

City of Olmsted Falls
Minutes of a Regular Council Meeting
Tuesday, May 26, 2020, at Olmsted Falls City Hall
26100 Bagley Road – 7:00 p.m.
Conducted as a Virtual Meeting through Webex

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Council President Paul Stibich called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. Roll call was conducted. Councilmen Lori Jones, Jennifer Jansen, Cornel Munteanu, Jay McFadden, Yvonne Buchholz, and Brian Chitester were present.

Also, in attendance: James Graven, Mayor, Andrew D. Bemer, Law Director, Nick Vitalone, Finance Director, Joe Borczuch, Service Director, and Matt Sheehan, Fire Chief. Audience: 2.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Chitester moved to **approve** the minutes from the Regular Council Meeting of May 12, 2020; Ms. Buchholz **seconded**. Poll: 7 ayes; 0 nays. **Motion carried**.

Consideration of Amendment to the Agenda - None

Mayor's Report and Appointments

Mayor Graven asked for a motion to appoint Marianne Piterans to the ABR Board. He received Chairperson Tomasch's recommendation for this appointment.

Ms. Buchholz moved to **appoint** Marianne Piterans to the Architectural Board of Review to fill an unexpired term until 12/31/2021; Mr. Stibich **seconded**. Poll: 7 ayes; 0 nays. **Motion carried**.

Mayor Graven indicated that the city held a nice Memorial Day procession. As everyone is aware because of COVID-19 we could not hold a Memorial Day parade and we wanted to come up with a way to honor all of our veterans that died for our country. He would like to thank all of the police officers and firefighters that participated in this Memorial Day Emergency Vehicle procession. It seemed like the citizens loved it and was a safe way for people to enjoy it. Residents stood in their driveways social distancing. The plan was to drive around for an hour and hit as many streets and we could and believes it was a success. He would like to give a shout out to the police when we pulled into the Village Green it was 11:59 a.m. He would like to thank Mr. Rick Adler who gave a great speech. At the end of the Memorial Day procession we met at the Village Green and due to social distancing we wanted to keep the crowd to less than 10 people and he believes there were approximately 8 or 9 individuals in the audience. He stated that as many know Mr. Adler was a 1966 graduate of Olmsted Falls High School and was drafted in the Army and served in Vietnam for a tour that covered a part of 1969 and 1970. Mr. Adler received a Purple Heart and Silver Star, in fact he was wounded three times, after being in a hospital in Japan for 60 days he returned to his unit. He stated that Mr. Adler gave a very heart felt Memorial Day speech and he cannot thank him enough. He thanked Ms. Mancini for posting the speech and it was shared to the Open Forum so a lot of people got to here a Vietnam Veteran and war hero's speech. He stated that he believes not only veterans but residents appreciated the speech and procession.

He stated that it is great to see a lot of our local businesses re-opening. As many are aware the Ohio Governor has allowed most businesses to open and last week and today he visited many of the businesses to see how they were doing and they were all happy to be open. He would encourage all of our citizens to try and visit all of our businesses. As he previously stated we want to not only allow them to open but make sure that they stay open.

He stated that Director Borczuch received an email from the railroad who will discuss this more in detail during his report. As you know Director Borczuch has been in contact with the railroads for many months. The email was sent by Andrea Vorst who is the Safety Service Director for Norfolk Southern, the email states: "Norfolk Southern will be replacing both rails in your crossings behind the dual rail gang and the tentative schedule is as follows: June 11- 12th - Close Mapleway Rd. and June 15th- June 17th – Close Brookside Rd. Columbia Rd. (SR 252) and Lewis Rd."

Mayor Graven stated that he has been calling not only our state legislators but also Congressman Gonzalez and has also sent letters to inform them that small cities such as Olmsted Falls need direct aid from the federal government. He would like to read part of a letter that he received from Congressman Gonzalez which states: "Dear Mayor Graven, thank you for taking the time to contact me. As your representative it is important for me to understand your ideas and concerns so I may better represent you and all of Ohio 16th Congressional District. I truly value your views and input and welcome this opportunity to respond." He goes on to say "while I don't necessarily agree with every provision in the various legislation, I am encouraged that Congress has acted swiftly to address this crisis. Also, throughout the pandemic our state has done a tremendous job of coming together to help plan." In closing Congressman Gonzalez stated "thank you again for contacting me on this issue. I hope you will continue to share your thoughts and views as Congress works to find solutions to the challenges facing our nation." He wanted to thank Congressman Anthony Gonzalez for sending the letter as it shows that he does read the letters that are sent to him.

As many of you are aware on Friday evening the weekend of the 15th we had approximately three to four inches of rain within two hours. We had approximately 16 calls over the weekend, which was not that bad, as many are aware our surrounding communities such as North Ridgeville, Olmsted Township and the southern end of North Olmsted suffered flooding that was much worse than ours. He would like to thank Director Borczuch, last Tuesday, he and Director Borczuch we out all day meeting with flood victims. He would also like to thank the service department as they were out working on catch basins, sewer pipes, sewer drains and clearing to help the residents. He indicated that the residents did appreciate that he and Director Borczuch came out to meet with them. They visited Brentwood, Water Street, Brookside, Locust and Mapleway.

Lastly, he did speak with two potential new business owners last week. There are some people interested opening businesses within our city but have asked me to keep the information confidential but he does want everyone to know that he is working hard to bring in new businesses as well as keeping the current businesses.

Communications from Residents – None

Approval of Bills:

Mr. Chitester to **approve** Pay Ordinance 2020-09; Ms. Buchholz **seconded**. Poll: 7 ayes; 0 nays. **Motion carried.**

Officials Reports:

Joe Borczuch, Service Director

Mr. Borczuch stated that he would like to request Council's approval on requisitions that he distributed. The first requisition is for Set in Stone Contracting, LLC for the 2020 concrete program and the request also including the city's engineering costs. There were a total of 12 bids received, which was great, but he only included the three lowest bids on the requisition.

Mr. Munteanu moved to **approve** a requisition to Set in Stone Contracting, LLC for the 2020 concrete program and engineering fees in an amount not to exceed \$300,000.00; Ms. Buchholz **seconded**.

Ms. Jones asked why the city choose the \$300,000 bid. Mr. Borczuch replied that the bid is for \$247,960 but we have engineering costs along with an alternate piece to bid, which means if there is enough money left from the first project, we will complete the alternate and the total cost will be \$300,000. Mr. Stibich stated that Mr. Borczuch included comparative data, the first bid was Set in Stone for \$247,000 and is just for the concrete. Ms. Jones asked if the engineering fees would be paid by Set in Stone. Mr. Borczuch replied that the 104 fund would be utilized as the engineer monitors the project and completed the bidding process. Mr. Stibich asked who the engineering fees would be paid to. Mr. Borczuch replied that the fees are paid to CVE Limited. Ms. Jones replied that these costs would be the same no matter who received the bid. Mr. Borczuch replied yes. Ms. Jones stated that she was unsure if they were added and why everyone did not get to bid with the engineering fees because it was not clear. Mr. Stibich stated that it may have been clearer if another requisition was written for engineering costs. Ms. Jones replied or split on the current requisition. Poll: 7 ayes; 0 nays. **Motion carried.**

Mr. Borczuch stated that the second requisition is to Baker Vehicle Systems and will replace the 2007 Ventrak machine which is a multi-use piece of equipment. It is also one of the only pieces of equipment that allows the city to mow when it is as wet as it has been out. The zero turn system can go through the water like this machine but this machine also allows us to blow leaves in the parks; it is also used to drag the field at Mills Field; and plows the sidewalks during the winter time in the parks and at city hall. This was a budgeted item and is a state bid item. We have gone through two engines and replaced a couple of turbos on the Ventrak and Baker is willing to give us trade in value of \$5500 for the old one machine. He does recommend this purchase for the service department needs. Ms. Jones asked if Mr. Borczuch was stating that the park system uses the machine 2/3's of the time and the city uses it 1/3. Mr. Borczuch replied yes. He can get it down to the hour but just like every other piece of equipment he allocates according to the majority of where its used and that is how he has done purchases for a long time.

Ms. Buchholz moved to **approve** a requisition to Baker Vehicle Systems to purchase a Venture 4500P Mower to replace a 2007 Ventrak Machine in an amount not to exceed \$30,329.00; Mr. Chitester **seconded**.

Mr. Vitalone stated that as long as the trade in value is noted in the requisition, he is fine with the \$30,329.00 amount. Poll: 7 ayes; 0 nays. **Motion carried.**

Ms. Jansen asked what is the life of this type of mower. Mr. Borczuch replied it depends, we take good care of our equipment. When he spoke to a representative with Baker, he informed him that the equipment should last between 7 to 10 years and with ours being 13 years old he thought that was pretty good. This machine has seen a significant amount of loss with the engine and turbos. When we bought this back in 2007 it was a huge asset to us for maintaining the parks. Ms. Jones replied that she noticed there are no bids. Mr. Borczuch replied that is because it is a state bid so they already bid it out for us.

Mr. Borczuch indicated that these were all good questions but if Council emails him he could have answered them earlier.

Mr. Borczuch stated that the Lindbergh Culvert Number 00.93 project located by Wyleswood and Oakview is being redone by Fabrizi at a cost of over \$400,000, which the county is paying for. The project started in late April with a 60-90-day project timeline. They are moving along quite well and set all sections of the culvert today. He doesn't know if anyone has driven that way but it was neat seeing them set those in place. They still have the wing walls and storm lines that need to be installed into the sides of the box culvert but they are proceeding pretty well and he anticipates, as long as the weather cooperates, that this project will be done ahead of schedule.

Mr. Borczuch stated that a majority of the base pavement has been installed in the Phase V area. The pump stations were inspected last week and passed so they will be heading our way within the next week or so to be installed which will be a several week process. He does know that the hole on Cook has been dug and shored up waiting for the arrival of the pump station. He estimates that in late June the pavement bids will go out for all the streets to be resurfaced once everything is done and all the other restoration work is done. He hopes that by the early Fall period residents will be able to start tying in, provided everything stays on its current track.

He stated that the Mayor touched base on the railroad issues. He wants everyone to remember that the key when dealing with the railroad is the word "tentative." The railroad schedule is always tentative and he or Andrea will make contact with each other the week the work is scheduled to begin to firm up the dates. If the gangs are running behind somewhere it changes the timeline, look for something that week of June. He will send confirmation to the Clerk to post on Facebook and pass to everyone else. The lines of communication are very good and have always been good, it is just a matter of getting back in touch with us as they move along because their schedule does change so much.

We are still fighting with CSX for West Road as they do not think that the crossing is in bad condition. He thinks that the next round will probably be a letter or getting some of our state representatives involved to see if they can help push them along and get the crossing taken care of. Mayor Graven stated that he has already spoken with Tom Patton but again the state rep does not have to much power over them and Mr. Bemmer can address that later. Mr. Stibich stated that during the last meeting Councilwoman Jansen suggested a federal congressman to see if he could be of any help. Mayor Graven indicated that he has spoken with Gonzalez as well.

Mr. Stibich stated that Mr. Borczuch indicated that the pavement work for Phase V will perhaps be done at the end of the June and asked if that would be everything. Mr. Borczuch replied that is when we are estimating the bid process would happen. Mr. Stibich stated that the pavement would not be completed at the end of June but rather the bid process. Mr. Borczuch replied yes, there are still multiple areas of restoration that need to be done prior to the roads. But, at least the riding surface won't be all sloppy and will have the asphalt base in place; then with this bid process the milling and asphalt overlays will take everything down and make everything smooth for a nice riding surface.

Matt Sheehan, Fire Chief

Chief Sheehan stated that he would like to request Council adopt Resolution 32-2020. This resolution is for a grant for additional personal protective equipment. Our supply of N95 masks, surgical masks and gowns are in good shape. This AVG grant opened up after our last Council but there was a very short timeline. He spoke with a few of the firefighters and with our current equipment supply we decided that we would try for the Ambu-Stat System. This is a system that aerosolizes a decontamination fluid that is more portable and can be used throughout the station. This system can also be used in City Hall Chambers after meetings for the threat of COVID or other contagious diseases that may arise in the future. This is a 5% matching grant and if approved would cost \$154.33 and the equipment budget would be utilized which would not affect the General Fund.

Nick Vitalone, Finance Director

Mr. Stibich asked if a finance meeting could be scheduled via Webex in June. Mr. Vitalone replied yes. Mr. Stibich asked Council if they would be available on Tuesday, June 16th at 7:00 p.m. Mr. Vitalone indicated that he will also have a better understanding of what June will bring. At the last meeting he mentioned where the city stood on income tax collections through May, but he does not have the final numbers yet. Basically, income tax is down 5% along with a lot of the other revenue sources and expenditures were flat. Hopefully before this finance meeting he will get more clarity on the Coronavirus funds and whether or not he can use them for public safety.

Councilwoman Yvonne Buchholz, Ward III

Ms. Buchholz stated that she spoke with the Mayor and Council President Stibich numerous times during the month regarding the city events for the rest of the year. The increased risk of Coronavirus exposure and other factors were considered in the city's decision to cancel summer Park and Recreation events. City officials are staying on top of this fluid situation. The safety of our citizens and employees is our number one priority. Unfortunately, this virus is not going away any time soon, the risk is tied to life and death situations. We can't justify sponsoring summer events that may risk the health and safety of our residents. There is no vaccine at the present time and the highly contagious COVID-19 virus can still be readily transmitted by people who are not showing symptoms. City park and recreation activities make social distancing difficult, and health experts have warned that there is a chance of a second wave of this virus in the Fall. We have studied this issue for many weeks and have decided that in the interest of public safety the city has decided to cancel all city events for the remainder of the year. This afternoon she spoke with Ms. Lukes who indicated that this was a great decision. Right now, the Park and Rec Board can plan events in the future and maybe come up with some good ideas. We will be discussing with the administration the tree lighting at Christmas but for right now there won't be a crowd gathering just lighting up the green.

Mr. Stibich asked about Heritage Days. Ms. Buchholz indicated that Heritage Days has been cancelled and that information was placed on Facebook and their website. As she previously stated

last month they rely on donations and sponsors and all the businesses are hurting. Mr. Stibich stated that it is very sad and is thankful to the residents for their cooperation and patience through all this it has benefits as far as the health of our community. Ms. Buchholz stated that she is in that age bracket and does not want to be out in a crowd of people just in case. She stated that children are very hard to social distance and sees that in her own neighborhood so it is best for everyone concerned that we just cancel everything this year and make it bigger and better next year, if at all possible.

Councilman Jay McFadden, Ward I – No Report

Councilman Brian Chitester, Ward IV

Mr. Chitester thanked Director Borczuch for helping him with the storm drain runoff lines and determining where they are located on Sprague, which was needed information for some residents.

He indicated that the ABR meet a couple of weeks ago and he did write a letter but has not been able to send it out so he will summarize it tonight. At the end of the day, the ABR board is not that big and only had three applicants so he felt that with that size group it was possible to meet in person. As he previously stated he would tell Council his feelings after attending an in-person meeting but he does not think it is possible with the size of people that attend regular Council meetings. An ABR meeting can be handled and useable in caliper for the amount of people but when it comes to a larger gathering, like ourselves, with Council and the administration it just can't work and does not feel it is feasible at this point unless the CDC changes guidelines or if anything was to change at the state level then we can revisit it. This is his opinion after attending an ABR meeting where we were very generous with social distancing but still had very little mental room to try and spread out with applicants waiting in the hallway.

Councilwoman-at-Large, Jennifer Jansen – No Report

Council Pro-Tempore, Lori Jones

Ms. Jones stated to Mr. Chitester that it all depends on what issues are going before ABR because when Dollar General appeared the room was packed so you also have to look at the issues and not just count the board. Mr. Chitester replied that he agrees, we had three applicants, this was just a scenario of the board itself and if it was just the board and one applicant its safe but yes, it is based on the amount of people going to an ABR meeting. He also believes that was a unique situation and circumstance. Mr. Stibich stated that we know in advance of the meeting how many applicants there are and whether any of them are going to be well attended or not and hopefully we don't have anything that brings in crowds like that during this period of time but if we do, we will have to find a way to address it.

Ms. Jones stated that first she agrees that we should not have any really close contacts with any events this summer but another council woman got land blasted for recommending that the Mayor consider cancelling the Memorial Day parade and now another Council woman comes and she agrees with what Ms. Buchholz said but thinks that the parks and recreation board should have been part of that decision process. The library did something at the park where they had a page every so often and people could walk through the park and read a book with their kids but she does not know if parks and rec could even come up with something similar to that or not but she thinks they should have been involved in the decision to cancel all of the events because that is in their chartered duties to discuss events. She understands that COVID is different but thinks that the parks and rec should have been involved in the decision and not just told later. The whole key to making a city work is making

everybody all-inclusive and those a part of the discussions that should be part of the discussions, so for future recommendation she would recommend that the parks board be involved in those discussions. Ms. Buchholz replied that Ms. Lukes was involved, she spoke to her personally, so there was a conversation. Ms. Jones replied that Ms. Buchholz had stated that was after she spoke to the Mayor and Paul Stibich. Ms. Buchholz replied that she spoke with Ms. Lukes before that. Ms. Jones stated that it is not just the President she is saying it should be all inclusive. Ms. Buchholz stated that Ms. Jones should remember they are a recommending board, they don't make decisions. Ms. Jones replied they recommend to Council but Ms. Buchholz stated that she and the Mayor made the decision and told them but they can make recommendations to Council. Mr. Stibich stated that this is the Mayor's decision Ms. Jones and he was brought in to keep him in the loop it, but it really was the Mayor's decision and he took the advice of the parks and rec board and Ms. Buchholz as the liaison. Ms. Jones replied that Ms. Buchholz is the liaison but it was her understanding they were not involved in the beginning. Mayor Graven stated, for the record, he has been talking to Councilwoman Buchholz, since she is the liaison to park and rec, for many weeks about this and knows that Councilwoman Buchholz has been talking to the chairperson of Park and Rec, Jill Lukes, about various things for a couple of weeks. We have been studying this, we did our homework, and our due diligence, this was not a rash decision that he made. Ms. Jones stated that she is not saying it was a rash decision she is just saying from what she was told that the board was not included, she knows he has a different perspective, she is only bringing up the perspective that she had heard and to say that we should remember that everyone needs to be respected and included.

Ms. Jones stated that she knows that at meetings Mr. Stibich makes a motion and either Ms. Buchholz or Mr. Chitester seconds it but when the ordinance comes up that she co-sponsored with Mr. Munteanu she would like to make the motion or second.

Ms. Jansen asked if the park and rec board was still going to met to discuss other things besides the events since they do more than events. Ms. Buchholz replied no, the next park and rec meeting will be January 4th of 2021. She spoke with Ms. Lukes and figure since we are not having any events this year January would be the first time we would get together to discuss what will happen next year. Mr. Stibich stated that as Ms. Jones suggested, maybe someone will come up with some creative way of doing some small thing that is acceptable which could be brought up to Ms. Lukes as the chairman of the Parks and Rec and Ms. Buchholz as the liaison and then they can have a discussion with the Mayor to see if it would be doable and believes that would be the proper way of handling that, if it's a big event. Mayor Graven replied that big events are cancelled but we could get lucky and things could change. Mr. Stibich replied that the board does not have to have a big meeting but maybe a smaller meeting with less people for little projects. Ms. Jones stated that the board is involved with the Christmas lighting and decorations so they would have to meet before January. Mr. Stibich replied right but right now everything is cancelled through the end of the year. Ms. Jones replied that Ms. Buchholz stated they would have the lighting. Ms. Buchholz stated that we don't know if we are doing Christmas or not, we don't know that yet. Mr. Stibich stated that if something changes or the social distancing rules loosen up and it seems then maybe it would be possible. But this is also the time of year when these ugly viruses start raising their head again. Ms. Jones agreed, and she is not saying that but rather that the service department could still put up the Christmas trees. Ms. Jansen stated that she would like to clarify that the board of Park and Rec and the chair are all in agreement and they know there are no meetings till January. Ms. Buchholz replied that she spoke with Ms. Lukes, but we have not told the board yet she will be sending out an email after Council to let everybody know what has transpired. Ms. Jones replied that is what she stated before, the board should decide that not us. They are their own board and Council does not dictate the boards they are

our constituent representatives to the parks so they should decide if they want to meet or not. Mr. Stibich replied that they could still meet but is unsure as to what they would discuss since the events have been cancelled, but they can meet if they want, if its small enough and social distancing is followed, they along with any of the other committees that we have on Council or the boards can meet as we have worked the issues out with ABR and planning.

Ms. Jones stated that she just thought of something, and she knows we are all into social distancing and we've cancelled a lot of events till whenever and understands, but what about the playgrounds this summer. If people want to take their kids to the Village Green will the swings be going up and will we have to clean them or will they not be put up, which is fine with her. Mayor Graven stated that he will follow the state guidelines. Mr. Stibich indicated that the current guidelines are to close them, if they come up with guidelines that say they can be opened if we clean them, we would. Ms. Jones stated that she didn't know what happened with that and its good to know because she was getting concerned about it.

Councilman Cornel Munteanu, Ward II

Mr. Munteanu stated that he attended a Southwest Hospital Board meeting and during that meeting they spoke about the census being down due to the fact that there were no elective surgeries. They have a whole pressurized wing for COVID but only received a handful of patients. ER visits were down 40% so the hospital revenue took a hit.

The Planning and Zoning Commission met and discussed Ordinance 18-2020 and Resolution 23-2020; they voted to recommend that Council adopt both.

Council President Paul Stibich

Mr. Stibich indicated that he received several phone calls regarding the flooding and despite his experience on Council when a resident called and indicated that he was flooded in his basement and asked what he should do; Mr. Stibich though what do you do. He immediately called Chief Rogers and asked and Chief Rogers was kind enough to explain to him that the best thing to do is to call dispatch and get it recorded that you are having a problem and get on the list for help. He also learned that Mr. Borczuch is contacted and sends out a crew. They were on top of the flooding that happened last Friday and really took care of the problem and if they hadn't done what they did in the middle of the night it probably would have been a lot worse and he thanked Mr. Borczuch.

Andrew Bemer, Law Director

Mr. Bemer stated that he was asked to comment on the railroad situation. Yes, in the past the federal government, Congress in particular, was instrumental in assisting with railroad issues. This goes back to 1998 with Dennis Kucinich who helped his constituents immensely. This was the Lakewood, Rocky River, Bay Village, and Avon Lake people and but he absolutely disliked Berea, Olmsted Falls, and Township. If there was an olive leaf extended it was a couple of underground and overhead passages created with ours being on Columbia Road and on Front Street in Berea but it hardly assisted in issues. He would suggest staying on top of it. He is not sure the Congressman is going to do anything better on this particular issue because it frankly is a local issue rather than a far encompassing and multiple jurisdictions issue.

Ms. Jones stated that Representative Patton had told her that he worked a lot with the railroads and he thought he could help, but that was a long time ago and has nothing to do with anything recently. Mr. Bemer replied that it does not hurt to ask but it is not a state issue and the railroad will tell him that it

is not within their jurisdiction or authority. Ms. Jones replied that she understood. Mr. Bemer stated that Representative Patton is a great guy and may have connections that may help and he would never discourage reaching out to any particular official.

Old Business

Ordinance 18-2020

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE 85-2019 AND READOPTING AMENDMENTS TO SECTION 1240.09(a)(3)(A) OF THE OLMSTED FALLS CODIFIED ORDINANCES ENTITLED “ACCESSORY USE REGULATIONS” AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY **Tabled on Third Reading (Referred to Planning and Zoning Commission on 02/25/2020)**

Ms. Jones moved to **remove from table**; Mr. Munteanu **seconded**. Poll: 7 ayes; 0 nays. **Motion carried**. Ms. Jones moved to **adopt**; Mr. Munteanu **seconded**. Poll: 7 ayes; 0 nays. **Motion carried**.

Resolution 23-2020 (AMENDED)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO DECLARE SAID PROPERTY LOCATED AT 8051 BROOKSIDE TO BE NO LONGER NECESSARY FOR PUBLIC USE, AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO ENTER INTO A LISTING AGREEMENT TO SELL SAID PROPERTY, AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WHICH ACCEPTS A FAIR MARKET PRICE TO PURCHASE SAID PROPERTY AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Tabled on Third Reading (Referred to Planning and Zoning Commission on 03/10/2020)

Mr. Munteanu moved to **remove from table**; Mr. McFadden **seconded**. Poll: 7 ayes; 0 nays. **Motion carried**. Mr. Munteanu moved to **adopt**; Mr. Chitester **seconded**.

Ms. Jones stated that she asked this question of the Planning and Zoning Commission but was told to ask Council. She went over to this property and on the top are is the old service garage and then a parking lot along with large square cement blocks. But, if you go in the back you can see the river and it's kind of pretty back there. The question she asked is if we could sell the building and the area on top but maybe keep a lane and to the back part maybe for future use not necessarily for a park but for a walking path. Mr. Stibich stated that was a small area and the only access is through the lot. Ms. Jones stated that we could keep one lane to the back; she was just thinking in the future for walking paths because it was kind of pretty back there. Mr. Stibich stated that would require a lot split and going again through Planning & Zoning and put a bit of expense into it and at this point in time he is unsure if the city has any money to do anything like that to just set it aside for future development. He does not know how useful the area would be as it is really kind of secluded. Ms. Jones replied that is what makes it pretty. She was just thinking that a 5 ½ acre deal in downtown Olmsted Falls seems like a lot. She has no problem with the building and the parking lot. Poll: 7 ayes; 0 nays. **Motion carried**.

New Business

Resolution 32-2020

A RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF OLMSTED FALLS TO PARTICIPATE IN A FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA) ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT FOR 2020, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PURCHASING AN AMBU-STAT SYSTEM FOR DECONTAMINATION OF EQUIPMENT, AND ACCEPTING SAID FUNDS IF AWARDED, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY **First Reading**

Mr. Chitester moved to **discuss**. Mr. Chitester asked if it was financially possible, if we do not receive the grant, to still purchase the system if the Chief feels it was necessary. Chief Sheehan stated that what he has budgeted for spending this year he would prefer not to purchase the system. He did purchase a \$25.00 paint sprayer to decontaminate the police cars and fire trucks. The cost of the system is too high to purchase right now but when the grant became available, he decided to pursue the funds. In the next month when the total cost of the annual maintenance of the engine and the tower come in and it's not as high as he anticipates he may consider purchasing the system then.

Mr. Munteanu moved to **suspend**; Mr. Chitester **seconded**. Voice Vote: 7 ayes; 0 nays. **Motion carried**. Mr. Munteanu moved to **waive** the reading in its entirety; Mr. Chitester **seconded**. Voice Vote: 7 ayes; 0 nays. **Motion carried**. Mr. Chitester moved to **adopt**; Ms. Buchholz **seconded**. Poll: 7 ayes; 0 nays. **Motion carried**.

Miscellaneous New Business

Ms. Jansen apologized because she did not think of something when we discussed the Brookside property. During the Planning and Zoning meeting setting a time limit on the sale of the property was discussed so if it's not sold we can re-evaluate again. Mr. Stibich stated that he saw that mentioned in the memo and his personal thoughts were that if we don't sell this in three years what would we do with it. Well, we either find a use, whether its renting or developing it into something like Ms. Jones suggested, or we keep it on the block to sell so why set a limit on selling it because whatever happens to whether it sells or gets used for some other purpose Council will have to approve that use. His believes that putting a three-year limit on the authority is kind of moot because if we are not doing anything with the property, he would like to keep it on the selling block. Mr. McFadden agreed.

Ms. Jones asked if a sale price had been determined. Mayor Graven stated that he believes it will be listed at \$199,900. Ms. Jones replied for five acres. Mr. Bemmer stated that the information is in the listing agreement attached. Mr. Stibich stated that the city had it up for sale unsuccessfully. Ms. Jones stated at a lot less. Mayor Graven stated that we only have to find one buyer and hopefully we will.

Such other business that may come before Council - None

Mr. Chitester moved to **adjourn**; Mr. McFadden **seconded**. Poll: 7 ayes; 0 nays. **Motion carried**.

The meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

Paul Stibich, Council President

Angela Mancini, Clerk of Council