

SUMMARY OF CAUCUS DISCUSSION AND MINUTES OF THE STRONGSVILLE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING HELD ON JULY 20, 2015.

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, July 20, 2015 at 7:30 p.m.**

Present: Council Members: Michael J. Daymut, Joseph C. DeMio, Matthew A. Schonhut, Kenneth M. Dooner, Duke Southworth, James E. Carbone and J. Scott Maloney. Also Present: Assistant Clerk of Council Tiffany Mekeel. Administration: Mayor Thomas P. Perciak, Finance Director Joseph Dubovec, Law Director Kenneth A. Kraus, Economic Development Director Brent Painter, Recreation and Senior Services Director Bryan Bogre, Building Commissioner Tony Biondillo, City Engineer Ken Mikula, Human Resource Director Steve Kilo, Service Director Joe Walker, Public Safety Director Charles Goss, Police Chief James Kobak and Assistant Fire Chief Neil Rozman.

Absent: Communications and Technology Director John Bedford

Council President Daymut called the caucus to order at 7:33 p.m.

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

Planning, Zoning and Engineering Committee: Chairman Maloney advised Ordinance No. 2015-114 is set for a public hearing this evening. This ordinance is enacting new sections of the planning and zoning code establishing regulations for brewpubs and microbreweries. During the public hearing, if we do not hear any negative commentary or objections then the recommendation is to adopt. If we do hear anything that needs to be looked into further, then the recommendation is to place this on third reading. Mr. Southworth asked if anyone has heard anything from the public concerning this ordinance. Mr. Maloney, Mayor Perciak and Mr. Painter stated they have not. Mr. Maloney recommended suspension and adoption for Resolution No. 2015-143; a resolution confirming Planning Commission approval of the change of use for the former Zellers Elementary School. The building will be utilized as the new administrative headquarters for the Strongsville Board of Education. This was presented to Planning Commission and given favorable recommendation. Suspension and adoption was recommended for Resolution No. 2015-144. This resolution is confirming Planning Commission approval of separate site plans for installation of three new poles for the smaller antennas along various streets in the City of Strongsville. Resolution No. 2015-154 was added to the agenda. This is a resolution authorizing the Mayor to advertise for bids for the 2015 pavement reconstruction program, phase III. Mayor Perciak added it is for concrete work of approximately four small streets and approximately 62 homes. Mr. Schonhut asked if it potentially included everything in the neighborhood. Mayor Perciak stated it is based on the list of what is in need of repair right now. This is related to The Heathers off of Westwood Drive. The recommendation is to suspend and adopt.

Finance Committee: Chairman Dooner recommended suspension and adoption for Ordinance No. 2015-145. This is an ordinance for appropriations for annual expenses and other expenditures.

Public Safety and Health Committee: Chairman DeMio recommended suspension and adoption for Ordinance No. 2015-146. This ordinance is approving and authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract with Marks Construction, Inc. for drainage repairs and reconstruction of an existing retaining wall for Fire Station No. 1. The contract amount is not to exceed \$21,980.00. Pertaining to the access going down, Mr. Daymut asked if the aluminum rail on the side that had been damaged would be included in the repairs. Assistant Chief Rozman stated that it was part of the project and would be fixed. Ordinance No. 2015-147 is an ordinance requesting participation in Ohio Department of Administrative Services Contracts for the purchase of one 2016 Ford Utility Interceptor vehicle. The contract amount is not to exceed \$25,410.00.

Public Safety and Health Committee (cont'd): Ordinance No. 2015-148 is an ordinance requesting participation in Ohio Department of Administrative Services Contracts for the purchase of one 2015 Ford F-150 vehicle. The contract amount is not to exceed \$27,743.60. The recommendation is suspension and adoption on both ordinances. Suspension and adoption was recommended for Ordinance No. 2015-149; authorizing the Mayor to apply for financial assistance under the Drug Abuse Resistance Education ("DARE") grant. Chief Kobak stated the Police Department is asking for \$33,619.00 which is the maximum amount the department could request for the 2015-2016 year. Mr. DeMio commended the safety forces on their awesome job at The Homecoming parade and fireworks. Mayor Perciak added that Safety Director Goss was the chairman for the parade and did an exceptional job.

Recreation and Community Services Committee: Chairman Southworth recommended suspension and adoption for Ordinance No. 2015-150. This is an ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract for the removal and replacement of existing roofing over the fitness area, locker rooms and administrative offices at the recreation center. The contract amount is not to exceed \$296,690.00. Suspension and adoption was recommended for Ordinance No. 2015-151; authorizing the Mayor to accept an award of funding from the Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency (NOACA) for the purchase of vehicles to provide transportation services for the City's Senior Wheels Program. The awarded amount is \$77,980.00. Mayor Perciak commended Kathy Sazima (Senior Center Services Coordinator) and Recreation and Senior Services Director Bryan Bogre for working on the grant. Mayor Perciak added that it will save the City money, especially because one of the vehicles is in need of repair. Mr. Walker replied that the cost of the repairs will likely exceed what the vehicle is worth. Mr. DeMio asked if the vehicle will be repaired. Mr. Walker stated that the Service Department is waiting to see if this grant comes through. If the City receives the grant, the vehicle will not be repaired. Mr. DeMio asked how many active vehicles are in use. Mr. Walker stated the City has three active. Mr. DeMio asked if Cuyahoga County assisted the City in anyway on this grant. Mr. Bogre stated no.

Mayor Perciak commented that City Engineer, Ken Mikula, has put in some effort with NOACA and it appears that Pearl Road will be paved next year sometime. The paving will be from the stop light at Route 82 and Route 42 heading north to the city line and concrete work will go from the light at Route 82 and Route 42 south to Shurmer Road. Mr. Schonhut asked if the City will be doing anything in the interim on Pearl Road. Mr. Walker stated the City is doing a temporary repair working by the Cleveland Metroparks to get through the winter.

Economic Development Committee: Mr. Daymut stated there are no ordinances and resolutions on tonight's agenda. The next meeting is Monday, July 27, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at the Senior Center.

Public Service and Conservation Committee: Chairman Carbone recommended suspension and adoption for Ordinance No. 2015-152; approving and authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract for repair of the parking lots at the recreation center. The contract is not to exceed \$32,659.00. Mayor Perciak commented that the last three winters have taken a toll on the parking lot. The last time the lot was paved was about five years ago. The parking lot is going to be sealed, resealed and striped to try and buy as much life out of it as we can. During winter, the senior center has a lot of salt that goes down. In addition, cars from the streets park there for several hours causing more salt to be dropped onto the pavement. This is without public bidding so all seven votes of Council is needed. Mr. Carbone recommended suspension and adoption for Ordinance No. 2015-153. This is an ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract with Lake County Sewer Co., for emergency storm sewer line repairs on certain streets in the City. The contract is not to exceed \$45,400.00. This is without public bidding so all seven votes of Council is needed. Mr. Walker stated the Service Department discovered during the course of routine cleaning and maintenance, protruding taps of the storm sewer line into the main creating a blockage in Ward 1.

Public Service and Conservation Committee (cont'd): It was beyond the capabilities of the City to fix because a cutting system is needed and the City does not own the equipment. The Service Department contracted with Lake County Sewer Co., Inc. to assist. Mr. Daymut stated this was for storm sewer lines on Groveside, Bittersweet Court and Westwood Drive. Mr. DeMio asked if there is flooding in these areas. Mayor Perciak stated there are water problems. Suspension and adoption was recommended for Ordinance No. 2015-155; ratifying, approving and authorizing participation in Ohio Department of Administrative Services Contracts to lease a Caterpillar Skid Steer Loader. Payments are \$19,708.68 annually and the total cost is not to exceed to \$78,834.72. Mr. Schonhut asked if this is replacing or adding equipment. Mr. Walker stated it is a replacement with an opinion to own at the end of lease.

Mr. Daymut briefly reviewed the agenda and noted there will be public hearing this evening for Ordinance No. 2015-114. Mayor Perciak discussed The Homecoming. He wanted to thank all employees, volunteers, the Police Department, the Fire Department and the Service Department for a successful four day event. There were a lot of people in attendance enjoying the rides, food and fireworks. Mr. Kraus stated that City Council did a conditional objection to a liquor permit on June 15th for Deli Plus, subject to issues found by the Building Department. Those issues have been resolved and Council can withdraw that objection. Mr. Daymut reminded everyone that all liquor permits are up for review by October 1st. If there are any issues with any liquor permits, Council must object to them before October 1st.

MINUTES OF THE STRONGSVILLE CITY COUNCIL ORGANIZATIONAL AND REGULAR MEETING HELD ON JULY 20, 2015 IN THE MIKE KALINICH SR. CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS.

CALL TO ORDER:

Council President Daymut called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m. All joined in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

CERTIFICATION OF POSTING:

The Assistant 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, Joseph C. DeMio, Duke Southworth, Michael J. Daymut, Kenneth M. Dooner, J. Scott Maloney and James E. Carbone. Also Present: Assistant Clerk of Council Tiffany Mekeel. **Administration:** Mayor Thomas P. Perciak, Law Director Kenneth A. Kraus, Finance Director Joseph Dubovec, Economic Development Director Brent Painter, Recreation and Senior Services Director Bryan Bogre, Building Commissioner Tony Biondillo, City Engineer Ken Mikula, Human Resource Director Steve Kilo, Service Director Joe Walker, Public Safety Director Charles Goss, Police Chief James Kobak and Assistant Fire Chief Neil Rozman.

Absent: Communication and Technology Director John Bedford

Motion made by Mr. Dooner, seconded by Mr. DeMio to amend the agenda for the following: Add Resolution No. 2015-154 and Ordinance No. 2015-155. All members present voted aye and the motion carried.

COMMENTS ON MINUTES:

The Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on July 6, 2015 were approved as submitted.

APPOINTMENTS, CONFIRMATIONS, AWARDS AND RECOGNITION:

(None)

PUBLIC HEARING:

Ordinance No. 2015-114 by Mayor Perciak and Mr. Maloney. AN ORDINANCE ENACTING NEW SECTIONS 1242.07(b)(4) AND 1258.03(a)(3)(A)(10), OF TITLE SIX OF PART TWELVE-PLANNING AND ZONING CODE OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF STRONGSVILLE IN ORDER TO ESTABLISH REGULATIONS FOR BREWPUBS AND MICROBREWERIES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. *First reading and referred to Planning Commission 06-01-15. Favorable recommendation from Planning Commission 06-11-15. Amended by substitution and second reading 06-15-15.*

*Council President Daymut opened the Public Hearing on this matter and invited anyone wishing to speak **IN FAVOR** of the Ordinance to approach the podium and address Council at this time.*

Chris Russo, 20102 Progress Drive, Strongsville, OH 44149 – My name is Chris Russo. Address is 20102 Progress Drive, Strongsville, Ohio and I am for the ordinance. I have a project pending in the area and I believe this ordinance would help revitalize the area and I have 90 jobs so far and I believe I could increase it by a 1/3 with the acceptance.

Mr. Daymut – Thank you, Chris. Is there anyone else in the audience that would like to speak in favor of Ordinance No. 2015-114?

(No comments)

*Mr. Daymut then invited anyone wishing to speak **IN OPPOSITION** of the Ordinance to approach the podium and address Council.*

(No one spoke in opposition)

Hearing no further comments in regard to this matter, Council President Daymut closed the Public Hearing on said Ordinance.

REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES:

SOUTHWEST GENERAL HEALTH SYSTEM – Mr. Southworth: Thank you, Mr. Daymut. We haven't had a board meeting since our last council meeting. I have nothing to report this evening, but if there are any questions or concerns, I'd be more than happy to field them.

Mr. Daymut – Thank you Mr. Southworth, any questions for Mr. Southworth this evening?

(None)

REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES (cont'd):

SCHOOL BOARD – Mr. Carbone: Yes Mr. Daymut; there has not been a school board meeting but I will be attending this Thursday night's meeting. Actually we encourage a lot of the community to be there. They are going to be talking about the budget, about how we're going to move forward with the schools with the loss of the money from the State. We recommend that all residents who have any questions, want to hear anything on the process, we encourage them to attend.

Mr. Daymut – Thank you Mr. Carbone, any questions for Mr. Carbone this evening?

(None)

BUILDING AND UTILITIES – Mr. Schonhut:

* See Communications and Technology Committee below *

COMMUNICATIONS AND TECHNOLOGY – Mr. Schonhut: Thank you Mr. Daymut, we have no ordinances or resolutions for either committee tonight, but I will happily take any questions.

Mr. Daymut – Thank you Mr. Schonhut, are there any questions for Mr. Schonhut this evening under Building and Utilities or Communications and Technology?

(None)

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – Mr. Daymut: We have no ordinances or resolutions on this evening's agenda. Our next meeting will be Monday, July 27th at 7:00 p.m. at the Senior Center meeting room. That is all I have this evening, are there any questions for myself under Economic Development?

(None)

FINANCE – Mr. Dooner: Thank you Mr. Daymut. Before us this evening we have Ordinance No. 2015-145. This is an ordinance making appropriations for the annual expenses and other expenditures of the City of Strongsville for the year 2015. My recommendation is suspension and adoption.

Mr. Daymut – Thank you Mr. Dooner, any questions for Mr. Dooner this evening?

(None)

PLANNING, ZONING AND ENGINEERING – Mr. Maloney: Thank you Mr. Daymut, we have one ordinance and three resolutions before Council this evening. The first item is Ordinance No. 2015-114; for which we just had the public hearing this evening. We're at the point now where it has been through first and second reading and approved by Planning Commission. We had the public hearing with no concerns or objections. The recommendation is to adopt this evening. Resolution No. 2015-143 is to confirm Planning Commission approval of the change of use for the former Zellers Elementary School which will now be utilized as the new administrative headquarters for the school district. This had been presented and approved at a recent Planning Commission meeting. The recommendation this evening is to suspend and adopt. Resolution No. 2015-144 is to confirm Planning Commission approval of separate site plans for the installation of three new poles, with each pole consisting of those smaller scale antennas we talked about at our last Council meeting. This is just a continuation of that for three more devices. Recommendation is to suspend and adopt on this item.

REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES (cont'd):

PLANNING, ZONING AND ENGINEERING – Mr. Maloney (cont'd): Finally, Resolution No. 2015-154 is to authorize the Mayor to advertise for bids for the pavement reconstruction program for 2015. This will be for phase III. In this case, it will be focusing on some concrete streets in The Heathers off of Westwood Drive. We welcome opportunity to make some improvements on the streets over there. The recommendation is suspend and adopt on that item. That concludes my report; I will be happy to take questions.

Mr. Daymut – Thank you Mr. Maloney, any questions for Mr. Maloney this evening?

(None)

PUBLIC SAFETY AND HEALTH – Mr. DeMio: Thank you Mr. Daymut, we have four pieces of legislation tonight. Ordinance Nos. 2015-146, 2015-147, 2015-148 and 2015-149. I'll get to the two fire vehicles. One is a little under \$26,000.00; one is a little under \$28,000.00. Both are in the budget, which we approved earlier in the year. We will go ahead and suspend and adopt. The other is a drug assistances...excuse me a DARE program, applying for assistance. We've been very successful since, I think, 1995-1996, maybe a little before that. It's funny, Mike Daymut pointed out that his daughter was the first recipient...

Mr. Daymut – First graduating class.

Mr. DeMio – Graduating class. That's awesome. My daughter is still on the DARE role model, this year. It's pretty interesting; our life seems to chase each other Mike. Finally, we have some retaining issues we have to do at Fire Station No. 1. A little bit under \$22,000.00. There is some repair that certainly needs to get done there. We need all seven of us to pass that as well. I appreciate that. If there are any issues regarding public safety, outside of... and it's certainly not an issue, it's an excellent point, how safe The Homecoming was. The Mayor touched on it in back and he touched on how everyone helps out in different ways; whether it's monetary or physical. That makes a world of difference in our safety forces; whether it's police, fire or EMS folks; Service Department, which that night also helps the safety issues. You really did an outstanding job Mayor. I know it is The Chamber event and we're helping them in any way they need. I want to congratulate your administration and anyone that took part in any way on that. I know you have much more to say on that, I'm sure. If there is any other questions for the Law Department, outside of consent agenda, we will take questions on that.

Mr. Daymut – Thank you Mr. DeMio, any questions for Mr. DeMio this evening in Public Safety and Health and not on the consent agenda?

Mr. DeMio – That's right.

(None)

PUBLIC SERVICE AND CONSERVATION – Mr. Carbone: Thank you; I have three ordinances this evening. Ordinance No. 2015-152 is to enter into a contract to repair the parking...parking lot repairs, excuse me, at the Recreational Center. This is not to exceed \$32,659.00. Because it is without public bidding, we need all seven. The recommendation here is to suspend and adopt. We have Ordinance No. 2015-153 authorizing the Mayor to enter into an emergency...a contract for emergency storm sewer line repairs. Again, this is without public bidding, not to exceed \$45,400.00, so we need all seven. The recommendation again is to suspend and adopt. Lastly, this evening Ordinance No. 2015-155 approving and authorizing participation in the Ohio Department of Administrative Service Contracts.

REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES (cont'd):

PUBLIC SERVICE AND CONSERVATION – Mr. Carbone (cont'd): This is to purchase a Caterpillar Skid Steer Loader. First we're going to lease. Annual lease payment would be \$19,708.68; at the end not to exceed \$78,834.71. Recommendation here is to suspend and adopt.

Mr. Daymut – Thank you Mr. Carbone, any questions for Mr. Carbone this evening?

(None)

RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES – Mr. Southworth: Thank you Mr. Daymut. We have two ordinances on this evening's agenda. It starts with Ordinance No. 2015-150; this is accepting a bid for \$300,000.00 for roof replacement over the rec center. It is the 20, about the 20 year mark on that building. Things...last meeting we had the HVAC, I believe, and that we had to do an emergency repair on. Last year we did part of the roof. This year we're doing another part. We still have a lot of the roof left to do. It's getting expensive...or it's been expensive. There never seems to be a lack of need for the building. The recommendation on that is to suspend and adopt. The second ordinance is Ordinance No. 2015-151. This is accepting a grant in the amount of roughly, \$78,000.00 from NOACA to purchase two new Senior Wheel vehicles. The recommendation on that also is to suspend and adopt. If there are any questions, I'd be more than happy to answer them.

Mr. Daymut – Thank you...

Mr. Carbone – I would just like to add about the rec center. It is approaching 20 years old and there are issues that have come up, but when you walk in our rec center for 20 years, it is maintained unbelievably. I mean it is clean, very well maintained and even some people who...I know who visited outside the City; they thought it was a brand new facility. That's great and it's great to hear and I am very proud of that.

Mayor Perciak – Thank you Bryan.

Mr. Daymut – Thank you Mr. Southworth, any questions for Mr. Southworth this evening?

(None)

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – Mr. Daymut: We have no ordinances or resolutions on this evening's agenda. Are there any questions for myself under Committee of the Whole?

(None)

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

Mayor Perciak: Thank you Mr. President, good evening everyone. As Mr. DeMio alluded to earlier, I just want to express my personal thanks and the thanks of all of us up here. First to the Strongsville Chamber of Commerce for putting on such a spectacular event on The Common these last four days. The parade went off without a hitch thanks to the direction of our Safety Director Charles Goss and a member of the Chamber board; our Police Department, our Fire Department, our Service Department. I think we had a perfect day on Wednesday for the parade and everyone came up then to The Commons. Through all four days, the amount of cooperation from all the volunteers, I just can't say thank you enough to the volunteers.

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

Mayor Perciak (cont'd): Without them, we could not, could not put on such a spectacular event. Special thanks go out to the general chairman of the event, Tom Burichin, to his co-chair Mike Kalinich and to everybody on their committee so that this past week, was not only a spectacular event, but a safe event. To all concerned, we thank you. To all of you who visited us and spent some time with us on The Commons, we thank you. We thank you for your donations and more importantly, I think, when you were up there over the last four days, everybody understands what the community, and I stress community, of Strongsville is all about. That ends my report, Mr. President.

Mr. Daymut – Thank you Mayor, any questions for the Mayor this evening?

(None)

FINANCE DEPARTMENT – Mr. Dubovec: Thank you Mr. President, I would merely state that all funds will be made available for all ordinances and resolutions on this evening's agenda requiring certification of funding. That ends my report, thank you.

Mr. Daymut – Thank you Mr. Dubovec, any questions for Mr. Dubovec this evening?

(None)

LAW DEPARTMENT – Mr. Kraus: Mr. President, all ordinances and resolutions before City Council this evening are in proper legal form, thank you.

Mr. Daymut – Thank you Mr. Kraus, any questions for Mr. Kraus this evening?

(None)

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

Mr. Daymut – We've reached that portion of our agenda for audience participation. Members of the audience may approach the podium and state your name and address for the record. You'll have five minutes to address Council. Is there anyone in the audience that would like address Council at this particular time? Please step to the podium and state your name and address for the record.

Verna Ferrante, 14884 Sherwood Drive, Strongsville, OH 44149: Hi, I'm Verna Ferrante, 14884 Sherwood Drive in Strongsville; I'm in Meadows West. We would like to know what can be done about the deer population. My neighbor across the street has a five year old and he had to remove a tick from him, from just playing in the backyard this past week. The neighbor next to him said the deer are just using her backyard as a latrine. She said she even had it resurfaced last year. Myself, I had two huge pots of geraniums on either side of the front door. I've been spraying with Irish Spring water, supposedly that had worked for a while. They ate them all. I counted eight on one side, twelve on the other. We planted new azaleas because we had our house waterproofed last year. The very first day after we planted them, the evening before, they had munched on the two closest to the driveway. I know I watched the PBS program-deer will eat anything, even a pile of sticks. They are sort of like goats. Goats eat everything. We won't allow goats to just roam freely. Is there anything we can do? Can we get them contraceptives or my neighbors have said they'd be happy to fill their freezers with the meat, if they were allowed to shoot them. Avon Lake or Avon, I believe, is allowed to use bows and arrows if they get a permit. I called on Friday I guess, and talked to the Council secretary or whoever it was, and she said how she was in an accident last year and \$4,000.00 was done to her car because of the deer that she had struck.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

Ms. Ferrante (cont'd) – She suggested I call Tom Patton. I did call his office but I haven't heard back yet. I know I've heard that it was The Metroparks that had to do something, but can we do anything?

Mayor Perciak – Well it's also with the Ohio Department of Natural Resources that we're working with. We're working with the Mayors of the surrounding communities trying to get something accomplished there. I don't know how far we'll get but in order to do anything, we have to get them to understand the issues we have. We're talking about culling and all these other situations, which believe or not, does go on in the parks during certain periods of time. Of course, our Police Department is notified of that and everything else and all the safety measures. We're all hearing the same stories. We have to start at the top because they pretty much limit us as a municipality as to what we can do with deer. I can tell you without a doubt Verna, there is a lady that is very near and dear to me and her name is Debra Perciak. She shares the same views you do. I think a lot of us need...we would appreciate if something could be done. We're handcuffed at the present time.

Ms. Ferrante – I need a petition from all my neighbors?

Mayor Perciak – I am not sure that will do you any good. We need to start with the ODNR and that's where it has to come from.

Ms. Ferrante – How do I approach them or what do we...?

Mayor Perciak – Mr. Walker maybe could give you a phone number or somebody to call at the ODNR and then we'll go from there. If Mr. Walker can't, we have a Forester; her name is Jennifer Milbrandt, is she on vacation or is she in this week?

Mr. Mikula – She's in this week.

Mayor Perciak – She's in this week. We'll have somebody contact you, okay. We'll get you the name and number.

Ms. Ferrante – I'd appreciate it.

Mayor Perciak – Or you can at least e-mail them or you can send them a note.

Ms. Ferrante – Right.

Mayor Perciak – If you get them on the phone, let me know.

Ms. Ferrante – Okay. I understand. Thank you.

Mr. Daymut – Thank you Verna.

Mr. Carbone – Mayor, I think the Avon Lake; I researched that a couple years ago. I think it was a one or two acre minimum that you had to have. That's didn't include everybody in Avon or Avon Lake.

Mr. Daymut – I happened to attend the seminar that was held in Parma, some months back, when they had the Ohio Department Natural Resources in. They do have a lot of information on their website for just the individual homeowner to try and protect, at least your property, while we deal with the bigger issue with the community.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (cont'd):

Mr. Daymut (cont'd) – It was quite enlightening and I received a lot of information, but they do have an awful lot of... I don't know if you are acceptable to their website, but they do have...and they are fairly responsive, if you talk to them. I am sure, between Mr. Walker and Jennifer that, they'll get some response back to you, Verna. Okay, is there anyone else in the audience that would like address Council at this time? Please step to the microphone and state your name and address for the record.

Bryan Walters, 10152 Shalebrook Way, Strongsville, OH 44149: Bryan Walters, 10152 Shalebrook Way, Strongsville. Hardly an important item but just more I guess a matter of curiosity. I was among a couple of friends considering participating in the parade. We got a tricked out military Jeep only to find that common residents are basically precluded, at a cost of \$200.00. You either belong to The Chamber or you're a sponsor. I just, didn't understand. It seems like we'd invite residents to participate, but I'm sure there is a reason.

Mr. Daymut – Thank you, Bryan. Is there anyone else in the audience that would like to address Council...?

Mayor Perciak – Wait, I just want to answer that. I don't know the answer, but we're going to find out for you. How's that?

Mr. Daymut – Okay. Again is there anyone else in the audience that would like address Council? Please state your name and address for the record.

Jennifer Herold, 16892 Woodshire Drive, Strongsville, OH 44149: My name is Jennifer Herold. I live at 16892 Woodshire in Strongsville. I just wanted to say, I'm a concerned citizen coming to you and I am very appreciative to be able to give an opinion and hopefully bring a little bit more attention about something that is a little dear to my heart. In an area of need that I feel we need in our wonderful City that has been isolated for a little bit too long. That's our children and our families. I just want to offer some insight, and you guys probably know some of these statistics, I'm sure. According to the numbers, 2000 our census stated that the City was divided with 11% of individuals 65 and older; 62% 18-65, and 26% under 18. In the most recent census, in 2010, every age group declined by about 3% except for our older adult population. To me, this is alarming and to boot our median age in the City went from 39 years to 44 years. We are losing our young adults and our families. I was looking at these statistics and I think an area that we can focus on that will help our wonderful City to continue to thrive is to attract all age groups; encouraging young professionals to settle down here, but also attract families and encouraging them to stay and raise their families. We have a gorgeous senior center for our older adults who are currently 16% of our population. It is a great facility. It offers many, many programs. I am an occupational therapist and programs like these are far and few between in a lot of cities. They don't have these types of programs. It's a great benefit. However, it costs a lot of money to build and operate. I guess the question is why can't we do something on a similarly grand scale for all of our children who are 24% of our population? Something that is accessible to all ages and all ability levels, specifically something for our children, even the youngest of our residents. While I understand the City is focusing on, what I will call tier 1 needs. I understand this; so roads...infrastructure. These are demanding. I think we need to focus on families and offering more activities for our youngest children and that is an area that maybe has been neglected up to this point. It needs to be put on the agenda with a serious backing. We currently don't have a City-wide playground that is ADA accessible. As such, it isolates a lot of children with disabilities that may inhibit them from playing on different levels of a playground, with steps or no ramps or to access the playground. Castletown, wonderful playground built in 1991. I went there as a kid. However, my two little ones, they can't play there right now, they're a little too young but it does not adhere to the current ADA standards.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (cont'd):

Ms. Herold (cont'd) – It does not need to, it's grandfathered in. I would really hope that in the future that we can focus on building another playground or park being ADA compliant for children of all ages and abilities. We currently have no outdoor pool and I know everyone knows this. It makes summers very long for families and children who don't have one where they live. I think, I propose an outdoor splash park. I've talked with my own Councilman, Scott Maloney. I've had some e-mail correspondents with Mr. Southworth as well. They both pointed me in the direction to meet with our Recreation Director and the Mayor. I reached out to both and met with Bryan this last Friday, who was gracious enough to meet with me and speak with me regarding my concerns. This is a project that is worth wild. While it may not be on the top of the agenda, I would hope that it could be on the agenda. I don't understand why there isn't necessarily a full City backing of this. If anyone has joined our various Strongsville groups on Facebook, things like that, there are thousands of members on these sites. This a common question. I know it's a common question that you all have probably heard before as well. A splash park is not a small task and it's not small in price either. I realize this. I don't believe we should have to secure funding first before it goes forward. This shows the citizens that it's not a really serious project and the City will only back it if funding can be found. I will go door to door, but I am not elected, I'm not a paid member of the Council or the City. I would hope that maybe we could propose a public/private partnership with the City and local businesses maybe to work together to enhance the City. Something like this, that we can show we're not only business friendly but family friendly as well. There are many grants out there. I've researched a lot of them, I know Bryan has as well; that I think could help our City build these ideas that I am proposing; without it costing much money. I know a lot of people have education on how to fundraise and I am sure everyone in this room has an idea. I've looked up some grants and I've looked up some ways. I've done a lot of homework on this. I could keep citing statistics and saying how play is an essential part of a child's job. That is their job, to develop and grow. I think a park and a splash pad, something of that level, would definitely enhance our City and show that the City cares for everyone, including our littlest citizens. I don't think that, I think in the future, that we can focus on our families and our children and we're going to not have, we're going to have a lot more problems than just roads. It's going to be where have the families gone? Families go to other cities and use their splash parks and their parks. I know a lot of them do. I have and that is where you take your money, when you go as well. I'm hoping that maybe we can just start having a conversation about this. I want to focus on not how we can't make this happen. I hoping, maybe, we can talk about how we can make it a reality going forward. That's it. Thank you.

Mr. Daymut – Thank you Jen. Is there anyone else in the audience that would like to address Council at this time?

(No Comments)

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

Ordinance No. 2015-114 by Mayor Perciak and Mr. Maloney. AN ORDINANCE ENACTING NEW SECTIONS 1242.07(b)(4) AND 1258.03(a)(3)(A)(10), OF TITLE SIX OF PART TWELVE-PLANNING AND ZONING CODE OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF STRONGSVILLE IN ORDER TO ESTABLISH REGULATIONS FOR BREWPUBS AND MICROBREWRIES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. *First reading and referred to Planning Commission 06-01-15. Favorable recommendation from Planning Commission 06-11-15. Amended by substitution and second reading 06-15-15.*

Motion to adopt by Mr. Dooner, second by Mr. DeMio.

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries.

Ordinance No. 2015-114 ADOPTED AS AMENDED.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS (cont'd):

Resolution No. 2015-143 by Mr. Maloney. A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING PLANNING COMMISSION APPROVAL OF THE CHANGE OF USE FOR THE FORMER ZELLERS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TO BE UTILIZED NOW AS THE NEW ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS FOR THE STRONGSVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION, AND APPROVAL OF THE FINAL SITE PLAN FOR SUCH ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS, ALL AT 18199 COOK ROAD, IN THE CITY OF STRONGSVILLE.

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

Motion to adopt by Mr. Dooner, second by Mr. DeMio.

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries. Resolution No. 2015-143 ADOPTED.

Resolution No. 2015-144 by Mayor Perciak and Mr. Maloney. A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING PLANNING COMMISSION APPROVAL OF SEPARATE SITE PLANS FOR THE INSTALLATION OF THREE (3) NEW POLES, WITH EACH POLE CONSISTING OF DUAL BAND OMNI ANTENNAS, UNIVERSAL BROADBAND ENCLOSURES, RADIO HEADS AND COYOTE DEVICES, ALL TO BE LOCATED WITHIN THE PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY ABUTTING VARIOUS PROPERTIES IN THE CITY OF STRONGSVILLE.

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

Motion to adopt by Mr. Dooner, second by Mr. DeMio.

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries. Resolution No. 2015-144 ADOPTED.

Ordinance No. 2015-145 by Mayor Perciak. AN ORDINANCE MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE ANNUAL EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF STRONGSVILLE, OHIO, FOR THE YEAR 2015 AND REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 2015-123.

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

Motion to adopt by Mr. Dooner, second by Mr. DeMio.

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries. Ordinance No. 2015-145 ADOPTED.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS (cont'd):

Ordinance No. 2015-146 by Mr. DeMio. AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR DRAINAGE REPAIRS AND RECONSTRUCTION OF AN EXISTING RETAINING WALL AT FIRE STATION NO. 1, WITHOUT PUBLIC BIDDING, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

Motion to adopt by Mr. Dooner, second by Mr. DeMio.

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries. Ordinance No. 2015-146 ADOPTED.

Ordinance No. 2015-147 by Mayor Perciak and Mr. DeMio. AN ORDINANCE REQUESTING PARTICIPATION IN OHIO DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES CONTRACTS FOR THE PURCHASE OF ONE (1) 2016 FORD UTILITY INTERCEPTOR VEHICLE, FOR USE BY THE FIRE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE TO DO ALL THINGS NECESSARY TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT IN CONNECTION THEREWITH; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

Motion to adopt by Mr. Dooner, second by Mr. DeMio.

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries. Ordinance No. 2015-147 ADOPTED.

Ordinance No. 2015-148 by Mayor Perciak and Mr. DeMio. AN ORDINANCE REQUESTING PARTICIPATION IN OHIO DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES CONTRACTS FOR THE PURCHASE OF ONE (1) 2015 FORD F-150 VEHICLE, FOR USE BY THE FIRE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE TO DO ALL THINGS NECESSARY TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT IN CONNECTION THEREWITH; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

Motion to adopt by Mr. Dooner, second by Mr. DeMio.

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries. Ordinance No. 2015-148 ADOPTED.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS (cont'd):

Ordinance No. 2015-149 by Mayor Perciak and Mr. DeMio. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPLY FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE UNDER THE DRUG ABUSE RESISTANCE EDUCATION ("DARE") LAW ENFORCEMENT GRANTS PROGRAM, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

Motion to adopt by Mr. Dooner, second by Mr. DeMio.

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries. Ordinance No. 2015-149 ADOPTED.

Ordinance No. 2015-150 by Mayor Perciak and Mr. Southworth. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR THE REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT OF EXISTING ROOFING OVER THE FITNESS AREA, LOCKER ROOMS AND ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES AT THE CITY OF STRONGSVILLE WALTER F. EHRNFELT RECREATION & SENIOR CENTER, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

Motion to adopt by Mr. Dooner, second by Mr. DeMio.

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries. Ordinance No. 2015-150 ADOPTED.

Ordinance No. 2015-151 by Mayor Perciak and Mr. Southworth. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT AN AWARD OF FUNDING FROM THE NORTHEAST OHIO AREAWIDE COORDINATING AGENCY (NOACA) THROUGH THE ENHANCED MOBILITY FOR SENIORS AND INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES PROGRAM, FOR THE PURCHASE OF VEHICLES TO PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION SERVICES FOR THE CITY'S SENIOR WHEELS PROGRAM; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

Motion to adopt by Mr. Dooner, second by Mr. DeMio.

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries. Ordinance No. 2015-151 ADOPTED.

Ordinance No. 2015-152 by Mr. Carbone. AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR REPAIR OF THE PARKING LOTS AT THE CITY OF STRONGSVILLE WALTER F. EHRNFELT RECREATION & SENIOR CENTER, WITHOUT PUBLIC BIDDING, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

Motion to adopt by Mr. Dooner, second by Mr. DeMio.

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries. Ordinance No. 2015-152 ADOPTED.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS (cont'd):

Ordinance No. 2015-153 by Mr. Carbone. AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR EMERGENCY STORM SEWER LINE REPAIRS ON CERTAIN STREETS IN THE CITY OF STRONGSVILLE, WITHOUT PUBLIC BIDDING, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

Motion to adopt by Mr. Dooner, second by Mr. DeMio.

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries. Ordinance No. 2015-153 ADOPTED.

Resolution No. 2015-154 by Mayor Perciak and Mr. Maloney. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR THE PAVEMENT RECONSTRUCTION PROGRAM FOR 2015-PHASE III IN THE CITY OF STRONGSVILLE.

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

Motion to adopt by Mr. Dooner, second by Mr. DeMio.

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries. Resolution No. 2015-154 ADOPTED.

Ordinance No. 2015-155 by Mr. Carbone. AN ORDINANCE RATIFYING, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN OHIO DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES CONTRACTS FOR THE LEASE TO PURCHASE OF ONE CATERPILLAR MODEL 262D SKID STEER LOADER WITH STANDARD EQUIPMENT AND ATTACHMENTS, FOR USE BY THE CITY OF STRONGSVILLE SERVICE DEPARTMENT; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND DIRECTOR OF FINANCE TO DO ALL THINGS NECESSARY TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT IN CONNECTION THEREWITH; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

Motion to adopt by Mr. Dooner, second by Mr. DeMio.

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries. Ordinance No. 2015-155 ADOPTED.

COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS AND CLAIMS:

Mr. Daymut – I'd like to announce that as we passed legislation at our last meeting, that Council will be in recess for the month of August, barring a necessity for perhaps a special meeting. We will see you all in September.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:

Mr. Daymut – Is there any miscellaneous business this evening?

(No Comments)

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before this Council, President Daymut adjourned the meeting at 8:40 p.m.

Signature on File
Tiffany Mekeel, CMC
Assistant Clerk of Council

September 8, 2015
Date of Approval