

City of Milloughby Hills

Regular Council Meeting Minutes of February 28, 2019

Policy No. 2: All Council meetings shall be recorded by audio recording device and will be held in perpetuity and shall be part of the official records and minutes. Council minutes shall be written, and approved by Council.

The Regular Council Meeting was called to order on Thursday, February 28, 2019 at 7:00pm in Council Chambers. President Nancy E. Fellows presided.

Pledge of Allegiance

Members Present: Councilman David M. Fiebig, Councilman Christopher Hallum, Councilwoman Laura Lenz, Councilwoman Janet R. Majka, Councilwoman Laura Pizmoht, Vice President John Plecnik, President Nancy E. Fellows

Others Present: Mayor Robert M. Weger, Law Director James O'Leary, Finance Director Frank J. Brichacek, Jr., City Engineer Pietro A. Di Franco, Clerk of Council Victoria Ann Savage

INVOCATION/POSITIVE MESSAGE

President Fellows: Before we begin with our presentation for our new Eagle Scout this evening, I'd like to introduce Steve Steer. He is Pastor at Friends Church and he is going to come up this evening and provide the invocation or pray for us. Thank you, Pastor Steve.

Pastor Steve: Thank you. Let's pray. Father, we come before you tonight, humbly, to ask your presence in this room. Lord, I pray and thank you for your grace and mercy and love that you extend to each one of us, freely. And Lord, I thank you for your blessings. The blessings that you poured out on us as individuals, on our community and on our nation. Lord, we thank you for the freedoms that we have; freedoms that we don't take lightly. Freedoms to live our lives, to make our decisions, freedoms to worship and Lord, this freedom to govern. So, tonight, I pray for those who govern. I pray, Lord for those, each one gathered here. Lord, I lift up to you our Mayor and pray that you would bless him as he leads. I pray for our City officials at the various levels of each, Lord that you would guide and direct and lead them. And Lord, for this gathered Council tonight, I pray that you would lead them. Lord, give them wisdom as they make decisions. Lord, I pray that as they debate and as they govern, they would do so with hearts of compassion, integrity, wisdom and Lord that you would lead and direct the decisions to be made according to your will with justice for all of our community. And we will thank you and we praise you in your strong name, may we pray. Amen.

PRESENTATION

President Fellows: Thank you so much. So, this evening we're going to honor a new Eagle Scout and Councilman Fiebig, are you going to do the honors?

Councilman Fiebig: I would love to, thank you.

President Fellows: You're welcome.

Councilman Fiebig: Thank you Madam President. And Mr. Covelli, congratulations to you. It's one of the nice things that we get to do on our City Council, is to recognize outstanding achievement and especially with our young men and women in the community when you achieve something of great accomplishment, it's nice that your city recognizes you, we stand behind you and we want to applaud your efforts. Gino Covelli, you've been given a resolution, 2019-3 for attaining the prestigious rank of Eagle Scout awarded by the National Boy Scouts of America. Now, you did this, Gino, by attaining twenty-seven merit badges and you know, you only have to get twenty-one, so you went well beyond what you needed to do to accomplish that; you've served as a Senior Patrol Leader, Patrol Leader, Troop Guide, Instructor and a Leave No Trace Instructor. So, you've had many opportunities for leadership and you're showing your leadership here through the Scouting, through you've dedication, through the works that you've done and I want you to continue that and we all stand behind you and hope that you continue that. You've been a real example of the kind of effort and the kind of young men and young women that we are definitely proud of in the City of Willoughby Hills. Gino, your final project was assembling two Adirondack chairs, I'm sorry, three, for the Lake Farm Parks. So, they're going to use those for many, many, years to come. So, you're also helping the community with something that's sustainable. It took you thirty hours for each one, is that right? And I saw them, they're very impressive, very impressive. You did a good job on those, so on behalf of all of Council, I think they picked me because I do have two sons who were Eagle Scouts and you even came to help out on one of those projects of my own son. So, you really are a fine young man and we're very proud of you here in the City of Willoughby Hills. This Council does recognize and commends Gino Covelli for his diligence and dedication in pursuing the highest honor awarded by the Boy Scouts of America on attaining the prestigious rank of Eagle Scout. Congratulations, young man.

DISPOSITION OF THE JOURNAL

President Fellows: How fun, what a great way to start the evening. The first order of business is the Disposition of the Journal for the Regular Council Meeting of Valentine's Day, February 14, 2019.

Vice President Plecnik: Madam President. Motion to adopt the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of February 14, 2019.

Councilwoman Majka: Second.

President Fellows: I have a motion from Vice President Plecnik and a second from Councilwoman Majka to adopt the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of February 14, 2019. Is there any discussion on the motion?

Roll call: YEAS: Fiebig, Hallum, Lenz, Majka, Pizmoht, Plecnik, Fellows
Motion PASSED.

President Fellows: The Regular Council Meeting Minutes of February 14, 2019 have been adopted.

The next is the Mayor's report, Mr. Mayor.

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS & COMMUNICATIONS

MAYOR' REPORT: Thank you. According to last week's storm, the power outage was kind of widespread in our City. I want to give special thanks to Mark Grubiss, Gloria Majeski, Chief Collins, Officer Frank Bordelon for assisting residents during the outage. They walked door-to-door and they checked on senior citizens that were out of power and they responded to them with suggestions of warming centers in different places they could go. We got all the power on Tuesday at about 5:00 so, everything from the windstorm was cleaned up by then.

On Monday, February 25th, the City completed the State's mandate to pay the employees for their backpay. In addition, the settlement passed with Ordinance No. 2019-2 which provided for the payout and the associated fees. So, we completed what the State required us to do.

Rogers Road Waterline. Rodgers Road is closed from River Road to the top of the hill. They will let emergency vehicles through and the residents that are affected by that, but everybody else has to go out through Worrell Road. Everybody has been notified by letters from the contractor and the City and we hope that it will be done soon but the water leak has been very bad for the last five years and this will take care of all the water there.

Congratulations to Gino Covelli. This is a very difficult award that you've achieved and your hard work as an Eagle Scout will be recognized in the future. Don't let anybody forget that you're an Eagle Scout. Be proud of it.

Get well wishes to Florine O'Ryan and Tim Edwards and sympathy to the family of Millie Digman who passed away on Saturday. She was always a stable at our pancake breakfast and we're going to miss her.

That's all I have.

President Fellows: Thank you, Mr. Mayor. Are there any questions for the Mayor this evening?

Councilman Fiebig: Madam President. Just to clarify on Worrell Road. I believe that we were told about approximately 6 to 8 weeks would be their timeline, is that, about right?

Mayor: That's the best time. They said three months. So, basically, it's a very good company that does the digging there, it's Diggers of Mentor and they do excellent work, so I have no problem with that. This is a project by the Water Department and they have to put it in the center of the street, so that's why they don't want anybody driving around them.

Councilman Fiebig: Mayor, are we going, are they going to patch then the middle or resurface the whole thing?

Mayor: Yes. They will patch the middle and make it good. So...

Councilman Fiebig: Mayor, I also heard, you expressed condolences to the family of Millie Digman, I'm sorry to hear that. We also lost a resident Mr. Jim Turner up on Millgate. He passed away as well. So, our condolences to their family as well.

President Fellows: Anyone else for the Mayor? Thank you. The next is our Law Director's report. Mr. O'Leary.

LAW DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Thank you, Madam President. Just a couple of things in addition to my regular office hours. I had the opportunity to attend my first staff meeting and have been working on a couple of personnel matters. Pete and I met with a developer the other night to go over somethings on a property over on White Road, maybe he'll speak to this as well. And in addition to that, Mayor's Court, we continue to pickup our numbers there. I had the opportunity to cover Willoughby Muni Court yesterday for Mr. Germano and I'll tell you, what a gem we have in Jim Ours as an officer, what a great resource he is; extremely helpful, walking into a circumstance with about twenty cases, most of which I had not been able to look at until I got there, so I just mention that because sometimes these folks, they do their thing, they don't get any accolades or noticed unless they do something wrong, well this guy, what a nice job he does, so anyway, that's my report.

President Fellows: Thank you. Are there any questions for the Law Director this evening? Moving on, the Finance Director's report. Mr. Brichacek.

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT: I have nothing additional to report tonight.

President Fellows: Are there any questions for the Finance Director this evening?

Councilwoman Pizmoht: Madam President. Should we expect to get the budget, probably tomorrow? Considering that it's thirty days tomorrow, is it thirty days now?

Finance Director: It will be next week.

Councilwoman Pizmoht: Next week.

Finance Director: Yeah, I'm sorry. We're trying to recover from the lack of staffing that we had from last year. Just behind on that.

President Fellows: Thank you. And Mr. Di Franco, City Engineer's report.

CITY ENGINEER'S REPORT: Thank you, Madam. President. Bids for the Dodd Road Bank Stabilization are due next week, on Thursday. We currently have three plan holders looking at that project. And to follow up on Law Director O'Leary, we did meet with a developer who's interested in building a senior living development at the Maypine Farm on White Road. They're looking at that site as well as other sites in neighboring communities. It would require rezoning, so before they make a final decision, they want to get a feel of whether the project would be receipted by residents and Council. So, I don't know what the next step would be if they need to possibly request a Council Committee meeting or may be, we invite them to a committee meeting to make a presentation but I would leave that up to you and that completes my report.

President Fellows: Any questions for the City Engineer this evening?

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS/ OTHER COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

President Fellows: Thank you. The next is Council Committee Reports. Does anyone have anything they want to share about their committees, upcoming meetings or anything?

Councilwoman Majka: Madam President. I am the Trustee for the Chagrin River Watershed Partners and they held their meeting last Thursday, the 21st right here at the Willoughby Hills Community Center. I was honored to be nominated by one of their officials to give an official welcome to all the city representatives who were there. It was quite a lengthy meeting, a couple of hours because there were a lot of new things happening. It was probably one of the more interesting meeting that I have attended. They gave a 2018 review. Just briefly, they service, and this is not just Willoughby Hills, this is all of the members of Chagrin Partners. They served 138 landowners; they handled 33 funding proposals; there were 47 presentations and workshops that they had done personally and they had 500 feet of riverbank actively stabilized. So, that means with planting reinforcement. Their top areas, looking forward to this year, are parks, playgrounds, trails, a lot of these are through grants, so there's ODNR grants among others. Two new things for this year are, if we have anybody who's interested in Master Gardner Programs, they're brand new this summer, offering a Master Rain Gardner Program. So, it's structured in the same way as the Master Gardner Programs, except there's a focus on the rain gardens. Another new development is a program called LEAP which stands for Lake Erie Allegany Partnership, and this is a regional, biodiversity association. A lot of big names, a lot of initials to memorize. But basically, this is a very large area, it's twenty-two thousand square miles involving various watersheds from our area, Canton area, I think extending all the way into western New York. The Museum of Natural History is involved in this. We heard from a Geauga Park District Biologist, details are more to be coming on what the

function of this is, but they're just trying to bring attention to sensitive areas and just giving more information out about global warming, any issues that could impact this area. The EPA has made some changes to stormwater compliance. The compliance time is now shorter. Some discharges may require an additional involvement by the Ohio EPA. These are just board things that I'm reporting on. We can also, we can get additional details through the actual Chagrin Watershed Partners. Last thing is, this is the season if any of you are interested in ordering plants or seeds from any of our Soil and Water Districts. There is Lake County, Cuyahoga County and Geauga County, they have seed and plant sales going on and if you are interested in replacing or adding on to any of the plantings in your own yard and specially to make them reflect native plantings rather than non-native plantings, they have lists on line that you can order from. The deadlines are coming up pretty quick on those, they closeout beginning the first and second week of March. So, go to any of those websites or see me if you're not sure where to go but I can point you in the right direction. Thank you.

President Fellows: Thank you, Councilwoman Majka. I was just saying to the Law Director, I wouldn't know the difference between a native and a non-native, so at any rate, any questions for Jan, this evening?

Councilman Fiebig: Madam President. Thank you, Jan for that report. And just so the community knows, like just prior to our meeting, Doris Dodge mentioned some standing water on Dodd and a property owner can use the Chagrin River Watershed Partners to come and do an assessment. How many did they do in our City last year, it was six I believe or was it four? There were a number of onsite reviews that the Chagrin River Watershed Partners will do at no cost because we are a member community. So, they will come out and assess things like standing water, drainage and those sorts of things, so that's definitely a resource that we have.

I was going to mention, regarding the Planning and Zoning Commission, that I'm a member on, they meet on the first and the third Thursdays of every month, and there's a lot of ordinary and usual things, for example, you know, putting a shed up or approving a sign. There'll be a new sign at the Shell station or I'm sorry, the BP station, at the corner of Bishop and Chardon. But one of the big things that we did, was to approve a lot-split this past week for the, at the Shoppes of Willoughby Hills. They are going to parcel off the old Sam's Club. The owner of that is bringing in a business into the community that will bring about 300 plus jobs into the community and they'll do produce packaging and distribution from that facility. So, they were finally approved for that. They still have a couple of hurdles through other agencies like the Euclid sewers, and things like that but they are moving along pretty well and we're anticipating a start for them here in the City, bringing those 300 jobs this summer.

President Fellows: Thank you. And, Councilman Hallum, pancake breakfasts, and Easter food, right, candy.

Councilman Hallum: Right. Thank you.

President Fellows: For the Eggstravaganza.

Councilman Hallum: I'll cover it again, under Community, for the Good of the Community.

President Fellows: Anybody else on Committees or anything?

Vice President Plecnik: Madam President. I just want to take a moment to thank Councilwoman Pizmoht for her hard work on Produce Packaging and working on the tax abatement ordinance with me. We also had, as we previously shared with the community, a very important meeting with Jobs Ohio on the site of the Sam's Club building and I'm really excited that our City's active support of Produce Packaging is bringing them here. I think that they are going to be a wonderful member of our community and just to give context to those of you who might wonder what kind of business it is, if you every visited Sun Plum Market, Produce Packaging is the company that actually buys that fresh produce and fruit from the farms, cuts them up, puts them into the packaging, so there's really no pollution to speak of, they're a wonderful business. They'll be three shifts for 24-hour work which means that we'll always have people in the plaza and I think in tandem of having a police

substation there we're willing going to see an improvement in safety in the area and make that entire plaza so much more desirable. So, I'm excited with what's coming next. But I really want to give a shout out to Councilwoman Pizmoht because she took the time to come with us and advocate for Produce Packaging to Jobs Ohio which is a state-wide agency for economic development headed up by the Governor and I think it really made a difference, so thank you.

President Fellows: Thank you.

Councilwoman Pizmoht: Madam President. Thank you Vice President Plecnik, but I just to, while we'll talking about that, the police substation, do we have any updates on that? We forgot to mention that in the Mayor's report.

Mayor: It should be up and running by the mid to end of March.

Councilwoman Pizmoht: Great, thank you.

Councilman Fiebig: Madam President. If I could add, I was over there visiting and they were installing an air-conditioning unit this past Friday. So, a brand-new unit was being placed right outside there. So work is ongoing.

Mayor: And that's at no cost to us.

Councilman Fiebig: No cost, right.

President Fellows: Don't need it now but will come June or July. All right. We'll move on to Public Portion.

PUBLIC PORTION

Section 107.08 – Public Meetings of Municipal Bodies

(a) All meetings of any municipal body are declared to be public meetings open to the public at all times.

All meetings shall provide a reasonable opportunity to hear public opinion.

President Fellows: Public Portion is an opportunity for individuals to come forward. Please state your name and your address for the record. We ask that you keep your comments to 3 minutes, and I will open **Public Portion at 7:23pm.**

Joyce Grady – I just had a question and if it's been covered, I beg your forgiveness for not being aware of it. Do we have a Fire Chief yet? The last time I heard there was a searching project going on, have we found one? And when will he be on actively duty, on call? Thank you.

Linda Fulton – 2990 Marcum Boulevard. For Mr. Brichacek, why don't you ever have a report for us? Don't you think the citizens of the City should have a report from you, to know what's going on? What position we are in? You never have a report and I don't understand that and I also don't understand why Council doesn't ask about that. The other is the backpay for the employees. I'd like to know if that backpay included or I should say, excluded the amount of time that they did work or got unemployment benefits? And for the sale, I don't know who brought this up about the senior living at Maypine but is that the property that is already being sold from Highland Heights? Or is that the property that's being for sale for the equestrian center?

President Fellows: Anyone else this evening? **I will close Public Portion at 7:26pm.**

City Engineer: I can answer. The property that they're looking at for the senior housing is completely in Willoughby Hills. It's right along White Road and currently there's only the single-family house there. The equestrian barn is actually in Highland Heights, in the back. But they're only looking at the portion in Willoughby Hills.

Resident Fulton: Are they going to tear the house down?

City Engineer: Most likely, yes.

Mayor: As far as the backpay, it did encompass all the unemployment and work that was done was taken out of the...

Resident Fulton: That was minus the...

Mayor: Yeah, right.

President Fellows: And so, Joyce, Mrs. Grady. The Mayor and Council are working on the Fire Chief, currently. Moving on to Unfinished Business.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Vice President Plecnik: Madam President. As Chair of the Finance Committee, I'm happy to share that we've approached both of the previous members that Council appointed for the last two-year cycle for the Board of Income Tax Review, Keith Martinet as well as Christina Lucian-Welsh. I've personally spoken with Christina and she's happy to serve another two-year term and I'm aware that our Council President has spoken to Keith Martinet. Mr. Martinet is also happy to continue. We're definitely grateful to both Christina and Keith for their service to the City. They are not compensated for being on the Board of Income Tax Review, but it's an important role and they'll serve along with the Mayor's appointee. I believe that Gerry Wolanin is continuing. So, the three of them have all graciously stepped up to serve another term and at this point, I would like to make a motion to reappoint Christina Lucian-Welsh and Keith Martinet, our residents, to serve for another two-year term on the Willoughby Hills Board of Income Tax Review.

Councilwoman Pizmoht: Second.

President Fellows: I have a motion from Vice President Plecnik and a second from Councilwoman Pizmoht to reappoint Keith Martinet and Christina Lucian-Welsh for a two-year term on the Willoughby Hills Board of Income Review. Any discussion on the motion?

Roll call: YEAS: Fiebig, Hallum, Lenz, Majka, Pizmoht, Plecnik, Fellows
Motion PASSED.

President Fellows: Keith and Christina have been reappointed. And then do we send them a note or a letter or something?

Mayor: Yeah, I'll send the letter and I'll swear them in at their organization meeting.

President Fellows: Okay. Wonderful, Mayor. Any other Unfinished Business? Next, is Legislation.

LEGISLATION

ORDINANCE NO. 2019-15

AN ORDINANCE FOR THE DISPOSITION OF PROPERTY UNNEEDED, OBSOLETE OR UNFIT FOR MUNICIPAL PURPOSES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Councilman Fiebig: Madam President. Move to waive the 3-Readings for Ordinance No. 2019-15.

Councilman Hallum: Second.

President Fellows: I have a motion from Councilman Fiebig and a second from Councilman Hallum to waive the 3-Readings on Ordinance No. 2019-15. Is there any discussion on the motion?

Councilman Fiebig: Madam President. I'll just mention that when there's times when we have items that are surplus it just makes sense to move them off of our City property just as soon as possible. It is relatively ordinary state of affairs for the City to move obsolete, unneeded or unfit equipment, this is certainly part of that. So, this is why we would waive the 3-Readings.

Councilwoman Majka: Madam President. I'd just like to ask how or in what manner are these being disposed?

President Fellows: There's a memo from the Police Chief, right? They are sold.

Councilwoman Majka: They are sold, not destroyed? They're sold to the public?

Mayor: No, to a licensed gun dealer, Atwell's. Only the good weapons. All the others are destroyed.

President Fellows: And then there's also some credit time for the fire range, right?

Mayor: Right.

Councilwoman Majka: Okay.

President Fellows: Good question.

Roll call: YEAS: Fiebig, Hallum, Lenz, Majka, Pizmoht, Plecnik, Fellows
Motion PASSED.

President Fellows: The 3-Reading Rule has been waived on Ordinance No. 2019-15.

Councilman Fiebig: Madam President. Move to adopt Ordinance No. 2019-15.

Councilman Hallum: Second.

President Fellows: I have a motion from Councilman Fiebig and a second from Councilman Hallum to adopt Ordinance No. 2019-15. Is there any discussion on the motion?

Councilman Fiebig: Madam President. I did notice that this was a rather large grouping of weapons that we've had. I don't recall every having quite that many all at once. What caused it to be so many there?

Mayor: Just a collection that we're cleaning out.

Councilman Fiebig: Yeah. Being held on to for various reasons.

President Fellows: And some were confiscated.

Councilman Fiebig: Some are and some are the weapons of the officers, too, I believe, right? And they are going to upgrade to new ones, then I take it.

Mayor: Rifles instead of shotguns. They're getting rid of the shotguns. That's why the list is so long.

Councilman Fiebig: The Chief explained how that makes for a better weapon. Then, he could talk about all the reasons why but it makes for a better safety force.

Roll call: YEAS: Fiebig, Hallum, Lenz, Majka, Pizmoht, Plecnik, Fellows
Motion PASSED.

President Fellows: Ordinance No. 2019-15 had been adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 2019-16

AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE BID OF SOS TRUCKING COMPANY, INC. FOR THE PURCHASE OF LIMESTONE FOR THE YEAR 2019 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Councilman Hallum: Move that we waive the 3-Reading Rule on Ordinance No. 2019-16 just because the sooner we go out to bid for these, the better pricing we'll get.

Councilman Fiebig: Second.

President Fellows: I have a motion from Councilman Hallum and a second from Councilman Fiebig to waive the 3-Reading Rule on Ordinance No. 2019-16. Is there any discussion on that motion?

Roll call: YEAS: Fiebig, Hallum, Lenz, Majka, Pizmoht, Plecnik, Fellows
Motion PASSED.

President Fellows: The 3-Reading Rule on Ordinance No. 2019-16 has been waived.

Councilman Hallum: Madam President. Move that we adopt Ordinance No. 2019-16.

Councilman Fiebig: Second.

President Fellows: I have a motion from Councilman Hallum and a second from Councilman Fiebig to adopt Ordinance No. 2019-16. Is there any discussion on the motion?

Roll call: YEAS: Fiebig, Hallum, Lenz, Majka, Pizmoht, Plecnik, Fellows
Motion PASSED.

President Fellows: Ordinance No. 2019-16 has been adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 2019-17

AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE BID OF GRAND RIVER ASPHALT CO. FOR THE PURCHASE OF ASPHALT FOR THE YEAR 2019 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Councilwoman Pizmoht: Madam President. Motion to waive the 3-Reading Rule on Ordinance No. 2019-17.

Councilman Fiebig: Second.

President Fellows: I have a motion from Councilwoman Pizmoht and a second from Councilman Fiebig to waive the 3-Reading Rule on Ordinance No. 2019-17. Is there any discussion on the motion?

Councilman Fiebig: Madam President. As we said before, this is for the urgency that we get this in place for this summer's road projects.

Roll call: YEAS: Fiebig, Hallum, Lenz, Majka, Pizmoht, Plecnik, Fellows
Motion PASSED.

President Fellows: The 3-Reading Rule has been waived on Ordinance No. 2019-17.

Councilwoman Pizmoht: Madam President. Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2019-17.

Councilwoman Majka: Second.

President Fellows: I have a motion from Councilwoman Pizmoht and a second from Councilwoman Majka to adopt Ordinance No. 2019-17. Is there any discussion on the motion?

Roll call: YEAS: Fiebig, Hallum, Lenz, Majka, Pizmoht, Plecnik, Fellows
Motion PASSED.

President Fellows: Ordinance No. 2019-17 has been adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-2 – SECOND READING

1st Reading: February 14, 2019

President Fellows: This is the 2nd Reading.

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF OBTAINING A GRANT THROUGH THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA) FOR THE PURCHASE OF 22 NEW SELF-CONTAINED BREATHING APPARATUS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

President Fellows: And this is the grant that will not be issued until anywhere between April and August of this year.

Councilman Hallum: Madam President. I think that they were talking about doing some updating on language, do we know where that stands?

Vice President Plecnik: Madam President. Can we ask our Law Director that? Because I think that Mr. O'Leary did the resource on it.

Law Director: Yes, I did. In fact, I did submit a proposed new Section 2. And if you read the Section 2 of the resolution it indicates that language that basically supports the grant itself, but differentiating the statistics...the information that was provided supporting the...because depending on what source you look at, you could come up with a different number on the unemployment figures, etc. So, we just qualified that. We didn't want to be stuck with necessarily saying that these were the numbers as they were, but they did support what was being said by way of the grant.

Councilman Hallum: Thank you.

Resolution will stay on 2nd Reading.

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-5

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE CITY PARTICIPATION IN THE NOPEC 2019 COMMUNITY EVENT SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

President Fellows: 1st Reading.

Councilman Hallum: Yes, I don't know is there any hurry on...does anybody know if there's any rush on this, Mr. O'Leary?

President Fellows: I don't believe there is...

Law Director: I don't believe so.

Councilman Hallum: Okay. Thank you.

President Fellows: This will stay on 1st Reading.

NEW BUSINESS

Councilman Hallum: Madam President. I'd like to make a motion that Council adjourn into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personnel relations issues. Is that enough? Is that okay?

To include all of Council, the Mayor. Excluding the Finance Director and the City Engineer. Should we set a time limit as well, anybody?

Vice President Plecnik: Madam President. Don't we need to say that it's for purposes of hiring or discipline?

Councilman Hallum: That's what I was wondering if we should do...

President Fellows: Right. And I think that we should probably be more definitive regarding the motion on the agenda. That would help.

Councilman Hallum: Let me restate. I'd like to make a motion of Council to adjourn into Executive Session for the purposes of discussing employment within...personnel employment issue. To include all of Council, the Law Director, the Mayor; excluding the Finance Director and the City Engineer. Do we need to set a time limit or anything? Do we want to? No, okay. After for the Good of the Community, but before Adjournment.

Councilwoman Pizmoht: Second.

President Fellows: Okay, I'm not going to repeat that.

Councilman Hallum: I think you should.

President Fellows: I have a motion from Councilman Hallum and a second from Councilwoman Pizmoht for Council to adjourn into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing a personnel relations issue, including the Mayor and the Law Director. Excusing the Finance Director and the City Engineer, for after for the Good of the Order and after for the Good of the Community.

President Fellows: How did I do?

Councilman Hallum: Personnel employment issues.

Vice President Plecnik: Meaning hiring I do believe.

Councilman Hallum: Yes, hiring.

President Fellows: We'll get it. Any discussion on that?

Roll call: YEAS: Fiebig, Hallum, Lenz, Majka, Pizmoht, Plecnik, Fellows
Motion PASSED.

President Fellows: We will adjourn into Executive Session after for the Good of the Order and the Good of the Community.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER/FOR THE COMMUNITY

President Fellows: Councilman Hallum.

Councilman Hallum: Yes, thank you. Okay, So, please mark your calendars for the pancake breakfast which is March 10th, it's from 8:30am to 1:30pm and you can buy tickets anytime now from anyone here in the City or from any of the Recreation Commission members. And then the next event after that is the Eggstravaganza. So, mark your calendars as well for that. I think they now have plenty of eggs and I think even candy, I think they're doing pretty well on, so thank you to everybody who helped out with that. I know the churches have helped out, including, I know that St. Noel actually kind of helped out with, they're using their family groups to get together to help stuff eggs and bring candy. So, thanks to St. Noel for that additional help. That's all I have.

President Fellows: And then the Lion's pancake breakfast is the 17th. St. Patrick's Day. I didn't pay any attention to getting eggs and things, but if you go to Sam's Club, there's massive packages of this stuff. If anybody wants to know.

Anything else for the Good of the Order? Or the Community?

Mayor: Can I request an Executive Session for possible litigation for a zoning matter, to be 5 minutes?

President Fellows: Okay. Would somebody like to make the motion?

Councilwoman Pizmoht: So moved.

Councilwoman Majka: Second.

Councilman Fiebig: To be immediately following the personnel matter.

Vice President Plecnik: With the same people invited.

Councilwoman Pizmoht: So, moved again to include that.

Councilman Fiebig: And a second.

Roll call: YEAS: Fiebig, Hallum, Lenz, Majka, Pizmoht, Plecnik, Fellows
Motion PASSED.

President Fellows: So, we will continue our Executive Session with possible litigation for...

Vice President Plecnik: Madam President. Two things. You know, first I want to share that I believe shortly after our last Council meeting, the undisputed King of Polka, Tony Petkovsek past away, so there was no opportunity for us to recognize that loss. He was a friend to many, many, people in Willoughby Hills and everyone who loves polka. He just recently had his services, so I certainly think we want to acknowledge the loss of Tony Petkovsek. He certainly was a great friend and business partner to our former Council President

Ray Somich, but as I said, a friend to anybody who loved polka and I was personally honored to be on his radio show a few times and I know that we all listened in, so rest in peace, Tony. I know that you're polkaing in heaven.

The other thing that I just want to bring to everyone's attention, you know I was really thrilled to see a photo copy in my mailbox from Governor DeWine and Lt. Governor Husted honoring our retiring Police Officer Craig Anderson. I mean, he truly was a heroic and incredibly hardworking Police Officer for our department and there's no amount of accolades that are sufficient. We've passed so many resolutions thanking Craig but nothing is enough and I just thought it was wonderful that the Governor's office acknowledged his service to Willoughby Hills as well.

Councilman Fiebig: I mentioned it early to the Mayor about the passing of Jim Turner. He leaves behind his wife Randy and two lovely daughters Christine and Jessica. Jim was a resident here for seventeen years and was a member of the United Steel Workers. He played baseball with me and against me and I'd tell you that I rather play with him than against him. He was an excellent baseball player, a long-time softball player prior to that. He loved hunting, he loved going on vacation and his family knew him as a hardworking, humble, dedicated, selfless, funny, smart, always smiling, cracking jokes, and playing games. Jim was the best friend a guy could ever have. He'll be deeply missed in our community.

City Music is something that is performed here at St. Noel on Sunday, March 17th at 4:00pm. If you have never attended this, it's definitely a great classical music event happening right here in the City. It's free and it's something that you should make an opportunity if you've never have done that, to be sure to do it. I know that a few Council people here that were instrumental in getting it started and getting it located here and it's been ongoing for probably eight, nine years now. Sunday, March 17th, 4pm at St. Noel Church.

Our Fire Department has a residential keylock box program, it's called the Knockbox and those are available for as little as \$40.00, where they'll put a key on your door, that rests up there and if there were an emergency, instead of breaking down the door or having to enter some other way, they can actually get into your house using the key. We have about 30 to 40 of these out in the community already. I just wanted to make the community aware of that and if there are any questions, our officer, our Firefighter Dan Clayton can answer any of those questions at 440-918-8710.

Aroma Therapy Classes with Sandy Grubiss are at the Willoughby Hills Library, Wednesday, March 13th from 6 to 7. That's through the Heinen's' Wellness Consultants. Our very own Sandy Grubiss, who is a qualified Aroma Therapist and it's a special class on how to use essential oils.

There's also GED classes offered here at St. Noel's Church. They're free for individual tutoring. You can contact aeresource@stnoel.org or call 440-946-0887 for more information on that on Monday or Thursday evenings from 6 to 8pm, right across the street at St. Noel. Thank you.

President Fellows: So, I have a question Councilman Fiebig. So, all of these great things that you've been bringing forward to us, especially for St. Noel, and I know that Anthony is here. So, I think it's important that those things are also put on the City's website, somewhere, because we have an audience here and we do have some individuals that are listening, but that certainly isn't a lot of people in the community. So, I'm sure that all this information is on any of these websites, St. Noel's website as well, but I think in announcing them here, that maybe that information can be given to whomever, Gloria or Sharen, so that information can be capsulated into the City's website as well, instead of, in addition to just making the announcement here.

Councilman Fiebig: Good idea.

Councilwoman Pizmoht: Madam President. I have one of my own, here. I serve on the Board for our local elementary school's the PTO, the Parent, Teacher Organization and every year we put on a great event, called

Purses for a Purpose and this year, tickets are currently on sale, but they are selling out really, really, fast. If you would like to get tickets, you can get the information at edisonpto.org, that's all one word, edisonpto.org and the tickets are selling out very quickly. And this raises money for our kids' school here in Willoughby Hills. The school is in Willoughby, but our kids go there, so it's a great event and I highly recommend it. Thanks.

Councilman Hallum: I'm sorry, I have one more. St. Noel is starting something new, it's called Choir of Hope. That is going to be on March 10th, Sunday at 4pm. The Music Director there, it's a new music directive, it's for charitable organizations here in Lake County. The Choir of Hope gathers singers here in Lake County

EXECUTIVE SESSION

President Fellows: We will adjourn into Executive Session at 7:48pm.

RECONVENE

President Fellows: We are reconvening at 8:58pm. (Note: Councilman Fiebig, Councilman Hallum, Councilwoman Lenz, Councilwoman Majka, Councilwoman Pizmoht, Vice President Plecnik were present as well as the Mayor and the Law Director).

ADJOURNMENT

Vice President Plecnik: Madam President. Motion to adjourn.

Councilman Hallum: Second.

President Fellows: I have a motion from Vice President Plecnik and a second from Councilman Hallum to adjourn. There is no discussion on an adjournment.

Roll call: YEAS: Fiebig, Hallum, Lenz, Majka, Pizmoht, Plecnik, Fellows

The Regular Council Meeting of February 28, 2019 was adjourned at 8:59pm.

APPROVED: March 14, 2019
Date

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ATTEST: Victoria Ann Savage
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