

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, Goodman, Gray, Icové, Miller (6)

Absent: Romeo

Staff: Benjamin, Filippo, Kowalczyk, Lograsso, Nietert, Welo, Martin, Anderson, Love, Huston

Approval of Minutes: March 26, 2012

Following discussion, It was moved by Fiorelli, seconded by Gelfand, that the minutes of the March 26, 2012 meeting of City Council be approved.

Roll Call:

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

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Romeo.

The Minutes have been approved.

Special Presentation: Mayor Welo presented a proclamation commemorating the 100th Anniversary of the Girl Scouts. Members of the South Euclid Brownie Troop were at the meeting to accept the proclamation from Mayor Welo.

Special Presentation: Mayor Welo presented a proclamation commemorating the celebration of Earth Day on April 22, 2012.

Special Presentation:

Introduced by Miller

Resolution 23-12

RESOLUTION

DECLARING THE MONTH OF APRIL 2012 TO BE FAIR HOUSING MONTH IN THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID, OHIO. FIRST READING.

Following discussion, It was moved by Gray, seconded by Fiorelli, that Resolution 23-12 be passed.

Roll Call:

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

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Romeo.

The Legislation has Passed Unanimously.

Opening Meeting of Council:

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

- Yvonne Sanderson, 4078 Elmwood Road, stated that she is Treasurer of OneSouthEuclid and spoke on behalf and in support of the agreement under consideration by City Council.
- Lisa Marko, 5180 Spencer Road in Lyndhurst, reported that she is a member of the South Euclid-Lyndhurst Board of Education. Ms. Marko reported on upcoming events, activities and accomplishments. Ms. Marko stated that the Superintendent search has been ongoing and that there will be stakeholder interviews on April 10 and 11 for the two remaining candidates, and that the Board will be making their decision in the next two weeks. Ms. Marko stated that the school district will have to cut \$2.3 million from the budget as a result of funding changes at the State, and that most of the layoffs will be teachers. Ms. Marko stated that there will be a levy on the ballot this November and, if not passed, will result in an additional \$4 million in cuts next year.
- Linda Pagon, 684 Parkside, spoke regarding the incident at the dog park and stated that Siberian Huskies are known for their natural instincts to attack, kill and eat small animals. Ms. Pagon requested that City council re-write the seat belt safety ordinance which had passed at a previous meeting and stated that every new task which is added for the police to monitor detracts from what may be a higher priority and gives them too much discretion. Ms. Pagon stated that bias is human and that the ordinance facilitates bias.

Report of Council Committees:

Committee of the Whole

President Miller reported that the Committee of the Whole met earlier in the evening to report on the City's monthly finances. Mr. Miller reported that income tax collections have been okay, although there was a drop in RITA collections between March and April. However, the City received \$100,000 from an estate tax

collection. Mr. Miller reported that Council has identified a number of areas to review to address revenues and expenses and the committee will continue to meet at 7 pm on the second Monday of each month.

Recreation Committee

Committee Chairman Gelfand reported that a Recreation Committee Meeting has been scheduled for 7 pm on Monday April 30 at 7 pm.

Legislation For Removal from Council Docket

Introduced by Miller

Ordinance 06-11

ORDINANCE

FIXING THE SALARY, COMPENSATION AND RATES OF PAY FOR SWIMMING POOL PERSONNEL, REPEALING ALL OTHER ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT HEREWITH; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. FOR REMOVAL.

Following discussion, It was moved by Gelfand, seconded by Gray, that Ordinance 06-11 be removed from the Council Docket.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Fiorelli, Gelfand, Goodman, Gray, Ilove, Miller.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Romeo.

The Legislation has been removed.

Introduced by Miller

Ordinance 39-11

ORDINANCE

PROVIDING FOR SUBMISSION TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID A CHARTER AMENDMENT AS PROPOSED BY COUNCIL TO ANNUALLY CONFIRM THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF THE DIRECTOR OF LAW; PURSANT TO ARTICLE XI OF THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID, OHIO; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. FOR REMOVAL.

Following discussion, It was moved by Ilove, seconded by Goodman, that Ordinance 39-11 be removed from Council Docket.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Fiorelli, Gelfand, Goodman, Gray, Ilove, Miller.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Romeo.

The Legislation has been removed.

Mayor's Report:

- **Mayor Welo** stated that Andy Blackley was not able to attend the meeting and gave a brief update regarding activities. Mayor Welo reported that the Board of Control met and awarded the Sheffield Road project to Longo Sewer Construction Company and a pre-construction meeting will be held during the week. Welo also reported that the Argonne Infrastructure Improvement Project is out to bid with a bid opening scheduled for April 20, and that the 2011 Water Main Project commenced last week, with a temporary water main being placed on Eastway Road and Emerson Road.
- **Building Commissioner Kowalczyk** reported that construction work at Cedar Center is moving along very rapidly and also reported that the construction of two new single family homes broke ground on Liberty & Dorsh Roads.
- **Housing Manager Martin** reported on the Argonne-Avondale lot which will become a pocket park, and also made remarks regarding the upcoming launch of the new lot re-sale program and its connection with the One South Euclid CDC.
- **Service Director Anderson** reported that yard waste bag pickup has been re-instated by the City and the Service Department is averaging about 200 bags picked up a day from residents. Anderson reported that the new Trash and Recycling Services Proposals have gone out to bid and a pre-bid meeting was held last week. Bids will be opened on April 20.
- **Economic Development Coordinator Love:** Requested council consideration of Res. 22-12 regarding the OneSouthEuclid agreement between the City and the new CDC and discussed the Bob Evans Practice Sessions that are ongoing and in support of the Community Garden Program.
- **Mayor Welo** thanked everyone who participated in the annual Spring Fest at the Community Center over the weekend. The Mayor stated that she could not be there and thanked Mary Ilove for holding down her post. Mayor Welo reported on initiatives at the federal and state level and that Congressman LaTourette is open to hearing from local Mayors regarding local infrastructure needs that should be a part of any new federal transportation bill. Mayor Welo reported that a bill has

been introduced in the State House that would consolidate all income tax collections at the state level and would negatively impact local municipalities. Welo commented that there are a lot of positive things happening around Cleveland for our residents to enjoy and be excited about with the new casino readying for opening and upcoming rock hall inductions.

Legislation Requested by the Administration

Introduced by Miller

Resolution 22-12

RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH ONE SOUTH EUCLID FOR THE PROVISION OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SERVICES FOR THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID. FIRST READING.

It was moved by Fiorelli, seconded by Miller, that Resolution 22-12 be passed. Following discussion, motions were withdrawn and the legislation was placed on First Reading for further review by the Legislative Committee of Council. A Committee Meeting was scheduled for Monday, April 16.

Introduced by Miller

Resolution 24-12

RESOLUTION

ACCEPTING AN EASEMENT FROM FISE, LLC AND WAL-MART REAL ESTATE BUSINESS TRUST FOR A WATERMAIN EASEMENT AT OAKWOOD COMMONS WITHIN THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID, OHIO. FIRST READING.

Following discussion, It was moved by Goodman, seconded by Ilove, that Resolution 24-12 be passed.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Fiorelli, Gelfand, Goodman, Gray, Ilove, Miller.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Romeo.

The Legislation has Passed Unanimously.

Law Director's Report

None

Letters & Communications

- Councilperson Gelfand reported that he will be attending a Heights Hillcrest Chamber of Commerce Breakfast Meeting on April 19th regarding building strategic alliances. The guest speaker will be Cuyahoga County Planning Commission Director Paul Alsenas.
- Councilperson Fiorelli reported on the Bob Evans Practice Sessions he attended and that the new restaurant will be a great asset for our community.
- Councilperson Ilove reported that Warehouse Beverage, which has been in existence for approximately 70 years and is the longest running business in South Euclid, won a Best of Cleveland Award selected by readers of Scene Magazine.
- Council President Miller reported that April 28 is the City's annual Community Clean Up Day.

Adjourn to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing collective bargaining agreements.

Following discussion, It was moved by Miller, seconded by Gelfand, that Council adjourn to Executive Session:

Roll Call:

Ayes: Fiorelli, Gelfand, Goodman, Gray, Ilove, Miller.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Romeo.

Council adjourned to Executive Session at 9:09 pm.

Adjourn Meeting of Council

Council adjourned from Executive Session. Councilperson Fiorelli made a motion to adjourn the meeting of Council. Seconded by Goodman.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Fiorelli, Gelfand, Goodman, Gray, Ilove, Miller.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Romeo

The Meeting Adjourned at 9:49 pm.

Attest:

Council President

Clerk of Council