

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

The Council of Mayfield Village met in Caucus Session on Monday, March 5, 2012. Council President Buckholtz called the meeting to order at approximately 8:08 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Present: Mr. Buckholtz, Mrs. Cinco, Mr. Marrie, Mr. Marquardt,
Mrs. Mills, Dr. Parker and Mr. Delguyd

Also Present: Mayor Rinker, Mr. Wynne, Ms. Calta, Mr. Cappello,
Chief Edelman, Chief Mohr, Mr. Metzong,
Mr. Dinardo, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Esborn
Mrs. Wolgamuth and Mrs. Betsa

Absent: Mrs. Cinco and Mr. Marrelli

IN COMMITTEE (STATUS)

. **Records Commission**

- **House Bill 9 Training Session at Mayfield Village**

Mrs. Mills received notification from Mrs. Betsa that the House Bill 9 training session has been confirmed by the State Auditor's office. It is scheduled for Friday, May 25th from 10:00-1:00 p.m. in Reserve Hall. All newly-elected and re-elected officials are required to attend during their term or to appoint a designee in their stead. Mary Beth will include this in your packet for next week. The following officials that have to attend or appoint a designee are: Mayor Rinker, Mr. Marquardt, Dr. Parker and Mr. Delguyd. Read the information over carefully. If a designee will be appointed, it must be approved at the April Council meeting.

. **Activities Committee**

- **Mother's Day Pancake Breakfast**

Mrs. Mills distributed the list for sign-up of volunteers.

. **Hillcrest Council of Councils**

- **Meeting of March 3, 2012**

Mrs. Mills reported that she and Mr. Marquardt attended the Hillcrest Council of Councils meeting on March 3rd. It was a very good meeting. Mr. Marquardt agreed. There were probably about 50 people there. Mr. Fitzgerald talked for about an hour. He gave his projections on what the new Cuyahoga committee would like to do and what they are trying to do. They had a short

question and answer period. The next meeting will be on economic development. That date and time has not yet been established. It may be something that Ted would want to attend. When we get notice of that, we will let you know. It's usually on Saturday.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

. Doors at Civic Center (Luxury Builders - \$5,000)

In Mr. Marrelli's absence, Mr. Metzger reported that doors are being constructed for the east end. They are falling apart. They have to be custom made. It's an odd size. He is beginning to have these doors made. He intends on working on all the doors. These are the first set. The bottom of these doors fell out. They need to get done right away.

MAYOR

Mayor Rinker stated, in *The Plain Dealer* yesterday, there was a nice plug for our Economic Development Director. It was very well spoken. It was very nice.

Mayor Rinker stated, we are all keenly aware of what happened in Chardon. The timing, as fate would have it, was coinciding with the Annual Meeting of our SPAN organization which has been in existence since the '70's, the Suburban Police Anti-Crime Network. After we went through our typical annual budget discussions, we had a very very lengthy and very productive discussion with all of the Mayors about revisiting the kinds of protocols that schools need to employ. SPAN covers three different school districts. Our own Chiefs met the following day with John Folkman and other representatives at the School District in Mayfield, obviously very much shaken by what happened. The long story short here is that there is a real impetus on the part of SPAN to use the skillsets for our different professionals to revisit these protocols and probably look at some other policy programming approaches that are more pro-active. Stay tuned for this. This is something we think on a regional plane by SPAN addressing the different school districts, could be something very functional. It was a very tragic situation.

Finally, don't forget, tomorrow is a day to vote. We have a school levy. Make sure you tell your neighbors that it's important to vote for the levy.

Mrs. Mills added, all voting precincts are at the Community Room. Sometimes people still go to the High School.

Council President Buckholtz asked, what are the other school districts in SPAN?

Mayor Rinker replied, Richmond Heights and South-Euclid Lyndhurst.

ADMINISTRATION

. **Mayfield Township Historical Society Donation (\$2,500)**

Mrs. Wolgamuth reported, we received a letter from the Mayfield Township Historical Society for their annual donation. Attached to the letter is their financial statement which shows that the same donation is also made by Highland Heights and Mayfield Heights.

. **Annual Fiber Ring Maintenance Fee (OneCommunity - \$7,000)**

Mr. Esborn reported, the \$15,000 bill from OneCommunity each year is for the bandwidth itself. This accompanying \$7,000 is for maintenance of our fiber ring that's in the ground. We have paid it each of the last three years. It was part of the negotiating we did with OneCommunity in the innovation zone fiber ring to set the whole thing up. It is an annual payment that we have made for years. It goes towards any problems that there are on the ring, with the ring, with the actual equipment.

Mr. Delguyd asked, is that like a bank?

Mr. Esborn replied, that is the annual fee we established with them at the outset because there was the question of who is going to take care of this equipment. We agreed upon a \$7,000 annual fee.

Council President Buckholtz stated, so it's not a not to exceed is what you are asking, it's just a flat fee for the year?

Mr. Esborn replied, as opposed to the bank of credits.

Mr. Delguyd stated, I was thinking more along the lines of we give the \$7,000 a year and that covers everything. Again, it's not to exceed, but they can't come back to us for more if they don't use it in a one year. It does not roll over into the next year and is used as needed.

Council President Buckholtz replied, no it doesn't work that way.

Dr. Parker asked, did we ever get an update on how much they have spent with these funds, on servicing or anything like that?

Mr. Esborn replied, it continues to accrue. At the close of 2011, it was at about \$4,500. They have not spent any of that yet. The clearest use for that would be a new lateral connection to a property. Those average about \$10,000. We continue to build that. It's faster now since Mayfran doubled their subscription.

Dr. Parker stated, I don't think that was what I was referring to. I was referring to the \$7,000 fee.

Mr. Esborn replied, as of yet we have not gotten reports from them on the maintenance. I can request from them a report of what maintenance has taken place. I know that we have called them with issues with the ring. They call it opening of a ticket. I can request a report of those instances and what they've done to maintain the ring.

Council President Buckholtz asked, it does not roll over, right?

Mr. Esborn replied, correct.

Council President Buckholtz asked, so when you said there's \$4,500 banked in there, which would be about the amount to cover a fiber lateral connection –

Mr. Esborn clarified, I thought Mr. Delguyd was talking about the bank of credits that Mayfield Village has at OneCommunity that is contributed to from subscriber payments. That has nothing to do with the maintenance.

Council President Buckholtz asked, so that continues to grow?

Mr. Esborn replied, correct.

Council President Buckholtz asked, okay, and that's what we use for lateral payments, not maintenance money.

Mr. Esborn replied, correct.

Mr. Delguyd asked, we are based on a \$7,000 a year retainer for maintenance?

Mr. Esborn replied, inasmuch as it is a \$7,000 fee, that does not roll over.

Dr. Parker asked, but you will find out what they have expended over the last two or three years in terms of that? For all we know they could be spending more than that or less than that, right?

Mr. Esborn replied, right. I can get a report on the maintenance costs.

. **Service for anti-spam and anti-virus for all mailboxes (Symantec - \$3960)**

Mrs. Wolgamuth stated, Jeff Thomas could not be here tonight. He said he would attend the Finance Committee meeting to discuss this if anyone had questions. This is just the annual renewal of all the anti-spam.

Senior Program Update

Mrs. Wolgamuth reported, I provided you with the memo on the Senior Services. We did compare the County. The bottom line is the County services are mostly for low income individuals which really wouldn't apply much to Mayfield Village residents.

I won't go through all of it, but I think it is notable in the section about utilization. It is difficult to project what our utilization would actually be. We have 1072 residents over the age of 60 and another 561 in the age group approaching 60, so we do have a fairly large group of people who might take advantage of these services. Again, it's hard to look at the current programs we offer and compare them to what we might expect. The group of people taking Tai Chai classes is not the same group that would need these kind of services, the transportation and the housekeeping and the things that the Partnership is offering. The best I could come up with is the Senior Snow Plow program. We do have 371 seniors that take advantage of that. I did include that information. I also think it's notable that we have had 7 requests for such services so far this year. Donna will continue to track that and let me know every time she has an inquiry.

The other thing I thought was notable, of the other communities that we listed, everyone except for Gates Mills offers some sort of transportation service. You will see the list there. Everyone does something a little bit different.

Finally, I have not spoken to Stacy O'Brien since that initial first meeting we had with her, so I have not talked to her about any adjustments that they might be willing to make in terms of offering some of these programs at our facilities. I think we all feel that it would be more valuable if they were actually taking place here. More people might attend the luncheons or do those things. Those are items that will be discussed. As I said, she is happy to come to a Council meeting to make a presentation or answer any questions you might have.

Mr. Marrie asked, on the second page, the other communities, Lyndhurst, South Euclid, Highland Heights and Mayfield Heights, are they going with a full membership?

Mrs. Wolgamuth replied, yes, it is my understanding they are all full.

Mr. Delguyd asked, for clarification, full membership is \$28,000?

Mrs. Wolgamuth replied, right.

Council President Buckholtz stated, we looked at this and asked for more information. If I'm hearing correctly, there's a large disparity between the full program and partial programs. We all know it is so hard to judge these things.

Mrs. Wolgamuth asked, are you asking for my opinion?

Council President Buckholtz replied, yes.

Mrs. Wolgamuth replied, I would like to see us offer it for the rest of this year and next year in order to see what kind of utilization we would get out of it. The cost is not that high for what they are offering. That's my view of it. Especially because we have reduced our staff. When you take the cost of that off of it, it's really not a large expense or increase in expenses for us. Our senior population is pretty large.

Mr. Delguyd asked, given our reduction in staff, compared to the \$58,000, what is the increase in cost?

Mrs. Wolgamuth replied, it would be 28,000. Now that we would be going into April, I am sure they would pro-rate the 58,000 and we would be paying a partial cost for this year. We would market it heavily and do what we could to get everyone to understand it is available.

Mr. Marquardt asked, will they provide an itemized detailed utilization report on this?

Mrs. Wolgamuth replied, I have not asked, but I would imagine they would.

Mr. Marquardt added, it's not how many services they offer, it's how many people would use it. That's my question, how many people will use it?

Mrs. Wolgamuth replied, when I inquired about utilization in the other communities, they gave me numbers, so they must track it.

Mr. Marquardt stated, yes, but they may not compare the population distribution we have. We need to have specific information.

Council President Buckholtz stated, I think Diane just means that they do provide those metrix for other communities. What you are saying is we want to see them here.

Mr. Marquardt stated, she said she had some kind of a metrix. We should be having some kind of detail specifically for Mayfield Village to make a judgment as to whether we are getting the utilization to make it worthwhile.

Mrs. Wolgamuth asked, you are saying after using it?

Mr. Marquardt replied, right.

Mr. Marrie asked, did all of the communities start off at full?

Mrs. Wolgamuth replied, three original communities that were part of the Partnership all went full immediately. Mayfield Heights just went in last year as a full member.

Mr. Marrie asked, do you have any numbers for how many people take part of this in those individual cities?

Mrs. Wolgamuth replied, yes. When I asked her, she said it was 15-20%.

Mr. Delguyd asked, of the senior population?

Mrs. Wolgamuth replied, of the senior population that takes advantage of the program. That's why I know they must track it because she was able to give me that.

Mr. Delguyd asked, is that across the board?

Mrs. Wolgamuth replied, that was across the board. She could probably provide that breakdown.

Council President Buckholtz asked, is it more winter-weather oriented, summer-weather oriented? When does it make sense to potentially kick it off?

Mrs. Wolgamuth replied, I would think maybe the transportation might be more in the wintertime, but everything else such as the social work and the volunteer services, I think those would be pretty much year round.

Dr. Parker asked, how much are we paying again every month for this?

Mrs. Wolgamuth replied, we are not currently paying anything.

Dr. Parker stated, I thought we were going to cover something?

Mrs. Wolgamuth replied, just for the month of January.

Dr. Parker asked, how much was that?

Mrs. Wolgamuth replied, just for the social work services. We broke down the \$20,000 annual fee. Per month it was \$1600. But we only paid it for the one month.

Dr. Parker asked, what happened this month and the next month?

Mrs. Wolgamuth replied, we had a resident volunteer whose credentials were acceptable to Meals on Wheels so she volunteered to do the assessments right now.

Dr. Parker asked, how much does she charge us?

Mrs. Mills replied, she doesn't.

Dr. Parker replied, I understand. That's what I'm saying.

Mrs. Mills replied, I know she had one interview with one person here in the Village since she's been on board.

Mrs. Wolgamuth replied, again, Meals on Wheels is just a small portion of all of the services offered.

Dr. Parker stated, considering the numbers we are hearing, is this something we could break out and maybe she could do that for us and we might save a substantial amount?

Mrs. Wolgamuth replied, she's not willing to do anything more than she is doing. She offered to do this on a volunteering basis because she knew we had a need.

Mrs. Mills added, she's really a temporary volunteer for now. When we have our Commission on Aging meeting on the 27th, are you going to be there?

Mrs. Wolgamuth replied, I can be.

Mrs. Mills stated, good. We can go over all of this with the Commission and see what their feelings are. Maybe we can get a little better handle on it, although you have a very good handle on it. But I think we should present it to them too.

Mrs. Wolgamuth stated, we did talk to them at the initial meeting. After I brought this up in January, I met with the Commission on Aging, the Rec Board and the Citizen's Advisory Committee. They have already talked about it once. We certainly can give them more detail now.

Mr. Delguyd asked, in terms of locations of where the activities are held, are they all over the County?

Mrs. Wolgamuth replied, mostly in Lyndhurst and the member communities. That's why I said Stacy indicated to me that if we became a full member, we would be part of that rotation. We could have some of the congregate meals at the Community Room also.

Mr. Delguyd asked, is that a requirement to have them on location or is that something that if we gave them access to more of our facilities?

Mrs. Wolgamuth replied, that's what I think part of the conversation could be. If we were offering the facility, we may be able to offer more of the programming here. It's something we can certainly talk about and negotiate.

Dr. Parker stated, I know the Meals on Wheels was a big issue in terms of the qualifications and such, that was a concern. What has the community had to say to you in terms of what we are doing now and how it's being handled without being a member of this organization?

Mrs. Wolgamuth replied, what we offer now is mostly recreational programming for seniors. Aside from Meals on Wheels, we don't offer anything you would consider, such as the social work or transportation, things that help the elderly stay in their homes longer. We don't offer any of those things right now. As I talked to the group, everyone thought that those things would be very valuable and I think consistently people who are younger who have experienced caring for an older parent thought that those services would be valuable to have available to them. It's difficult to compare because we really don't offer any of those things right now.

Council President Buckholtz stated, my question to start this might be a question to bring up a little bit in Finance too just in terms of what cycle you would see starting this on if we were going to give it a try. Somewhere between Human Services and Finance, we could figure out when is a good time to kick it off.

FINANCE

. Healthcare Benefits

Mr. Wynne reported, Council received a memo last week. We took a straw poll that was approved to accept the Task Force recommendations to change our providers on the medical side from Anthem to the Cuyahoga County Regionalization Plan and on the dental and life side from Principal and Anthem to MetLife. The Cuyahoga County Regional Plan is a 33 month contract with the County. We are locked in on the rates for 21 months. After the 21 months we will share whatever increase the County gets on their plan which based upon the size of their enrollment and the history, it averages anywhere from 3-5% annually. This move will go a long way for us in trying to keep our costs under control over the long term by being a part of a much larger group and spreading the risk amongst that group. The MetLife contract is 12 months for dental and 24 months for the life insurance.

Council President Buckholtz asked, any further questions on this? There were none.

. 2012 Budget

Mr. Wynne stated, the budget is on second read tonight. The detail is attached to the legislation. There have been very minor changes from the last version Council received. I don't anticipate any changes to the version attached to the legislation tonight. The changes that were made to the last version you received were just to the tune of about \$20,000 in total to amend the budget for the results of the changes in the healthcare plan.

. Codification Services for 2012 (Walter Drane - \$5,400)

Mr. Wynne reported, we received a contract from Walter Drane for the codification services. The charge for this year is \$5,400. Last year we paid \$4,325. We contacted them to discuss the

increase. We paid this a couple years ago. It is about \$1,000 more than last year. The reasoning for the increase is due to some significant changes in the Traffic Code not specific to us but universally that needed to be incorporated into the codification.

Council President Buckholtz asked if there were any questions. There were none.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief Edelman stated, before I discuss the items on the agenda, I want to briefly expound upon what Mayor Rinker was talking about earlier. Chief Mohr and I worked very closely together to tweak our response protocols. We met with the School Administration last week and we had a lengthy discussion regarding not only our protocols but theirs as well. We are also working with them on some prevention techniques and some in-service training that they could possibly give to their teachers. I also met with George Hughes, School Board member. He told me that they have a Safety and Security Committee on the School Board. He will bring our concerns up with them. I would like to think they have already had some discussion considering it's been a week since the tragedy happened in Chardon. I will be continuing to pursue through my contacts with the School Board. I will be meeting with the Security Committee. I am sure Chief Mohr will also meet with them. I just wanted to assure you that we are doing everything in our power to make sure your kids are safe in the school.

My other comment before I get into the agenda items, at the Police Department we are putting the finishing touches on a handgun safety and concealed carry class. We all know that there is a concealed carry law in Ohio. While I am not by any means a fan of that law, it exists and therefore it is my responsibility to make sure that these things are being done safely and according to the law. We hope to have this implemented in the next month or so and we would like to invite the Village residents and employees to our first class. Stay tuned. I will provide more information on that as it comes along.

• First Choice Armor Shields (Standard Law Enforcement Supply Company - \$9,600)

Chief Edelman asked Bill Thomas to demonstrate the body bunker shield. This is a ballistic piece of hardware that will protect an officer or firefighter, a victim from just about any handgun that's out on the market. It's rated as a Level 3A which covers just about any kind of a handgun. I am asking Council for four of these to be placed in our primary response cars to be used in the event of a tragedy like what happened in Chardon.

• Upgrade for video recorder and security cameras (Zenith Systems, LLC - \$9,100)

Chief Edelman reported, this is for our station surveillance cameras. The original one that was built into the specs for the new building through the design build process was pretty much the bottom shelf low bid item that Panzica specked out. Without having the building actually constructed around us and seeing what our blindspots were, we were taking them at their word which was fine at the time. We acquiesced to this device we have, but it doesn't suit our needs

anymore. We have a limited amount of cameras. We found out that we do need more. The types of technology that are out there are substantially greater than what our current system provides for us. With this new DVR, we would be able to monitor not only analogue cameras but digital IP based cameras as well. What that means is that we would have to have cameras actually hard-wired into the system. We could put cameras anywhere we wanted to in the Village. Through an IP address, we would be able to view them from our dispatch center. That's what this new DVR would allow us to do.

Mr. Delguyd asked, where exactly do you want those extra cameras throughout the Village?

Chief Edelman replied, one of the things we talked about was the trails that are being built. A lot of those are going to be in the woods. Quite frankly, there's always a risk any time you have a part of the Village that's secluded from the general population. That's just one of the applications. Others could be at high accident sites around town. Others could be here in Village Hall.

Council President Buckholtz asked, that's the cost for the DVR, not additional cameras?

Chief Edelman replied, that is for the DVR and four cameras.

Council President Buckholtz asked, you can purchase more cameras if needed?

Chief Edelman replied, correct.

Mr. Delguyd asked, and those four cameras are for the police station?

Chief Edelman replied, yes they are.

Mr. Delguyd asked, how much for an additional camera?

Chief Edelman would have to check.

Council President Buckholtz replied, I think they are between \$220 and 400.

Chief Edelman replied, that sounds about right.

Dr. Parker stated, one of the things that came up in Safety and Service was that we could sell the existing system.

Chief Edelman replied, that's correct. The existing system is still a workable, viable piece of equipment that could either be sold or used at another one of the Village facilities.

Mr. Marrie added, it could be used right here at the Civic Center.

. **Tactical patrol weapons (Atwell's Police and Fire Equipment - \$8,000)**

Chief Edelman reported, this is something that once again reared its ugly head because of the tragedy that happened in Chardon. We at the Police Department have been talking about this for a number of years, actually starting with what happened in Columbine. Unfortunately, we have this discussion every time something like this happens. The Police Department currently carries pistols and shotguns which are very effective and very efficient weapons and we are very proficient in using them. However, they have limitations. In a circumstance like an active shooter in a school or office building, the rifles offer much greater accuracy and distance. Anyone have any questions about this?

There were no questions.

. **Annual SPAN Dues (\$14,000.00)**

Chief Edelman reported, this is the same rate that we were paying in 2008. For the past three years, there's been a \$3,000 per year assessment to all of the cities. That was for radio upgrades. That work has since been completed. We are back down to the 2008 rate of \$14,000.

Mr. Marrie stated, all of the above items were covered at Safety and Service. We agreed with all of them.

Council President Buckholtz stated, okay. We will send these on to Finance.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

. **Radiator for Fire Station Emergency Back-Up Generator (W.W. Williams - \$3464.78) (straw vote approved 2/27/12)**

Chief Mohr referred to the memo regarding the station emergency generator. The radiator failed. Graciously, you provided me with a straw vote so I did order the radiator. The seam along the radiator failed. It's better to replace than trying to resodder something like that.

The other thing is Code Red that we now have, think about the incident which just occurred this past Friday down along the Ohio River. Our system would now allow any residents plugged into this system notification so that there would be a warning available to anyone with a cellphone, PDA, home device or computer. That's one of the luxuries we have for any resident with that system.

Mr. Marrie asked, can we send another notice out to the residents, just sort of a push? It might have been one of those things, I will get to it tomorrow, and we don't. It really is important, especially with what you just said. Maybe another suggested brochure encouraging the residents.

Chief Mohr stated, we could use the media representatives to try and push this out. Particularly, the National Weather Service always has the statewide tornado drill around the 20th of the month where we use our siren in conjunction with the NWS test.

Mr. Marrie stated, the only concern I have is I am sure there's people in the Village that don't really know, even though you both put nice write ups in the *Voice of the Village*, but I am sure there's people in the Village that don't know that this is available. I think it's such a good thing. Maybe we should send out another notice. It wouldn't hurt.

Chief Edelman agreed. We can do that.

SERVICE DEPARTMENT

. **Stormwater Monitoring (Cuyahoga County Board of Health (\$3,000))**

Mr. Metzung reported, this is for our outfall monitoring. It's need for our Phase II. It's an annual fee. We couldn't touch that for their cost.

. **Solid Waste and Recycling Collection**

Mr. Metzung has nothing more to add on this other than the Citizen's Advisory Committee did meet and discuss this program. We took a straw vote. They were 7-1 in favor of the 64 gallon recycling containers.

. **Sweeping for Pancake Breakfast and after 50's Night (Reilly Sweeping - \$3131)**

Mr. Metzung reported, this is for street sweeping. It's really not for Pancake Breakfast, it just happens to coincide with the Spring and that's when we do it. That's our yearly clean-up of the Village streets. We use a partial clean up for 50's Night when they come in and clean the parking lots for us.

. **Lawn Fertilization**

Mr. Metzung reported, once again this year we will be doing two separate p.o.'s, one for contract lawn fertilization done in the majority of our spaces. We are looking at approximately \$8,800 for that. The other number is for purchase of fertilizer for all of our sports fields that we do in-house. That's about \$3,100 for this year.

. **Signs for new State requirements (A&A Safety, Inc. - \$7548.57)**

Mr. Metzung reported, we were required to have a maintenance program in place by January 22nd of this year. As part of that we went out and did an inventory of all of our signs. As part of that this list of sign replacement came to our attention. These are regulatory signs that we will be

out replacing this year. We discussed this in Safety and Service. All our regulatory signs need to be compliant by 2014 and our street signs need to be compliant by 2018. We have some time but as I mentioned in Safety and Service, we really need to upgrade those. The sooner the better.

Mayor Rinker asked, are you talking about the street signs?

Mr. Metzger replied, yes.

Mayor Rinker stated, we have been working on that.

Dr. Parker asked, what would be the difference in a stop sign, before and after the regulations?

Mr. Metzger replied, it has to do with reflectivity. Now all of the street signs will be high intensity. So when we put a new one up, you will know. In general, maintenance signs fade away. You have to maintain regulatory signs over time. Speed limit signs. Things of that nature. Certainly stop signs. You will see them when they go up. I promise you.

Mr. Delguyd, are the street signs being changed?

Mayor Rinker replied, they are. We are looking at it. We have some ideas. Doug's been pricing some things. We are not there yet.

Mr. Marrie stated, on the recycling, we also did a poll at Recreation Committee. It was unanimous of the 12 people there. They agree with the 64 gallon and the every week pick-up.

Mr. Metzger stated, if anyone's interested in what is going on County-wide, I can provide that. The County provided that to me. There's spreadsheet with the generics. It gets very detailed and is a lot of pages. I didn't want to print it off for everybody, but if someone is interested in that, I can certainly e-mail it to you.

Council President Buckholtz stated, thank you. We will move these items to Finance.

PLANNING DEPARTMENT

Mr. Esborn reported that back in the Fall we applied for DOPWIC funding to replace sanitary sewers and waterlines on Eastgate and Meadwood. The scoring of that application did not make us eligible for funding from DOPWIC. However, we found out this morning that our application has been forwarded to a separate evaluation for small governments. The bottom line is our bid for funding for sewers on Eastgate and Meadowood is still alive, but the circumstances have changed. They are different. I am going to be working with Ron Wynne and the Planning Commission this week to figure out just how. Most significantly in this new pool of funding the grant portion is capped at \$500,000. In our initial application to DOPWIC, we requested \$1.4 million in grants. Again, this just came through today. A lot of the number crunching has yet to

take place. We have 30 days to get additional information in to either the Planning Commission or the agency at the State, but I wanted to just report basically that the bid for funding is still alive but we are going to need to take a look at what's available.

Mayor Rinker added, if you all haven't seen the movie *Groundhog Day*, I commend it because we have had a number of occasions where we have gone through just this cycle and at the last minute they tell us about small governments. Given the current administration, I don't have much hope for small governments for anything, but we will go through this. We will do our best to comply with their rules and regulations. Unfortunately, that's typically a moving target. We found that out. They almost literally have a double standard for how they evaluate those. But it underscores something that we have been doing through the budget and that is salting away money in a fund and given our infrastructure cycle, we are pretty much fatalistic about what kind of funding we are ever going to get from the State. We are not holding our breath. In this cycle, I think we are probably two years out, maybe three, between the road projects we have, depending on how much we get done this year and next year with the road. We will keep salting the money away for the sewers. This is a project that has to get done. Unfortunately the way the funding works nowadays it doesn't work that well.

Mr. Delguyd asked, do we get penalized for saving money?

Mayor Rinker replied, we don't get penalized. The problem primarily is that 10 years ago DOPWIC was more willing to restrict those that would be able to get funded. I am being a little simplistic but not overly. Now what has happened is ODOT has been able to reach into those funds and because ODOT reaches so many vehicles per day, it automatically has its scoring weighted in its favor for various road projects because one of the components is how many people benefit from a particular project whereas for us we are typically looking at several dozens of homes in and around the neighborhood, not to mention the heavy work that's done.

Maybe where we handicap ourselves, but I am not sure there's a better way to do it, and that is that we have always maintained a policy of imposing on individual residents comparable assessment burdens of the components that go into the infrastructure between assessment, what we contribute, what we can get through low interest loans or what we can get through outright grants. We kind of do a reverse engineering. We start with a number, an increment for individual property owners that we feel fairly places them with other neighborhoods. I think we'd all agree that's pertinent to do that. So what we're saying is everyone is bearing a comparable burden within the community. But the variable in it is that every project is different depending on bedrock, depending upon grade changes. There are a lot of factors that add to the costs.

We have gone to the well numerous times. We have tried multiple permeations, numbers of streets, which street worked, what we add, what we don't add. Really trying to come up with a winning combination. We will continue to do that. That's really a responsibility we have. But unfortunately it has not been working well. It's not the kind of project where we can collaborate with other entities per se. A lot of the programs, again one of the scoring benefits is if you've

got something that's more regional that's covering a lot of different areas. That also gets some scoring favorability. It's the nature of the beast. Whether or not with the new County Administration and some of the overtures that are being made by the County, pretty tangibly I might add, and we have already seen in some of the road projects they are talking about at the County trying to be much more collaborative in providing a more lucrative way to support local government work. Again, it's another opportunity we will look at. But that's pretty much where we are.

PARKS & RECREATION

. Wiley Park Playground – request to go out for bid

Mr. Thomas reported, with the new completed parking lot and the beautiful picnic shelter, the Recreation Board is very much in favor of replacing the 20 plus year old playground. The Recreation Board has had much discussion. We actually formed an Ad Hoc Committee to look at what we need to do and that Ad Hoc Committee came back to the Rec Board and made suggestions. They were all in favor of it. We have put specs together based on the Ad Hoc Committee's recommendations and we would like to go out to bid for that.

. Tile for locker rooms and lobby office area at Parkview Pool – request to go out to bid

Mr. Thomas reported, this along the same line. That floor has taken a beating over the last 13 plus years. We need to pitch it so it drains better. The Recreation Board is very much in favor of replacing that. We are going to go out to bid. We feel very confident that we can get the locker rooms as well as the lobby area and the pool manager's office and the counter area completed and stay within budget.

. Playground Equipment – Parkview Pool (David Williams - \$9,495)

Mr. Thomas reported, thanks to our Law Department's good thinking, we have had much discussion. Did everyone get the memo I put in their packets about ADA compliance? Actually Diane really was the one that said, Bill, we really need to look at our playground. I proceeded to contact Dave Williams who actually built the playground back in 2002. My recommendation is to keep all the equipment compatible with what we have out there. I am recommending we spend that money in order to become ADA compliant at the playground just like at the pool.

. Repairs to pumps at pool – (Redmond Waltz - \$9,641.72)

Mr. Thomas deferred this item to Doug.

Mr. Metzger reported, when we took all the pumps out this year for the first time since the pool was completed, much to our dismay they were in horrendous shape. We have taken them in to Redmond Waltz. They went through them all and made their recommendations. In most cases,

it's basically a replacement of all of the components of the pumps. The Service Department is going in and getting rid of all of the loose metal crud from that and applying an epoxy to those areas. We have had troubles with the main pool pump over the years. That's been repaired about 4 times with the impellers only lasting a couple years at a time. The fact that we got all this time out of the other ones is very good news. I have pictures of them to show you the condition of these pumps.

Mr. Delguyd asked, is it standard for these to break down as much as they are? Not the ones we are replacing now.

Mr. Metzung replied, the impellor has been replaced on the main pool pump three or four times. Now it's been epoxy-coated. When we took it out this year it was in very good shape still. Whether it's the chemistry of the pool? We thought maybe we had air in the pump that was causing it. Now that we see the condition of the other pumps, we go back to the chemistry of the pool causing the corrosion of these impellers. As far as the main pump goes, we get air somehow through it. Air in the system will cause a great deal of damage. The chemistry obviously creates a lot of problems. We are treating them by coating the impellers to help protect them.

Mr. Delguyd asked, this \$9,600 repairs everything? Is it also an assessment?

Mr. Metzung replied, no, we took at the pumps to them. This is what they came up with.

Dr. Parker asked, how much more would it be to replace it?

Mr. Metzung replied, those numbers are on here. You can see at the bottom of each page, it will say a replacement pump and motor. Let's take the first one, it's \$2,500 to refurbish basically and \$5,000 to replace. We are thinking that by going in and doing what we are going to do it will go away.

Mr. Delguyd asked, does it make sense to have an assessment done as to what the issues might be? Do you know how much that would cost?

Mr. Metzung replied, we have called people. We talked to the pool manufacturer. This is as perplexing to us as it is to everyone.

Dr. Parker asked, when do we expect to get it back?

Mr. Metzung replied, that's why I am asking that this be put on Special Meeting agenda. We should have plenty of time. The motors are almost stocked motors. The impellers will take time. We should have plenty of time still. We would like to get them in and installed and make sure they function properly.

Council President Buckholtz asked if there were any other questions. There were none.

LAW DIRECTOR

Legislation

- **Cuyahoga County Public Library**

Ms. Calta asked if there were any questions on this item. There were revisions to the access easement. That was provided to Council in their packets on Friday.

- **Retention of Architect for 2012**

Ms. Calta deferred any questions to the Architect.

- **Retention of Prosecutor for 2012**

Ms. Calta deferred any questions.

These are usual resolutions.

- **Creating Certain Positions and Compensation Related to the 2012 Summer Camp Program**

- **Establishing the Parkview Swimming Pool Employees Salary for 2012**

Ms. Calta deferred this item to Bill.

Mr. Thomas reported, this is our annual revisions.

ANY OTHER MATTERS

Council President Buckholtz asked if there were any other matters. There were none.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at approximately 9:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Mary E. Betsa, Clerk of Council