

CITY OF BAY VILLAGE

Council Minutes, Regular Meeting
Council Chambers 8:10 p.m.

October 19, 2015

Paul Koomar, President of Council, presiding

Present: Henderson, Koomar, Lee, Lieske, Tadych, Vincent, Mayor Sutherland

Excused: Mr. Clark

Also Present: Law Director Ebert, Director of Public Safety/Service Thomas, Finance Director Mahoney, Recreation Director Enovitch, Fire Chief Lyons, Police Chief Spaetzel

AUDIENCE

The following audience members signed in this evening: Dick Majewski, Conda Boyd, Russell Thompson, Gayle Fisher, Pam Cottam, Jerrie Barnett, Lydia DeGeorge, Marty Mace, Chanda Neely, Richard Fink, Tara Wendell.

Mr. Koomar called the Regular Meeting of Council to order at 8:10 p.m. in the Council Chambers of Bay Village City Hall, with roll call and the Pledge of Allegiance led by Tom Henderson, Councilman, Ward 4.

Following the roll call, Mr. Koomar called for a reading of the Minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held October 12, 2015. Mr. Lee **MOVED** to dispense with the reading and accept the minutes of October 12, 2015 as prepared and distributed. Motion carried 6-0. Mr. Koomar called for a reading of the Minutes of the Cahoon Memorial Park Trustees meeting of October 12, 2015. Mr. Lee **MOVED** to dispense with the reading and accept the minutes of October 12, 2015 as prepared and distributed. Motion carried 7-0.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Police Chief Spaetzel and Police Sergeant Kathleen Leasure, called forth the school crossing guards of the City of Bay Village for recognition.

Sergeant Leasure stated that she is the liaison between the Police Department and the school crossing guards. Sergeant Leasure stated that the purpose of this recognition tonight is to publicly thank the school guards for all the hard work they do for the City over the years. They perform at an exemplary level making sure our kids get safely to and from school every day. They do this without complaint, but definitely not without challenges. One of the biggest challenges that faces the school guards are the drivers who are in a hurry and don't bother to stop and wait for them, or even the oblivious drivers who don't even know what is going on around them. You could probably ask any one of these guards how many times they have had to jump out of the way. They probably have lost count. They stay there to protect the kids. Another challenge is the weather. Most of us work in a climate controlled environment. They don't have that luxury. Extreme heat, rain, extreme cold, sleet, snow, ice; they work in it.

With the help of Beth McCloud who gathered some statistics. I wanted to tell you some of the weather conditions these folks have worked in the last couple of years, especially last year which was a very harsh winter. In September of 2013, September 10 and September 11 were the two hottest days when the temperature reached 96 and 95 degrees. On December 14 it snowed 5.1 inches in one day: The coldest day of the year was January 3 when the morning temperature reached 6 degrees. Moving on to 2014, there were a lot of major weather records that year. The whole year was the eight snowiest year with 88 inches of snow; we averaged 68 inches of snow. February was the seventh snowiest ever, getting 24 inches that month. November was the fourth snowiest November on record with 20 inches of snow falling, and the eighth coldest November with the average temperature of 37 degrees. February of 2014 also broke six records that year. January 6 was minus 11, January 7 was also minus 11. A date in February was minus 3. March 4 was zero degrees. November 17 was 14 degrees, and November 18, 10 degrees. Thank you and a job well done.

Special Recognition – Bay Village School Crossing Guards

Laura Berry (2 yrs.)	Robin Scobee (6 yrs.)
Nicki Hazeldine (15 yrs.)*	Leah Seitz (1 yr.)
Joe King (25 yrs.)	Bob Specker (11 yrs.)
Ronald Lorenz (1 yr.)	Frederick Steele, Jr. (1 yr.)
Dianne Mueller (4 yrs.)	Mary Frances Steiner (1 yr.)
Mike O’Boyle (14 yrs.)	Audrey Weil (24 yrs.)
Dick Ormsby (6 yrs.)	Bonnie Wilson (4 yrs.)
Rose Quarick (34 yrs.)	

*Special thanks to Nicki Hazeldine for being Sergeant Leasure’s right-hand woman in communications and problem solving for the school guards. Joe King, (25 years), Audrey Weil (24 years) and Rose Quarick (34 years) were given special Certificates of Recognition for their many years of service.

A hearty round of applause and reception followed for the Bay Village School Crossing Guards.

Ready/Emergency Certification Announcement

Fire Chief Lyons introduced representatives of Cuyahoga County’s Office of Emergency Management who were present to formally present the *ReadyCertify* plaque to the City of Bay Village. Bay Village joins Pepper Pike, Solon, Independence, Olmsted Falls, Bedford, and South Euclid in completing the program. *ReadyCertify* is a voluntary program that provides an objective evaluation of a community’s emergency management program. The essence of the *ReadyCertify* program is a set of 24 emergency management performance standards that cover the full spectrum of emergency management activities, including administration, organization, planning, training, response, and recovery.

The *ReadyCertify* standards are designed to encourage the use of best practices and increase the awareness, understanding, and appreciation of increased cooperation and interoperability among Cuyahoga County's communities.

For participating communities, certification through the *ReadyCertify* program provides independent confirmation that their organization is prepared to conduct effective emergency management operations. *ReadyCertify* can help municipal officials identify emergency management capability strengths and shortfalls, measure progress, and identify strategic priorities.

Fire Chief Lyons thanked the representatives of the Office of Emergency Management of Cuyahoga County for the *ReadyCertify* plaque, and thanked the Mayor, Safety Director, and the Police Department, as well as all other members of the administration for their support. A round of applause followed.

REPORTS

Mayor Sutherland had no further report this evening.

Law Director Ebert had no report this evening.

Finance Director Mahoney stated that she is pleased to report that the Auditor of State has given the City of Bay Village Finance Department the Auditor of State Award for a Clean Financial Report. This means that there were no recoveries or weaknesses. This is the second year that the City has received this award. Mrs. Mahoney acknowledged the efforts of her staff, Assistant Finance Director Ruth Popovich, Accounts Payable Clerk Anette Oster, Payroll Clerk Melissa Haburjak, and Finance Department Clerk/Receptionists Heather Vogel, Robin Munoz, and Tami Furlong.

A round of applause followed. President of Council Koomar offered congratulations to Mrs. Mahoney, noting that she and her team do a great job. Mrs. Mahoney noted that she has been doing this work for over twenty years and the last two years the City has received this award. It is a compliment to the staff.

Recreation Director Enovitch announced that the Recreation Department is completing their football season. Games will be played for the next two weekends at Bay High School, kicking off at 10 a.m.

One week from today, the installation of the new Play-in-Bay feature will begin and will be completed by Thursday, October 29. This project is funded by The Bay Village Foundation. The feature will include climbing features and is made of a composite material which will be used to refurbish the entire area. For the record, they are not tearing down Play-in-Bay, but just refurbishing the existing equipment with funding from The Bay Village Foundation.

Public Safety/Service Director Thomas reported that the sidewalk program was a success this year. There were a lot of positive public comments, and Mr. Scott is proud of the crew and the

work that they did. Repairs to the Lake Road roadway from Columbia west to Dover have been completed. Leaf pick-up has begun.

Police Chief Spaetzel announced that the Police Dispatcher Civil Service examination and Police Officer examination will both be held on Saturday, November 21, 2015. Advertisements will be out soon.

Fire Chief Lyons sent official greetings from 95-year old retired Fire Chief Clarence Fibich from his residence in California where he lives with his son Terry, also a retired Fire Chief. Chief Fibich retired from the City of Bay Village in 1978.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS

Gayle Fisher thanked Law Director Ebert and Police Chief Spaetzel for assistance with problems concerning leaves and garbage pick-up.

ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

Mr. Lee introduced and read Ordinance **15-76** amending the Traffic Control Map and File of the City by enacting new No Turn on Red Regulations, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Koomar announced that **Ordinance 15-76** is placed on first reading.

FINANCE AND CLAIMS COMMITTEE

Mr. Tadych read **Ordinance No. 15-72** to establish Chapter 182 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Bay Village regarding Municipal Income Tax.

Mr. Koomar announced that **Ordinance No. 15-72** is placed on second reading

PLANNING, ZONING & PUBLIC GROUNDS & BUILDINGS COMMITTEE

Mrs. Lieske had no report this evening.

PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS/STREETS/SEWERS/DRAINAGE COMMITTEE

Mr. Tadych had no report this evening.

RECREATION AND PARK IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE

Mr. Henderson thanked Mr. Thomas for reaching out to him about a week ago, and also Mr. Enovitch and other people from their team. They went out and looked at the locations in Cahoon Memorial Park where the Fitness Trail equipment is to be installed. The objective was to make sure that all of Council's expectations regarding location, orientation, and signs will be met. They met with the people who will be doing the installation to make sure they are on the same

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page. Mr. Henderson expressed appreciation to all. Mr. Tadych asked if the City has picked up the equipment. Mr. Thomas said that they did pick up the equipment.

SERVICES, UTILITIES & EQUIPMENT COMMITTEE

Mr. Vincent had no report this evening.

MISCELLANEOUS

The executive session scheduled for this evening will not be held.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

Paul Koomar, President of Council

Joan Kemper, Clerk of Council