

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE AVON LAKE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
HELD NOVEMBER 9, 2015**

The regular meeting of the Avon Lake Municipal Council was called to order on November 9, 2015 at 7:30 P.M. in the Council Chamber with Council President O'Donnell presiding.

Mr. Meiners led the Council, staff, and public in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Council Members Dan Bucci, Jennifer Fenderbosch, David Kos, Larry Meiners, Marty O'Donnell, John Shondel; Mayor Zilka, Law Director Abe Lieberman, Finance Director Presley, Public Works Director Joseph Reitz, Assistant Clerk of Council Valerie Rosmarin.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Council meeting minutes of October 26, 2015 were approved as prepared and published.

APPOINTMENT OF A FIREFIGHTER/PARAMEDIC

Temporary Legislation #10583, AN ORDINANCE CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF A FIREFIGHTER/PARAMEDIC IN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, was read by title only.

Mr. Bucci moved for suspension of the rule requiring three readings.

Yes: Meiners, O'Donnell, Shondel, Bucci, Fenderbosch, James, Kos

No: None

Motion carried.

Mr. Bucci moved for passage of Temporary Legislation #10583. Cole Eichenlaub passed all portions of the Civil Service process and was recommended by the Fire Chief.

Yes: Meiners, O'Donnell, Shondel, Bucci, Fenderbosch, James, Kos

No: None

Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 141-2015 adopted.

Law Director Lieberman administered the Oath of Office to Mr. Eichenlaub.

MAYOR'S REPORT

A local group will host a softball tournament and has requested the use of the City softball fields located at Weiss Park, Bleser Park, and Avon Lake High School. The

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economic benefits will be significant to the area and the administration is developing a plan to attract participants to the businesses and restaurants in Avon Lake.

There is a vacancy in the Civil Service Commission. If anyone is interested in this vacancy, please contact Mayor Zilka.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The next Collective Committee meeting is scheduled for November 16th and the next regular Council meeting is scheduled for November 23rd.

A budget meeting was held on Saturday, November 7th. The next budget meeting will be held on Saturday, December 5th at 8:15 a.m. in the Public Works Conference Room.

There are vacancies on the Zoning Board of Appeals, Planning Commission, Community Area Housing Council, Community Improvement Corporation, and the Affirmation Action Committee. Please forward a letter of interest and resume to the Clerk of Council at bdopp@avonlake.org.

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR REPORT

The Public Works Department weekly update was distributed.

Public Works Director Reitz stated that leaf pickup has begun and reminded residents to keep the leaves on the tree lawns and out of the street.

LAW DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Law Department litigation update was distributed.

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Shondel reported that the Environmental Committee is scheduled to meet November 11, 2015 at 6:00 P.M.

Any resident with deer damage on their property is directed to contact Lorain County Game Warden Randy White at 330-245-3032. Since May 2015, six deer damage control permits have been issued; three in the northeast quadrant, two in the southeast quadrant, and one in the southwest quadrant. Thirty-nine tags have been issued and 33 deer have been taken.

Statistics reported for deer/auto accidents from January through October were 20 in 2014 and 21 in 2015. Deer pickups by the Public Works Department from January through October were 89 in 2014 and 73 in 2015.

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The winner of the Environmental Affairs Advisory Board poster contest for Avon Lake school children grades 1 through 4 will be announced at the Council Meeting on November 23, 2015.

HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Bucci reported that the Human Resources Committee met on November 2, 2015 and approved the hiring of firefighter/paramedic, Cole Eichenlaub.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. James reported that the Public Service Committee met at a special meeting on November 9, 2015 and approved the contract for the purchase of recycled furniture and supplies related to the Solid Waste recycle grant.

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Shondel reported that the Public Utilities Committee met on November 5, 2015 and introduced a new issue, Low Cell/Smart Phone Reception in Avon Lake. An interim report on this item will be provided at the December 14, 2015 Council meeting.

Vista One Corporation will begin performing comprehensive visual inspections on the 138 transmission lines in the CEI region as soon as possible. These inspections are expected to be completed by January 1, 2016.

SEWER COMMITTEE REPORT

Mrs. Fenderbosch reported that the Sewer Committee is scheduled to meet November 12, 2015 at 6:30 P.M.

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT

Mrs. Fenderbosch reported that the Planning Commission is scheduled to meet November 10, 2015 at 7:30 P.M.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS REPORT

Mayor Zilka reported on the results of the October 29, 2015 Zoning Board of Appeals meeting.

MOTIONS

Mrs. Fenderbosch moved to add a motion to the agenda to approve the placement of a Purple Wounded Warrior parking space and a veteran parking space at City Hall adjacent to the handicapped parking space.

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Yes: Meiners, O'Donnell, Shondel, Bucci, Fenderbosch, James, Kos

No: None

Motion carried.

Mrs. Fenderbosch moved to authorize the Mayor to sign a letter of approval for the purchase of Pella windows for the Folger Home in the amount of \$43,692.00.

Yes: Meiners, O'Donnell, Shondel, Bucci, Fenderbosch, James, Kos

No: None

Motion carried.

Mrs. Fenderbosch moved to authorize the Public Works Director to submit an RFQ for environmental consulting services for North Point Drive, Veterans Memorial Park, and sites located along the Lake Erie shoreline and three natural tributaries draining to Lake Erie.

Yes: Meiners, O'Donnell, Shondel, Bucci, Fenderbosch, James, Kos

No: None

Motion carried.

Mr. James moved to authorize the expenditure of funds in an amount not to exceed \$13,000.00 to Premium Poly Patios of Millersburg, Ohio.

Yes: Meiners, O'Donnell, Shondel, Bucci, Fenderbosch, James, Kos

No: None

Motion carried.

Mrs. Fenderbosch moved to authorize the placement of a Purple Wounded Warrior parking space and a Veteran parking space at City Hall adjacent to the handicapped parking space.

Yes: Meiners, O'Donnell, Shondel, Bucci, Fenderbosch, James, Kos

No: None

Motion carried.

LEGISLATION

Third Readings:

Temporary Legislation #10568R, AN ORDINANCE DESIGNATING THE ANSON TITUS HOUSE LOCATED AT 33350 LAKE ROAD AS A HISTORICAL LANDMARK, was read by title only.

Mrs. Fenderbosch moved for passage of Temporary Legislation #10568R. Planning Commission recommended the designation of the Anson Titus House as a historical landmark. Seven generations of Anson Titus descendants have resided and owned

the home built by Anson Titus in the 1830s. The home was originally located on the Old Indian Trail along the lake north of what is now known as Lake Road. The architecture of the home is Greek revival.

Yes: Meiners, O'Donnell, Shondel, Bucci, Fenderbosch, Kos

No: None

Motion carried.

Ordinance 142-2015 adopted.

Temporary Legislation #10575, AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING A PUBLIC RECORDS POLICY, was read by title only.

Mr. Bucci moved for passage of Temporary Legislation #10575. This ordinance will adopt a citywide policy for public records requests according to the Ohio Revised Code.

Yes: Meiners, O'Donnell, Shondel, Bucci, Fenderbosch, James, Kos

No: None

Motion carried.

Ordinance 143-2015 adopted.

Second Readings:

Temporary Legislation #10581, AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF AN AMBULANCE FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, was read by title only.

Mr. Kos moved for suspension of the rule requiring three readings.

Yes: Meiners, O'Donnell, Shondel, Bucci, Fenderbosch, James, Kos

No: None

Motion carried.

Mr. Kos moved for passage to Temporary Legislation #10581. This ordinance is for the purchase of an ambulance from Excellence Inc. from Madison, Alabama at a total cost of \$256,069.70.

Yes: Meiners, O'Donnell, Shondel, Bucci, Fenderbosch, James, Kos

No: None

Motion carried.

Ordinance 144-2015 adopted.

Temporary Legislation #10582, AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF AMBULANCE EQUIPMENT FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, was read by title only.

Mr. Kos moved for suspension of the rule requiring three readings.

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Yes: Meiners, O'Donnell, Shondel, Bucci, Fenderbosch, James, Kos

No: None

Motion carried.

Mr. Kos moved for passage of Temporary Legislation #10582. This ordinance is for the purchase of a power pro ambulance cot in the amount of \$15,126.30, and the power load system in the amount of \$23,844.56.

Yes: Meiners, O'Donnell, Shondel, Bucci, Fenderbosch, Kos

No: None

Motion carried.

Ordinance 145-2015 adopted.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Kos announced that the United States Marine Corps will celebrate their 240th birthday on November 10th. In honor of that occasion, Mr. Kos read an excerpt from the birthday message of General John A. LeJuene dated November 1, 1921.

Mr. Shondel announced that on November 10th at 5 p.m. the American Legion Post 211 will read the history of the Marine Corps and the entire birthday message at their birthday retreat.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Meiners moved for adjournment.

Yes: Meiners, O'Donnell, Shondel, Bucci, Fenderbosch, James, Kos

No: None

Motion carried.

Adjournment: 8:40 P.M.

Approved: _____
Council President

Attest: _____
Assistant Clerk of Council