

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, Goodman, Gray, Icovc, Romeo, Miller (6)

Absent: Caroscio

Staff: Benjamin, Blackley, Filippo, Gallagher, Kowalczyk, Lograsso, Martines, Nietert, Martin, Anderson, Franey, Love, Huston

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: May 10, 2010 (Recovered); July 12, 2010 (Recovered), July 26, 2010 (Recovered); August 2, 2010 (Special Meeting-Recovered); January 24, 2011
Following discussion, It was moved by Romeo, seconded by Goodman, that the Minutes be approved.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Goodman, Gray, Icovc, Romeo, Miller.

Nays: None.

Abstain: Fiorelli

Absent: Caroscio.

The Minutes have been approved.

RECOGNITION CEREMONY: A ceremony was held recognizing the courageous actions of Memorial Junior High School Student Parker Shapiro for coming to the rescue of a fellow student.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Introduced by Miller

Resolution 06-11

RESOLUTION

COMMENDING SOUTH EUCLID NATIVE LESLIE McLAUGHLIN FOR HER WORK AS A COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION AND DEVELOPMENT VOLUNTEER WITH THE UNITED STATES PEACE CORPS. FIRST READING.

Following discussion, It was moved by Goodman, seconded by Fiorelli, that Resolution 06-11 be approved.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Fiorelli, Goodman, Gray, Icovc, Romeo, Miller.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Caroscio.

The Legislation has Passed Unanimously.

SWEARING-IN CEREMONY: Fire Department Lieutenants Paul Tepley, Larry Gasper, and Patrick Arth were sworn-in as Lieutenants.

OFFICERS OF THE YEAR

Introduced by Miller

Resolution 07-11

RESOLUTION

IN APPRECIATION TO AND RECOGNITION OF PATROL OFFICER DEIDRA HOLLYFIELD FOR HER 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 2010. FIRST READING.

Following discussion, It was moved by Gray, seconded by Fiorelli, that Resolution 07-11 be passed.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Fiorelli, Goodman, Gray, Icovc, Romeo, Miller.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Caroscio.

The Legislation has Passed Unanimously.

Introduced by Miller

Resolution 08-11

RESOLUTION

IN APPRECIATION TO AND RECOGNITION OF LIEUTENANT PAUL TEPLEY FOR HIS OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO THE SOUTH EUCLID FIRE DEPARTMENT AND THE RESIDENTS OF THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID AND HAVING BEEN NOMINATED AND ELECTED FIREFIGHTER OF THE YEAR FOR 2010. FIRST READING.

Following discussion, It was moved by Gray, seconded by Goodman, that Resolution 08-11 be passed.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Fiorelli, Goodman, Gray, Icove, Romeo, Miller.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Caroscio.

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:

- Fran Mentch, 1413 Lynn Park in Cleveland Heights, spoke regarding the 1999 City Comprehensive Plan and complimented the City for fashioning an update to the plan, unlike her City. Ms. Mentch stated that the plan did consider greenspace and openspace under Section 3C and stated her concern regarding the proposed Oakwood development and stated that in her and the Severance Neighborhood Organization's opinion, the proposed development is not consistent with the comprehensive plan and stated her support for Cedar Center. Ms. Mentch quoted from a Plain Dealer article regarding greenspace not happening by magic, a statement she stated was made by Oakwood developer Mitchell Schneider. Ms. Mentch stated that Mr. Schneider is with the Global Investment Firm of First Interstate and that the City should consider a community benefits agreement to set aside \$20 million to make the proposed greenspace for his Oakwood development a showplace for greenspace because of the costs the city will incur for the property. Ms. Mentch reported on an Economist article regarding how strip malls are struggling and there is rampant over building. Ms. Mentch stated that she supports Cedar Center and it should be developed and Oakwood should be kept as greenspace.

ITEMS FOR REMOVAL FROM COUNCIL DOCKET

Introduced by Miller

Ordinance 35-10

ORDINANCE

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A TAX INCREMENT FINANCING DISTRICT AND DECLARING IMPROVEMENTS TO CERTAIN PARCELS OF REAL PROPERTY IN THE DISTRICT TO BE A PUBLIC PURPOSE FOR PURPOSES OF SECTIONS 5709.40 AND 5709.42 OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE; DESCRIBING THE PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS MADE, TO BE MADE, OR IN THE PROCESS OF BEING MADE THAT DIRECTLY BENEFIT, OR THAT ONCE MADE WILL DIRECTLY BENEFIT THE DISTRICT, REQUIRING THE OWNERS OF THOSE PARCELS TO MAKE SERVICE PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES; ESTABLISHING A MUNICIPAL PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT TAX INCREMENT EQUIVALENT FUND FOR THE DEPOSIT OF SERVICE PAYMENTS AND RELATED AUTHORIZATIONS PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE SECTIONS 5709. 40, 5709.42 AND 5709.43; ESTABLISHING A TAX INCENTIVE REVIEW COUNCIL; AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF VARIOUS CONTRACTS, CERTIFICATIONS, AND OTHER DOCUMENTS RELATED THERETO. **FOR REMOVAL.**

Following discussion, It was moved by Romeo, seconded by Goodman, that Ordinance 35-10 be removed from the docket.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Fiorelli, Goodman, Gray, Icove, Romeo, Miller.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Caroscio.

The Legislation has been removed.

Report of Council Committees:

Zoning & Planning Committee

Chairperson Icove reported that the Zoning and Planning Committee met to discuss Ordinance 62-10 concerning parking lot regulations and requested that the legislation be placed on the agenda for second reading at the next meeting of Council.

Public Utilities Committee

Chairperson Goodman reported on a Utilities Committee meeting where consultants, Brewer-Garrett, discussed the City's municipal building energy audit. Another meeting was scheduled for March 14, 2011 to continue discussions regarding the audit and proposal.

Introduced by Miller

Ordinance 05-11

ORDINANCE

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN ENERGY SERVICE AND PERFORMANCE AGREEMENT WITH THE BREWER-GARRETT COMPANY. **SECOND READING.**

The legislation was placed on Second Reading.

Mayor's Report:

- **Engineer Blackley:** reported that the Templehurst Road job is out to bid and requested consideration of Resolution 09-11 to prepare plans for site improvements for the Cedar Center North Project.
- **Housing Manager Martin:** reported that the 2011 Lottery was held for the City's Community Gardens earlier in the day and that there were more applications than garden plots. Martin reported that another garden is being planned for this summer.
- **Finance Director Filippo:** reported that he is still working on budget books and the staff is updating them, they will be ready for Council this week.

Legislation Requested by the Administration

Introduced by Miller

Resolution 09-11

RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE CITY ENGINEER TO PREPARE THE PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, AND ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR THE CEDAR CENTER NORTH OWNER'S SITE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT IN THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID, OHIO. FIRST READING.

Following discussion, It was moved by Goodman, seconded by Miller, that Resolution 09-11 be approved.

Roll Call:

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

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Caroscio.

The Legislation has Passed Unanimously.

Introduced by Miller

Resolution 10-11

RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH OHIOBIZ WEB CONSULTING, LLC TO FURTHER DEVELOP AND MAINTAIN THE WORLD WIDE WEB SITE FOR THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID, OHIO. FIRST READING.

Following discussion, It was moved by Romeo, seconded by Gray, that Resolution 10-11 be approved.

Roll Call:

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

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Caroscio.

The Legislation has Passed Unanimously.

Introduced by Miller

Resolution 11-11

RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH NOPEC FOR THE PURPOSE OF ACCEPTING THE CITY'S POWERING OUR COMMUNITIES GRANT AWARD. FIRST READING.

Following discussion, It was moved by Goodman, seconded by Romeo, that Resolution 11-11 be approved.

Roll Call:

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

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Caroscio.

The Legislation has Passed Unanimously.

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. FIRST READING.

The legislation was placed on First Reading and referred to the Recreation Committee.

Law Director's Report

None

Letters & Communications

- Council President Miller reported that Budget Hearings would be scheduled for March 7, March 8, March 10 and March 15 from 5-9 pm. The March 10 and March 15 dates are tentative.
- Councilperson Goodman reported that the Ward 4 meeting will be held this Wednesday and that the first 45 minutes will be devoted to updates regarding Cedar Center and the proposed Oakwood project.
- Councilperson Fiorelli reported that there will be a Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser on March 6, 2011 to benefit the Sacred Heart Drama Club.
- Councilperson Romeo reported that the Playground of Possibilities fundraiser will be held March 12, 2011 at the Manor and tickets are available for purchase through him and also at the Community Center.

Adjourn

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

Roll Call:

Ayes: Fiorelli, Goodman, Gray, Icovc, Romeo, Miller.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Caroscio.

The Meeting Adjourned at 8:54 pm.

Council President

Attest:

Clerk of Council