

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE AVON LAKE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL  
July 8, 2024**

The regular meeting of the Avon Lake Municipal Council was called to order on July 8, 2024, at 7 p.m. in the Council Chamber with Council President O'Donnell presiding.

Mrs. Fenderbosch led Council, staff, and the public in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Council Members Jennifer Fenderbosch, Amy Gentry, David Kos, Marty O'Donnell, Rob Shahmir, and K. C. Zuber; Mayor Mark Spaetzel; Law Director Gary Ebert; Finance Director Ed Widman; Public Works Director Jon Liskovec; and Clerk of Council Valerie Rosmarin.

Absent: Mr. Arnold.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the regular Council Meeting on June 10, 2024, were approved as prepared and published.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

The following letters were received:

- Barry Edelstein of Kopf Builders requested Council suspend the rule for three readings on an emergency basis for Ordinance No. 24-102, approving The Harbour PUD Subdivision No. 4 Final Plat.
- Jeremy Krahe of Pulte Group requested Council suspend the rule for three readings on an emergency basis for Ordinance No. 24-103, approving Port West Subdivision No. 5 Final Plat; and
- A petition letter to Council regarding quality-of-life policing methods from F. Thomas, Ann Talikka, Christine Sallay, Charles McCartney, David Hill, and Rick Fuller.

**MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Spaetzel reported on the following:

- The Independence Day celebration on July 3, 2024, was a success. According to the Public Works Department staff, a record crowd was in attendance. The weather cooperated, the band was excellent, and the food truck lines were

long. Mayor Spaetzel, on behalf of the Community, thanked the staff in the Public Works, Recreation, Fire, and Police Departments for their work in coordinating this event.

- The Ohio Public Works Commission awarded the City a \$500,000 grant for the Walker Road, Phase 5, Rehabilitation. Phase 5 runs from Moore Road west to the former railroad tracks that led into the former coal yard. The project will be bid out early next year.
- Safety Town ended on June 8, 2024, with 183 children graduating from the program. Mayor Spaetzel thanked the staff in the Recreation, Police, and Fire Departments, along with the Avon Lake City Schools for collaborating on this important and fun training for the children entering kindergarten.
- Kimbly-Horn continues to work on the Avon Lake Play Space (ALPS) design work in collaboration with the Recreation Department. Public Works Director Liskovec will handle the permitting and grading of the project.

Ms. Gentry asked Mayor Spaetzel if he had responded to a request from one of her constituents regarding the type of materials used in the playground.

Mayor Spaetzel explained that the resident questioned the playground's surface because they had concerns about the potential, harmful effects of some solid surfaces based on studies. Kimbly-Horn was able to provide data about the product that would be used, and Mayor Spaetzel forwarded the information to the resident.

## **COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Council President O'Donnell reported that Council will recess until August 18, 2024, and will return to session at the next Collective Committee Meeting held on Monday, August 19, 2024, at 7 p.m. The next regular Council Meeting will be held on Monday, August 26, 2024, at 7 p.m.

## **PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Public Works Director Liskovec reported on the following:

### City Hall

Demolition of the offices affected by water damage is complete, and Public Director Liskovec is coordinating asbestos mitigation with the contractor.

### Walker Road, Phases 3 and 4, Paving Project

This Project is substantially complete. The next step is to conduct a walk-through to develop a punch list and resolve any open items.

### Other Projects

Bid openings are scheduled as follows: July 11, 2024, Outfall Project; and July 18, 2024, Asphalt Road Project, Concrete Road Project, and Crack Seal Project.

Public Works Director Liskovec noted that a special Council Meeting may be needed at the end of July to award contracts for these projects.

### **BUILDING AND UTILITIES COMMITTEE REPORT**

The next meeting of the Building and Utilities Committee will be held on Monday, August 19, 2024, at 5 p.m. in the Council Chamber.

Ms. Gentry reported that Avon Lake Regional Water (ALRW) informed customers that the summer billing adjustment has begun, and an average of the first two quarters will be conducted instead of an actual meter reading.

ALRW offers a program that permits customers to have a deduct meter installed that will reduce water used for sprinklers without being assessed a sanitary fee because the water is being reclaimed.

### **COMMUNICATIONS, ENVIRONMENTAL, AND RECREATIONAL PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE REPORT**

Mr. Shahmir reported that he has received inquiries from residents about the Power Plant, specifically, whether the questions he has asked of the Administration have been answered. He noted that the answers he seeks are based on technical dialog and not legally vetted verbiage. If he could meet with Verdantas to have this technical dialogue, it would alleviate many of the concerns he and the public have.

### **FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT**

Council President O'Donnell reported on the Finance Committee meeting held on July 1, 2024. The following items were discussed: 1) monetary donation from Avon Lake Environmental Redevelopment Group (ALERG) to be applied toward the cost of the fireworks for Independence Day, 2) American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds in the amount of \$172,000 to be applied toward the salary of two Police Officers, 3) change order for the Path Master system, 4) 2025 tax budget, 5) Bramhall Engineering contract; 6) New World technology contract; and 7) review of revenues and expenses.

### **HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE REPORT**

Mr. Zuber reported on the Human Resources Committee meeting held earlier. The following items were discussed: 1) Citizen Review Ad Hoc Committee that will be created to review Council and the Mayor's salary, 2) legislation to change the rate increase of a part-time employee from July 1 to January 1 to align with Union

contracts, 3) Police Lieutenant and Police Sergeant promotions; and 4) HR Director Kernya updated the Committee on changes in the Department of Labor rules, the Gallagher Study, and other related human resources items.

The next meeting of the Human Resources Committee will be held on Monday, September 9, 2024, at 6 p.m.

#### **PUBLIC SERVICE COMMITTEE REPORT**

Mrs. Fenderbosch reported on the statistics for the Community Transportation Van, as follows: 1) miles traveled: 2023, 963 miles; 2024, 1,148 miles; 2) fuel used: 2023, 88.6 gallons; 2024, 95.6 gallons; 3) total days used: 2023, 17 days or 127.5 hours; 2024, 16 days or 128 hours; and 4) average number of riders per day: 2023, 11 riders; and 2024, 10 riders.

The next meeting of the Public Service Committee will be held on Tuesday, September 10, 2024, at 6 p.m. in the Council Chamber.

#### **PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT**

The next meeting of the Planning Commission will be held on Tuesday, August 6, 2024, at 7 p.m. in the Council Chamber.

#### **ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS REPORT**

Mayor Spaetzel reported on the results of the Zoning Board of Appeals meeting on June 26, 2024, as follows: 1) An area variance reducing a side yard setback for a residential addition at 116 Mülle Avenue was approved. 2) An area variance reducing a rear yard setback for a residential addition at 208 Williamsburg Drive was approved. 3) An area variance for an inground swimming pool in the rear yard at 32673 Belmont Drive was postponed. 4) An area variance permitting a detached garage in the front yard at 32680 Lake Road was approved. 5) An area variance permitting a 6' tall fence in the secondary front yard (corner lot) at 375 Creekside Drive was approved.

#### **TREE COMMISSION REPORT**

The next meeting of the Tree Commission will be held on Wednesday, September 11, 2024, at 6 p.m. at the Old Firehouse.

#### **MOTIONS**

Council President O'Donnell moved to accept a donation of \$2,000 for the Fourth of July Fireworks from Avon Lake Environmental Redevelopment Group (ALERG).

The City received a total of \$15,500 in donations and sponsorships.

Yes: Fenderbosch, Gentry, Kos, O'Donnell, Shahmir, Zuber

No: None

Absent: Arnold

Motion carried.

Mr. Kos moved to instruct the Clerk of Council to return the form to the Division of Liquor Control in the matter of a new liquor license for 732 Tavern, LLC, dba One Oak, 732 Avon Belden Road, Avon Lake, indicating the City does not request a hearing.

The Police Chief has reviewed this request and has no objections. The liquor license is for the purchase and consumption of wine at a new wine bar located at 732 Avon Belden Road that has not been constructed. It is currently a vacant parcel.

Mrs. Fenderbosch stated that a wine restaurant and bar will be constructed in 2025. The design will consist of natural materials, high ceilings, and extensive landscaping. It will be built around the large oak tree that is on the property. The proprietors are planning to be open for lunch, dinner, and brunch on the weekends. It will have an extensive patio with water and fire appointments. The Planning Commission reviewed their plans twice. The first time, the plans had a larger footprint; the second time, the plan's footprint was reduced. The infrastructure and extensive landscaping will begin this fall.

Yes: Fenderbosch, Gentry, Kos, O'Donnell, Shahmir, Zuber

No: None

Absent: Arnold

Motion carried.

Mrs. Fenderbosch moved to approve the South Port Subdivision No. 3 Improvement Plan, subject to final approval by Avon Lake Regional Water.

Mrs. Fenderbosch stated that Planning Commission voted unanimously to recommend the approval of the Improvement Plan with the conditions that ALRW requirements are met, the improvements are staged, and the utilities installed.

Yes: Fenderbosch, Gentry, Kos, O'Donnell, Shahmir, Zuber

No: None

Absent: Arnold

Motion carried.

Mrs. Fenderbosch moved to approve Legacy Isle Subdivision No. 3 Improvement Plan, subject to the conditions outlined by the City Engineer and Public Works Director, including street signage installation and obtaining FEMA approval regarding basements.

Mrs. Fenderbosch stated that Planning Commission voted unanimously to recommend the approval of the Improvement Plan, subject to Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) approval to allow the developer to build, which has been received.

After all homes have been built, the developer will return to FEMA, and FEMA maps will be redrawn.

Yes: Fenderbosch, Gentry, Kos, O'Donnell, Shahmir, Zuber

No: None

Absent: Arnold

Motion carried.

## LEGISLATION

### Third Reading:

**Ordinance No. 24-78**, AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A LEASE AGREEMENT TO ACQUIRE TWO WESTERN STAR 47X CHASSIS CABS FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, was read by title only.

Mrs. Fenderbosch moved for passage of Ordinance No. 24-78. This legislation will authorize the Mayor to execute a Lease Agreement to acquire two Western Star 47X Chassis Cabs, also known as salt trucks, for the Public Works Department from Valley Freightliner, Inc., of Parma, Ohio, in the amount of \$513,540 through Sourcewell. The Finance Director has determined that a six-year lease will be financed by Huntington Bank for an annual cost of approximately \$96,639.75,

Yes: Fenderbosch, Gentry, Kos, O'Donnell, Shahmir, Zuber

No: None

Absent: Arnold

Motion carried.

**Ordinance No. 24-78 adopted.**

**Ordinance No. 24-93**, AN ORDINANCE TO RE-ESTABLISH WARD BOUNDARIES FOR THE CITY OF AVON LAKE PURSUANT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE AVON LAKE CITY CHARTER AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, was read by title only.

Council President O'Donnell moved for suspension of the rule requiring three readings.

Yes: Fenderbosch, Gentry, Kos, O'Donnell, Shahmir, Zuber

No: None

Absent: Arnold

Motion carried.

Council President O'Donnell moved for passage of Ordinance No. 24-93. This legislation will re-establish Ward boundaries pursuant to the City Charter. The City contracted Triad Research Group, Inc., to review the current Ward boundaries and determine new boundary lines to balance the Wards. They recommended the Ward divisions, as follows: Ward 1, 6,355; Ward 2, 6,266; Ward 3, 6,412; and Ward, 6,173,

for a total population of 25,206, as per the 2020 U.S. Census. Upon approval of the new Ward Map, Triad Research Group, Inc., will submit the legal description and new Ward Map to the Lorain County Board of Elections. The new Ward boundaries will be effective July 1, 2025, and will impact the general election in November 2025.

Yes: Fenderbosch, Gentry, Kos, O'Donnell, Shahmir, Zuber

No: None

Absent: Arnold

Motion carried.

**Ordinance No. 24-93 adopted.**

First Readings:

**Ordinance No. 24-96**, AN ORDINANCE AWARDING A PERSONAL SERVICES CONTRACT TO SIMVAY SYSTEMS, LLC, FOR THE TRANSITION OF THE CITY'S PHONE SYSTEM TO THE CISCO WEBEX ENTERPRISE CALLING PLATFORM IN CERTAIN MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, was read by title only.

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

Yes: Fenderbosch, Gentry, Kos, O'Donnell, Shahmir, Zuber

No: None

Absent: Arnold

Motion carried.

Mr. Shahmir moved for passage of Ordinance No. 24-96. This legislation will award a personal services contract to Simvay Systems, LLC, of Westlake, Ohio, for the installation of the Cisco Webex phone system in certain City buildings in the amount of \$80,336.39.

Yes: Fenderbosch, Gentry, Kos, O'Donnell, Shahmir, Zuber

No: None

Absent: Arnold

Motion carried.

**Ordinance No. 24-96 adopted.**

**Ordinance No. 24-97**, AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO TYLER TECHNOLOGIES, INC., FOR SOFTWARE SUPPORT AND LICENSING OF THE CITY'S FINANCIAL SOFTWARE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, was read by title only.

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

Yes: Fenderbosch, Gentry, Kos, O'Donnell, Shahmir, Zuber

No: None

Absent: Arnold

Motion carried.

Mr. Shahmir moved for passage of Ordinance No. 24-97. This legislation will authorize payment by the Finance Director to Tyler Technologies, Inc., of Dallas, Texas, in the amount of \$54,237.13 for Information Technology (IT) support and licensing of the City's financial software, effective July 1, 2024.

Yes: Fenderbosch, Gentry, Kos, O'Donnell, Shahmir, Zuber

No: None

Absent: Arnold

Motion carried.

**Ordinance No. 24-97 adopted.**

**Resolution No. 24-98, A RESOLUTION ADOPTING AND DECLARING THE 2025 TAX BUDGET AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY,** was read by title only.

Council President O'Donnell moved for suspension of the rule requiring three readings.

Yes: Fenderbosch, Gentry, Kos, O'Donnell, Shahmir, Zuber

No: None

Absent: Arnold

Motion carried.

Council President O'Donnell moved for passage of Ordinance No. 24-98. This legislation will adopt and declare the tax budget for 2025 which will be submitted to the Lorain County Budget Commission.

Yes: Fenderbosch, Gentry, Kos, O'Donnell, Shahmir, Zuber

No: None

Absent: Arnold

Motion carried.

**Ordinance No. 24-98 adopted.**

**Ordinance No. 24-99, AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A CHANGE ORDER TO THE CONTRACT WITH PATH MASTER, INC., AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY,** was read by title only.

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

Yes: Fenderbosch, Gentry, Kos, O'Donnell, Shahmir, Zuber

No: None

Absent: Arnold

Motion carried.



Mr. Kos moved for passage of Ordinance No. 24-99. This legislation will approve a change order to the contract with Path Master, Inc., of Twinsburg, Ohio, in the amount of \$25,658 to add two traffic lights (Avon Lake High School/SR 83 and Krebs Road/Lear Road) to the software system that were not originally included with the contract and the outfitting of one extra police vehicle.

Yes: Fenderbosch, Gentry, Kos, O'Donnell, Shahmir, Zuber

No: None

Absent: Arnold

Motion carried.

**Ordinance No. 24-99 adopted.**

**Ordinance No. 24-100, AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH PULTE HOMES OF OHIO, LLC, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, was read by title only.**

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

Yes: Fenderbosch, Gentry, Kos, O'Donnell, Shahmir, Zuber

No: None

Absent: Arnold

Motion carried.

Mr. Kos moved for passage of Ordinance No. 24-100. This legislation will authorize the Mayor to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Pulte Homes of Ohio, LLC, to share in the cost of safety improvements at the intersection of Moorewood Avenue, Walker Road, and Midship Drive.

By Ordinance No. 23-215, passed December 18, 2023, the Mayor was authorized to enter into an MOU with Pulte Homes for a traffic study at said intersection, and Pulte Homes would share in the cost of a traffic signal if warranted. A traffic study was conducted, and a traffic light was not warranted; however, the traffic study found that the intersection was downgraded from Level D to Level E. Level F requires a traffic light. The City and Pulte Homes negotiated a second MOU that stipulates a Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon (RRFB) will be installed for pedestrians to safely cross the intersection. Pulte Homes agreed to pay 50 percent of the cost of the RRFB, in an amount not to exceed \$25,000.

Yes: Fenderbosch, Gentry, Kos, O'Donnell, Shahmir, Zuber

No: None

Absent: Arnold

Motion carried.

**Ordinance No. 24-100 adopted.**

**Ordinance No. 24-101**, AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPROPRIATE ADDITIONAL FUNDS TO A PERSONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH BRAMHALL ENGINEERING & SURVEYING CO. AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, was read by title only.

Mrs. Fenderbosch moved for suspension of the rule requiring three readings.

Yes: Fenderbosch, Gentry, Kos, O'Donnell, Shahmir, Zuber

No: None

Absent: Arnold

Motion carried.

Mrs. Fenderbosch moved for passage of Ordinance No. 24-101. This legislation will appropriate additional funds to the personal services contract with Bramhall Engineering & Surveying Co., Avon, Ohio, in the amount of \$150,000. The contract expires on December 31, 2024.

Yes: Fenderbosch, Gentry, Kos, O'Donnell, Shahmir, Zuber

No: None

Absent: Arnold

Motion carried.

**Ordinance No. 24-101 adopted.**

**Ordinance No. 24-102**, AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE HARBOUR PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT (PUD) SUBDIVISION NO. 4 FINAL PLAT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, was read by title only.

Mrs. Fenderbosch moved for suspension of the rule requiring three readings.

Yes: Fenderbosch, Gentry, Kos, O'Donnell, Shahmir, Zuber

No: None

Absent: Arnold

Motion carried.

Mrs. Fenderbosch moved for passage of Ordinance No. 24-102. This legislation will approve The Harbour PUD Subdivision No. 4 Final Plat consisting of 14 cluster lots on 2.18 acres located south of Walker Road Park and east of the Cuyahoga County property line in Bay Village. Planning Commission approved the Final Plat on June 25, 2024, subject to the developer completing the City Engineer's punch list items and installing wetland signs.

Yes: Fenderbosch, Gentry, Kos, O'Donnell, Shahmir, Zuber

No: None

Absent: Arnold

Motion carried.

**Ordinance No. 24-102 adopted.**

**Ordinance No. 24-103, AN ORDINANCE APPROVING PORT WEST SUBDIVISION NO. 5 FINAL PLAT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, was read by title only.**

Mrs. Fenderbosch moved for suspension of the rule requiring three readings.

Yes: Fenderbosch, Gentry, Kos, O'Donnell, Shahmir, Zuber

No: None

Absent: Arnold

Motion carried.

Mrs. Fenderbosch moved for passage of Ordinance No. 24-103. This legislation will approve Port West Subdivision No. 5 Final Plat consisting of 21 detached, single-family lots on 5.6127 acres located on Caravel Court, south of Midship Drive and east of Coastal Drive, in a Planned Unit Development (PUD) District. Planning Commission approved the Final Plat on June 25, 2024, subject to the execution of a cost-sharing MOU between Pulte Homes of Ohio, LLC, and the City for the installation of an RRFB at the intersection of Midship Drive, Moorewood Avenue, and Walker Road for an amount not to exceed \$25,000.

Yes: Fenderbosch, Gentry, Kos, O'Donnell, Shahmir, Zuber

No: None

Absent: Arnold

Motion carried.

**Ordinance No. 24-103 adopted.**

**Ordinance No. 24-104, AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ESTABLISH COMPENSATION FOR CERTAIN PART-TIME EMPLOYEES, REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 22-145, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, was read by title only.**

This legislation will authorize the Mayor to establish compensation for certain part-time employees and repeal Ordinance No. 22-145. Currently, the Mayor can hire a part-time employee at a rate up to \$21.22 per hour. Since the effective date of Union contracts have changed from July 1 to January 1, it is necessary to align all pay increases for all positions to January 1.

## **PUBLIC INPUT**

1. Chris Quinlan, 6238 Dogwood Lane, North Ridgeville, asked if flashing lights will remain on the stack at the Power Plant that is being demolished.

In response, Mayor Spaetzel stated that the tallest stack to the east will not be demolished, and the lights will remain as a communications tower.

2. William Zimmerman, 241 Moorewood Avenue, Avon Lake, asked Mayor Spaetzel about his position on transparency and stated that Mr. Shahmir has repeatedly asked questions of the Administration that go unanswered.

Mayor Spaetzel responded to Mr. Zimmerman's statement and said Mr. Shahmir's questions have been answered.

Mr. Zimmerman questioned why the City changed the speed limit to 25 mph on Lake Road when ODOT said the speed limit was 35 mph in 1958. The City also changed the speed limit on SR 83 to 25 mph, but it should be 35 mph. The City shares an identification number with Avon Lake Regional Water, and they are attempting to buy and sell property to each other. He thought that was a conflict of interest. Also, both are represented by Law Director Ebert, another conflict of interest. He stated that the Law Director should be an elected position, and a Charter amendment will be on the November ballot. He believed there was corruption in the City. Law Director Ebert and Mayor Spaetzel previously worked together in Bay Village, and Public Works Director Jon Liskovec, who worked in Bay Village, is the beneficiary of it all. He reiterated his lack of understanding as to why Mr. Shahmir hasn't had his questions answered and reiterated that the Law Director should be an elected position. He also felt the Mayor should not be the City's Safety Director. Allowing the Mayor to have that much power didn't make sense. Mr. Zimmerman proceeded to retell his experience when a Police Detective lied to him by stating that the Police Chief was on vacation, and he later learned that he wasn't. He pleaded to have a Citizens Against Corruption Committee with a budget of \$50,000 to ensure that citizens aren't lied to anymore and to prevent corruption. He restated his opinion that the Mayor is not transparent.

3. Gerald Phillips, 461 Windward Way, Avon Lake, addressed Council on the lack of enforcement by the Police Chief of the no parking on the hydrant side of streets ordinance and urged Mayor Spaetzel to ensure that City laws are enforced. He reported to the Police Department whenever a landscaper in the Westwinds subdivision violated this law but was unsure if a Police Officer was sent to investigate it. He plans to make a public records request to find out how many tickets have been issued and how many warnings have been made. If this law will not be enforced, then it should be removed.

Mr. Phillips informed Council that he attended an Avon Lake Municipal Utilities (ALMU) Board meeting and questioned their purchase of approximately 40 acres of land for \$3 million that they plan to use as a park. Water and sewer rates shouldn't be calculated to purchase parkland. It's an illegal use pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code on water and sewer rates. ALRW isn't a legal entity and cannot hold title to the land. ALMU Board thought they could extend the due diligence option on the purchase agreement. How do they have the legal authority to do so since the purchase agreement was approved by Council? This is a conflict because the Charter has a provision that stipulates that the Water Department, now known as ALRW, can pass its ordinances, which has been a feud between the City and ALRW for many years. ALRW has other land they could use as a park. Why should they buy this land? Is this purchase to help the developer, i.e. quid pro quo? Mr. Phillips stated that he

does not see the benefit of this purchase and urged Council to be good stewards of the residents' money.

## MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Kos announced that the Lorain County Toys for Tots organization was recently recognized as one of the top 16 organizations out of 900 nationwide and only one of 10 in Ohio to receive this distinction. As the Avon and Avon Lake representative, Mr. Kos expressed his gratitude and appreciation to the residents of both communities who participated in the annual Toys for Tots Drive and credited Lorain County Toys for Tots Director Christy Howard for her leadership and dedication to the organization.

Last year, over 21,000 toys were collected in Lorain County and distributed to 5,379 children in Lorain County.

Mr. Shahmir announced the next Environmentally Speaking Series: Solar Energy 101 will be held on Tuesday, July 9, 2024, at 7 p.m. at the Avon Lake Public Library.

Mrs. Fenderbosch moved for adjournment.

Yes: Fenderbosch, Gentry, Kos, O'Donnell, Shahmir, Zuber

No: None

Absent: Arnold

Motion carried.

Adjournment: 7:57 p.m.

Approved: /s/ Martin E. O'Donnell  
Council President

Attest: /s/ Valerie E. Rosmarin  
Clerk of Council