTEM – Mr. Short: We have not had a board meeting since our last Council meeting. However, I did want to announce that Dr. L.C. Rao...the Medical Arts Building – Building A, was renamed in his (Dr. Rao's) honor. He was instrumental in many medical, business, and community initiatives during his time at Southwest General Health Center, including the first-ever recognition by U.S. News & World Report for outstanding quality-based respiratory disease and treatment care. There will be a dedication ceremony on October 3, 2025. The system thanks him and his wife for all they have done to improve the quality of care at Southwest General Medical Center. That concludes my report.

Mayor Perciak – By the way, his wife was a nurse at Southwest General Health Center. Dr. L.C. Rao and Jean Rao are just marvelous people and a very intricate part of Southwest General Medical Center's success. Thank you for mentioning that. I'm sure Dr. Rao will be very happy, and so will Jean.

Mr. Short – Thank you.

FINANCE – Mr. Short: We have Resolution No. 2025-102; this is just to certify the necessary tax levies and rates to the County Fiscal Officer. This is something we do every year with the county. The recommendation there is to suspend and adopt. We also have a tentative schedule for Monday, October 27, 2025, for our Finance Committee meeting to discuss the annual budget for 2026 for the city. It will probably be at 5:00 p.m. or 5:30 p.m.; that time is to be determined. Any questions on Finance?

REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES (cont'd):

(No questions)

FINANCE – Mr. Short (cont'd): It will be here in the Council Chambers.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - Mr. Short: We have Ordinance No. 2025-103, which is to allow the administration to enter into an agreement to join the opioid epidemic litigation with eight pharmaceutical companies to be part of those settlements regarding the opioid crisis. The recommendation there is to suspend and adopt. Any questions on that?

(No questions)

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

MAYOR PERCIAK: Thank you, Mr. President. Just one quick reminder. Again, Sunday is the Breakfast-on-the-Bridge sponsored by The Strongsville City Club. It starts at 7:30 a.m., and will end at noon. Last year we had a huge crowd of 1,300 people that came. If you have any questions, feel free to contact The Strongsville City Club; even our Chamber of Commerce office is taking questions. There are tickets out everywhere, so anybody who needs a ticket just contact any Strongsville City Club member. Charlie, do you want to expand on that?

Mr. Goss – Yes, you can also get advance tickets at the Strongsville Recreation Center – at the spirit desk, and save a dollar on your ticket.

Mayor Perciak – Thank you.

Mr. Short – Thank you, Mr. Mayor.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT – Mr. Dean: Thank you, Council President. I hereby certify that funds will be made available for all ordinances and resolutions on tonight's agenda requiring certification of funding, thank you.

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

Mr. Short - Thank you.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

Bob Sermak, 20435 Foxe Drive, Strongsville, Ohio 44149: I'm Bob Sermak, and my address is 20435 Foxe Drive, Strongsville, Ohio. I'm here today to...I found it very interesting that the dialogue exchange that you had regarding the dispatching center. I did a little research on my own, too, and I came up with conflicting information just like I heard today. Regarding the dispatchers, I have heard that any and all dispatchers who want to move to the new center, you afforded to. On the other end, I have heard that they (Chagrin Valley Dispatch) don't have to take a single one of them. I have also heard in the middle that there can be some picking and choosing. Regardless of the route they go, that center is going to understaffed. Again, you are going to need more dispatchers – you'll have to find them, hire them, and train them. I have done a little digging myself. How long does it take to train an individual...a new hire before they are ready to work a safety-sensitive position such as dispatching our police and fire. The answer didn't surprise me – it's a lengthy process - that's here in this regional center. Over at the mega center, as I refer to it, it is going to be whole different ballgame there. You are going to have...it's going to be understaffed initially. These dispatchers are going to have expanded geographic territories to work, and areas that they are not familiar with. No fault of theirs; they are just not going to have enough people. There's absolutely no guarantee, once over at the center, that any of these dispatchers are going to be dispatching any of our safety forces – none. So, you have great employees over there from all these centers. However, for our safety forces – the police and fire - it's going to be a different ballgame. Instead of hearing the familiar friendly voices of the dispatchers they deal with every single day now, it's going to be people...nice people, I'm sure, but (they will) have absolutely very little, if any, knowledge about the inner workings of Strongsville. They don't know the logistics, they don't know the procedures, the policies, the practices, or the personnel, which is very important. This dispatching force has served our community very well. They have great expertise, and knowledge, and they have a working relationship with our safety forces - you can't put a price tag on that. I asked before...we have debated, discussed, and deliberated. We have this regional center of here that's not even ¼ of a mile away from where we sit. We know exactly what we have here, and we see it every single day. The community sees it, our businesses see it, and we are going to trade that for something totally unknown. Gosh, I hope not. I am totally opposed to this move, and I ask Council to do likewise. Thank you for your time.

Mark Roth, 22249 Jonathan Drive, Strongsville, Ohio 44149: Hello everyone. Mark Roth – former twenty-five year Councilman - alias's – Marcus Tiberius Crashes, and the gladiator - fighter for the people. I came up here just to briefly thank the Mayor and Mr. Walker, who I don't believe is here, so Mayor, if you would tell Mr. Walker tomorrow. Thank you very much for eliminating two...at least two Detroit shock absorber tests in ward one...in ward three. In ward three, the Eastland Road in front of the park rangers - what a joke that was. It rattled my teeth every time we went down there. Of course, the park system with all their money didn't want to fix it, so we had to fix it. Mr. Walker jumped in and took the bull by the horns. The other spot was at North Marks Road – what a joke that was. Of course, Columbia Station is pumping in the houses and don't want to spend any money so we had to...it was amazing. It was like the tale of two faces on North Marks Road. Our side of the street and their side of the street – before and after. I mean, it's unbelievable how some of these communities just don't take care of their job. I was disappointed recently to hear the Supreme Court's decision on signs. When I was on Council, we went through many, many hours of signs to eliminate becoming another North Olmsted. You don't want 75 billion signs. In fact, it's going to make it even worse for the candidates because now the general public is going to be looking at 18 signs in a row.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (cont'd):

Mr. Roth (cont'd) - They are not going to be able to make a decision on who is good and who is not. Is it effective, or is it not? For them to rule against our...number 1, we've always had no signs go up until October 1st. Now, you can put them up all over the place whenever you want. You also had one head corner sign, and I'm sensitive to that. When I ran for Council, the building commissioner got out there with a tape measure and said, "You're nine inches off. Move your giant headquarters sign." Yet, the other candidates had eight or nine of them – that's not right...that's not right. Now, you see it already. You see all these candidates putting up multiple large, ugly, and unsightly signs all over town because they have been given the green light - it's a shame. I wish the Supreme Court of Ohio would be working on funding schools properly. I wish the Supreme Court would get rid of E-Check for just four counties in the state. If you are going to do it, do it for all 77 or 80 counties in the state – not four. You go to Chillicothe or Cambridge – they don't know what you're talking about – everybody here has to get an E-Check. Also, windfall deduction – all of you will find out about that soon. They haven't gotten rid of the windfall deduction that they promised to get rid of. There's plenty of things that they can be working on, and they are worried about how many signs they are going to allow in each community. We are going to have a mess. That's it. I don't want to go on too long. I have been famous for going on too long, so I'm done. I want to thank...a little birdie told me about you, Mr. Spring. We never had the pleasure of meeting, but thank you for your courageous vote on the hotel. What all of you have to remember is you're supposed to be a voice for the people. If there's a lot of silence up there week after week, that's bad. There's 55,000 people in this city. Don't tell me there's nothing wrong, and don't tell me that there are no problems. Get your pens out and put in some action requests. I'm sure the department heads are shuddering right now. They don't want me to come back and put 300 action requests in a year. I will come back if things start deteriorating. Be a voice, always vote the way your constituents want you to vote no matter who says otherwise - even against your own wishes sometimes. The majority of your constituents want a certain decision, I would go with that over your own personal feelings. That's it; have a nice evening.

Mr. Short – Did you give your address for the record?

Mr. Roth – No, I did not.

Mr. Short – I thought so.

Mr. Roth - What an error...geez.

Mr. Short – You should know better. Twenty-five years, correct?

Mr. Roth – After twenty-five years you would think I'd know better – 22249 Jonathan Drive, Strongsville, Ohio. You can always find my house; it's where all the noise is at. They are putting in a gas line down Celianna Drive, and there has been nothing but noise pollution for three weeks. Before that, there was nothing but noise pollution at Surrarrer Elementary School. They were doing nothing but construction there. Before that, there was noise pollution on the roof of Surrarrer Elementary School they have to learn that you don't run your air conditioning for the whole building all summer long if you want to save money. It was running all summer long just to take care of the maintenance man. Alright, that's it. Thank you.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (cont'd):

John Douglas, 17000 Prospect Road, Strongsville, Ohio 44149: John Douglas, 17000 Prospect Road. I am the president of the Strongsville Firefighter's Association local # 2882. I heard a lot of discussion tonight. I agree with you Mr. President; it should have been done in the committee and not on the floor, but I do have some more answers. There was a question about how long the director of dispatch has been working in dispatch this year? The answer is – not since March, Ms. Roff. Due to disciplinary issues, he's been in the police department and has not been able to set foot in the dispatch center. I don't know why you would pay another director of dispatch if we decided to stay in the City of Strongsville. We have a deputy chief that can easily do that in the police department. There's no reason to have two supervisors and a director of dispatch going forward if we are going to maintain our own dispatch services. With that being said, there are also some other finances that were brought up. I believe the figure was around a half million dollar difference between if we go to CVD or stay here. The city has over \$110 million dollars in investments. I realize that you cannot touch that – stocks, bonds, and mutual funds...you name it. It (City of Strongsville) does have over \$110 million dollars in investments cash balance. The City of Strongsville also has over \$25 million dollars in their general fund. If we are arguing over finances, which we shouldn't, if the \$500,000.00 a year is that much of a concern for this city, we can literally pay that out of the general fund for the next half century and never run out of money in the general fund to keep their jobs and maintain our dispatch services. The fact that we are fighting over if this is a financial decision or not - that's the wrong question, and there's no answer. There is no financial decision in this – there's zero. The city has more money than it knows what to do with – it throws money away. Throw it towards dispatch. The fact that we have a law director that says we can't continue to go out to other cities and bring them in to be part of the regional dispatch center. How did we start our own regional dispatch center? We had our own; we went out and brought in Middleburg Heights, North Royalton, Brook Park, Olmsted Falls, Olmsted Township...you know the drill – Berea. We did that, and now you're saying that we can't do that again? It's ludicrous. They have known that Olmsted Falls and Olmsted Township left in January. Did they go in at any time after January and try to reach out to other cities to see if they want to join. They knew Berea was leaving in June. Did they go and start reaching out to other cities to see if they wanted to join? The answer is no - they sat on their hands. They had unofficial talks with CVD since February. Maybe nothing official since June or July, but the contacts that I know at CVD, the dispatchers there heard scuttlebutt about Strongsville coming to CVD since February. So, how long has this backhanded deal been done? It's been going on, and the city sat here and did nothing to bring other cities and to support the dispatchers. They went behind their backs, and they went behind your backs to get this deal done, telling other cities that we (Strongsville) are no longer going to have a dispatch center, forcing your hand to make a decision. That decision is yours now. However, you want to make it. Financially, there is no decision because the city has the money. They can pay for this for the next half century. That's all I have to say; thank you.

Mr. Short – Is there anyone else in the audience who would like to address Council?

(No comments)

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

Ordinance No. 2025-086 by Mayor Perciak and All Members of Council. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A NEW MEMBER PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT WITH THE CHAGRIN VALLEY DISPATCH COUNCIL IN ORDER FOR THE CITY OF STRONGSVILLE TO BECOME A PARTICIPATING MEMBER IN THE CHAGRIN VALLEY REGIONAL COMMUNICATIONS CENTER FOR THE DISPATCH OF PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. First reading 08-05-25. Second reading 09-02-25.

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

**Roll Call: Ayes: Short, Kaminski, Clark, Spring
Nays: Carbone, Kosek, Roff. Motion carries. Ordinance No. 2025-086 ADOPTED.**

Ordinance No. 2025-092 by Mayor Perciak and All Members of Council. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO GRANT AN EASEMENT FOR WATER METER VAULT PURPOSES TO THE CITY OF CLEVELAND IN CONNECTION WITH THE CONSTRUCTION AND INSTALLATION OF A WATER METER VAULT FOR THE PROPOSED NEW FIRE STATION NO. 5, TO BE CONSTRUCTED ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF ROYALTON ROAD BETWEEN PEARL ROAD AND PROSPECT ROAD, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. First reading and referred to the Planning Commission 09-02-25. Favorable recommendation by the Planning Commission 09-11-25.

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

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

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries. Ordinance No. 2025-092 ADOPTED.

Ordinance No. 2025-101 by Mayor Perciak and All Members of Council. AN ORDINANCE RATIFYING, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND DIRECTOR OF RECREATION & SENIOR SERVICES TO SUBMIT A PROPOSAL TO RECEIVE FUNDING FROM THE CUYAHOGA COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DIVISION OF SENIOR AND ADULT SERVICES, THROUGH ITS COMMUNITY SOCIAL SERVICES PROGRAM (CSSP), IN CONNECTION WITH VARIOUS CITY SENIOR PROGRAMS, FUNCTIONS, AND TRANSPORTATION FOR 2026 AND 2027; AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF ANY REQUIRED AGREEMENT AND DOCUMENTS RELATED THERETO; 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. Kaminski. All members present voted aye and the motion carried.

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

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries. Ordinance No. 2025-101 ADOPTED.

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Roll Call: Ayes: Short, Kaminski, Clark, Spring

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

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

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries. Ordinance No. 2025-101 ADOPTED.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS (cont'd):

Resolution No. 2025-102 by Mayor Perciak and All Members of Council. A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY FISCAL OFFICER, 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. Kaminski. All members present voted aye and the motion carried.

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

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries. Resolution No. 2025-102 ADOPTED.

Resolution No. 2025-103 by Mayor Perciak and All Members of Council. A RESOLUTION CONSENTING TO THE TERMS OF EACH OF THE SECONDARY MANUFACTURERS' SETTLEMENTS IN CONNECTION WITH THE OPIOID EPIDEMIC LITIGATION, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A COMBINED SUBDIVISION PARTICIPATION AND RELEASE FORM FOR THE SECONDARY MANUFACTURERS' SETTLEMENTS, 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. Kaminski. All members present voted aye and the motion carried.

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

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries. Resolution No. 2025-103 ADOPTED.

COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS AND CLAIMS:

(None)

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:

(None)

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before this Council, President Short adjourned the meeting at 8:01 p.m.



Marialena Beach
Council Secretary

10-6-25
Date