

City of Bay Village

Council Minutes, Regular Meeting
Council Chambers; augmented by Zoom.
President of Council Dwight A. Clark, presiding

October 5, 2020
7:35 p.m.

Present: Clark, DeGeorge, Kelly, Maier, Stainbrook, Tadych, Winzig, Mayor Koomar.

Also Present: Law Director Barbour, Finance Director Mahoney, Police Chief Leasure, Clerk of Council Kemper and the following administrative officials via Zoom: Recreation Director Enovitch, Fire Chief Lyons, Building Director Tuck-Macalla, Project Manager Kerber, Human Resource Director Demaline, Public Service and Properties Director Liskovec, Community Services Director Selig.

AUDIENCE

Clare Banasiak, and via Zoom: Sarah Sweeney, Alex Kamczyc, Conda Boyd, Deneen, and "dms."

President of Council Clark called the meeting to order at 7:39 p.m. with roll call and the Pledge of Allegiance led by Peter J. Winzig, Councilman, Ward 4

Motion by Tadych to dispense with the reading and approve the Minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held September 14, 2020, as prepared and distributed.

Motion passed 7-0.

Motion by Tadych to dispense with the reading and approve the Minutes of the Cahoon Memorial Park Trustees meeting held September 14, 2020, as prepared and distributed.

Motion passed 8-0.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Koomar stated that an Audit Conference was held this evening. The City of Bay Village received an Unqualified Opinion which is the highest level of assurance. Mayor Koomar thanked Finance Director Mahoney, and her staff of Jim Milton and Anette Oster for their work this year. The COVID Pandemic made it a little more challenging for completion of the audit, but it came out seamlessly and the Mayor complimented Mrs. Mahoney for her department's excellent work.

The next public session of the Master Plan for Bay Point will be on Thursday, October 15, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. The consultant, Smith Group, was in the City last week, and the City has also been engaged by Cuyahoga County as part of that work. The group rented a boat and toured the area to see the shoreline firsthand. They will take the data received so far and work on some rough concepts, bringing them back for the public session. After the public session a stakeholders

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meeting will be held for additional feedback. The first resident survey brought in responses from 345 individuals. The trail at the Cahoon Basin has opened and the administration is excited about further progress.

REPORTS

Law Director Barbour had no report this evening.

Director of Finance Mahoney thanked all of the City Directors, noting that everyone has a part in having an unmodified opinion. If one department doesn't do their purchase orders on time that is a bad mark for the City. It is every department's responsibility, and they should also be thanked for their work.

The Finance Department is still working on the new Finance System and is on track for a January 1, 2021 start-up.

Budget meetings will take place beginning next week with the City Directors. The following week Mrs. Mahoney will meet with Mayor Koomar, and Finance Committee meetings with City Directors will be held on November 2, November 9, and November 16, 2020. The first reading of the Annual Appropriation Ordinance will be held on November 16, with adoption expected in mid-December.

Mr. Clark commented that the City continues the string of Unqualified Audits which is no small task and thanked the Mayor, and Finance Director for all their work.

Recreation Director Enovitch had no report this evening.

Director of Public Service and Properties Liskovec reported that the basketball courts at Reese Park are nearly complete. A shipment of the hoops to be installed has been received and will be in place within the next couple of weeks prior to consideration for the acrylic playing area.

The installation of the fence is underway for the Cahoon Basin trail.

Mr. Liskovec stated that the shredding event held at the City Service Garage the last Friday of September was well attended. Ten thousand pounds of material was processed.

Leaf collection will begin on October 26. In the event of an early drop of leaves, trucks will be mobilized.

Mr. Clark stated that Council would be remiss in their duties if they did not thank the leadership and the work of the fine professionals in the Service Department for all the things they have done this year. They have been working on renovations to Rose Hill, as well, and asked Mr. Liskovec for his comments in regard to that project.

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Mr. Liskovec stated that there has been a transition of HVAC equipment. A leak developed in one of the upstairs rooms, and the workers are taking care of plaster and dry wall work for areas that have been damaged throughout the years, giving the Rose Hill the much needed attention it deserves.

Mr. Clark mentioned the Slope Stabilization Project at Rose Hill and asked Mr. Liskovec if there were any incidents with the work that was done.

Mr. Liskovec stated that preliminary shots of the interior of the existing cracks have been taken and they are working now to get monitoring devices in place over this next month to keep watching throughout the winter freeze/thaw cycles. It is hoped that there will be no issues.

Human Resource Director Demaline reported that the Employee Flu Shot Clinic went very well with many employees participating. They have also launched the 2020 Wellness Initiative and employee participation is beginning in that program. There have been challenges with the COVID Pandemic and adaptations to the Wellness Program have been put in place.

The Human Resource Department is currently hiring for a part time front desk receptionist, seasonal staff for the Service Department, and school crossing guards. The Westshore Enforcement Bureau (WEB) is seeking a new Special Agent in Charge due to the retirement of long-serving Jeff Capretto.

Mr. Clark noted that the City and Council would like to recognize Mr. Capretto for the work he has done on behalf of WEB for the City of Bay Village and the Westshore communities.

Community Services Director Selig reported that the Community Services Department is working on their reopening. When the directive came from the Ohio Department of Health, it stipulated that all the staff members of the Senior Center have to be COVID tested every other week. In working with the Ohio Department of Aging, the state decided to partner with a company called Mayco Medical, a lab that provided the tests for free. Now an official provider must be engaged to sign off on the tests before they are submitted. Upshot Health will assist with the submission of the tests.

In the month of October, some of the activities at the Dwyer Center have been expanded. They are still done outdoors, and Mrs. Selig noted that with the purchase of an FM transmitter seniors can pull their cars up and tune their radio dial into a certain frequency to listen to speakers. Box lunches will be served. Police Chief Kathy Leasure will be the speaker this Wednesday, October 7.

In November, the Dwyer Center will have the seniors begin coming back in a reduced capacity.

Police Chief Leasure advised that at the request of the Cleveland Police Department, officers from the mobile unit of Bay Village were detailed to help with security at the recently held Presidential Debate.

Fire Chief Lyons reported that the fire hydrant cleaning throughout the City is officially finished, with testing and inspection of all hydrants throughout the City completed, with weather cooperating.

A member of the Bay Village Fire Department has voluntarily resigned, and he is wished the best as he moves on to a different career. A replacement will be sought in the near future.

Mr. Clark asked Fire Chief Lyons for further comments on the water life-saving rescue performed recently. Chief Lyons commented that the mid-nineties Bay Village Fire Department Rescue Boat is currently out of service and being repaired. With the incident of wind-surfers out on the lake in the evening during inclement weather, the Bay Village Fire Department, along with the Rocky River Fire Department, Lakewood Fire Department, United States Coast Guard, and the Bay Village Police Department responded. The two individuals were rescued and suffered no injuries. Fire Chief Lyons commented that he would not recommend wind-surfing at night during a rain storm.

Mrs. Stainbrook extended a special thank you to Fire Chief Lyons and Police Chief Leasure for all the challenges and work they have faced week after week. Mrs. Stainbrook stated that the City appreciates everything they do and the security of knowing they will always be there in an instant when called.

Mr. Clark thanked Mrs. Stainbrook for her comments on behalf of the City Council.

Building Director Tuck-Macalla reported that the Bay Creek Condominium Development has been moving right along. On Monday, October 12 they will be starting their paving which should be done within a week. The sidewalk will be open when the paving starts, making a clear path for the school children.

AUDIENCE

There were no comments from the audience this evening.

COMMUNICATIONS

There were no communications this evening.

ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY & COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE –Ms. DeGeorge

Motion by DeGeorge not to object to renewal of existing liquor permits in the City of Bay Village expiring on December 1, 2020.

Motion carried 7-0.

Ms. DeGeorge introduced and read Resolution No. 20-82 of support for the Cuyahoga County Public Library Operating Levy to be submitted to voters on the November 2020 Ballot, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Clark called for comments from Council members. There were none. Mr. Clark stated that on behalf of everyone participating this evening it was a good dialogue, with discussion on both sides of the issue for the benefit of the public.

There being no further discussion, Mr. Clark called for a vote on the motion for adoption of Resolution No. 20-82.

Roll call on Suspension of Charter Rules:

Yeas- Clark, DeGeorge, Kelly, Maier, Stainbrook, Tadych, Winzig.
Nays – None.

Roll call on Suspension of Council Rules:

Yeas- Clark, DeGeorge, Kelly, Maier, Stainbrook, Tadych, Winzig.
Nays – None.

Roll call on Inclusion of the Emergency Clause:

Yeas- Clark, DeGeorge, Kelly, Maier, Stainbrook, Tadych, Winzig.
Nays – None.

Roll call on Adoption:

Yeas- Clark, Kelly, Maier, Stainbrook, Winzig.
Nays – None.
Abstain – DeGeorge, Tadych

Mr. Barbour announced adoption of Resolution No. 20-82, an emergency measure, by a vote of 5-0 and two abstentions.

FINANCE AND CLAIMS-Mr. Tadych

Mr. Tadych introduced and read **Ordinance No. 20-83** establishing the effective date for the Refuse Collection Fee, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Barbour announced that Ordinance No. 20-83 is placed on first reading.

PLANNING, ZONING, PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE-Ms. Maier

Ms. Maier introduced and read **Resolution No. 20-84** authorizing the filing of a Transportation for Livable Communities Initiative (TLCI) Implementation Grant application with NOACA, and declaring an emergency, and moved for adoption.

Mr. Clark complimented Project Manager Kathryn Kerber for the good work she has done with this application, and all of the other grant applications that she prepared, keeping the Cahoon Master Plan continuing with positive momentum.

There being no further discussion, Mr. Clark called for a vote on the motion for adoption of Resolution No. 20-84.

- Roll call on Suspension of Charter Rules:
Yeas- DeGeorge, Kelly, Maier, Stainbrook, Tadych, Winzig, Clark.
Nays – None.
- Roll call on Suspension of Council Rules:
Yeas- DeGeorge, Kelly, Maier, Stainbrook, Tadych, Winzig, Clark.
Nays – None.
- Roll call on Inclusion of the Emergency Clause:
Yeas- DeGeorge, Kelly, Maier, Stainbrook, Tadych, Winzig, Clark.
Nays – None.
- Roll call on Adoption:
Yeas- DeGeorge, Kelly, Maier, Stainbrook, Tadych Winzig, Clark.
Nays – None.

Mr. Barbour announced adoption of Resolution No. 20-84, an emergency measure, by a vote of 7-0.

PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS/STREETS/SEWERS/DRAINAGE COMMITTEE-Mrs. Stainbrook

Mrs. Stainbrook had no further report this evening.

RECREATION AND PARK IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE –Mr. Winzig

Mr. Winzig thanked the Recreation Department staff and all of the residents of Bay Village for operating under a COVID environment. We were able to bring back sports for the children of the community. When going by Cahoon Memorial Park you can see kids playing football, kids playing soccer, and kids over in the gym playing volleyball. Mr. Winzig recognized all for following the guidelines and doing the best they can, and Recreation Director Enovitch's department for guiding that whole mission. This infection is all the way to the top of the country and it is hoped that we can help to provide services to our community.

SERVICES, UTILITIES & EQUIPMENT COMMITTEE –Mr. Kelly

Mr. Kelly had no further report this evening.

MISCELLANEOUS

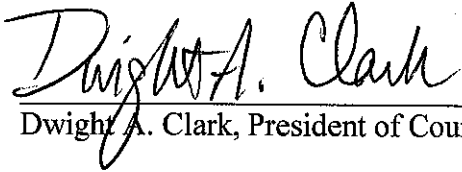
Mr. Tadych announced that in-person voting begins Tuesday, October 6, 2020 at the Cuyahoga County Board of Elections.

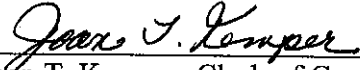
Mr. Clark announced that the next meeting of the Bay Village City Council will be held on Monday, October 19 at 7 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

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There being no further discussion or matters to come before the Council this evening, the meeting adjourned at 8:06 p.m.


Dwight A. Clark, President of Council


Joan T. Kemper, Clerk of Council