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## **Regular Council Meeting** Minutes of July 26, 2018

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, July 26, 2018 at 7:00pm in Council Chambers. President Fellows presided.

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

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

#### MOTION TO AMEND THE AGENDA

Vice President: Madam President, I would make a motion to amend our agenda to add Ordinance No. 2018-39 to legislation.

Councilwoman Majka: Second.

President Fellows: I have a motion from Vice President Plecnik and a second from Councilwoman Majka to amend the agenda to add Ordinance No. 2018-39. Is there any discussion on the motion?

Vice President Plecnik: Madam President. I would just share that this ordinance is necessitated by the Mayor's choice to sue the City of Willoughby Hills. It's a necessary formality to formally hire the attorney who will be representing the City in this matter. And that's the purpose of Ordinance No. 2018-39.

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

President Fellows: The agenda has been amended to include Ordinance No. 2018-39.

#### DISPOSITION OF THE JOURNAL

Councilman Fiebig: Madam President. I move to adopt the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of June 14, 2018.

Vice President Plecnik: Second

President Fellows: I have a motion from Councilman Fiebig and a second from Vice President Plecnik to adopt the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of June 14, 2018. Is there any discussion on the motion?

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

#### **Motion PASSED.**

President Fellows: The Regular Council Meeting Minutes of June 14, 2018 have been adopted.

And now, the Mayor's Report.

#### ADMINISTRATION REPORTS & COMMUNICATIONS

**MAYOR'S REPORT:** I'd like to tell you about Fifth Third Bank, the bank next to O'Reillys Auto Parts, it's going to be closing on October. They said that you could go to the Willoughby Branch or the Wickliffe Branch. They also closed one about two years ago at the end of 305, the big bank building that they just built. But, this is effective October.

We have approved the appointment of Fireman Brian Paladino, he'll be sworn in, in the next couple of days. So, the Civil Service Commission was just able to approve it as we got all the information.

I do support Ordinance No. 2018-35 which is the appointment of the Law Director. If you could do that, I'd appreciate it. Ordinances 36, 37, 38 I support and 37 is the paving of the five streets. Then all the resolutions, 7, 11, 12 and 13, I do support those also. And that's all I have Ms. President.

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

**Councilman Fiebig:** Mr. Mayor. Any progress on the other applicants for the firefighters and paramedics?

**Mayor:** We have three pending and they're being reviewed and may be in a week or so we'll have those.

**Councilman Fiebig:** Okay. We'd like to do what we can to get them quickly.

Mayor: Right.

**Councilman Fiebig:** There's a bit of an urgency with vacations and some other issues. So, anything that you can do to push that along, we'd appreciate it.

Mayor: Okay.

**Councilwoman Pizmoht:** Madam President. Also, Mayor, could you update us on the status hiring or appointing a Recreation Coordinator, hiring a Mayor's Court Clerk and a Building/Service Clerk?

**Mayor:** The Building/Service Clerk I interviewed somebody this morning or this afternoon and I offered her the job. She declined with the opportunity to take it up after the SERB thing is resolved. The Recreation Coordinator, I offered that also today and they said that the pay was too low and the hours were too sporadic because you have to open it at 9 and close sometimes at midnight and there's no help there with the monitors not being there. The Clerk of Courts, we still do not have any qualified candidates for that.

**President Fellows:** Any other questions for the Mayor?

**Councilman Fiebig:** We had a meeting regarding the Dispatch Center move.

Mayor: Right.

**Councilman Fiebig:** We discussed some of the nuts and bolts that are going to occur there. I understand that there was another meeting this morning that I was not able to attend. But, as far as you know, things are moving along with the July 31<sup>st</sup>, noon turnover...

Mayor: Yes.

**Councilman Fiebig:** To the EOC, is that correct?

**Mayor:** Yes, it is and we setup a camera in the lobby pointing down at the, where the key for the Grange is going to be in the lockbox so that we can record the people who are taking the key. We'll have the lockbox in the next couple of days and then I'll give the code to the authorized people, just to unlock, lock, and return it to the box.

**Councilman Fiebig:** Mayor, the key for the Grange, the key for Campbell Park to open up the gate, are those, is there going to be a change in the process that you need to let us know about?

**Mayor:** There'll be a change in the process for the Grange, it's going to be in the lockbox. I guess we're going to have two lockboxes now, one for the lock at Campbell Park and one for the Grange. The Campbell Park one will be given out when they call to reserve it or like when they call a week before, so we can always change the codes if we deem necessary.

**Councilman Fiebig:** Okay, may I? Mayor's Court, progress on that? Did I understand that there was a Court session held this pass week and was that to clean up some back...

**Mayor:** It was to clean up backlog, there were four people who came to that and we have that every other week. And we still have four or five, six people coming to it.

**Councilman Fiebig:** Finally, one more, Madam President. The Dispatchers, as I understood it, almost all of them have found employment. We're at a point where we were talking about perhaps keeping one, perhaps two. Have you come to a conclusion about what you're going to ask for, for the number of people who are going act as the liaison to the EOC versus who will be here and if that person, perhaps, could also help out in the Mayor's Court?

**Mayor:** That's the plan. So, once we get to the turnover, we'll see how it runs for a month and then that person can help out in the Court possibly.

Councilman Fiebig: Thank you, Mayor.

Vice President Plecnik: Madam President. If I might, Mr. Mayor, the number one concern that I've heard from residents over the past couple of weeks is that they've called City Hall or one of our agencies and they've called multiple times, they've left messages, they haven't heard back. I've spoken with out Police Chief and I've asked, why is it, given that we have multiple administrative employees in the Police Department alone, that when the phone rings, at least one person doesn't pick up? With the Dispatch Center moving, we're going to retain one Dispatcher, that's an administrative employee who could potentially answer the phone and return calls. We obviously have our Community Service Officer for outreach. We have the Executive Assistant to the Police Chief, the Executive Assistant to the Fire Chief, these are a lot of full-time people who hold normal business hours and could easily enough pickup the phone. And his response to me was that phones only reroute automatically to the other departments after hours. Could we resolve that so all the phones ring every time? Obviously, some people are better suited to handle one issue than another, but when I was Associate Dean in the Graduate College, the phone rang for everybody and whoever was free, pickup. We returned the calls immediately or within, frankly an hour. We have enough employees to do that and I really want to add that responsiveness to residents. So, could we tweak our phone system so that all those phones ring?

**Mayor:** Yes, we can and the phone person is coming in next week and we'll look at that to see how we can accommodate that.

Vice President Plecnik: Well, please keep us updated.

**President Fellows:** Okay.

Vice President Plecnik: Thank you.

**President Fellows:** One last question, Mr. Mayor. So, I noticed that the master lock for the Council mailboxes

is broken.

Mayor: Okay.

**President Fellows:** I'm not sure how to address that, but there's no way to secure that entire panel now.

**Mayor:** Okay. I'll look into that tomorrow. We'll get it fixed.

**President Fellows:** Thank you. Okay, thank you so much, Mr. Mayor.

Finance Director's Report, Mr. Brichacek.

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

**President Fellows:** Are there any questions for the Finance Director this evening? Thank you, Frank.

Moving on to the City Engineer's Report. Mr. Di Franco.

CITY ENGINEER'S REPORT: Thank you, Madam President. I would recommend waiving and adopting Ordinance 2018-37 which is the award of the street resurfacing projects. We received bids on July 12<sup>th</sup>. We received three bids and the lowest bid, the lowest and best bid was from Specialized Construction at about \$395,000 which was under our engineer's estimate of \$397,000. And Specialized Construction has done multiple projects in the City. They've done good work, we're very comfortable with them. So, we would recommend awarding the contract so they can start asap. That concludes my report.

**President Fellows:** Thank you. Any questions for our Engineer, this evening?

**Councilwoman Pizmoht:** Madam President. Mr. Di Franco, I've had a few reports of heavy trucks going over the Pleasant Valley Road Bridge. In your opinion, and may be this is something that you need to research and we can talk about this later, but is there anything else the City can do, any other cost-effective measures we can take to prevent these heavy trucks from using the Pleasant Valley Road Bridge which can cause costly damage to that bridge.

**City Engineer:** Yeah, I'll have to look into it. I know that we've already installed a limit bar, but it's my understanding trucks are continuing to go through anyways. Mark had an idea of setting up a camera. So, I'll check with him on where that status is. Beyond that, I'm not sure.

**Mayor:** I'd like to say we caught a person today. Somebody got a picture and it's being researched, it's a rental truck and we have to find out who rented it today. So, we will be getting them.

Councilwoman Pizmoht: Excellent. Thank you.

**Vice President Plecnik:** Madam President. Mr. Di Franco, I know that we have some residents here today who are very interested in meeting you, I'm sure that they will express their concerns, but I just want to make sure that before you leave today, you make sure that you give your contact information to Mike and Angie Adams. They're concern with flooding issues, they should be resolved. I know the City has already begun to look at their issue, but I think that they would have some comfort in being able to work directly with you.

City Engineer: Okay.

Vice President Plecnik: Thank you.

President Fellows: Thank you, Pete.

The next order of business is Committee Reports, Council Committee Reports. Any Council Reports this evening?

#### COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS/ OTHER COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

**Councilman Fiebig:** Madam President. I'll just mention that the Planning and Zoning Commission met last week and approved three different applicants. The other interesting development was that the Salvation Army, there was an announcement, they're going to fill about 25,000 square feet down at the Loehmann's Plaza at the old AJ Wright location. So, that was a significant development over the weekend as well. Now, we don't have other information, or I don't, Mayor, if you do. But, I know that there was an announcement about and Salvation Army, of course, has a good reputation for doing good work in the community.

**Mayor:** They have help wanted signs for salespeople and I saw some clothes in there today, and some racks. So, they're filling up.

**President Fellows:** Thank you. Any other Committee Reports? Any Council Representative Reports?

Vice President Plecnik: Madam President. Just a quick update on the Cuyahoga County Airport. Our new Airport Manager was kind enough to share that today is the day when the FAA is going to be running their flight checks on the new stretch of safety runway at the Cuyahoga County Airport on the Richmond Heights side. Essentially that means that they are going to have a lot of FAA sponsored planes flying over the airport again, and again today to check the flight path and make sure that the runway is symmetrical, safe flight path is recorded appropriately. So, for our purposes, that means both 5:30pm and 9:00pm tonight there's going to be a lot of double engine planes flying over the Cuyahoga County Airport. And if you hear a lot more noise than usual, that's why.

Vice President Plecnik: Thank you.

Councilman Hallum: Madam President. The Willoughby Hills Boys League invited me to their meeting last, I guess it was earlier this week. They had sent me a copy of the MOU that they had updated from the one that we sent them to look at. They had red-lined somethings, I looked at with them. I thought that there were still some things that probably didn't belong in there and suggested some potential changes to it, still. So, I'm hopeful that they will get this to me soon, so that we can review it. But, I basically told them what I've said to you all, but I really think that it just needs to say that Willoughby Hills will provide them access to fields and we will maintain the fields and then probably something in there that says, states that they are allowed to utilize the concession stand for fund-raising as well as have access to the facilities that are out there for fans to use when, their kids to use...

**President Fellows:** And the most important part, the insurance.

**Councilman Hallum:** Well, they're going to cover their own insurance. But, the MOW is really, talks about we are going to do between us, which they eliminated, the fact that we're going to be collecting any fees and the fact that we would be providing insurance. Those are being stated or removed as a requirement of the City. So, there was just a little more cleanup, I thought, that needed to be made, just to make it clean and easy and simple. So, hoping that will come back soon.

President Fellows: Thanks, Councilman Hallum for the update. Appreciate it.

#### **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:** All right, next order of business is Public Portion. This is an opportunity for individuals of the public to come forward. Please state your name and address for the record and we ask that you limit your comments to three minutes and I'll **open Public Portion at 7:17pm.** 

Mike Adams – 34561 Marcum Boulevard. I spoke to the Mayor and Janet a little bit. We have a problem. If anybody has ever dealt with a beaver, the little sucker can really build. I've been battling with him for, I'd said, almost three months. Unfortunately, he's not on my property, he's on the property behind me. It' the Calabrese property. I went to his business, talked to, I believe, his wife, mentioned it. I went to his rental, talked to his renter, she said that she would leave a note with him and the problem still exists. I hate to see him killed, I'd like to see him relocated. I even went to the park to see if they had a missing beaver, unfortunately, they did not, they would not take him. So, that's the first problem. Second problem, I believe, I heard that there might be some grant money that can keep the creeks clean because it's the creek that keeps damming. After he is gone, it is completely filled with debris and it drains the whole neighborhood all around Marcum, Parkview, I believe, even some of White Road. It runs cattycorner to Calabrese's property. I believe, it goes to the Euclid Creek. It's been, I've lived there a long time. I believe, it's been about 30 years since it's been cleaned out. So, it's in pretty bad shape. Thank you.

Tony Miller – 2857 Hayes Drive. First of all, I would like to enter into the record an email that I received from Mr. Plecnik. If I could hand that to Vicki, I would rather not read it, it's quite lengthy. Some of the statements in that email are inaccurate and that concerns me and some of the things that Mr. Plecnik says that are inaccurate on a routine basis concern me. And this is, that's part of the evidence and this is the other part. Mr. Plecnik has frequently and routinely, without fail, stated that the Mayor had a car and that he said that he wasn't going to get a different one, but then he did. Mr. Plecnik also says that he is very concerned about the welfare and safety of all of the residents in Willoughby Hills and the public in general. I think we talked about that in another meeting. Bob Weger is also the Safety Director and responds to incidents as part of the duties of that position. And for the record, on a similar thought, he's probably responding in his personal vehicle because he gave the Jeep that was allotted to him as part of the position of Safety Director to the Fire Department because the supermajority made a big stink. At a City Council meeting, not long ago, Mr. Plecnik interrogated the Mayor over said vehicle because at the last election he said that he was not going to get a new vehicle and then he did get a different vehicle. Because the interrogation, during the interrogation the Mayor was only allowed to get to the point of saying yes, he got a different vehicle and then was cut off by Mr. Plecnik without further explanation. Mr. Plecnik then proceeded to spin the Mayor's words to discredit him by insinuating that he lied and if he says one thing today and then does the opposite how can he be trusted? That is on public record. In every instance, and without fail, Mr. Plecnik refers to that vehicle as the Mayor's Jeep. The fact is, it's the City's Jeep, for use by the Safety Director. So, Mr. Plecnik is consistently spreading false information by definition lying to Willoughby Hills residents and the public in general in that regard. Further, at the last Council meeting, I questioned Mr. Plecnik during Public Portion and he acknowledged that he was concerned

for the health, well being and safety of all Willoughby Hills residents and public in general. Safety Director Weger got a different vehicle after he said that he was not because the one that he was driving was deemed unsafe. So, by his own admission, Mr. Plecnik would have Safety Director Weger drive a vehicle that was unsafe, compromising the health, wellbeing and safety of the Safety Director Weger...

**President Fellows:** Mr. Miller...

**Mr. Miller:** The residents of Willoughby Hills...thirty seconds, please. Thirty seconds, I'll be done or I'll start over again at the next meeting.

**President Fellows:** Then you can do that, sir. Thank you. Anyone else this evening for Public Portion? Linda.

**Linda Fulton – 2990 Marcum Boulevard.** It's nice to have another resident here. For the last, I would say, may be six months or more, any time that Mr. Brichacek was asked to give a report, he says "no report". And I'd like to know, Council, have you received a written report? Because I personally would like to know what's going on with the finances in the City. Are we in a negative balance? Are we in a positive balance? It would be nice to have a report. Thank you.

**President Fellows:** Thank you, Linda. Anyone else this evening for Public Portion?

I will close Public Portion at 7:24pm.

**Unfinished Business?** 

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

**Councilman Hallum:** Madam President. At the beginning of the meeting, there was a mention of 2018-39 and I don't know if I somehow missed an email or what, but I can't seem to find in my email this ordinance. And I would like to see a copy of it.

(President Fellows provided Councilman Hallum with a copy of Ordinance No. 2018-39).

Councilman Hallum: Thank you.

**President Fellows:** Any other Unfinished Business? I have a question for Mr. Brichacek. When was the last time we had a report posted for us? And for the residents?

**Finance Director:** The last time I was able to put anything on the website was for March.

**President Fellows:** March and we have an ordinance that asks for a specific time?

**Finance Director:** That's correct.

**President Fellows:** Any what's the time frame, do you remember?

**Finance Director:** 15<sup>th</sup> of the month.

**President Fellows:** 15<sup>th</sup> of the month.

Finance Director: Yes.

**President Fellows:** So, March should be posted April 15<sup>th</sup> and so on and so forth.

Finance Director: Right.

**President Fellows:** And it is July 26<sup>th</sup>.

Finance Director: Right. Unfortunately, I've not figured out how to post to the web. Two employees posted

it to the web for me. Unfortunately, they're no longer here.

**Councilwoman Pizmoht:** Madam President. That could be emailed to us, I would think. I'm not really sure or to the Clerk who could post it on the Council's web page for the public. I'm not really sure that makes much sense because it just needs to be delivered to us. And if it needs to be posted, I don't recall if the law says that it has to be posted on the web, within 15 days of the end of the month. But, I think that it needs to be delivered to Council, I believe.

**Finance Director:** I'd be glad to email them to you.

Councilwoman Pizmoht: That would be great.

**Finance Director:** They're large, they tend to kick-back, but I'd be glad to email them to you. I mean, we're doing the best that we can with the staff that we have.

**Councilwoman Pizmoht:** Are these reports done as a matter of course or is this, aren't these numbers that you need to generate anyway?

Finance Director: Yes.

Councilwoman Pizmoht: So, it's just a matter of delivering the documents to Council.

**Finance Director:** Right, We're still doing them. It's just that with no Finance Assistant and...

**Councilwoman Pizmoht:** You can send an email with the documents that you already prepared.

Finance Director: Yes.

**Councilwoman Pizmoht:** By the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month.

**Finance Director:** Not necessarily by the 15<sup>th</sup> but they can...

**Councilwoman Pizmoht:** Well, the law says it has to be the 15<sup>th</sup>.

Finance Director: That's correct.

**President Fellows:** Yeah, four months. There're certain other ways to communicate with individuals besides being able to post things on the website that you don't have the skills to do, but we could find a way to help you.

**Vice President Plecnik:** Madam President. This get's back to my initial comment that we a lot of administrative staff in City Hall on our associated departments and it's really about utilizing them effectively. There are many fulltime and part-time people even in positions that are filled, there are still more unfilled positions that we are seeking to fill that I'm sure that we could connect with Mr. Brichacek if it really is as simple as the sending of an email or updating the website. So, hopefully, as the Manager of the City (referring

to the Mayor), you can reach out to those resources and make sure that Mr. Brichacek has the support that he needs. I would say to the resident's concern, I do thing that it's absolutely important that we maintain the safety of our residents and part of that is only having certified paramedics, certified police officers going to emergency scenes, there's often a liability if a civilian goes. It doesn't matter if you're elected to be Council President or Mayor. If you're not a firefighter or a police officer and you're entering an active scene, you can put lives at risk. There are occasions when firefighters and police know that it's safe for you to join so that you can get experience in doing a ride-along with our Police and Fire Department when they can, it's a wonderful thing and you can learn a lot. But, going to an active emergency, without the Police or Fire Chiefs, you know, advise or permission, would probably be risky for any non-professional to do. So, it won't be prudent for the City to buy a car for anyone to drive to emergency scenes when they're not certified. I don't think anyone at this dais is a certified paramedic and I personally believe that elected official duties, we can all buy our own car, pay for our own gas. We don't run for office so that the City provides us with a car or transportation or benefits because it's about public service. Call be a cheap Slovenian if you will, but I don't think anyone of us should have the City pay for our car.

**President Fellows:** Thank you.

Councilman Hallum: I had a couple of other things, I recall. One is, I just want to make mention, that as a Councilperson, I believe that I should be receiving any records that are being produced for this Council, by this Council or on behalf of this Council. I've made two requests to you Madam President for any information regarding a response to the ULP that is currently in process that have not been responded to in anyway, shape or form. I finally made public request to try another way to get the information and was told that we didn't know if those were public records because we don't have a law director. So, I'm a little dismayed that there clearly must be some information, but it's just being. I'm being excluded from being able to see that information. Also, 2018-27, while I don't feel as, going under dispute at the moment, as whether it's legal or not, as Acting Mayor, your hat for, is administrative in that role, and I know that you did not show up at the mediation, instead you named two legislative people as your representatives. I'm not sure that would be normal as a administrative hat wearer, that you would send a legislative person whose responsibilities are legislative only. But, be that as it may, I just want to make, voice my concerns about that. And then, lastly, that the acting representatives that came to the mediation did not allow me to be part of the Council discussions with the mediators and I felt that was improper. And that no one didn't even notify me that there was even a meeting. I had to find out from a third party. And certainly, would have expected a call from the Acting Mayor and/or Council President if there was an issue with me being present.

Councilwoman Pizmoht: Madam President.

**President Fellows:** I'd like to respond first.

Councilwoman Pizmoht: Sure, no problem.

**President Fellows:** Please. So, Councilman Hallum, a couple of things that I'd noted. Yes, you did ask me for information; was not deemed a public record in your email, was seeking an opportunity to respond to that and once it came to the Clerk, when I talked to SERB, they said that until this is resulted, they're public records, it's not considered a public record. And I don't have a law director to ask those questions to. So, until we have a law director that can help us resolve those issues, until this is resolved, it wasn't deemed a public record, to be best of our ability.

The second thing, I had spoken to Kenneth Hickie, one of the mediators. He knew, so everybody knows, I was in California for the last three days for work, not on vacation, and I spoke to him about someone coming in my place and he said, absolutely. And I sent Vice President Plecnik who is also the Chairman of the Finance Committee and also Councilwoman Pizmoht was there as the Chair of the Personnel Relations Committee and he was fine with that. We communicated back and forth with that.

Councilwoman Pizmoht: Madam President.

**Councilman Hallum:** Could you respond to my first part though. I mean, prior to a public records request, as a Councilperson, on this dais, I'd asked to be included and be provided with any information that was being represented on behalf of this Council to, in responsive of the ULP. So, before I even got to asking for a public records request, I was just as a Councilperson, asking for this information on two different separate occasions with several weeks in between with no response whatsoever.

**Councilwoman Pizmoht:** Mr. Vice President, Madam President. I'm not sure who has that, Mr. Vice President. There's an exception to the public records laws that, for documents that were prepared to defend the City in a legal matter. So, I'm sure that after the ULP is resolved, after it's no longer a live issue, that the Clerk of Council or the Acting Mayor for purposes of defending the City against this ULP would be happy to deliver those documents as a public record and they would become a public record.

**Councilman Hallum:** Thank you. But, I didn't initially ask for them as a public record, I asked for them as a result of me being a Councilperson for the City. Not a public record.

**Councilwoman Pizmoht:** Madam President. Again, it's just like any legal document prepared for, to defend the City, so if the Council President was acting as Mayor, so she was not acting on behalf of Council for those purposes. So, it's not a Council document, not any Councilperson can get it. No member of the public would be able to get it.

Councilman Hallum: So, you haven't seen it then?

Councilwoman Pizmoht: It's immaterial whether I've seen it or not. It's up to the Acting Mayor to decide.

Councilman Hallum: So, you have seen it.

**Councilwoman Pizmoht:** It's up to the Acting Mayor to decide whether it's in the best interest of the City's defense in a legal matter whether to deliver it to that person or not. So, if it's going to compromise the City's position in a legal matter then she is in her right not to deliver it as a public record. And it's not a public record for those purposes. So...

Vice President Plecnik: Madame President. If I could just add, I want to reinforce that as you represent the City in this matter, we're not simply representing Council. There's been a little bit of a conflict between Council and the City in a couple of different cases. We're representing the City as a whole against the union, the secretaries' lawsuit against the City seeking various damages. And so, it's not a matter of every member of Council is entitled to see a Council document, this is a City document that's being shared in the judgment of the Council President/Acting Mayor for these limited purposes. And to the extent that one of us were to declare we think that the secretaries' union is correct, the budget is wrong, and show a clearly adverse position to the City it would be somewhat foolish to share any confidential documents with that person. I think any reasonable person would agree. Now, might be your opinion, in good faith that the budget is terrible, the City is wrong, the secretaries' union should be paid 9% raises, hire them all back with tenure. If that's your opinion, you're entitled to it, but it's certainly adverse to the City's position. And that's why only people who are working toward the City's best interest and the City's position really should be involved. And the Ohio Revised Code allows whoever is representing the City in a union dispute to appoint designees, whoever that person might be. So, the Council President could have appointed a Councilperson, could have appointed a City employee or anyone else who she saw fit to represent the City's best interest to stand in her place for the mediation you referred to, she chose not to appoint you, she chose to appoint two other Council people. That was her decision, not yours or mine and the Ohio Revised Code gave her that authority.

**Councilman Hallum.** I'd like to respond. First of all, I don't think just because it's your opinion for the majority of Council's opinion that's for the best for the City that doesn't necessarily denote that is in fact for the best of the City. Secondly, Councilman Fiebig, did you see the letter that I've been asking for, the response to the ULP? Did you review it? Did you see it? Yes or no, did you receive it?

Councilman Fiebig: Councilman Hallum, I'm not exactly sure which document you're referring to...

**Councilman Hallum:** Did you receive any response to the ULP on behalf of, that was created for Nancy, for President Fellows or Acting Mayor Fellows to provide to the ULP or on behalf of Council.

Councilman Fiebig: I could look through my records, but I'm, if you'd be more specific, I'd be glad to answer...

**Councilman Hallum:** I'd like to be more specific, but since it was never provided to me, but it does exist, I'd like to know if you've seen it.

**Councilman Fiebig:** I don't know offhand, but I will...

Councilman Hallum: Councilwoman Lenz, have you seen such document?

Councilman Lenz: No, I haven't.

Councilman Hallum: Councilwoman Majka, have you seen such document?

**Councilwoman Majka:** I have not received the document nor have I received the Mayor's response either.

**Councilman Hallum:** Wasn't it in everyone's email boxes?

Councilwoman Majka: I believe he gave a response.

Councilman Hallum: Yeah, it was in our mailboxes.

**President Fellows:** Well, the lock is broken on that. So, we don't know what's in there anymore.

Councilman Hallum: You might want to check your mailbox.

**Vice President Plecnik:** Madam President. Just for Councilwoman Majka's clarification. You might be forgiven for not knowing you received the Mayor's response because what he sent to SERB was just a whole packet of Council minutes with various portions highlighted and he said that he didn't want to bias SERB as to what they should judge. So, I'm not sure if you could legally call it a response because he did not reject the claims that the secretaries' union made against the City. He didn't state any position on their claims. So, it's arguable if it's a response or not, but the Mayor did file several voluminous series of Council minutes with a brief cover letter saying that he didn't want to bias SERB and that he wanted them to judge for themselves.

**Councilman Hallum:** One last thing, I forgot to respond to. Councilman Plecnik, I did vote against passing the contract for the 3% raises and all of that, so just so you remember that was unanimous. Thank you.

**President Fellows:** Okay, let's move on to legislation. Oh, by the way, so Mike and Angie, Mr. Di Franco, Pete will connect with you after the meeting. We haven't forgotten.

#### **LEGISLATION**

#### ORDINANCE NO. 2018-35 - SECOND READING

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: June 12, 2018

AN ORDINANCE CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF JOSEPH W. DIEMERT, JR. AS DIRECTOR OF LAW, ALONG WITH HIS ASSISTANTS, DEFINING THE DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES, AND FIXING THE SALARY AND COMPENSATION FOR SAID POSITION; REPEALING CONFLICTING LEGISLATION, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

President Fellows: And this will remain on Second Reading.

**Councilman Hallum:** Madam President. Quick question. I wasn't here at the last meeting, but I believe that was the 1<sup>st</sup> Reading and I'm just concerned because we have said on a number of cases how important it was to have a Law Director and we have several things are pending because we don't have a Law Director, that we haven't been able to do that. So, I'm just concerned that if we know whether we want to confirm or not, why wouldn't we just go ahead and get a Law Director or not...

**President Fellows:** I can't speak for everybody on the dais, but until we all knew that the Mayor was going to bring him to us for confirmation, there may be individuals here, plus myself, that now want to have, meet him, meet his associates that are going to be working because he had indicated that some of his expertise he would be reaching to his associates for. So, once we knew that the Mayor wanted to bring him to us for confirmation then that opened the door for us to have an opportunity to make an appointment with him, one-on-one. And until we would know on that, that would have not probably been a beneficial use of time. And that would open up an opportunity for you to make an appointment with him and learn more about him as well.

Councilman Hallum: Okay.

### **ORDINANCE NO. 2018-36**

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS REQUIRED FOR A THREE YEAR ANNUAL LICENSED SOFTWARE SUPPORT AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES RATE-LOCK AGREEMENT SUBMITTED BY CODY SYSTEMS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

**Councilman Fiebig:** Madam President. Move to waive the 3-Reading Rules of Ordinance 2018-36.

Vice President Plecnik: Second

President Fellows: I have a motion from Councilman Fiebig and a second from Vice President Plecnik to waive the 3-Reading Rule on Ordinance 2018-36. Is there any discussion on the motion?

**Vice President Plecnik:** Madam President. We've spoken with our Police Chief, he has assured us that this software continues to be the best option for the City. By getting a 3-year deal and getting it now, we're going to have some substantial cost savings for the City as well. It's compatible with our partnership with the Lake County Dispatch Center, so this really is the best option for the City and it's time sensitive.

**Councilman Fiebig:** Madam President. I'll echo that and also say that I had a discussion with our Chief who confirmed that this is the appropriate time to do this. The system, we talked about the nuts and bolts and how this would work with the EOS and this does seem to make sense for us to continue to use them at least for this 3-year period and then we'll see how things shakeout after that. So, it is urgent that we pass it today.

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

President Fellows: The 3-Reading Rule on Ordinance 2018-36 has been waived.

**Councilwoman Pizmoht:** Madam President. Move to adopt Ordinance 2018-36.

Councilman Fiebig: Second.

President Fellows: I have a motion from Councilwoman Pizmoht and a second from Councilman Fiebig to adopt Ordinance 2018-36. Is there any further discussion on this motion?

**Mayor:** Yes, Madam President. I'd like to say that they're going to build an interface for us to directly dump the information for free with this 3-year contract. So, we're getting something out of it.

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

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 2018-37**

AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE BID OF SPECIALIZED CONSTRUCTION, INC. OF CUYAHOGA HEIGHTS, OHIO FOR THE 2018 STREET RESURFACING PROJECT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Councilwoman Pizmoht: Madam President. Motion to waive the 3-Reading Rule for Ordinance 2018-37.

Vice President Plecnik: Second.

President Fellows: I have a motion from Councilwoman Pizmoht and a second from Vice President Plecnik to waive the 3-Reading Rule on Ordinance No. 2018-37. Is there any discussion on the motion?

**Vice President Plecnik:** Madam President. As the Mayor shared, this is the ordinance authorizing and hiring the contractor to actual repave our five roads this year. We certainly want to get started and use as much of the good weather as we have left.

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

President Fellows: The 3-Reading Rule on Ordinance 2018-37 has been waived.

Councilwoman Pizmoht: Madame President. Move to adopt Ordinance No. 2018-37.

Vice President Plecnik: Second.

President Fellows: I have a motion from Councilwoman Pizmoht and a second from Vice President Plecnik to adopt Ordinance 2018-37. Is there any discussion on the motion?

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

President Fellows: Ordinance 2018-37 has been adopted.

### **ORDINANCE NO. 2018-38**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PART THIRTEEN – BUILDING CODE, TITLE THREE – LOCAL BUILDING PROVISIONS BY THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW CHAPTER 1379 – SMALL CELL FACILITIES AND WIRELESS SUPPORT STRUCTURES WITHIN THE RIGHT-OF-WAY OF THE

# CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WILLOUGHBY HILLS; REPEALING CONFLICTING LEGISLATION AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Councilwoman Pizmoht: Madam President. Move to waive the 2-Day Notification Rule for 2018-38.

Vice President Plecnik: Second.

President Fellows: I have a motion from Councilwoman Pizmoht and a second from Vice President Plecnik to waive the 2-Day Notification on Ordinance 2018-38. Is there any discussion on the motion?

Vice President Plecnik: Madam President. This applies with equal force to waiving the 3-Reading Rule. Ordinance No. 2018-38 regulates to the best we can as a City, installing small cell towers in rights-of-ways. The State Legislature recently passed legislation that gives a lot more freedom to utilities to put small cell towers up in the right-of-way, popping up in your front yard with very little notice or regulation. This is our attempt as a City and many other cities have done the same, to try to regulate this as much as possible. It's very plausible the utility companies will sue and pushback, but the new law that the State Legislature passed goes into effect August 1<sup>st</sup>, so this is our last opportunity to put a regime in place. So, that you don't wake up one morning and see a cell tower in your front yard. In theory, the state law would allow that without this protection, so that it absolutely urgent that we pass this tonight.

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

President Fellows: The 2-Day Notification on Ordinance No. 2018-38 has been waived.

Councilwoman Pizmoht: Madam President. Motion to waive the 3-Reading Rule for Ordinance No. 2018-38.

Councilwoman Lenz: Second.

President Fellows: I have a motion from Councilwoman Pizmoht and a second from Councilwoman Lenz to waive the 3-Reading Rule on Ordinance 2018-38. Is there any discussion on the motion?

**City Engineer:** Madam President. I'm a bit familiar with this because we passed this in North Olmsted. There are a lot of issues and I guess I would like the opportunity to read what Willoughby Hills is planning. The State in their planning or code, in their laws their cap the permit fee at \$250.00 and it's going to cause most cities or all cities an expense. So, I just want to make sure that you are aware and plan for the additional expense.

**Vice President Plecnik:** Madam President. If I could share, Mr. Di Franco, we know that this last minute. The Mayor, himself, asked us to prepare this legislation in advance of the August 1<sup>st</sup> deadline and wisely so. That said, we agree that this needs to be reviewed carefully and we'd hope that the Planning and Zoning Commission along with yourself, would review the legislation and it can always be amended. We just want something in place now so that a small cell tower doesn't pop up, in I don't know, my front yard on August 1<sup>st</sup>. So, we certainly do want to improve this legislation, we just want something in place before August 1<sup>st</sup> and we're looking forward to your recommendations.

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

President Fellows: The 3-Reading Rule on Ordinance 2018-38 had been waived.

Vice President Plecnik: Madam President. Motion to adopt 2018-38.

Councilwoman Pizmoht: Second.

President Fellows: I have a motion from Vice President Plecnik and a second from Councilwoman Pizmoht to adopt Ordinance No. 2018-38. Is there any discussion on the motion?

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

**Motion PASSED.** 

President Fellows: Ordinance 2018-38 has been adopted.

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 2018-39**

AN ORDINANCE TO EMPLOY THE SERVICES OF GREGORY BECK AND BAKER, DUBLIKAR, BECK, WILEY & MATTHEWS, TO REPRESENT THE CITY OF WILLOUGHBY HILLS IN THE COMPLAINT FILED IN *WEGER V. CITY OF WILLOUGHBY HILLS*, LAKE COUNTY COMMON PLEAS COURT CASE NO. 18CV000964 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Vice President Plecnik: Madam President. Motion to waive the 2-Day Notification on Ordinance No. 2018-39.

Councilwoman Pizmoht: Second.

President Fellows: I have a motion from Vice President Plecnik and a second from Councilwoman Pizmoht to waive the 2-Day Notification on Ordinance 2018-39. Is there any discussion on the motion?

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

Motion 1718SED.

President Fellows: The 2-Day Notification has been waived on Ordinance 2018-39.

**Vice President Plecnik: Madam President.** Motion to waive the 3-Reading Rule on Ordinance No. 2018-39.

Councilwoman Pizmoht: Second.

President Fellows: I have a motion from Vice President Plecnik and a second from Councilwoman Pizmoht to waive the 3-Reading Rule on Ordinance 2018-39. Is there any discussion on the motion?

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

**Motion PASSED.** 

President Fellows: The 3-Reading Rule has been waived on Ordinance 2018-39.

Councilwoman Pizmoht: Madam President. Move to adopt Ordinance No. 2018-39.

Vice President Plecnik: Second.

President Fellows: I have a motion from Councilwoman Pizmoht and a second from Vice President Plecnik to adopt Ordinance No. 2018-39. Is there any discussion on motion?

**Councilman Hallum:** Madam President. I just have a couple of questions. Under the 4<sup>th</sup> Whereas, it says Robert Weger as an individual taxpayer and in his official capacity as Mayor, is that correct? Is that actually as an official, I thought it was taxpayer...

**Councilwoman Pizmoht:** Madam President. No, it's both. He has sued both as a taxpayer and as the Mayor in his official capacity, the City of Willoughby Hills, Council and Council President.

**Councilman Hallum:** Okay. And then secondly, is this being covered by insurance or is this being directly paid by the City?

**President Fellows:** It is not being covered by insurance.

Councilman Hallum: Okay. Thank you.

**President Fellows:** That's why we have the ordinance.

Councilwoman Pizmoht: Madam President. I just want to add that the reason that we were told the insurance company does not want to cover it is because it's essentially the City suing itself. We have a City official suing the City, so that just does not trigger insurance coverage. Because it's the City essentially suing itself, so it's not someone else coming in and suing the City. So, that's what the insurance adjuster has said, from what we understand.

**Councilman Hallum:** Quick question. Councilwoman Pizmoht, how is that different when they paid for the previous lawsuit?

**Councilwoman Pizmoht:** Again, what I understand, that should not have been covered. That the adjusters just said, we think that it should be covered, but this time, they went up through their attorneys and their attorneys said no. When a City Official sues the City, itself, that no, that should not trigger coverage.

Councilman Hallum: Thank you.

Vice President Plecnik: Madam President. If I could share, I think that there is a strong argument that the Mayor does not have the ability to sue in his official capacity and I do believe that the City's attorney intends to make that argument. And if it is simply a taxpayer's action, we may ultimately be reimbursed by the insurance company and I'm sure that our attorneys will be making that argument. But, of course, the best cause scenario for everyone in the City of Willoughby Hills is simply for the Mayor to stop suing the City and to drop this lawsuit so that no further funds are expended by taxpayers. I would also like to ask the Mayor to stop his request which is currently on appeal for the taxpayers to pay for his lawyers in his last lawsuit against the City. I understand that it's a lot of money and you might personally want it for you or your attorneys, but I think our residents would be very grateful if you would stop suing the City and if you would stop making claims for dollars against the City as well. We have a very difficult budget; your own Finance Director and Administration share that and I think our residents would have a great well of gratitude to you if you could make that gestor and stop suing them. Thank you.

**Councilman Hallum:** Madam President. This could also be resolved if City Council would not pass ordinances that are questionable in their legality.

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

NAYS: Hallum

**Motion PASSED.** 

President Fellows: Ordinance No. 2018-39 has been adopted.

The next are our resolutions. The first one is Resolution No. 2018-7. This is on 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading, however, the hope is that we will be on recess next month and we need to have this into Lake County.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2018-7 – SECOND READING**

1st Reading: June 12, 2018

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE LAKE COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT'S AMENDED PLAN/5 YEAR UPDATE (APRIL, 2018) OF THE LAKE COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

**Councilman Fiebig:** Madam President. Move to waive the 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading of Resolution 2018-7.

Councilwoman Majka: Second.

President Fellows: I have a motion from Councilman Fiebig and a second from Councilwoman Majka to waive the 3-Reading Rule on Resolution No. 2018-7. Is there any discussion on the motion?

**Councilman Fiebig:** Madam President. I think that this is a fairly straightforward Solid Waste District Policy and we've been participating for quite some time and there's been ample time to review this and I think that we should just go ahead and pass this at this time because it's been reviewed.

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

**Motion PASSED.** 

President Fellows: The 3-Reading Rule on Resolution No. 2018-7 has been waived.

**Councilman Fiebig:** Madam President. Move that Council adopt Resolution No. 2018-7.

Councilwoman Lenz: Second.

President Fellows: I have a motion from Councilman Fiebig and a second from Councilwoman Lenz to adopt Resolution No. 2018-7. Is there any discussion on the motion?

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

**Motion PASSED.** 

President Fellows: Resolution No. 2018-7 has been adopted.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2018-11**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A NON-BINDING JOINT STATEMENT TO ADDRESS THE NOISE IMPACT OF THE CUYAHOGA COUNTY AIRPORT.

Vice President Plecnik: Madam President. Motion to waive the 3-Reading Rule on Resolution No. 2018-11.

Councilwoman Majka: Second.

President Fellows: I have a motion from Vice President Plecnik and a second from Councilwoman Majka to waive the 3-Reading Rule on Resolution No. 2018-11. Is there any discussion on the motion?

Vice President Plecnik: Madam President. If I could share, this resolution would authorize the Mayor to sign the latest version of the Joint Statement which is our agreement with the Cuyahoga County Airport, the airport tenants and the other cities that surround the Cuyahoga County Airport. It gives the City certain rights and it has for the last forty years. We have a noise abatement set of procedures that we strongly encourage all airport tenants to follow. We have quite hours, we also have the Noise Abatement Counsel which our City is given one representative and I'm honored to serve on your behalf. All of this comes from the Joint Statement which was

actually written, passed and purposed by then County Commissioner, ultimately Governor and Senator George Voinovich, so it has a very long, a very long history. There's one minor change to the agreement which simply says for safety purposes, single engine planes can turnout earlier. Now, Federal law already requires safe operation of all aircraft. I don't think this changes the agreement in any substantive way, it's not the single engine plane exemption that some members had proposed that would allow single engine planes to ignore quite hours and all the noise abatement procedures. It simply says, when safety requires to separate them from larger aircraft they can do so. And Federal law already requires that, so once again, there's no substantive change, but reupping this agreement gives our City the right to continue to have a member on the Noise Abatement Council and to have these protections. Our Mayor has expressed his support, hopefully, you all have had the chance to fully review it and see that my description is accurate. I think that this is important for our City to uphold the tradition that County Commissioner Voinovich started and make sure that we continue to make noise reduction and safety improvement our two top priorities for the Cuyahoga County Airport.

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

President Fellows: The 3-Reading Rule on Resolution No. 2018-11 has been waived.

Vice President Plecnik: Madam President. Motion to adopt Resolution No. 2018-11.

Councilwoman Lenz: Second.

President Fellows: I have a motion from Vice President Plecnik and a second from Councilwoman Lenz to adopt Resolution No. 2018-11. Is there any discussion on the motion?

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

**Motion PASSED.** 

President Fellows: Resolution No. 2018-11 has been adopted.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2018-12**

A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER AS NATIONAL SUICIDE PREVENTION AWARENESS MONTH IN THE CITY OF WILLOUGHBY HILLS.

Councilwoman Pizmoht: Madam President. Move to waive the 3-Reading Rule on Resolution No. 2018-12.

Councilwoman Majka: Second.

President Fellows: I have a motion from Councilwoman Pizmoht and a second from Councilwoman Majka to waive the 3-Reading Rule on Resolution No. 2018-12. Is there any discussion on the motion?

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

**Motion PASSED.** 

President Fellows: The 3-Reading Rule has been waived for Resolution No. 2018-12.

Councilwoman Pizmoht: Madam President. Motion to adopt Resolution No. 2018-12.

Councilwoman Majka: Second.

President Fellows: I have a motion from Councilwoman Pizmoht and a second from Councilwoman Majka to adopt Resolution No. 2018-12. Is there any discussion on the motion?

Councilwoman Pizmoht: Madam President. I would just like to say that this is an issue that is a little near and dear to my heart. When I was in fifth grade, my father committed suicide and it was something that I've all too much familiarity with the stigma around suicide and, I'm sorry, and how hard it is to discuss even when it's not you, when it's happened to you when you're a survivor it's very difficult to talk to and for people to understand. But as a grownup, I've met very wonderful people who have also gone through similar events or who have lost their loved ones to suicide and I just think that it's such a wonderful thing that we can pass a resolution like this to open up the dialogue and get people talking about this very important issue.

**President Fellows:** And I echo Councilwoman Pizmoht. I have glorious sediments as a mother of an only son that committed suicide. I am grateful everyday for people who work diligently to help suppress this terrible disease. Thank you.

**Councilwoman Pizmoht:** And Madam President, I just want, I forgot in my verklempt state, that I read some really great advice. It just says to help in, for this issue, to help other people, the best thing that you can do is to be a caring friend, family member and neighbor which can go a long way in preventing our fellow American from getting to the point of suicidal thoughts. So, I think that's some really great advice for all of us.

**President Fellows:** Thank you.

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

**Motion PASSED.** 

President Fellows: Resolution No. 2018-12 has been adopted. And Vicki be sure to, we'll send information to the organization that asked us to reach out and do this from our community.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2018-13**

A RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING WALLIE BURNETT ON RECEIVING THE HIGHEST HONOR BESTOWED UPON ANY LIONS MEMBER, THE DISTINGUISHED MELVIN JONES FELLOWSHIP AWARD.

Vice President Plecnik: Madam President. Motion to waive the 3-Reading Rule on Resolution No. 2018-13.

Councilwoman Lenz: Second.

**President Fellows:** I have a motion from Vice President Plecnik and a second from Councilwoman Lenz to waive the 3-Reading Rule on Resolution No. 2018-13. Is there any discussion on the motion?

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

**Motion PASSED.** 

President Fellows: The 3-Reading Rule on Resolution No. 2018-13 has been waived.

Vice President Plecnik: Madam President. Motion to adopt Resolution No. 2018-13.

Councilwoman Lenz: Second.

President Fellows: I have a motion from Vice President Plecnik and a second from Councilwoman Lenz to adopt Resolution No. 2018-13. Is there any discussion on the motion?

Vice President Plecnik: Madam President. If I may, I'd like to read the resolution.

**WHEREAS**, Lions Club International Foundation recognizes outstanding individuals by bestowing on them an award that is named for its founder, Melvin Jones; and

**WHEREAS**, this award is given to a Lion member who has constantly shown their commitment and dedication to humanitarian services and endeavors in their community and the world; and

**WHEREAS,** Lion Wallie became one of the recipients of under 400,000 Lions worldwide, 615 in OH4 District and the 4<sup>th</sup> member of the North Coast Club to receive this prestigious award; and

**WHEREAS,** PDG Lion Wallie has been a member since 1994 when she joined the Willoughby Hills Club and then in 2002, she transferred to the North Coast Club; and

**WHEREAS,** in her twenty-four years as a Lion, PDG Wallie has held several officers' positions in the Club and District: Club Treasurer and Club Membership Chair; Club Secretary for an impressive 15 years and will be Club Secretary again next year; and

**WHEREAS,** Wallie has served as Region Chair, District Membership Chair, District Cultural and Community Activities Chair and in 2013 – 2014 was District Governor; and

WHEREAS, PDG Wallie has dedicated her life to being a Lion.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILLOUGHBY HILLS, COUNTY OF LAKE, STATE OF OHIO THAT:

This Council does hereby recognize and commend PDG Lion Wallie Burnett for her commitment and dedication to humanitarian services and endeavors in her community and congratulates her on receiving the highest honor bestowed upon any Lions Member, the distinguished Melvin Jones Fellowship Award.

**President Fellows:** Thank you.

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

**Motion PASSED.** 

President Fellows: Resolution No. 2018-13 has been adopted.

Any News Business for this evening?

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

**Councilman Hallum:** Madam President. I mistaking and I apologize John, I didn't give you an opportunity to answer my question about whether you received, if you saw the answer to the ULP that was on behalf or presented by Councilwoman, President...

**Vice President Plecnik:** Well, Councilman Hallum, I think that I would irresponsible to go to represent the City in Columbus if I had not reviewed the City's official response. So, yes, of course I did.

Councilman Hallum: Thank you.

**President Fellows:** Any other New Business this evening? For the Good of the Order? For the Good of the Community?

#### FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER/FOR THE GOOD OF THE COMMUNITY

**Councilman Hallum:** Just as an awareness, the Willoughby Hills Boys League just wrapped up it's season and for Willoughby Hills, the Colt Team, sponsored by Accurate Metals, won the 8 city, 14 teams, Western Reserve Colt League. We, at Willoughby Hills, hosted the championship game at Campbell Park field in front of a huge

crowd according to the Boy's League folks. They want to especially thank Mark Grubiss and his crew for doing such a great job on all the fields this summer. Also, our Mighty Mites Team coached, made the playoffs and our Majors Team made the play-offs for the first time in ten years. On our girls' league, the 8 U-Team sponsored by Hallum Homes, won the championship and our 18 U-Team sponsored by the Willoughby Hills Lions Club ended up winning the championship as well. So, great representation by our City.

President Fellows: Thank you so much. Anyone else?

Councilman Fiebig: The Willoughby Hills Flag Football League is forming, so their registration has opened. So, there is a form available for 6 to 12-year-olds for Flag Football. So, that is \$50.00 and those will be available, I would think right here at City Hall, you can pick them up. They're certainly being propagated through social media, facebook and various places like that.

Secondly, the Garage Sale, the Community Garage Sale is Saturday, August 4th, so people have been registering. I did volunteer to put a list together and I'm compiling that, so I'm getting calls on that. You can call 440-585-4433 and I'll compile a list and I'll get it up here to City Hall, over at the Community Center and around the community and also advertise in all of the traditional places so that we can have a good sale here in Willoughby Hills, for Saturday, August 4<sup>th</sup>. But, some people are adding Thursday and Friday as well as Saturday.

Mayor: And the signs are up.

Councilman Fiebig: Thank you for doing that, Mayor. I did see them go up, yeah, Thank you.

President Fellows: Anyone else this evening? All right, I will entertain a motion for adjournment.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion was made by Councilman Fiebig moved to adjourn. Vice President Plecnik seconded.

Roll call:

YEAS:

Lenz, Majka, Pizmoht, Plecnik, Fellows, Hallum

Motion PASSED.

The Regular Council Meeting of July 26, 2018 was adjourned at 8:06pm.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

Date

Victoria Ann Savage

Clerk of Council

Nancy É. Fellows

President of Council