

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING

BROOKLYN CITY COUNCIL

September 26, 2016

7:00 p.m.

Present: Debbie Tomusko
Kathy Pucci
Mary Balbier
Kevin Tanski
Barb Paulitzky
Ron Van Kirk
Tony DeMarco

Absent: None

Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Int. Pres. Van Kirk asked for approval of the minutes of September 12, 2016. Councilwoman Pucci asked to amend in a few places (pg. 3, Domestic Abuse Comm. report, 'Secretary of State's office', change word to 'protected', and Bd. of Zoning report, separate a topic) **MOTION** by Pucci, second by Van Kirk to approve the minutes as amended. **VOTE RESULTED:** *To approve as amended:* Yes: Tomusko, Pucci, Balbier, Tanski, Paulitzky, Van Kirk, DeMarco. No: None. (**APPROVED as amended**)

Int. President Van Kirk invited Kristi Sink, COO and interim President of UH Parma Medical Center. **Ms. Sink** gave some background on herself, and then updated on the two years since Parma Hosp. joined University Health Systems. She touched on the benefits of the health system: learning with the clinical programs; main focuses on primary care, building healthy communities; screenings through local events; EMS partnerships (EMS Institute, Narcan training and supplies for police, transportation van); monthly programming for senior center; meals on wheels program. Brooklyn was part of a CPR training challenge, where 48 were trained, resulting in a wellness grant of \$4,800 (which the city will host a first ever Employee Wellness Fair on Oct. 20th.) They also provide pre-employment and post-injury screening through their corporate health dept. She thanked John Bundy and Andrea Wittine who serve on the Parma UH Board of Directors. **Dave Nedrich**, on behalf of the UH Parma Medical Center Bd. of Directors, said they are two and one-half years into the merger, and are pleased UH is committed to our area; and excited to work with all of their communities. Going forward there will be more services offered to communities, including Rainbow Rapid Care and others in the works. Please contact them with anything needed and answers to questions.

Int. Pres. Van Kirk said the Agenda tonight include: Ord. 2015-77, Establish full-time position of Econ. Dev. Dir. (still in abeyance); Ord. 2016-32, Establish Ch. 1362 Certificate of Inspection at Point of Sale, and amend Sect. 1360.24 Repair of code violations of Codified Ords. (in abeyance); Ord. 2016-58, 3rd reading/adoption, Establish Sect. 135.06 Authority to accept income or other things of value of Codified Ords.; Res. 2016-8 (asking to pass by emergency), Authorize Mayor to apply to Ohio Developmental Services Agency for grant funding of the Local Govt. Innovation Fund program to implement employee process efficiency training programs; Ord. 2016-63 (2nd reading), Authorizing purchase of access control system for Natatorium and Rec Center from Integrated Precision Systems for \$17,504.54 from State Govt. pricing; Ord. 2016-64 (3rd reading/adoption – needs to be amended and passed by emergency), Approve and authorize an amended Community Reinvestment Area agreement with Clinton Rd. Partnership and Arrow Int.; Ord. 2016-66 (asked to go for emergency reading), Authorize master agreement with Time Warner Cable for equipment and services. New business: Res. 2016-9, Request County Fiscal Officer to advance taxes from proceeds of 2016 tax levies pursuant to O.R.C. 321.34; Res. 2016-10 (1st reading) Supporting the efforts of Utility Workers of America Local 270 to reinstate FirstEnergy's healthcare cost sharing for active members and retirees; Ord. 2016-68 (1st reading) Authorizing purchase and service agreement between the City and

Bailey Comm. for new Voice Over IP phone system and full-service five-year maintenance agreement for \$181,506.93; Ord. 2016-69 (asking to pass by emergency, Mrs. Pucci will explain in Finance report) Authorizing the emergency rebuild of compressors at the Recreation Center.

PUBLIC SESSION:

Chris Ericksen, VP of Utilities Workers Local #270, 61 E. 214th St., Euclid, came back to speak on shedding light on FirstEnergy's treatment of retired union workers. Spoke about their members, and the union's having negotiated healthcare for members for over six decades. The retirees always felt comfortable knowing they had shared healthcare costs; which FirstEnergy no longer feels an obligation to. The retired members were told they would lose any healthcare subsidies on April 20, 2017. He spoke of the health risks utility workers are exposed to, which could be devastating to a retiree and their family. He asks Council to vote in support of passing the resolution which he brought to them at the last meeting.

Victor Ardito of 7439 Outlook Ave. thanked the police for assistance with a neighbor's problem. Said All Lives Matter, and learned as a kid to listen to officers. Made comments on healthcare, and Obama care, and the increases in healthcare, and loss of benefits, also talk of 50-60% increases in costs. Spoke of friends not retiring because of healthcare needed, and others who have lost their healthcare. Asked if there was still a chance IKEA will come to Brooklyn. (The Mayor will address in her report)

Carol Yanico of 7310 Ira Ave. gave kudos for the trees trimmed on Ira this summer that look great, and the school guards on Biddulph and Ridge. Asked if more police presence could be there, and especially morning and afternoon at the corner of Traymore and Ridge (cars drive by the school bus even with lights and stop sign extended). -Asked where to find info on the Block grant, to make some decisions. Mayor Gallagher replied to send input to Andi Udriš, and there is a public notice on the city's website. -Said trees on Ridge (Biddulph to 480) weren't replaced after road resurfacing, and some residents are angry (remember them when planting trees.) Asked if a resident can plant a tree on Ridge (their own expense). -Asked if our city has a heroin plan (and how many calls have come in for the day, month, year.) -Asked if a memorial or plaque mentioned for Lou Changeri will be put someplace in the city, and any date. -Asked for the curfew for loud mufflers, cars, horns, motorcycles, etc. She hopes some of these items can be taken care of.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS & BOARDS:

Economic Development Committee (Councilwoman Pucci): The Comm. met Sept. 21st for Ord. 2016-64 (relating to amending CRA agree. w/ Clinton Rd. Partnership and Arrow Int.). Recapped the computer glitch that resulted in an inaccurate reporting to the County, so no initial appraisal was done on their \$2M improvement; the company therefore could not take advantage of the abatement to the improvement in year 1 of the agreement. This will extend the agreement one year. She asked the Ord. be amended to reflect why the agreement is extended by one year. The Comm. recommended Council approve it as amended. She'll read the amendments at the time the legislation comes up. -They discussed Clean Life Energy, awarded a \$25,000 grant, but then they moved most employees out of the city (their facility couldn't provide adequate space for all of the jobs). They know they have to repay the city the grant; when we receive their filing at end of year our Law Director will send them a letter advising them of this.

Finance Committee (Councilwoman Pucci): The Comm. met at 6:00 (reminded they are public mtgs and open to the public) and recommended: approval of Ord. 2016-58, establish Sect. 135.06, Authority to accept income/other things of value (a gift made to city that requires a match or is over \$250 the Administration notify Council); approval of Res. 2016-8 (by emergency), authorizes Mayor to apply to OH Development Services Agency grant (the project would be for a paperless purchasing system); Ord. 2016-63 (2nd Read), purchase of access control system for Natatorium and Rec Center for \$17,504.54; Ord. 2016-64 (pass by emergency as amended) the amended CRA with Clinton Rd. Partnership and Arrow Int.; Ord. 2016-66 (pass by emergency), a master agreement w/ Time Warner Cable (to restore broadcast of Council mtgs or other things for over 1,200 Time Warner customers); Res. 2016-9 (pass by emergency) Requesting tax advances from proceeds of 2016 tax levies (the city does this every year to receive property tax collection from the County in a more timely manner); Ord. 2016-68 (1st Read) to purchase a new phone system (former Councilmember Joe Magrey gave a comprehensive presentation, which is his area of expertise. She thanked

him for taking all the documents received and provided apples to apples comparisons through a presentation.); Ord. 2016-69 (pass by emergency) for emergency rebuild of compressors at the Rec Center.

Public Safety & Environmental Committee (Councilwoman Tomusko): Invites the public to a Safety Comm. mtg. on Oct. 12th at 6 p.m. for many items: Dir. Butler will give presentation on new marijuana law; discussion about parking – on the street during trash pick-up, snow ban parking, commercial vehicles on the street and driveways; bicycle safety; discussion on Animal Shelter and general issue of animals in the city (an update on animals in Memorial Park, a look at the animal shelter building (understand how it works, how many animals taken in, economic challenges, possible regionalization, etc.); Avon started a vicious dog registry (so people can avoid a home while walking their own dog); and the issue of nuisance animals (there used to be a service the city provided to remove skunks, etc.). Invites the community to come. And let her know of any topics for upcoming meetings. -Told Ms. Yanico she would have the heroin issue as a future topic at a future meeting, it merits an in-depth discussion. Will try to have meetings every month or six weeks to keep up a regular discussion with the Police and Fire Chiefs on what's going on from environmental and safety issue in the city.

Recreation Board (Councilman Tanski): The next Rec Bd. mtg. will be Oct. 17th at 7 p.m. in the Rec Center mtg. room.

Planning Commission (Councilwoman Pucci): The next Comm. mtg. is Oct. 6th at 6 p.m. in the conference room at City Hall to hear: a request from Agile Sign Ohio for internally illuminated LED channel letter wall sign at 4662 Ridge; request from Be Next Awnings and Graphics for internally illuminated LED free-standing sign at 8032 Memphis; (old business) request from Dumpstar Dumpsters for conditional use for outdoor storage of construction equipment at 11050 Memphis (deferred from Sept. 1 mtg); request from B. Edwards of Intermodal One, LLC to construct additional parking lot at 8515 Clinton (deferred from Dec. 16, 2015 and Jan. 7, 2016 mtgs).

School Board Liaison (Councilman Van Kirk): The Bd. met Sept. 19th and heard a report on the football stadium repair project (almost completed, minor issues to be fixed, and an issue with visitor bleachers); Supt. Gliedhof updated and the Bd. approved positions changed/eliminated for current school year, and some salary increases; discussion on start of school year (opening after Labor Day, being discussed in Columbus); discussion on the lack of air conditioning in the old high school in individual classrooms (due to old wiring there the capacity for units would not work and it cannot be done). Enrollment just under 1,400 (a little over with Pre-K). -Interim Treasurer Streett recommended approval of certificate of estimated resources for FY 2017 for \$25,000,397; and the approval of permanent appropriations and expenses for FY 2017 of \$22,000,989. Detailed reports available on the Board's website (they would like people to look at how money is coming in and how it's being spent.) -Home football resumes this Friday at 7 p.m. (also Homecoming.) Come out and support this young team. - The next Bd. mtg. is Oct. 18th at 6 p.m. Encouraged residents to attend, he was the only person outside of the Board that attended.

REPORTS OF COUNCIL:

Debbie Tomusko: Said she spoke with some elderly residents and their WOW cable is still not getting a good picture (still not been fixed). -Trees on tree lawn is a big topic; she understands residents shouldn't touch the trees (was told some residents tried cutting and pruning and didn't do a good job); asks Dir. Verba to comment so she can better understand residents' responsibility (admitted to cutting her own broken branches.) Believes the city is supposed to take care of the trees. -Has spoken before on the need to cut costs because of economic condition in city (with American Greetings leaving); the other side is revenue, and we need to look at bringing in more money, businesses, higher income individuals, etc. She'd like for the Economic Development Director to come to Council meetings (our last one was full-time and present; our current is part-time) at least once a month with a report on how we're doing with adding new or filling open businesses in Brooklyn. She'd like to keep the spotlight on today, but knows he's working on future developments. -The Brooklyn High School Hall of Fame, they will induct seven people, on Oct. 13th at Copperstone Event Center and encouraged people to attend. She has tickets, and there are some at the school. -The first Presidential debate is tonight; watch and educate yourselves, it's important. Make decisions for yourself, not what a news reporter tells you you heard. Stay involved. Vote on Election Day.

Kathy Pucci: Thanked Parma Hospital representatives for attending; Mr. Erickson from utility workers union. She doesn't know the answer, it's across all industries, and is an awful thing, and if there's anything this Council could do to have any impact. Also thanked Mr. Ardito and Ms. Yanico. -Asked Dir. Kulcsar if he's had any word back on Ridge Manor; Kr. Kulcsar said no. She said the residents impacted are here tonight, where Ridge Manor hired a contractor to trim a tree and did damage (limb through garage roof, knocked out power; finally decided to make repair (which is unfinished), and left debris behind.) She has pictures to share with Council. It was promised to be done Sept. 9 or 10, and as of last week still have not heard even who the name of the contractor is. - She has to work the evening of Safety Comm. mtg., and asked Dir. Butler to provide her with information presented regarding medical marijuana, and other info from Councilwoman Tomusko. -Echoed Councilwoman Tomusko's remarks and encouraged people attend the Hall of Fame event; she's been to a few and it's amazing, the accomplishments by graduates, talent and a nice gathering of residents and alumni.

Mary Balbier: Thanked representatives from UH hospital for all the things they do for our city. Said this is the town to get sick in if you're going to get sick, with the great hospitals in the Cleveland area. -The new Voinovich bridge is beautiful; she's experienced it being built by her business for over nine years. -This is the 3rd year anniversary of the death of Angel Lopez being killed in action in Afghanistan; his family lives in Brooklyn, and holding a candlelight service Oct. 5th at 8 p.m. at their home at 4618 Rodoan. She saw his grave when she visited Rittman this summer. -To Ms. Yanico, she has spoken with Chief Mielke, and there are a lot of heroin problems. After seeing a documentary, and with her instinct to give a few dollars to someone standing off the highway exit, she's learned the addicts just want a few bucks to get a quick fix, as it is cheaper and more available; so don't do it, though it's hard not to want to give. -The Presidential debate is tonight between Hillary Clinton and Donald Trump. She's been voting 35 years, and can't recall a Presidential election this divisive or engendered this much polarization between their supporters. There's so many things, touching on so many subjects, and dependent on which candidate is prevailing. She's certain our great country has always faced ordeals and adversity, and dealt with it and thrived; we will continue to be great after this election. We have the ability and duty to elect who will be our leaders.

Kevin Tanski: Res. 2013-10, supporting the efforts of the UWUA Local 270. He cited revenues from FirstEnergy's 2015 annual report of greater than \$15 billion, net income of \$578 million, and double from 2014. He noted they're cutting hospitalization while their rates are on the rise. He's appalled at the company's action to try to cancel healthcare for retirees, and it's the beginning of what's happening across the country. No retiree should be without healthcare. Many proposals were put together by Local 270 to save money, and they were rejected. He asks Council to vote in favor of this Resolution and protect working Americans' and retirees' rights to healthcare.

Barb Paulitzky: Memphis Road construction is moving along, wishes she could say it about Tiedeman. She hopes to see progress soon. Early October is the time for Medicare beneficiaries to make the choice on who will be your Medicare and prescription drug provider for 2017. It must be done between Oct. 7 to Dec. 7. Former Kaiser Healthspan customers need to make other choices; if nothing is done, it's automatic enrollment in Med. Mutual. This summer she took 26 hours of OSHIP (Ohio insurance) training, and though she's not an expert, she has more information than the average person. She will be available at the Senior Center the last Friday of the month to help residents get information from the OSHIP website, so they can decide on the best plan for themselves. More dates will be scheduled if the response warrants it. -Asked people to visit the Laurel Garden Club table at the Fall Fest on Oct. 8th; new members are needed for 2017. They are working with the school to provide gardening classes for third graders; next year they want to do a demo rain garden, and how to build your own to help with reduction of higher sewer costs. They are also working with 11th and 12th graders and Home Ec. teachers and special needs classes to help find resources to develop garden related projects. There's a lot going on with the Club next year, and they hope to get new members.

Tony DeMarco: Said he proposed Ord. 2016-66 for the agreement with Time Warner Cable. It's been going on for some time; any Time Warner subscriber in the city can't see the Council meetings on their cable. He asks his colleagues to consider this Ordinance, and support it.

Ron Van Kirk: Spoke on what Mr. Ardito and Mr. Erickson mentioned, and the Affordable Care Act; he feels it's at the core of what's going on with healthcare costs. When the legislation was passed, since it's happened healthcare costs skyrocketed across the board. He's in charge of his company's healthcare; it got

to the point where they got out of healthcare and went to a cost-sharing plan. It's the core of what the issue is. Most of the coal fire plants are closing in Ohio, and other states, and will have to be replaced with natural gas, which will cost a lot of money. He spoke with Councilman Tanski regarding this Resolution, and he said we should have a rep. from CEI come, with Mr. Erickson, and invite residents affected by it and have a dialogue and figure out what to do. No one wants health benefits cut, but there has to be a reason companies are doing it. They disagree on reasons. He feels instead of going the Resolution route to get the parties involved and try to find a solution. The Affordable Care Act is crushing people, and the cost is ridiculous. He thought a lot about the Time Warner Cable Ordinance, and there are two companies providing this service for free. Time Warner provides this in an antiquated way. The two others provide it electronically; this one requires hard lines be brought into City Hall at the cost of \$21,000. The rates that cable is declining in the U.S. are drastic, year after year. The meetings are provided on the internet, and by two other competing cable companies. With what the city is facing now, \$21,000 to bring an antiquated line into City Hall is not the solution. So he won't be voting for this. -Last Thursday he attended the Cleveland Pregnancy Center's annual banquet. He encourages people to become informed on this outstanding organization. With some paid staff, there is no government funding, it's all funded from donations. They provide ultrasounds to mothers who come in; they encourage life and the mothers to carry to term; if unable to care for them to put them up for adoption, and help with that. A councilmember from Seven Hills and Parma were also there. If looking for a good organization to volunteer for, he strongly recommends them. -What Miss Carol said about trees on Ridge, he asked Dir. Verba to address those questions. -Said the Econ. Dev. Director is a salary position, and it is part-time; Fran who was here before was not full-time either. He wanted to make sure residents knew that. -As mentioned, the first Presidential debate is tonight, and agrees with Councilwoman Balbier that this country is very evenly divided, which is unfortunate. He has his opinions on both candidates, but they are his own. There are more than two alternatives, and he recommends people look at all of the candidates out there, and pick the one that adheres to the Constitution the most. He thinks it's most important that the Constitution is followed, as it's served well for 240 years and wants it continued another 240 years.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Gallagher repeated thanks to Kristi Sink and Dave Nedrich from Parma UH Hospital for coming out. As a Mayor, they've been great to work with. As mentioned, we worked with them for CPR training, and received \$4,800 for sending multiple employees. Though the money was a benefit, it was well received by the employees, and it was valuable training. Karen and Kathy in the Senior Dept. were happy to do it as they've had to help residents before the ambulance arrived. The training our police received and Narcan use has been beneficial. -American Greetings left the city two weeks ago, and leave behind an estimated 120 employees, with a long-term lease for them. It's 24% of our income tax base and 14% of overall revenue. We are doing things to heavily plan for this huge loss; done some things in the past, but really tighten the strings in the city. So it is finally come to an end and we can stop talking about when they're leaving. They're enjoying their headquarters in Westlake, and we hope they change their mind when they get sick of the traffic. -A shout out for Fall Festival, October 8th. Thanks to some sponsors: Brooklyn Chamber, Cleveland Clinic, Ridge Park Square, Buffalo Wild Wings. Food trucks: Barrio, Kernels by Chrissie, Hofbrauhaus, Cleveland Metroparks, Home Depot, Polaris, Wilbeck's BBQ, Lowe's, Giant Eagle, Betty's Burgers, Northcoast Promotions. There will be a pie baking contest, a chili cook-off – for residents, sign up by e-mailing Jill Ludwig at jludwig@brooklynohio.gov or 635-4220, also sign-up sheets out front. This was in the Rec brochure, so everyone should have received the information, and there were flyers out front and the Senior Center and all city buildings. The day gets started by the schools, with Safe Routes to School holding a 5K/1-mile walk/run at 8:30 a.m.; they partner with Hermes Cleveland for this. -Encourages those who haven't signed up for ReadyNotify to do so and utilize the system. It's the County's program; when an emergency happens you'll receive a text or phone call. We're trying to keep it to emergency notifications, where the other program we had was more messages. Go on-line to the city's website and sign up. -There is a Coffee with the Mayor on Oct. 14th at 9 a.m., with special guest Superintendent Gliedhof. -The next Council meeting is not on a Monday due to the Columbus Day holiday, it will be Tuesday, Oct. 11th. -For the IKEA question, it's complicated, and not to give too much detail, the short answer is no, not in the near future about them coming. When they came they did a remediation study through an independent contractor, which consisted of what it was; went to the Ohio EPA, the Army Corps. of Engineers, filed their documents. Ohio EPA approved their mitigation plan along with remediation; the Army Corps. of Engineers denied it. A consultant looked at it afterwards, and disagreed with how the remediation plan was written;

but unfortunately, a decision was already made, and we are held to that agreement from the Corps' opinion for two years before we can do anything. It will depend on if IKEA is still interested in two years we can revisit it, but there's nothing we can do now. It's a disagreement on whether it's an isolated wetlands or not. -The opiate is a county-wide epidemic. All our police and firefighters are Narcan trained; they can administer when there is an OD, which we have done a substantial number of times over the course of a month. It seems to go in waves, when there is bad heroin. The city has an annual contract with the Bd. of Health, and they are trying to have a regional approach to going after this. Their contract is coming at the next meeting. -Lou Changeri's son approached her about doing some dedication, but has not come back as to when; she is leaving it up to him, as it was his idea. - Curfew is 11 p.m., and that info is in the Good Neighbor Guide; to revisit it, Councilwoman Tomusko on the Safety Comm. is a good person to contact. - Council approved a needs assessment last year and there's a final draft copy of it. The goal was to look at all buildings and what needs to be done to repair things not taken care of in the past. She gave some preliminary numbers, though the Service Dir. is going through it to address changes that have to be addressed before it's presented to Council. This gives an idea of how much work is needed on our buildings. Municipal/Police Dept., \$6.9M (\$5.8M recommended within next two years); Senior Center, \$1.1M (\$665,000 recommended within next two years); Rec Center, \$7.5M (\$4.1M recommended within next two years); Fire Station, \$523,000 (\$260,000 recommended within next two years); Service Garage, \$2.7M (\$1.5M recommended within next two years); Animal Shelter bldg., \$526,000 (\$495,000 recommended within next two years). -Thanks Tim Zellers, who organized a neighborhood watch meeting with Chief Mielke. There have been issues on his street, and he wanted the Police to explain how a Block Watch program would work, and answer questions about crime in Brooklyn. If interested in participating, it's tomorrow (Sept. 27) at the Fire Station (community room) at 7 p.m. Sgts. Eschweiler and Knapp will handle the Police presentation. -The cable matter was discussed at a special mtg. Aug. 1st; and Int. Pres. Van Kirk has said most of it. Right now we're providing this Council mtg. on AT&T U-verse and WOW (she didn't know there were problems still, was told it was fixed – will look into it.) It's also on the city website, and minutes of each meeting are also provided in the city newsletter and the Chit-Chat. If we sign this provider and the \$21,000 one time cost, we still won't provide anyone using Direct TV or Dish (they won't get the meetings); so a subsection still won't receive it. She said she's all about transparency, and communication with residents; the more information we provide, the better. Her issue is two providers provided this service for free, and Time Warner is charging \$21,000 to do the same thing; she doesn't understand why that is, to run the fiber line, when the others did it through the encoder. Plus, as was mentioned, every year there's about a 12.5% decrease in the people using cable. With Netflix and Hulu, people are cutting cable and using these, much cheaper. Cable rates are going up because people are cutting. But she said if Council wanted, to introduce an ordinance; this is her position.

DIRECTORS REPORTS:

Finance Dir. Schaeffer: Reminded that the CAFR is still under review by the Auditor of State and released in the next few weeks. The city's healthcare committee mtg. is scheduled for 2 p.m. Wednesday. Gave a brief summary of the Economic Development Fund, based on a review of non-taxable revenue for 2015. The up to 50% transfer would be approx. \$745,000 (represents 50% of non-taxable revenue). Working on amended appropriations legislation, for three readings the next meetings.

Building Comm. Kulcsar: Updated that as of 4 p.m. today the new Bldg. Dept. software is on the computer servers, with dramatically increased speeds. iPads will be next, giving the ability to operate through the system and in the field for inspections. -Property maintenance inspections are now on Rodoan, with half completed; then continue to Outlook (west of Rodoan) and continue south. If anyone has any questions, receives a notice with violations, always feel free to call. The notices are violations, but the Dept. is happy to work with people with different circumstances and abilities to get items completed. Call him or the Bldg. Dept. with any problems. -The old Hong Kong Buffet at Ridge Park Sq. will become the Kintaro Sushi and Hot Pot, having gone under extensive remodeling and changes to the whole business. -Told Councilwoman Pucci, regarding the neighbor next to Ridge Manor (Copperstone), he's not getting a response from them, and suggests the neighbor file a police report. We don't know who the contractor was working for them, and therefore no way to enforce anything that damaged the neighboring property.

Service Dir. Verba: Responded that the trees on the tree lawns are city property, and the responsibility of the city to maintain. There are several tree maintenance issues right now trying to take care of. Call the Service Garage at 216-635-4232 and be put on the list. If it's something that could be catastrophic then they'll check

and take care of it right away. -Responded that the trees in question that were cut down during construction and not replaced, it will be the county that will replace; he is only aware of a few trees (one near McDonald's that will not be replaced). Said if she has addresses he will re-visit the Ridge route to see how many were cut, but he remembers only one or two. If on the tree lawn they will replace it, but not until next year. -Int. Pres. Van Kirk suggested e-mailing Dir. Verba with any other questions. Dir. Verba repeated he will look into it.

LEGISLATION:

ORDINANCE 2015-77, Establishing the full-time position of Economic Development Director with the City of Brooklyn. **(IN ABEYANCE)**

ORDINANCE 2016-32, Establishing Chapter 1362 Certificate of Inspection at Point of Sale, and amending 1360.24 Repair of code violations of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Brooklyn. **(IN ABEYANCE)**

ORDINANCE 2016-58, Establishing Section 135.06 Authority to accept income or other things of value of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Brooklyn. **MOTION** by Tanski, second by Van Kirk to amend the threshold on things of value from \$250 to \$500. **VOTE RESULTED: To Amend:** Yes: Tomusko, Tanski, Paulitzky, Van Kirk. No: Pucci, Balbier, DeMarco. **(AMENDED)** **MOTION** by Tanski, second by Van Kirk to adopt as amended. **To Adopt:** Yes: Tomusko, Pucci, Balbier, Tanski, Paulitzky, Van Kirk, DeMarco. No: None. **(ADOPTED, by emergency, as amended)**

RESOLUTION 2016-8, Authorizing the Mayor to apply to the Ohio Development Services Agency for grant funding under Local Government Innovation Fund Program to implement employee process efficiency training programs. Mayor Gallagher said this Resolution is necessary as part of the grant process; the grant was approved to be applied for on Aug. 1st, this is a follow-up to have a formal approval to apply. **MOTION** by Pucci, second by Van Kirk to suspend the rules. **VOTE RESULTED: Suspend the rules:** Yes: Tomusko, Pucci, Balbier, Tanski, Paulitzky, Van Kirk, DeMarco. No: None. **To Adopt:** Yes: Tomusko, Pucci, Balbier, Tanski, Paulitzky, Van Kirk, DeMarco. No: None. **(ADOPTED, by emergency)**

ORDINANCE 2016-63, Authorizing the purchase of an access control system for the Natatorium and John M. Coyne Recreation Center from Integrated Precision Systems, Inc. for \$17,504.55 through the State of Ohio Govt. pricing. **(SECOND READING)**

ORDINANCE 2016-64, Approving and authorizing the Mayor to execute an amended Community Reinvestment Area Agreement with Clinton Road Partnership and Arrow Int., Inc. Int. Pres. Van Kirk read the amended language. **MOTION** by Pucci, second by Tanski to amend. **VOTE RESULTED: To Amend:** Yes: Tomusko, Pucci, Balbier, Tanski, Paulitzky, Van Kirk, DeMarco. No: None. **(AMENDED)** **MOTION** by Pucci, second by Tanski to suspend the rules, as amended. **VOTE RESULTED: Suspend the rules:** Yes: Tomusko, Pucci, Balbier, Tanski, Paulitzky, Van Kirk, DeMarco. No: None. **To Adopt, as amended:** Yes: Tomusko, Pucci, Balbier, Tanski, Paulitzky, Van Kirk, DeMarco. No: None. **(ADOPTED, by emergency, as amended)**

ORDINANCE 2016-66, Authorizing the Mayor to enter into a master agreement with Time Warner Cable for cable equipment and services. **MOTION** by DeMarco, second by Pucci to suspend the rules. - Councilwoman Pucci pointed out she understands Time Warner provides their service in an antiquated way, so we need the fiber optic cable. It was cut during school construction. She understands the Mayor's objection to having to pay for it; but the other providers don't need that to continue their PEG channels. Also, because there's no longer a mandate for providers to provide communities with PEG channels, we won't be able to re-visit this in the future. Time Warner is being absorbed by a new company, and they've indicated to us this won't be something they'll continue. If we don't do it now, we won't have the opportunity to provide that channel to residents with Time Warner. -Councilwoman Tomusko said the issue is tough because, though she keeps saying we have to watch our spending, she feels communication is important; people's ability to hear the discussion, rather than read a list, is important. And she thinks senior citizens rely on cable for the information, possibly not having computers. It's a lot of money, but it's keeping citizens informed and is probably .000000-something of the budget. **VOTE RESULTED: Suspend the rules:** Yes: Tomusko, Pucci, Balbier, Tanski, Paulitzky, Van Kirk, DeMarco. No: None. **To Adopt:** Yes: Tomusko, Pucci, Balbier, Tanski, Paulitzky, DeMarco. No: Van Kirk. **(ADOPTED, by emergency)**

Councilman DeMarco thanked the Councilmembers that supported the Ordinance.

RESOLUTION 2016-9, Requesting the County Fiscal Officer to advance taxes from the proceeds of the 2016 tax levies, pursuant to the O.R.C. Section 321.34. **MOTION** by Pucci, second by Van Kirk to suspend the rules. **VOTE RESULTED: Suspend the rules:** Yes: Tomusko, Pucci, Balbier, Tanski, Paulitzky, Van Kirk, DeMarco. No: None. *To Adopt:* Yes: Tomusko, Pucci, Balbier, Tanski, Paulitzky, Van Kirk, DeMarco. No: None. **(ADOPTED, by emergency)**

RESOLUTION 2016-10, Supporting the efforts of the Utility Workers of America (UWUA) Local 270 to reinstate FirstEnergy's healthcare cost sharing for active members and retirees. **(FIRST READING)**

ORDINANCE 2016-68, Authorizing a purchase and service agreement between the City of Brooklyn and Bailey Communications, Inc. for new Voice Over IP phone system and full-service five-year agreement in the amount of \$181,506.93. **(FIRST READING)**

ORDINANCE 2016-69, To authorize the emergency rebuild of compressors at the John M. Coyne Recreation Center in the amount of \$30,309 from Brewer Garrett. **MOTION** by Pucci, second by Tomusko to suspend the rules. **VOTE RESULTED: Suspend the rules:** Yes: Tomusko, Pucci, Balbier, Tanski, Paulitzky, Van Kirk, DeMarco. No: None. *To Adopt:* Yes: Tomusko, Pucci, Balbier, Tanski, Paulitzky, Van Kirk, DeMarco. No: None. **(ADOPTED, by emergency)**

Mayor Gallagher said the last Ordinance for the compressors, it is something of a necessity, but it wasn't planned for in our budget. \$30,000 just dropped like that, because of the age of our buildings. Going back to that needs assessment, and the ability to start being proactive with what we're doing in the city; this is an example of that we need to look to the future and start taking care of our buildings, so not to have these expenditures pop up. Some might think \$30,000 is a lot, and huge when talking about planning. The Finance Director's eyes light up any time there's any kind of expenditure. So it's important as we go into work sessions to talk about next year's budget and the needs assessment, we need to look big picture and financially long-term in the city going forward.

There being no further business, **MOTION** by Pucci, second by Tanski to adjourn. **VOTE RESULTED: To Adjourn:** Yes: Tomusko, Pucci, Balbier, Tanski, Paulitzky, Van Kirk, DeMarco. No: None. **(ADJOURNED)**

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