

**WOODMERE VILLAGE  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF  
MARCH 11, 2015**

**CALL TO ORDER:** The Woodmere Village Regular Council Meeting of March 11, 2015 was called to order by Council President Benjamin I. Holbert, III at 7:12 PM.

**ROLL CALL:** The Roll was called by Clerk of Council Sheryl C. Blakemore.

**Present:** Council President Benjamin I. Holbert, III, Councilwoman Lisa Brockwell, Councilman Tennyson Adams, Councilwoman Jennifer Mitchell Earley, Councilwoman Glenda Todd Miller, Councilman Azaadjeet Singh, Councilman Craig Wade; Law Director Frank Consolo, Treasurer Thomas M. Cornhoff, Fire Chief Johnny Brewington, and Building Inspector Nino Monaco.

**Absent:** Mayor Charles Smith, Police Chief Sheila Mason (Sgt. Colon was in her place) and Director of Public Service James A. Fisher.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison.

**MINUTES:**

A **MOTION** was made [Singh, Brockwell] to **APPROVE** the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of February 11, 2015. The Motion **PASSED** by a 7/0 vote.

**MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:** There were no comments from the public at this time.

**PENDING LEGISLATION:**

**2014-118:** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH SUITE SPOT, LLC. TO PROMOTE AND MARKET THE VILLAGE IN CONNECTION WITH THE 2016 REPUBLICAN CONVENTION, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

A **MOTION** was made [Miller, Earley] to **REMOVE THIS ORDINANCE FROM THE TABLE**. The Motion **PASSED** by a 7/0 vote.

A **MOTION** was made [ Miller, Earley] to **PASS** this Ordinance. The Motion **FAILED** by a 0/7 vote.

**NEW LEGISLATION:**

**2015-15:** A RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION AND CONGRATULATIONS FOR MRS. JAN MITCHELL was **PASSED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT**.

Councilwoman Jennifer Mitchell Earley read this Resolution into the Record. Shelly Strickland and Fran Henry spoke about the accomplishments of Mrs. Mitchell (mother of Councilwoman Earley). Councilwoman Earley expressed her thanks to Council and to her friends in the audience who had come to support this legislation.

**2015-16:** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH SIRNA CONSTRUCTION TO PERFORM A CATCH BASIN REBUILD AT NIGHT AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF WEST BRAINARD ROAD AND CHAGRIN BOULEVARD, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

A **MOTION** was made [Earley, Singh] to **PASS THIS ORDINANCE BY EMERGENCY**. The Roll Call Vote for Suspension of the Rules and the Roll Call Vote for Passage both **PASSED** by 7/0 vote.

A presentation was made by Dan Neff of Neff and Associates concerning the Eton West End Project (2015-17). Also present were Susan Frankel and Rebecca Hegyes. There was much discussion concerning the project.

Law Director Consolo recommended that the plans be revised and resubmitted to Planning and Zoning and ARB. The plans presented tonight had not been vetted by Planning and Zoning nor the Architectural Review Board.

**2015-17:** A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION TO GRANT VARIOUS RELATED PROPERTY OWNERS A VARIANCE TO THE DRIVE AISLE WIDTHS AND LOADING ZONE REQUIRED FOR THE CHAGRIN BRAINARD RESTAURANT PROJECT, THE CHAGRIN BRAINARD RETAIL PROJECT AND THE TRADER JOE'S PROJECT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

A **MOTION** was made [Miller, Earley] to **REFER THIS ORDINANCE BACK TO PLANNING AND ZONING**. The Motion **PASSED** by a 7/0 vote.

**2015-18:** A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE GRANT AND CONVEYANCE OF A PERPETUAL RIGHT-OF-WAY AND EASEMENT FROM CHAGRIN RETAIL, LLC. FOR THE INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE OF A WATER MAIN FOR THE PURPOSE OF SUPPLYING WATER SERVICE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY was placed on **FIRST READING**.

**2015-19:** ANN ORDINANCE RE-ZONING THE PROPERTY OWNED BY CHAGRIN RETAIL, LLC. KNOWN AS ETON CHAGRIN BOULEVARD AND THE PROPERTY OWNED BY BRAINARD OFFICES, LLC. KNOWN AS WEST END-ETON CHAGRIN BOULEVARD TO U-3 GENERAL BUSINESS DISTRICT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY was placed on **FIRST READING**.

**2015-20:** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, OFFICE OF CONTRACTS, PURCHASING SERVICES, COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM FOR THE PURCHASE OF SODIUM CHLORIDE/ROCK SALT FOR THE 2015-2016 WINTER SEASON AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

A **MOTION** was made [Earley, Adams] to **PASS THIS ORDINANCE BY EMERGENCY**. The Motion **PASSED** by a 7/0 vote.

A **MOTION** was made [Miller, Wade] to **APPROVE THE WOODMERE VILLAGE FEBRUARY, 2015 EXPENDITURES AS RECOMMENDED BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE**. The Motion **PASSED** by a 7/0 vote.

**REPORTS OF THE DEPARTMENTS:** (Reports are submitted in writing).

**Mayor Smith:** Absent.

**Law Director Consolo:** No report.

**Treasurer Cornhoff:** His report was submitted in writing.

**Police Chief Mason:** Absent. Sgt. Colon had to leave for an emergency so Fire Chief Brewington submitted the written Police Report to Council.

**Building Inspector Monaco:** His written report was submitted.

**Clerk of Council Blakemore:** No report.

**Fire Chief Brewington:** He submitted his written report. The Insurance Service Organization will be in Woodmere next month to rate the Village. Fire equipment is undergoing testing. Our truck is in the shop so Pepper Pike is assisting the Village as needed.

**Director of Public Service Fisher:** Written report was submitted.

**Planning and Zoning Representative Adams:** Some of the Planning and Zoning discussions are reflected in the Agenda (2015-16, 2015-17, 2015-18, 2015-19). Building Inspector Monaco stated that Trader Joe's broke ground this morning. Councilman Adams asked when Trader Joe's is scheduled for opening (Maybe September).

**REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEES:** (Reports are submitted in writing).

**Finance/Grants (Brockwell):** Treasurer Cornhoff prepared the minutes of the meeting which were available for Council and the public in writing.

**Safety (Miller):** No report

**Utilities (Adams):** Some items discussed at the meeting include: light signal project, catch basin, and maintenance for the generator. Clerk Blakemore asked about the entrance/exit to the Village Square shopping center. People are using both drives as entrance/exit. Police will keep an eye out and maybe the drives need to be re-stripped to make it clear that one drive is for entrance only and the other for exit.

**Youth/Education (Mayor):** Absent

**Legislation (Holbert):** The legislation committee meeting minutes are reflected in the Agenda.

**UNFINISHED/OLD BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:** None

**MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:** (Time limit of five minutes).

**Michael McClain** of Maplecrest complained that the mud on Chagrin Boulevard from construction is getting all over his truck as he drives by. **Building Inspector Monaco** suggested that the construction company should clean up any debris and he will keep an eye on the road as his schedule permits. He also suggested a wash station and that perhaps the location of the driveway needs to be changed. **Councilwoman Earley** asked if Mr. Monaco would be available for all on-site inspections (No). Mr. Sonenstein is not licensed in all areas and therefore will also not be available. **Chief Brewington** stated that he needs to know who is in charge at each work site so that he can complete his reports.

**Alberta Fanning** of Irving Park asked who tests our water. **Building Inspector Monaco** replied that there have been several water main breaks in Cleveland lately and that may have had an impact on the water in the Village. He also recommended that Mrs. Fanning could ask the Health Department to do a check on her water quality. Mrs. Fanning also stated that she is a victim of identity theft.

**Cynthia Samples** of Irving Park asked about Ordinance 2015-19. She wanted to know what the property had been zoned previously (U-2 and U-4). She also asked about Ordinance 2015-18 and why the need for the water line.

**Mr. McClain** asked about 2015-20. Law Director Consolo explained that the Village was attempting to get the best price for rock salt. Mr. McClain also asked about the chemicals used to stabilize rock salt. He is concerned that those chemicals will leech into his property.

**Councilman Wade** said that one site has already been contaminated by the rock salt and that maybe the rock salt should stay where it is and not move to the new Service Center location.

**MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT:**

A **MOTION** was made [Singh, Earley] to **ADJOURN** the Woodmere Village Regular Council Meeting of March 11, 2015 at 8:37 PM. The Motion **PASSED** by a 7/0 vote.

The Woodmere Village Regular Council Meeting Minutes of March 11, 2015 were approved by:

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Benjamin I. Holbert, III, President of Council

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Sheryl C. Blakemore, Clerk of Council

The minutes were approved by Council on \_\_\_\_\_