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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL Mayfield Village Civic Hall Monday, May 18, 2015 - 8:00 p.m.

The Council of Mayfield Village met in Regular Session on Monday, May 18, 2015 at Mayfield Village Civic Hall. Council President Buckholtz called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Present: Mr. Buckholtz, Mr. Jerome, Mr. Marquardt,
Mr. Marrie, Mrs. Mills, Dr. Parker
and Mr. Saponaro

Also Present: Mayor Rinker, Mr. Wynne, Mr. Diemert, Chief Edelman,
Chief Carcioppolo, Mr. Marrelli, Mr. Metzung,
Mr. Thomas, Mr. Cappello, Mr. DiNardo,
Ms. Wolgamuth, Mr. Esborn and Mrs. Betsa

Absent: None

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was given.

OPEN PORTION

- 3-minute limit imposed by Chair. Those who wish to speak must first state their name and address.

Brian Kane
Derby Drive

I wanted to talk about leaf pick-up. I have lived here since 1996. It sounds like a menial thing; however, I think it is important to our community to make sure we are doing things properly here in the Village. At this point, we don't know when leaves are being picked up. We are asked to keep it on our tree lawn. Grass dies every year. I replant it. We don't have any fall pick-up. In our neighborhood, they are all oak trees. Leaves don't fall until January.

Mr. Jerome clarified, spring pick-up.

Mr. Kane stated, spring pick-up, thanks. When spring comes around, we need at least one pick up. If those of you out there wanted to have your trash picked up and you didn't know which day, would you get a little aggravated? I am just asking that the Village think about saying for one neighborhood every Monday or every other Monday and if we could at least know. If we are having Service come, we could have it done by Sunday. Right now we can't do that. We don't know the timing so it makes it difficult for us. What my concern is is that the less and less the Village organizes this the more residents are going to try to do it on their own and the Village is going to say, well you don't need these

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services, they are not being used, so we will just eliminate it. That's not the service I would like to see eliminated from the Village. Any questions?

Council President Buckholtz asked, do we have a schedule?

Mr. Metzger replied, no. We do our best to go on every street once a week at the height of leaf season. There may be a time when it gets to be 7-8 days. In the last few years it's never been two weeks. In my previous job, we did do scheduling of leaf pick-up. Unfortunately what you have to do then is actually reduce service to get to where you know you can meet your schedule so we would be looking at a two-week schedule at that point. In actuality we would be reducing our service as opposed to increasing our service.

Council President Buckholtz asked, it takes about two weeks to cover the Village?

Mr. Metzger replied, if you wanted to guarantee a day, you would have to break it down that way. Leaves are certainly very dependent on the weather. Sometimes they fall early, sometimes they fall late. Snow falls, rain, all those are factors in picking up leaves. When they are nice and dry, you get through the Village in a week with no problem at all. Rain or snow certainly affects our ability to get through the Village and pick up the leaves.

Mr. Saponaro asked, what about in the spring?

Mr. Metzger replied, that's an area I would be very reluctant to get started. First of all, it would be, you are going to make one pick up, well, I didn't get mine out in time. Now it's two pick ups. Now it's three pick ups. Spring is our busiest time of the year.

Mr. Saponaro asked, would it make sense for us in the spring to do a scheduled date and then you are done?

Mr. Metzger replied, I can tell you my experience with that is we started doing a limb pick up after a storm and it's never ended. It never ended because people continue to bring their limbs out. It's hard for people to get rid of this stuff. I understand that. It's a service. But if we were to do that with leaves, it would not end. Everyone would continue to bring it out throughout the year and if they missed it they would ask that we come and get it. It's hard to say no to that one person as opposed to just saying, no, we are not going to have a spring leaf collection. I know of no community that has a spring leaf collection.

Mr. Kane replied, they had it before you were here, just so you know.

Mayor Rinker stated, that's totally news to me.

Mr. Kane replied, I am pretty sure we had it. I was here in 1996.

Mr. Metzger stated, that's when I got here. We didn't have a spring clean-up when I got here in 1996.

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Mr. Saponaro asked, even if we don't do the pick-up aspect of it, can the leaves be brought to the same location?

Mr. Metzung replied, by the time spring rolls around, we are getting the leaves ready to actually go back out. We have ground them up in the fall. You have to keep turning them over and the heat builds up and it turns it more into a mulchy product.

Mr. Saponaro asked, so we don't have a place?

Mr. Metzung replied, we certainly could not segregate it. We only have the amount of room we have.

Mayor Rinker asked, this is all of the Derby neighborhood that has a problem? This is the first I have heard of it.

Mr. Kane replied, yes. We have a significant issue in the springtime. Secondly, when you do do a job, do it right.

Mayor Rinker asked, what's the implication? If we are not doing it in the spring?

Mr. Kane replied, in the fall, first of all, when you have me leave it on my tree lawn, they are not raking my tree lawn, they are sucking it up, so a lot of leaves are embedded and it kills the grass point blank. Number two, in the springtime because basically all our tree lawns are oak trees which is beautiful, we love it, but like I said, the fall occurs not only in October and November, but a majority of the leaves fall in January and February so when spring comes around and the snow melts, we have a ton of leaves out there. I had a four foot pile along the whole front of my property. I called the Village and asked if we are having spring pick up and they said no, so I had to hire someone to come pick it up because it was too big for my pick-up truck and I can't dump it anywhere in the Village anymore because it's gated off. I think it's a service that's missed. I don't want to see it go away. If you have a schedule, you are able to provide better service and more frequent service. Maybe I am wrong on that. It just makes more sense. The problem is when I get picked up, I didn't know it was coming, it comes on Monday, my tree lawn service is coming on Tuesday, now I have to pile the leaves out there. They have been out there for two weeks. This year I had them later. I understand weather can be a problem and logistics, but they are a service we have and I think they are an important service to me.

Mayor Rinker asked, and you are saying your neighbors share this problem?

Mr. Kane replied, yes.

Mayor Rinker stated, you provided your address. We will follow up and see what the neighborhood looks like.

Mr. Saponaro asked, Doug, when people put their leaves out, where are they supposed to put them?

Mr. Metzung replied, on the tree lawn, not in the curb line. They need to remain on the tree lawn. It keeps them out of the water so they are easy to pick up for us to keep them dry. Secondly, our Phase II

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regulations say you have to keep those out of the drainage swale. You don't want the leaves to enter the storm sewers.

Council President Buckholtz stated, thanks for your comments, Mr. Kane. We will look into it.

Mr. Kane stated, I have one more real quick comment. When I lived in Bloomington, Indiana and worked for the city, we did leaf pick-up. I was one of the workers with a rake. We had scheduled days.

Council President Buckholtz stated, thank you. Does anyone else want to address Council? There were no further comments.

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES:

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Mrs. Mills, seconded by Mr. Jerome, made a motion to approve the minutes as written.

ROLL CALL: AYES: All
NAYS: None

Motion Carried
Minutes Approved
As Written

COMMENTS FROM MAYOR RINKER

There were no comments.

COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL PRESIDENT BUCKHOLTZ

There were no comments.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

SERVICE – Douglas Metzung

Mr. Metzung stated, we would like to report that this week is National Public Works Week. If you see a sewer guy out there, give him a hug. We received our bids in for the summer salt fill this year. They came back in at \$80 a ton. Last year they were at \$49 a ton. It's a significant difference. That will be on next month's agenda to authorize the purchase of the salt.

Dr. Parker asked, is there a salt shortage that's causing the price to go up? Why is it so much higher?

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Mr. Metzger replied, I can't answer that. In this area, Cargill did not bid. They are a big player in this area. Whether or not Morton and the others took advantage of that, I don't know.

BUILDING – John Marrelli

There was nothing to report.

ENGINEERING – Tom Cappello

There was nothing to report.

LEGAL DEPARTMENT – Joe Diemert

There was nothing to report.

FIRE – Chief Carcioppolo

Chief Carcioppolo reported, we are finally at our full staffing level for the Fire Department. Firefighter Jeff Cook started on Sunday. We are going to plan on having them formally sworn in during June's Council meeting.

FINANCE – Ron Wynne

Mr. Wynne stated, I just wanted to mention that the Mayor and I have our annual Village finances update meeting tomorrow evening at 7:00 in Reserve Hall.

POLICE – Chief Edelman

Chief Edelman reported on CECOMS. It really isn't much of an update but I want to keep the topic fresh. Gino and I have a meeting with the people from CECOMS to discuss logistics involved with this migration. We are meeting with them every couple weeks to touch base and make sure everything is in order. The law department and County legal department are working on the terms of the contract. Until we get some better word back on the contract, we are on hold as far as doing any meaningful moving ahead on this. Hopefully by next month's Caucus, I will have more to tell you.

On another topic, I just found out recently, actually while I was on vacation, I got an e-mail that Bedford Heights jail will be closing their services. It's a service we have used over the last 10 or 12 years. I am scrambling to find another community who offers jail space. One of the things I am looking at is a Shared Services Agreement with Mayfield Heights where we would use their jail and they would use our shooting range. Some of the other options we talked about are Geauga County and Solon. They both have regional jails. I also spoke to Mark Guidetti this afternoon about the possibility of negotiating with Cuyahoga County. They recently took over the Euclid city jail. The problem is they are not offering it to municipalities for pre-sentence incarceration which is from point of arrest until the person goes to trial. They are only offering it

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to municipalities for those offenders who have been sentenced. Mark is going to make some overtures with the County and see what we can do. I just wanted to keep you advised. These are some of the things I will be working on in the next few weeks.

Mr. Jerome asked, what does Gates Mills do?

Chief Edelman replied, they use Bedford Heights as well.

Mr. Jerome asked, what about Richmond Heights?

Chief Edelman replied, they have their own.

Mr. Jerome stated, so a lot of communities have their own and others are using Bedford Heights.

Chief Edelman stated, I don't think they are even having their own prisoners there. This came very suddenly. I did not expect this.

Lastly, Mr. Jerome had asked a few weeks ago about body cameras. Mr. Esborn has been helping me with some grant applications and looking into some federal money to purchase these. We are looking at a few different vendors and trying to get some more information on it. What I don't want to do is jump on this because the media feels it is a hot topic right now. We are going to discuss it at length to see if we really do have a need for this. It's a costly venture. I am not sure that we are in the same boat as say the City of Cleveland is. We enjoy a very good relationship with residents and businesses in Mayfield Village. It's not the same dynamic as it is in a lot of bigger cities so I don't think the need is as critical for us as it would be for a larger city but we are looking into it. I just wanted to let you know that we are.

Mr. Jerome asked, so we have the cameras in the vehicles. We have a new system?

Chief Edelman replied, we got it last year.

Mr. Jerome asked, we spent all that money upgrading, what has that gotten us, a clearer picture, more capacity, what have we gained with that?

Chief Edelman replied, there were a number of issues with the old system. It was a self-contained unit that burned a video to a DVD. Any time you have moving parts in a car, they wear out. Those videos were about 10 years old. Those systems just did not work anymore. There weren't any repair parts available because everybody is going digital now. The system we have now utilizes a server at the police station. When the police cars drive into the garage, it automatically uploads the video to a secure server.

Mr. Jerome asked, so now we have a system in place that the body cameras may not necessarily fit what we need. We have a system in place that we have used and now we have upgraded it to help us with traffic citations or anything of that nature.

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Chief Edelman replied, sure. The evidentiary is phenomenal with the video. The body cameras offer a new dimension that the in-car radios don't. They follow the officer. If we get out of the cars and we just have the car videos, we don't get anything. There are systems from the same manufacturer that integrate the system we have now which would use the same server and the same upload capacity, things like that. That's one of the kinds we are looking at.

Mr. Jerome stated, yes, the media has brought it up. I wanted to bring it to the table to discuss it like we are doing and I know you are looking at it. I appreciate it. Thank you.

Chief Edelman stated, when I have more information, I will update you.

PARKS & RECREATION – Bill Thomas

Mr. Thomas stated, we are about 4 weeks away from Parkview Pool opening up for the season. Lenny from our Service Department and a college student have done a great job of getting the pool ready. We have all the caulk work done on it and now our next step is to get it painted. There's a lot of other jobs they are doing down there. It's looking very good. We had also planned to have a contractor work on our softball fields. Because of all of the early rain that we had, the Service Department decided to push the work back until the end of the season. They will work on the fields sometime in mid-September. The soccer fields are getting worked on now. Hopefully they will be ready in the next couple weeks.

ARCHITECT – Ron Dinardo

There was no report.

PLANNING DEPARTMENT - Ted Esborn

There was no report.

ADMINISTRATION – Diane Wolgamuth

Ms. Wolgamuth reported, as requested by Council, letters went out to the residents on Glenview, Bonnieview and Beech Hill on May 8th. Today, Tom Cappello and I started knocking on doors and canvassing for some responses. I also got some responses by e-mail and phone. We will continue to do that over the next several days to a week and then report to Council on the results of that survey.

Council President Buckholtz asked, as far as widening the road we are in a holding pattern?

Ms. Wolgamuth replied, we are in a holding pattern on preparing the plans and going out to bid until we see how the residents feel about the widening.

Mr. Jerome stated, I stopped at a few houses before the Council meeting and got some feedback and will do more in the next couple days.

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Ms. Wolgamuth stated, please encourage them to either call or e-mail me so that I can get them on my list.

Council President Buckholtz stated, I just drove all the streets this evening.

Mr. Saponaro stated, if you are going to specific houses and talking to people, you probably should coordinate so that we can keep updated.

Mr. Jerome stated, I can get you who I have talked to so you don't have to double up.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Activities Committee – Mrs. Mills reported, we served approximately 546 people at the Pancake Breakfast. We had 52 volunteers which was very very nice. Our next event is June 13th, 50's Night. There are still a few openings for volunteers if anyone is interested in signing up. Danielle and I would appreciate that.

Architectural Review Board – Mr. Marrelli reported, the Architectural Review Board met last Thursday. We had our first look at the new Community Room. There were some suggestions and ideas that went back and forth between the designers and the Board. We will be meeting again in two weeks to look at some other revisions and ideas.

Board of Appeals – Mr. Marrelli stated, Board of Appeals will meet for the first time this year tomorrow evening for a fence issue against the high school property.

Cemetery – Mrs. Mills reported, the Garden Club has planted a lilac tree in memory of John Barni. Roger Remec continues to do his pruning and trimming.

Citizen's Advisory Board – Mr. Marrie reported, we met on April 27th. The oath of office was administered to a new member, Paula Lear and returning members Kay Phillips and Joan Catalano. There was a fairly lengthy environmental presentation by Judy Dearden. She is from Highland Heights. She heads their Green Task Force. Their mission is environmental education and awareness. It's too long to go into everything she said, but it was a very thorough presentation. There were some eye-opening situations about chemicals and the items we use every day, mostly because they are harmful to the environment. Ms. Wolgamuth provided an update on the Community Room. There were a lot of questions on that. We gave the update on the Council items. Also, we were updated about the Eastgate/Meadowood sewer systems. Mrs. Jay asked if anything else was going to be done on the Greenway. Ms. Wolgamuth updated her that there were four benches purchased and will be placed soon. Mary Singer requested assistance for the Memorial Day event at Whitehaven. They still need volunteers Saturday to place the flags. There's a lot of veterans in all three cemeteries, but mostly Whitehaven, approximately 6,000. The presentation and memorial service will be at 1:00 on Sunday. Mayor Rinker is the speaker. The next meeting is Tuesday, May 26th.

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Drainage and Infrastructure – Mr. Jerome reported, Drainage and Infrastructure met before Caucus on May 4th. We removed a couple items from the agenda that we felt we could no longer work on. There are a couple of items we are moving forward, one of which is on tonight's agenda. Finance Committee approved that this evening. There are a couple other items where new people have come with new drainage problems. We will discuss them at the next meeting scheduled before Caucus on June 1st at 6:00 p.m.

Safety and Service – Mr. Jerome reported, the Committee discussed leaf pick-up and bicycle signage on SOM Center which Patsy is going to look into. Mr. Saponaro continued, they also discussed people sitting on the curbs during the July 4th celebration. Mr. Jerome stated, we talked about safety of residents sitting on the curb. You suggested temporary barriers. That's something we might want to look into. Chief Edelman agreed that it would not be a bad idea. Mr. Jerome will coordinate with Chief Edelman and Bill Thomas.

Finance Committee –Mr. Saponaro reported, we had our Caucus on May 4th and Committee meeting this evening. We had 7 items on the agenda which were all approved and moved to Council's agenda for this evening.

Historical Society – Mrs. Mills reported, Gates Mills School visited the Historical House on May 15th. There were 21 students. Lander Road is scheduled for tomorrow and May 26th. There will be 50 students at each one of those sessions and then we have fulfilled our commitment with the Board of Education for the tours. We had about 360 students go through.

Hillcrest Council of Councils – Mr. Jerome reported, Hillcrest Council of Councils met in April. We discussed deer culling and ways to keep deer out of your yard. A gentleman from the Ohio Division of Wildlife came and spoke for a couple of hours on the topic and gave some suggestions and more or less options for communities to give to the residents to be able to get rid of deer whether lethal or non-lethal. Also, four officers were installed. Patsy Mills is the Treasurer.

Ordinance Review Committee – Mr. Marquardt reported, Ordinance Review met on April 14th. We discussed Ordinance 2015-08 and 2015-09 which breaks up the Service and Building Department. They were combined in the old ordinance. This is just an update and revision to separate the two functions.

Planning and Zoning – There was no meeting. There is no report.

Recreation Board - There was no meeting. There is no report.

Commission on Aging – Mrs. Mills reported, our next meeting is June 18th. At the last meeting, we discussed the up and coming bus trips. They are going to Phipps Conservatory next week. That should be a very nice trip.

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SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Information & Technology – There was no meeting. There is no report.

Records Commission – Mrs. Mills reported, Shred Day was Saturday the 16th. We shredded 359 boxes, or 6,500 tons. It was very successful. The Certified Public Records training session is this Friday, May 22nd from 10:00-1:00 here at the Civic Center.

Community and Economic Development - There was no meeting. There is no report.

Grove Committee – Mr. Jerome reported, we met on May 6th. They hired the summer intern, Logan Snell. She will start on June 17th. The portable light tower we talked about a couple months ago has arrived. Shannon Electric is going to install the conduit over the next several weeks. The summer schedule is in the *Voice of the Village*. Postcards with the schedule will be mailed next week to every resident in the school district. Programming will begin June 26th. I hope to see everyone there.

Community Room Committee – Mr. Saponaro reported, the committee has not met. However, the project is going through the various committees. It is at ARB at this point.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business to report.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Motion to authorize expenditure in the amount of \$5,040 to Anselmo’s Inc. for installation of swale at 800 Village Trail.**

Mr. Saponaro, seconded by Mr. Jerome made a motion to authorize expenditure in the amount of \$5,040 to Anselmo’s Inc. for installation of swale at 800 Village Trail.

Council President Buckholtz asked, any discussion? There was none.

Roll Call:	AYES: All	Motion Carried
	NAYS: None	Expenditure Approved

- **Motion to authorize expenditure in the amount of \$107.50 to Collection Auto Group representing additional expenditure for Service Department trucks. (Council approved \$79,553.75 through the State Co-Operative Purchasing Program – 4-21-15)**

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Mr. Jerome stated, it is a good idea to schedule a CEDC meeting to talk about things moving forward and what we want to see in the future.

Council President Buckholtz stated, there's lessons we just came out of that with on both sides of the fence. It could be done better. It's a good thing.

ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Mills, seconded by Mr. Marquardt, made a motion to adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 9:46 p.m. The next Council meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 15, 2015 at 8:00 p.m.