

## 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, Blackley, Smith, Kowalczyk, Welo, Martin, Anderson, Love, Huston

### **Approval of Minutes:** September 10, 2012

It was moved by Fiorelli, seconded by Goodman, that the Minutes of the September 10, 2012 Council Meeting be approved.

### Roll Call:

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

**Nays:** None.

**Abstain:** None.

**Absent:** Romeo.

The Minutes have been approved.

Mayor Welo requested that Resolution 62-12 acknowledging the retirement of Fire Inspector James Davis be postponed. Mr. Davis was not available to attend the meeting.

Councilperson Icové made a motion to Table Resolution 62-12, Seconded by Goodman.

### Roll Call:

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

**Nays:** None.

**Abstain:** None.

**Absent:** Romeo.

The Legislation has been tabled .

**Swearing-In Ceremony:** Firefighter Nick Sweetnich was sworn-in and took the oath of office.

### **Opening Meeting of Council:**

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

- David Frey, President of Lyndhurst City Council, reported that he is co-chairing this year's School Levy with South Euclid President Dr. Miller. Mr. Frey stated that as the father of three daughters in the school district this levy is important and it has already been endorsed by both Mayors Cicero and Welo. Mr. Frey stated that while Lyndhurst has been critical of supporting levies because of school spending in the past, he believes that the current Board of Education and the new Superintendent have vision and encouraged residents to support the levy.
- Jeff Rink director of Key Banc Capital Markets, stated that he is the City's financial advisor and reported on tremendous news that Moody's, the independent financial credit evaluator has maintained the city's credit rating which is a major accomplishment. Mr. Rink stated that Moody's came to South Euclid for the credit presentation which was organized by the administration and included the participation of several members of City Council. Mr. Rink thanked the Mayor and everyone involved for their outstanding work for several weeks to make the great news a reality and acknowledged Director Benjamin and Director Smith for their work.
- Bob Schoenewald, 4426 Bayard, stated that Council had previously enacted legislation regarding cell phone use and reported that he had talked to the Chief about a problem. Mr. Schoenewald stated that he witnessed a Police Officer making a left hand turn from Golfway Road onto Green Road and that the Officer was looking at his Computer (mobile data terminal) and came within four feet of children and that if these laws were truly about safety, police officers would not be exempted from these laws. Mr. Schoenewald also objected to the School Levy sign posted at Rowland School and stated that its size did not meet the code, and last year two candidates were approached by the Building Commissioner regarding their sign compliance. Mr. Schoenewald also addressed an issue related to number of non-family members permitted in a home and registered his concerns with proposed Ordinance 26-12 regarding sound abatement and Ordinance 27-12 regarding extending abatement of criminal activity to within 1,000 feet of a home.
- Richard Gent stated that he is President of Gent Machine Company, 445 South Green Road, and asked for Council's support of his expansion plans for the city-owned building located at 441 South Green Road which has been used as school bus garage.
- Alfreda Wynne, stated that she is a member of the South Euclid Lyndhurst Board of Education and reported on school district accomplishments and upcoming events. Ms. Wynne also discussed the upcoming school levy and that yard signs are available.

**Report of Council Committees:**Committee of the Whole

Council President Miller reported that the Committee of the Whole met to discuss the monthly finance report. President Miller reported that receipts are ahead of disbursements and RITA collections are \$212,000 ahead of last year. However, NORMA insurance has gone up and the State will be cutting an additional 25% from the Local Government Fund next year.

Legislative Committee

Introduced by Miller

Resolution 38-12

## RESOLUTION

Authorizing the Mayor to enter into a lease with the South Euclid-Lyndhurst City Schools for a portion of the Real Property known as 441 South Green Road in the City of South Euclid. Second Reading.

Following discussion, It was moved by Gray, seconded by Fiorelli, that Resolution 38-12 be approved.

**Roll Call:****Ayes:** Fiorelli, Gelfand, Goodman, Gray, Icové, Miller.**Nays:** None.**Abstain:** None.**Absent:** Romeo.

The Legislation has been approved.

**Mayor's Report:**

- **Engineer Blackley:** Reported on the 2012 road reconstruction projects and discussed the proposal for DOPWIC state funding and a Congestion Mitigation project on South Green Road.
- **Housing Manager Martin:** Reported on the upcoming Idea House Opening on October 24 from 4-7 pm.
- **Service Director Anderson:** Reported on the Salt Bid for the winter with ODOT and reported that the price has gone down 11.59 cents per ton. Anderson also stated that preliminary numbers from the first four months of the new automated recycling and trash collection program have represented a savings of approximately \$25,000 a month.
- **Economic Development Coordinator Love:** thanked Council for their support of Res. 38-12 and reported on the progress of the Red Hot Cabana Restaurant.
- **Fire Chief Huston:** reported on that firefighters are wearing pink in support of National Breast Cancer Week.
- **Mayor Welo:** Congratulated Council and staff for all of their hard work which resulted in the Moody's credit rating attainment.

**Legislation Requested by the Administration**

Introduced by Miller

Resolution 63-12

## RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH ADABOY, LLC FOR THE SALE AND PURCHASE OF REAL PROPERTY, LOCATED AT 441 SOUTH GREEN ROAD IN THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID, OHIO. FIRST READING.

Following discussion, It was moved by Gray, seconded by Miller, that Resolution 63-12 be approved.

**Roll Call:****Ayes:** Fiorelli, Gelfand, Goodman, Gray, Icové, Miller.**Nays:** None.**Abstain:** None.**Absent:** Romeo.

The Legislation has Passed.

Introduced by Miller

Resolution 64-12

## RESOLUTION

PROVIDING A DATE AND TIME LIMITS FOR THE HALLOWEEN OBERVANCE UPON THE STREETS AND OUT OF DOORS FOR THE YEAR 2012. FIRST READING.

Following discussion, It was moved by Gray, seconded by Goodman, that Resolution 64-12 be approved.

**Roll Call:****Ayes:** Fiorelli, Gelfand, Goodman, Gray, Icové, Miller.**Nays:** None.**Abstain:** None.**Absent:** Romeo.

The Legislation has Passed.

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Introduced by Miller

Resolution 65-12

RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE DISTRICT ONE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION (OPWC) STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND/OR LOCAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM(S) FOR THE YEAR 2013 AND TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS AS REQUIRED WITHIN THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID, OHIO. FIRST READING.

Following discussion, It was moved by Goodman, seconded by Gelfand, that Resolution 65-12 be approved.

**Roll Call:**

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

**Nays:** None.

**Abstain:** None.

**Absent:** Romeo.

The Legislation has Passed.

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Introduced by Miller

Resolution 66-12

RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE SOUTH EUCLID MUNICIPAL COURT TO AUTHORIZE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE "CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID PARKING VIOLATIONS BUREAU" PURSUANT TO ORC 4521.04 (A)(1); AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. FIRST READING.

Following discussion, It was moved by Miller, seconded by Gelfand, that Resolution 66-12 be approved.

**Roll Call:**

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

**Nays:** None.

**Abstain:** None.

**Absent:** Romeo.

The Legislation has Passed.

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**Law Director's Report**

None

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**Letters & Communications**

- Councilperson Goodman reported that a Utilities Committee Forum will be held on Oct. 17 with representatives from NOPEC to explain their new opt-in program for Electric Energy. Goodman also stated that because her Ward contains several streets in the Cleveland Heights-University Heights School District, she has been appointed to their facilities plan committee.
  - Councilperson Gray reported that she met with the pastor at the First Community Baptist Church and that he would like to build a Faith Walk Center which would include a classroom center, library space and recreation facilities. Ms. Gray expressed her appreciation to the many residents, council members and administration who send cards and flowers on the passing of her mother.
  - Councilperson Gelfand reported that he attended a City Club meeting where the featured speaker with the Chair of the National Transportation Safety Board and stated that South Euclid has already done a lot to address issues of distracted drivers. Mr. Gelfand scheduled a Recreation Committee Meeting for November 12 at 6 pm.
  - Councilperson Fiorelli reported on the October 7 dedication of the Quarry Park South Ballfield in the name of former Councilman Joe Coreno and reported that over 100 people came out for the dedication and Tony Caroscio and Ray Rhode were featured speakers. Mr. Fiorelli thanked the Mayor for doing the dedication and thanked Councilpersons Gelfand, Ilove, Romeo for attending. Mr. Fiorelli reported that in the second month of recycling the city reduced landfill dumping from 900 tons to 616 tons. Mr. Fiorelli discussed the Sacred Heart of Jesus Pancake Breakfast.
  - Councilperson Ilove reported that there is a new Jewish Elected Officials group that is meeting in Greater Cleveland. The group is bi-partisan and the inaugural meeting and Councilpersons Gelfand, Goodman and County Councilwoman Sunny Simon were invited. Mr. Ilove congratulated Judge Byers and the administration on a regional grant which was documented in the Plain Dealer on October 3<sup>rd</sup>. The regional grant focuses on rehabilitation and part of the funds will go towards the salary of a probation officer and detective.
  - Council President Miller scheduled a Committee of the Whole for October 22, 2012 at 6:30 pm to discuss legal fees.
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**Adjourn**

With no further business to discuss it was moved by Gelfand, seconded by Goodman, that the meeting be adjourned.

**Roll Call:**

**Ayes:** Fiorelli, Gelfand, Goodman, Gray, Icovc, Miller.

**Nays:** None.

**Abstain:** None.

**Absent:** Romeo.

The Meeting adjourned at 9:40 pm.

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Council President

Attest:

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Clerk of Council