

MINUTES OF A COUNCIL CAUCUS
Monday, November 5, 2012 at 8:00 p.m.
Mayfield Village Civic Hall

The Council of Mayfield Village met in Caucus Session on Monday, November 5, 2012. Council President Pro Temp Marrie called the meeting to order at approximately 8:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Present: Mr. Marrie, Mr. Marquardt and Mrs. Mills

Also Present: Mr. Wynne, Ms. Calta, Mr. Cappello, Lieutenant Jablonski, Chief Mohr, Mr. Metzung, Mr. Marrelli, Mr. Thomas
Ms. Wolgamuth and Mrs. Betsa

Absent: Mr. Buckholtz, Dr. Parker, Mrs. Cinco, Mr. Delguyd,
Mayor Rinker, Mr. Dinardo and Mr. Esborn

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Mr. Marrelli had no report but would like to mention that we didn't get any complaints or any kind of damage reports on buildings after the storm. I am glad to report that everyone seems to have made it through pretty well.

ADMINISTRATION

Ms. Wolgamuth knows everyone knew that Fairmount was having financial difficulties. I spoke to the Director today. She said that they have raised over \$60,000 so they intend to keep operating as usual. I will be meeting with them soon to see what productions they are planning for Reserve Hall. I thought everyone would want to know that.

Council President Pro Temp Marrie asked, so they are going to go ahead with everything as planned?

Ms. Wolgamuth replied, yes.

FINANCE

. Estate Tax Distribution

Mr. Wynne reported, we did receive it last week. It was \$520,000. As we had discussed at a previous Council meeting, when we do our year-end transfers, we will be requesting Council to

transfer an additional \$500,000 than what we originally budgeted to the Sanitary Sewer Relief Fund to cover the cost of those conversion projects when they come up.

. **Amendment to Fidelity Deferred Comp. Plan – update**

Mr. Wynne stated, I also reported at a previous meeting that we are going to have an amendment to our Deferred Comp Plan. We will have that verbiage to you for the next meeting. The amendment is if one of our employees is in the Deferred Comp Plan and they get called in to active duty with one of the Armed Services and are killed in the line of duty, with this amendment, they would get credit for the time spent in the service towards their vesting in the Deferred Comp Plan, so this is just a change for that.

. **Injury Leave – permanent part-time employees**

Mr. Wynne would like to request an amendment to our existing wage ordinance as it relates to injury leave for our employees. The way the ordinance currently reads, for a full-time employee if they are injured while at work, they have salary continuation for a period of time. We found out recently when a long-term dedicated permanent part-time employee in the Service Department was injured at work, we realized that there is no form of salary continuation for those folks until Workers' Compensation kicks in which is after 8 consecutive days off. We are going to suggest a change to that legislation to allow that for permanent part-time employees injured while on duty we provide them with wage continuation up until the time that Workers' Compensation kicks in on that 7th or 8th day.

Council President Pro Temp Marrie asked, how many do we have?

Mr. Wynne replied, we have about 4 or 5 in each of the Police, Fire and Service. What makes them permanent part-time is they have regularly scheduled hours each week. They would get continuation only for those hours.

. **Gates Mills EMS Agreement**

Mr. Wynne replied, that is a three year agreement that expires at the end of this year. Gates Mills contacted us. Diane, Diane and I went and met with the Mayor and some of their Council folks a few months back. They were extremely complimentary of the service that we have provided them over the years and want to continue along those lines but wanted to negotiate the terms as far as what we charge from a fee standpoint.

What we currently charge is, we look at them as a part of our department, so they pay whatever their number of runs is versus our total runs for the department. That percentage times the total cost of our department is what we charge them which has been about \$300,000 a year. When you do the math, it works out to almost \$2,000 per call for the number of calls that we do for them. When we sat down and met with the Mayor and their Council folks, they felt that \$2,000 is really not what is reflective in the marketplace. You can go to a private ambulance service for \$600.

You are not going to get the on-call 24 hours a day type of coverage, but they did mention that there are other communities that have similar type agreements that pay far less than \$2,000 per call and they wanted us to take a look at that.

We did come back and took a look at it. We looked at two in particular, one was the City of Macedonia provides EMS service for the Village of Boston Heights very similar to the type of service that we provide. Boston Heights pays Macedonia \$900 per call if the patient is transported or \$450 per call if the patient is not transported.

We also looked at the Village of Chagrin Falls. They have their EMS provided by the Chagrin Falls Suburban Volunteer Firemen's Association. They pay a flat fee per year dollar wise of \$300,000. When you take a look at their call volume, theirs works out to be about \$600 a call. When we looked at the cost per call, it is significantly less than the \$2,000 it is working out to.

What we ultimately settled on with Gates Mills was a cost per run of \$1,250 with guaranteed minimum revenue to us of \$125,000 and a cap of \$175,000 for the year. That would equate out to be 140 EMS runs for that year. If you took a look at our 20 year history with the service we provided them with the exception of a couple of years, we had runs about 170. Most years are in that 130 to 150 per year run range. We felt and they felt that this is more reflective of what the actual cost is for what we provide them and more reflective of what the marketplace is charging. That is what we agreed upon assuming that Councils for both Villages agree to it also.

Council President Pro Temp Marrie asked, any questions?

Mr. Marquardt asked, did you figure out why the big discrepancy in the cost per run? \$600 to \$2,000 is a big delta. What's the cause of that? Why is ours running that high, or are they just subsidizing the runs for other communities?

Mr. Wynne replied, they might be subsidizing the other communities, I don't know.

Mr. Marquardt asked, could you look in to that?

Mr. Wynne replied, the Finance Directors were not party to the negotiations, so I don't know whether that's part of it or not. The other thing I forgot to mention is that in addition to what we are charging, when we are going to add a significant piece of equipment to the department that we will meet with them and discuss that with them and they will pay their proportionate share of that capital expenditure. Whether that's another Stryker Load System for the third ambulance or another ambulance, they will pay their respective portion of that expense on top of the cost they are paying for runs.

Council President Pro Temp Marrie asked Chief Mohr, we set this \$300,000, but this was set also when we were doing 170 runs instead of where we are now at 130ish or so, is that correct?

Chief Mohr replied, the original contract was in 1986 and it was an exchange of services, EMS for jail. That was the start of it and then we negotiated the contract again when we were down there quite a bit like 160, 170 calls a year. It reflected our call volume. That's how we were able to negotiate that.

Mr. Wynne stated our calculations of \$2,000 is based on a full absorption type calculation. I don't know what that they were on the other end. I will have to take a look at that.

Mr. Marquardt stated, it would be nice to find out. That's a big delta.

Council President Pro Temp Marrie asked, any other questions?

There were none.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Chief Mohr reported, obviously we had an excitement with the storm. At the height of the storm, we had 130 homes that were out. The last of the power came on at Hickory Hill on Saturday morning. There were 39 homes out on that street. The majority of the homes were over in the Sandalwood, Butternut, Walnut area. We utilized Code Red and kept our residents informed as to what was going on. We did activate our CERT team. The CERT team along with Mayfield Heights and Highland Heights went door to door in the areas of concern without power to check on residents. They did find a lady who was in need of assistance because she had been in her home cold and hungry for several days. They were able to assist her and then got the appropriate relatives involved to help her. That was in Mayfield Heights. With the other communities, we are going to sit down and critique this and improve the system. It worked out very well with the CERT leadership utilizing our volunteers. That's the first time we have actually called them out.

Chief Mohr reported, we are making phone calls because of Fire Prevention Week and the smoke detector sales over the summer. We are calling the residents we sold the detectors to. We made over 250 phone calls over the last week to residents to see if they have the detectors installed and if they needed help with the detectors. Surprisingly, we have a good number of people that have asked us to come over to their homes to assist them in installing these units or they are bringing them up to the Fire Station and we are programming them at the station. That system has worked out remarkably well. I would recommend as we approach 2013, we offer that program again.

Council President Pro Temp Mr. Marrie complimented Chief Mohr and his group on the Code Red. That's a tremendous system. It's reassuring to know that people are on top of the situation.

Mrs. Mills stated, Diane said she was going to publicize it again for people that hadn't joined Code Red. I know the residents that I talked with about that and the phone calls that Cheryl

made, were very much appreciated. That was a lot of work for her but that was a very good thing for the Village. Good Village PR.

Council President Pro Temp Marrie stated, thank you. Any other questions? There were none.

SERVICE DEPARTMENT

. **Work at Wilson Mills and SOM in front of Community Room
(King Excavating - \$24,900; straw vote approved 10/24/12)**

Mr. Metzger reported, everybody should see the progress being made across the street by the Community Room. Mr. Cappello e-mailed earlier today that they will be back to work either tomorrow or by Wednesday to continue that work, complete it and get it grassed before the end of the week.

. **Concrete work at pool
(Agresta - \$15,000; straw vote approved 10/23/12)**

Mr. Metzger reported, we have located the leak at the pool. We had some bolts that were in the ground that were disintegrated so we are taking everything apart. We reglued a joint and plastic piping that was loose. We will be reinstalling it with stainless steel bolts and getting some new hydrostat boxes welded to the bottom of it so it is a much better fit so when we put it back together, I don't anticipate any more incidents in that area. Hopefully we will have that done tomorrow and will have the boxes back installed if we get time this week and the weather allows.

One other item, Mr. Metzger reported, we have developed a sinkhole on Joyce Road. I am trying to determine what the cause of it is. We had the County out there to check the sewers and the Water Department came out to check the water. I am not seeing anything yet, but Tommy got me some quotes to have that excavating. Worst case scenario, it's in the \$6,500 range. I just wanted to bring that to everyone's attention depending on what we find here.

Council President Pro Temp Marrie suggested, if Tommy gets you that price, let's bring it to Finance Caucus so we can get it taken care of. Are there any questions?

There were none.

PARKS & RECREATION

Mr. Thomas reported, the Winter brochure is going to be taken to the post office tomorrow. Hopefully everyone will receive it within the next 2 days.

LAW DIRECTOR

- **Legislation amending Codified Ordinance Section 139.04 relating to the disposition of property held by the Police Department.**
- **Legislation repealing Codified Ordinance Section 171.04 relating to certification of registration fee and posting for lodgings in the Village**

Ms. Calta advised, these two pieces of legislation are really housekeeping measures. They were vetted through Ordinance Review. One is Ordinance 2012-28. This is an ordinance that has been on the books and references Ohio Revised Code. That Ohio Revised Code Section has been repealed and replaced so we just updated the Section to include the new Revised Code Section. That has to do with disposition of property in the Police Department.

Ms. Calta continued, the other is a Section that has been on the books, Ordinance 2012-29. It is also something that went through Ordinance Review. This has been on the Village books for some time. It is a Certificate of Registration for hotels and it's just not something that has been used and practiced, so we are just taking it off the books. It's a \$15.00 fee for a Certificate if you are a hotel. We are going to repeal that because it's not something that the Village imposes.

Council President Pro Temp Marrie asked, that doesn't affect the tax in any way?

Ms. Calta replied, no.

Council President Pro Temp Marrie asked, any other questions?

There were none.

ANY OTHER MATTERS

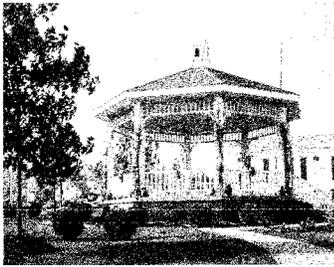
Council President Pro Temp Marrie asked if there were any other matters.

There were none.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at approximately 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Mary E. Betsa, Clerk of Council



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- Injury Leave – permanent part-time employees
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