

REGULAR MEETING OF SOUTH EUCLID CITY COUNCIL

Council President David Miller called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call

Present: Fiorelli, Gelfand, Gray, Icové, Miller (7)

Absent: Goodman, Romeo

Staff: Benjamin, Blackley, Filippo, Lograsso, Nietert, Anderson, Love, Huston

Recognition Ceremony: **POLICE OFFICER OF THE YEAR** Seargant Joe Mays

Introduced by Miller

Resolution 09-13

RESOLUTION

In appreciation to and recognition of Sergeant Joe Mays for his outstanding service to the South Euclid Police Department and the residents of the City of South Euclid and having been nominated and elected Officer of the Year for 2012. FIRST READING.

Following discussion, It was moved by Gray, seconded by Fiorelli, that Resolution 09-13 be passed.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Fiorelli, Gelfand, Gray, Icové, Miller.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Goodman, Romeo.

The Legislation has Passed Unanimously.

Special Presentation Requested by the Mayor: a reading from South Euclid resident Afi-Odelia Scruggs to commemorate Black History Month.

Opening Meeting of Council:

President Miller called the Open Meeting of Council to order and invited the audience to address Council:

- Bob Schoenewald, 4426 Bayard Road, spoke regarding Resolution 08-13 passed by Council in objection to Ohio House Bill 5, conformity and uniformity to local taxing authorities. Mr. Schoenewald stated that there are many issues with non-uniformity and the bill should be supported.
- Barb Holtz, 4620 Anderson Road, spoke against the proposed layoffs of any firefighters and said she is the wife of a firefighter in another city and asked that the City reconsider.
- Christopher Weeks, 4214 Ellison Road, spoke regarding his disapproval for public library moving its location. Mr. Weeks stated that this council does not seem too concerned that the move of the library will have a dramatic effect on the students at Brush and that a poll should be taken and the move reconsidered.
- Twon Billings, 1312 East 82nd, Cleveland Ohio, spoke about the issue of human trafficking.

Report of Council Committees:

Committee of the Whole

Council President Miller reported on the Committee of the Whole meeting, which was held regarding the proposed Audit Committee. Councilman Gelfand is going to contact someone at the auditor's office to see if they can come to future meetings. Councilman Icové stated that there was a frank and honest discussion regarding the issue and commended everyone and Finance Director Smith for their input.

Finance Committee

Introduced by Miller

Ordinance 01-13

ORDINANCE

Amending Division (b) and sub-division (b1) of Section 937.01 "Regulations; Fee Schedule" of Chapter 937 "Community Center of Part Nine "Streets and Public Service Code" of the Codified Ordinances of the City of South Euclid, Ohio. SECOND READING.

Following discussion, It was moved by Miller, seconded by Fiorelli, that Ordinance 01-13 be passed.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Fiorelli, Gelfand, Gray, Icové, Miller.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Goodman, Romeo

The Legislation has Passed Unanimously.

Legislation Requested by City Council

Introduced by Miller

Resolution 10-13

RESOLUTION

Informing and encouraging the owners and proprietors of Liquor Establishments within the City of South Euclid to exercise their right under ORC Section 2923.126 (c) (3) (a) to post a sign in a conspicuous location prohibiting persons from carrying firearms or concealed firearms on or onto their premises. FIRST READING.

Following discussion, It was moved by Fiorelli, seconded by Miller, that Resolution 10-13 be passed.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Fiorelli, Gelfand, Gray, Icove, Miller.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Goodman, Romeo

The Legislation has Passed Unanimously.

Legislation Requested by the Planning Commission

Introduced by Miller

Ordinance 02-13

ORDINANCE

Enacting new Section 770.35 (a) of Chapter 770 "Sign Regulations" of Part Seven "The Planning and Zoning Code" of the Codified Ordinances of the City of South Euclid, Ohio. FIRST READING.

Referred to the Planning Commission for review.

Mayor's Report:

- **Mayor Welo** reported on the Friends of Euclid Creek Meeting and the Cuyahoga County environmental impact assessment and congratulated South Euclid resident Sylvia Billups on the opening of her new South Euclid restaurant Red Hot Cabana and the also Chef Eric from Neveah Cuisine on the upcoming opening of his new restaurant. Chef Eric will be featured on Fox 8. Mayor Welo reported that she was down in Columbus meeting about the State Budget cut issues and the proposed bill to change income tax collections and stated that the city's all support a uniform tax code but want any bill passed to be revenue neutral to local communities. The Mayor reported on upcoming events including Argonne-Avondale potluck for the purple heart homes and NDC Soccer Tournament and the Cuyahoga County Public Library meeting.
- **Finance Director Smith:** Asked for Council Consideration of Resolution 14-13, Resolution 15-13 and Ordinance 03-13
- **Housing Manager Martin:** requested consideration of Resolution 13-13 and reported that the Community Garden Lottery deadline is Friday.
- **Director Benjamin:** gave an update about the upcoming Master Plan process and CDBG Grant.

Legislation Requested by the Administration

Introduced by Miller

Resolution 11-13

RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO an agreement with the Community Partnership on Aging (formerly known as the Tri-City Consortium on Aging) Council of Governments. FIRST READING.

Following discussion, It was moved by Miller, seconded by Fiorelli that Resolution 11-13 be passed.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Fiorelli, Gelfand, Gray, Icove, Miller.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Goodman, Romeo

The Legislation has Passed Unanimously.

Introduced by Miller

Resolution 12-13

RESOLUTION

Authorizing the Mayor to convey certain Real Property of the City of South Euclid, Ohio to One South Euclid. FIRST READING.

Following discussion, It was moved by Gray, seconded by Miller that Resolution 12-13 be passed.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Fiorelli, Gelfand, Gray, Icove, Miller.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Goodman, Romeo

The Legislation has Passed Unanimously.

Introduced by Miller

Resolution 13-13

RESOLUTION

Authorizing the Mayor to enter into a grant agreement with the Cuyahoga County Department of Development to receive funds from the Neighborhoods Stabilization Program III (NSP3) Competitive Municipal Grant Program. FIRST READING.

Following discussion, It was moved by Gelfand, seconded by Fiorelli that Resolution 13-13 be passed.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Fiorelli, Gelfand, Gray, Icové, Miller.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Goodman, Romeo.

The Legislation has Passed Unanimously.

Introduced by Miller

Resolution 14-13

RESOLUTION

Authorizing the Finance Director to create a new fund entitled "HUD Grants – NSP3 Fund #215" within the City of South Euclid. FIRST READING.

Following discussion, It was moved by Fiorelli, seconded by Miller that Resolution 14-13 be passed.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Fiorelli, Gelfand, Gray, Icové, Miller.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Goodman, Romeo

The Legislation has Passed Unanimously.

Introduced by Miller

Resolution 15-13

RESOLUTION

Authorizing the transfer of unappropriated funds from the "Safety Forces Vehicle Fund #409" to the General Fund #101. FIRST READING.

Following discussion, It was moved by Gray, seconded by Miller that Resolution 15-13 be passed.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Fiorelli, Gelfand, Gray, Icové, Miller.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Goodman, Romeo

The Legislation has Passed Unanimously.

Introduced by Miller

Ordinance 03-13

ORDINANCE

Temporarily suspending, for Calendar Year 2012 and Calendar Year 2013, the requirements of Section 131.08 (d) of the Codified Ordinances of the City of South Euclid, Ohio. FIRST READING.

Following discussion, It was moved by Miller, seconded by Fiorelli that Ordinance 03-13 be passed.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Fiorelli, Gelfand, Gray, Icové, Miller.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Goodman, Romeo

The Legislation has Passed Unanimously.

Law Director's Report

None

Letters & Communications

- Councilperson Miller, reported on the upcoming fundraiser for the Playground of Possibilities on March 9 and the Brown and Gold Benefit "A Night at the Races" for the School District on March

16. Miller reported on the upcoming Budget Hearings during the week of March 6 and that Council received the Budget Books last week.

- Councilperson Gray stated that she would like to have a Safety Committee Public Hearing to discuss the proposed cuts so that the residents understand what the affects of layoffs would mean. The meeting was scheduled for March 18 at 7 pm.
- Councilperson Gelfand reported that the Recreation Committee will meet on March 11 at 6 pm to discuss the proposed pesticide ordinances and that Councilwoman Goodman's Ward Meeting will be March 6 at 7 pm. Mr. Gelfand reported that he attended the Northeast Ohio Environmental Roundtable.
- Councilperson Icové wished the Mayor a nice vacation.

Adjourn

With no further business to discuss, Councilman Fiorelli made a motion to adjourn the Meeting. Seconded by Gelfand

Roll Call:

Ayes: Fiorelli, Gelfand, Gray, Icové, Miller.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Goodman, Romeo.

The Meeting Adjourned at 9:10 pm.

Council President

Attest:

Clerk of Council