A special meeting of the Avon Lake Municipal Council was called to order on December 30, 2019 at 6:00 P.M. in the Council Chamber with Council President O’Donnell presiding.

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

Present: Council Members Zach Arnold, Eileen Campo, David Kos, Marty O’Donnell and K. C. Zuber; Mayor Greg Zilka; Assistant Law Director David Graves; Finance Director Steve Presley; and Clerk of Council Valerie Rosmarin.

Absent: Jennifer Fenderbosch, Rob James, and Public Works Director Joe Reitz.

LEGISLATION

Second Reading:

Temporary Legislation #11329R, AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CURRENT AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF AVON LAKE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2020, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, was read by title only.

Mr. O’Donnell moved for suspension of the rule requiring three readings.

Yes: Kos, O’Donnell, Zuber, Arnold, Campo.
No: None
Absent: Fenderbosch, James
Motion carried.

Mr. O’Donnell moved for passage of Temporary Legislation #11329R. This legislation will approve the appropriations for the fiscal year 2020. The Finance Director incorporated all amendments of appropriations determined from a series of budget meetings conducted by Council, the Administration, and Department Heads. Also, the legislation encompasses the budget passed by Avon Lake Municipal Utilities Board on behalf of Avon Lake Regional Water.

Mr. Zuber stated that he was not supportive of past budgets due to the process enacted. He does support this budget because $1 million has been appropriated to City roads and the budget process has improved; however, he would prefer to have more time to review the budget and have it presented for reading three times before a Council vote. In the future, the budget process should begin sooner for better
coordination and to avoid conducting a vote at a meeting whereby only five members of Council are in attendance.

Yes: Kos, O'Donnell, Zuber, Arnold, Campo
No: None
Absent: Fenderbosch, James
Motion carried.
**Ordinance No. 133-2019 adopted.**

First Reading:

Temporary Legislation #11331, AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF AVON LAKE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2019, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, was read by title only.

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

Yes: Kos, O'Donnell, Zuber, Arnold, Campo.
No: None
Absent: Fenderbosch, James
Motion carried.

Mr. O'Donnell moved for passage of Temporary Legislation #11331. This legislation will amend appropriations for 2019. The Finance Director determined that adjustments were necessary to reflect actual expenditures for the City and noted that there were many reductions in the General Fund, primarily, in the Public Works Department and Fire Department. There were increases in Improvement Fund 205 for the new telephone system and the purchase of properties and Fund 302 to call in bonds from the 2/15 advance refunding in the amount of $3,234,000.

Yes: Arnold, Campo, Kos, O'Donnell, Zuber.
No: None
Absent: Fenderbosch, James
Motion carried.
**Ordinance No. 134-2019 adopted.**

Mr. Kos moved for adjournment.

Yes: Kos, O'Donnell, Zuber, Arnold, Campo.
No: None
Absent: Fenderbosch, James
Motion carried.

Adjournment: 6:08 P.M.
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Approved: Martin O'Donnell  
Council President

Attest: Valerie E. Rosmarin  
Clerk of Council