

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING  
CITY OF UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS  
APRIL 6, 2009

Mayor Rothschild called the meeting to order at 7:38 p.m.

Roll Call: Present: Mrs. Adele H. Zucker  
Ms. Frankie B. Goldberg  
Mr. Steven D. Bullock  
Mr. Peter R. Bernardo  
Mr. Kevin Patrick Murphy  
Mr. Steven Sims

Absent: Mr. Frank Consolo

Also Present: Law Director Kenneth J. Fisher  
Secretary Kelly Thomas  
Finance Director Arman R. Ochoa  
Chief of Police Gary Stehlik  
Fire Chief John Pitchler  
Community Coordinator Walter Stinson  
Building Commissioner David Menn  
Service Director Christopher Vild  
City Engineer Joseph R. Ciuni

**MOTION BY MR. BERNARDO, SECONDED BY MR. SIMS to excuse the absence of Mr. Consolo. On roll call, all voted “aye.”**

Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes of the regular meeting held on March 16, 2009

The minutes of March 16, 2009 were not available.

Comments from the Audience

Katie Stepheson, student of John Carroll University (JCU), invited the city officials to join them at the annual “Relay for Life” event to be held on the JCU campus on April 25 and 26, 2009.

Sarah Cornell informed officials that there will be a Concerned Citizens for University Heights Committee meeting on Monday, April 13, 2009 at 7:00 PM at the University Heights Library.

Reports and Communication from the Mayor and the taking of action:

Mayor Rothschild congratulated Chief of Police Gary Stehlik for the \$100,000 grant which the department was awarded for the purchase of equipment.

Mayor Rothschild informed the Council that the April 8, 2009 Records Retention Commission meeting has been cancelled, but will be rescheduled.

Mayor Rothschild reported that Luke Frazier, executive director of the First Suburbs Consortium, has resigned his position effective April 10, 2009.

Agenda Items:

**A. Motion to accept bid for 2009 Purvis Park Concession Operation (2<sup>nd</sup> Reading)**

Bids were opened on March 12, 2009 for the Purvis Park Concession Operation. One bid was received from Snacks and Stuff, Inc. in the amount of 12% of gross sales.

**MOTION BY MS. GOLDBERG, SECONDED BY MRS. ZUCKER to accept bid of Snacks and Stuff, Inc. for the 2009 Purvis Park Concession Operation. On roll call, on passage, all voted “aye.”**

**B. Ordinance No. 2009-20 to provide the issuance and sale of Bond Anticipation Notes in anticipation of the issuance of Bonds for various purposes**

Ordinance No. 2009-20 provides for the issuance and sale of \$2,914,000 Bond Anticipation Notes in anticipation of the issuance of Bonds for various purposes. The bonds are being rolled over along with the October Notes of \$414,000.00 which was hard to sell last year and \$100,000.00 is being paid toward the principal. It was noted that the advantage of issuing this note instead of a bond is that "A" rated paper is not selling and currently the interest rate on a bond is about 5.25% where as the note rate is around 2.5% - 3%.

**MOTION BY MR. SIMS, SECONDED BY MS. GOLDBERG to approve the passage of Ordinance No. 2009-20 as an emergency measure. On roll call, on suspension of rules, all voted "aye." On roll call, on passage, all voted "aye."**

**C. Motion to request funding for the Charter Review Commission to conduct a educational city-wide bulk mailing**

**MOTION BY MS. SIMS, SECONDED BY MR. BULLOCK to approve funding for a bulk mailing as requested by the Charter Review Commission in an amount not to exceed \$1,500.00. On roll call, on passage, all voted "aye."**

**D. Motion to hold an executive session immediately following this regular meeting for the purpose of discussing personnel, litigation and real estate matters**

An executive session was not required.

Directors' Reports:

**Law Director Kenneth J. Fisher** reported that the Harbourt property located at 2608 Ashurst Road property has been researched and the large judgment lien against the property has been satisfied; however currently the court's journal entry does not reflect that the judgment has been satisfied. When this is accomplished then the Council will be able to reconsider taking ownership of the property. It was suggested that consideration be given to rehabilitating /repairing the home.

**Chief of Police Gary Stehlik** informed Council that the City was awarded a \$100,000 grant through the federal stimulus funds under the Byrne/JAG Grant. The grant funds will be used for the purchase of equipment for the Police Department.

**Service Director Christopher Vild** reported that the salt trucks are ready if needed for an anticipated snow storm. He also reported that the City will be included in ODOT's bid in May for next year's salt purchase.

**Community Coordinator Walter Stinson** reported that the Summer Recreation Brochure is currently being printed.

**MOTION BY MR. BULLOCK, SECONDED BY MS. GOLDBERG to add a motion to the agenda to advertise for bids for the Cleveland Water Department, Water Main Replacement. On roll call, all voted "aye."**

The reason for this request is to repair the location where the Water Department replaced the waterline on Groveland Road which had four breaks last year and a 6" line was replaced with an 8" line on Saybrook Road.

**MOTION BY MR. BULLOCK, SECONDED BY MS. GOLDBERG to advertise for bids for the Cleveland Water Department, Water Main Replacements for Saybrook Road (University Boulevard to Traymore) and Groveland Road (Wrenford to Milton). On roll call, on passage, all voted "aye."**

Committee Reports:

**Building Committee** Chairman Peter R. Bernardo reported that a Building Committee meeting has been scheduled for April 21, 2009 at 7:00 PM in the conference room.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

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Mayor Beryl E. Rothschild

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Nancy E. English, Clerk of Council