

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE  
COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRECKSVILLE**

August 20, 2024

**HELD** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Call to Order**

**1:14:56**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Roll Call**

Present: Council President D. Caruso, Councilmembers: D. Bender; A. Ganim; M. Jantzen; A. Koepke; B. Stucky. Mayor Kingston, Law Director D. Matty, Asst. Law Director L. Sabol, City Engineer Wise, Finance Director L. Starosta, Fire Chief M. Bender, Police Chief Korinek, Service Director J. Kickel, IT Specialist M. Rapkin, Clerk T. Tabor.

Absent: Vice President B. Savage.

**Approval of Minutes**

**1. Approval of August 6, 2024 Council Minutes**

Motion made by Ganim, Seconded by Koepke.

Voting Yea: Bender, Caruso, Ganim, Jantzen, Koepke, Stucky.

**1:15:58**

**New Business**

**2. RES. 5589** - a Resolution appointing David M. Ineman as a part-time Firefighter/Paramedic in the Brecksville Fire Department.

Motion for suspension made by Ganim, Seconded by Koepke.

Voting Yea: Bender, Caruso, Ganim, Jantzen, Koepke, Stucky

Nays: None.

Motion by Stucky, seconded by Bender, to pass Resolution 5589.

Voting Yea: Bender, Caruso, Ganim, Jantzen, Koepke, Stucky.

Nays: None.

**MOTION CARRIED: 6- Ayes, 0-Nays, 0-Abstain.**

**Oath of Office**

Mayor Kingston issued the oath of office to Firefighter Ineman. Mayor Kingston said Mr. Ineman is a full time firefighter with the Broadview Heights Fire Department. Mr. Ineman's wife Nicole had the honor of pinning the badge of firefighter on her husband.

**1:20:23**

**3. RES. 5590** - a Resolution appointing Alexander M. Caleris as a part-time Firefighter/EMT in the City of Brecksville Fire Department.

Motion for suspension made by Ganim, Seconded by Koepke.

Voting Yea: Bender, Caruso, Ganim, Jantzen, Koepke, Stucky

Nays: None.

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Motion by Stucky, seconded by Bender, to pass Resolution 5590.  
Voting Yea: Bender, Caruso, Ganim, Jantzen, Koepke, Stucky.  
Nays: None.

**MOTION CARRIED: 6- Ayes, 0-Nays, 0-Abstain.**

**Oath of Office**

Mayor Kingston said Mr. Caleris is a part-time firefighter in the city of Broadview Heights. Mayor Kingston issued the oath of office to firefighter Caleris. Alex's mother Christina had the honor of pinning the badge of firefighter on her son.

4. **RES. 5591** - a Resolution promoting and appointing Matthew P. Sternad to the position of Lieutenant in the Fire Department of the City of Brecksville.

Motion for suspension made by Ganim, Seconded by Koepke.  
Voting Yea: Bender, Caruso, Ganim, Jantzen, Koepke, Stucky  
Nays: None.

Motion by Stucky, seconded by Bender, to pass Resolution 5591.  
Voting Yea: Bender, Caruso, Ganim, Jantzen, Koepke, Stucky.  
Nays: None.

**MOTION CARRIED: 6- Ayes, 0-Nays, 0-Abstain.**

**Oath of Office**

Mayor Kingston said Matt Sternad has been with the City of Brecksville for several years and is part of a firefighting family. Mr. Sternad is very accomplished and some of his duties include coordinating fire hydrant flushing and maintenance, maintains the inventory of medications and maintains the protective clothing and uniforms of firefighters. Firefighter Sternad assists with fire safety inspections and pre-plans of businesses in our community.

Mayor Kingston administered the oath of office and his wife Rebecca pinned the badge of Lieutenant to her husband.

**1:23:38**

5. **RES. 5592** - a Resolution appointing Viorel A. Psepolschi to the position of Police Officer in the Police Department of the City of Brecksville.

Motion for suspension made by Ganim, Seconded by Koepke.  
Voting Yea: Bender, Caruso, Ganim, Jantzen, Koepke, Stucky  
Nays: None.

Motion by Stucky, seconded by Bender, to pass Resolution 5592.  
Voting Yea: Bender, Caruso, Ganim, Jantzen, Koepke, Stucky.  
Nays: None.

**MOTION CARRIED: 6- Ayes, 0-Nays, 0-Abstain.**

**Oath of Office**

**1:30:10**

6. **Beautification Committee Award Presentation** - Presentation of Beatification Committee Awards.

Kathryn A. Eskins, Andrea and Brian Marshall, Sandra & Jeffery Martin, Melanie and Barry Smith

Melanie and Barry Smith  
7791 Oakhurst Circle

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Andrea and Brian Marshall  
4562 Hunting Valley Lane

Kathryn A. Eskins  
6732 Mallard Drive

**1:43:41**

7. **RES. 5593** - a Resolution accepting a Permanent Easement for construction, reconstruction, operating, maintaining, repairing and replacing public utilities, and appurtenances thereto in, under, across and through certain lands owned by Raimo Perttu & Charmian Perttu and known as PPN 602-08-03.

Motion for suspension made by Ganim, Seconded by Koepke.  
Voting Yea: Bender, Caruso, Ganim, Jantzen, Koepke, Stucky  
Nays: None.

Motion by Stucky, seconded by Bender, to pass Resolution 5593.  
Voting Yea: Bender, Caruso, Ganim, Jantzen, Koepke, Stucky.  
Nays: None.

**MOTION CARRIED: 6- Ayes, 0-Nays, 0-Abstain.**

**1:44:58**

8. **RES. 5594** - a Resolution accepting a Temporary Easement Easement across certain lands owned by Raimo Perttu & Charmian Perttu and known as PPN 602-08-035.

Motion for suspension made by Ganim, Seconded by Koepke.  
Voting Yea: Bender, Caruso, Ganim, Jantzen, Koepke, Stucky  
Nays: None.

Motion by Stucky, seconded by Bender, to pass Resolution 5594.  
Voting Yea: Bender, Caruso, Ganim, Jantzen, Koepke, Stucky.  
Nays: None.

**MOTION CARRIED: 6- Ayes, 0-Nays, 0-Abstain.**

**1:45:47**

9. **ORD. 5730** - an Ordinance authorizing the trade- in of police firearms no longer needed for municipal purposes to Pro Armament.

Motion for suspension made by Ganim, Seconded by Koepke.  
Voting Yea: Bender, Caruso, Ganim, Jantzen, Koepke, Stucky  
Nays: None.

Motion by Stucky, seconded by Bender, to pass Ordinance 5730.  
Voting Yea: Bender, Caruso, Ganim, Jantzen, Koepke, Stucky.  
Nays: None.

**MOTION CARRIED: 6- Ayes, 0-Nays, 0-Abstain.**

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- 10. ORD. 5731** - an Ordinance authorizing the purchase of rifles and accessories for use by the Police Department from Pro Armament.

Motion for suspension made by Ganim, Seconded by Koepke.

Voting Yea: Bender, Caruso, Ganim, Jantzen, Koepke, Stucky

Nays: None.

Motion by Stucky, seconded by Bender, to pass Ordinance 5731.

Voting Yea: Bender, Caruso, Ganim, Jantzen, Koepke, Stucky.

Nays: None.

**MOTION CARRIED: 6- Ayes, 0-Nays, 0-Abstain.**

**1:47:23**

**Report of Council Representatives:**

**Board of Zoning Appeals:** Council Member Stucky said the next meeting of the Board of Zoning Appeals will be September 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM.

**Appeal 2024-28 Marshall Wright for Cheryl Kapolka 9681 Barr Road** - Approve the request of Marshall Wright on behalf of Cheryl Kapolka for a variance from Section 1151.24 that the combined side yard for a one family lot in an R-20 District be 30' to allow 25'6" for a garage addition, as shown on the application dated June 26, 2024, located at 9681 Barr Road, PPN 603-17-007.

Motion to approve by Stucky, seconded by Bender.

Voting Yea: Bender, Caruso, Ganim, Jantzen, Koepke, Stucky.

Nays: None.

**MOTION CARRIED: 6- Ayes, 0-Nays, 0-Abstain.**

**Appeal 2024-29 Grant and Patricia Reed 10200 Woodview Way** - Approve the request of Grant and Patricia Reed for a variance from Section 1183.08(a) that the total number of open accessory parking spaces shall not exceed three (3) to permit approximately four (4) spaces, as shown on the application dated July 15, 2024, located at 10200 Woodview Way, PPN 605-24-029.

Motion to approve by Stucky, seconded by Bender.

Voting Yea: Bender, Caruso, Ganim, Jantzen, Koepke, Stucky.

Nays: None.

**MOTION CARRIED: 6- Ayes, 0-Nays, 0-Abstain.**

**1:49:06**

**Planning Commission:** Council Member Caruso said the next meeting of the Planning Commission will be held August 22, 2024 at 7:00 PM.

**Private Pavilion in R-40 PDA Summit Circle** : Move to allow the installation of a 16' x 16' private pavilion in The Summit, an R-40 Planned Development Area, at 5500 Summit Circle, Brecksville, OH 44141, as described in the application dated June 11, 2024, and attached drawings.

Motion to approve by Caruso, seconded by Stucky.

Voting Yea: Bender, Caruso, Ganim, Jantzen, Koepke, Stucky.

Nays: None.

**MOTION CARRIED: 6- Ayes, 0-Nays, 0-Abstain.**

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**CVCC Construction Classroom & Lab 8001 Brecksville Rd;** Final approval for the construction of a 2-story, 21,495 sq ft construction lab and classroom at the Cuyahoga Valley Career Center, 8001 Brecksville Road, Brecksville, Ohio, PPN 601-10-034, as described in the application dated June 7, 2024, and attached drawings by GPD Group, contingent upon approval by the City Engineer and City Council.

Motion to approve by Caruso, seconded by Stucky.

Voting Yea: Bender, Caruso, Ganim, Jantzen, Koepke, Stucky.

Nays: None.

**MOTION CARRIED: 6- Ayes, 0-Nays, 0-Abstain.**

**Public Hearing:** Solar Panel Installation 8531 Riverview Road the Brecksville Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Thursday, September 5, 2024, at 7:00 pm at Brecksville City Hall, 9069 Brecksville Road, Brecksville, Ohio, to hear a request for a residential Solar Photovoltaic System that requires Planning & Zoning Code deviations, proposed at 8531 Riverview Road, Brecksville, OH, 44141.

**1:51:11**

**Recreation Commission:** Council Member Ganim reported the next meeting of the Recreation Commission will be on August 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM. Council member Ganim thanked Luis and the staff at the Community Center for the work they did at the pools during the past summer.

**Human Services Advisory Board:** Council Member Koepke said the next meeting of the Human Services Advisory Board will be September 10<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 PM.

**1:52:26**

**Report of Council Committees:**

**Safety-Service:** Council Member Koepke said the committee met earlier tonight and has two items for council's consideration.

**Police Drone -** Approval of a Purchase Requisition in the amount of \$16,299.00 for the purchase of a Police Department Drone and associated equipment and license to operate a drone. Account # C1100210 - 33000 Project ID EQ240015.

Motion for passage by Koepke, seconded by Ganim.

Voting Yea: Bender, Caruso, Ganim, Jantzen, Koepke, Stucky.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

**MOTION CARRIED: 6- Ayes, 0-Nays, 0-Abstain**

**Rubbish Packer Sweep Panel -** Approval of a purchase requisition to Environmental Equipment for the purchase of a replacement sweep panel and related equipment for rubbish packer B-72 in the amount of \$6,373.01. Account # 1100420 - 26020

Motion for passage by Koepke, seconded by Ganim.

Voting Yea: Bender, Caruso, Ganim, Jantzen, Koepke, Stucky.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

**MOTION CARRIED: 6- Ayes, 0-Nays, 0-Abstain**

**1:53:32**

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**Streets & Sidewalks:** Council Member Stucky said the committee met earlier tonight and has no items for council's consideration.

**Utilities:** Council Member Ganim said the committee met earlier tonight and has no items for council's consideration.

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**Buildings & Grounds:** Council Member Jantzen said the committee met earlier tonight and has two items for council's consideration.

**ADA Pool Chair Lift -** Approval of a purchase requisition to Pool Supply Unlimited in the amount of \$8,264.79 for the purchase of a new SR Smith Splash, ADA Compliant Pool Life for the Jack A Hruby Natatorium. Account #C2400710-33000

Motion for passage by Jantzen, seconded by Ganim.

Voting Yea: Bender, Caruso, Ganim, Jantzen, Koepke, Stucky.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

**MOTION CARRIED: 6- Ayes, 0-Nays, 0-Abstain.**

**Fitness Equipment -** Approval of a purchase requisition to G&G Fitness Equipment in the amount of \$23,438.80 for the purchase of (9) new pieces of equipment for the Community Center fitness area.

Motion for passage by Jantzen, seconded by Ganim.

Voting Yea: Bender, Caruso, Ganim, Jantzen, Koepke, Stucky.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

**MOTION CARRIED: 6- Ayes, 0-Nays, 0-Abstain.**

**1:54:53**

**Legislation:** Council Member Bender said the committee met earlier tonight has no items for Council's consideration. Council Member Bender congratulated the new appointments and promotion to the Fire and Police Departments.

**Finance:** Council Member Kopeke said the committee met earlier tonight and has no items for council's consideration.

**Report of the Department Directors:**

**Director of Law: D. Matty:** No Report.

**Engineer: G. Wise:** No Report.

**Chief Building Official: S. Packard:** No Report.

**Director of Service: J. Kickel** No Report.

**Director of Purchasing: M. Bartkiewicz** Director Bartkiewicz thanked Mayor Kingston for the appointment to the position of Purchasing Director.

**Chief of Police Department: S. Korinek:** Police Chief Korinek thanked Council for appointing a new officer to the police Department. The Police Department body worn cameras are now operational.

**Chief of Fire Department: M. Bender:** Fire Chief Bender thanked Council for the appointment and promotions in the Fire Department.

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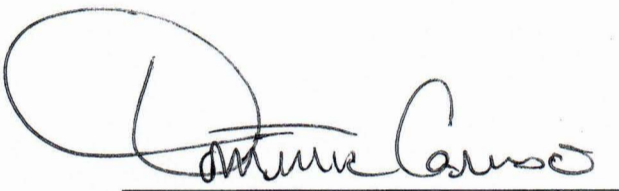
**Report of the Mayor:** Mayor Kingston congratulated Monica Bartkiewicz on her appointment to the position of Purchasing Director. City offices will be closed on Labor Day September 2<sup>nd</sup>, the Community Center will be open 10:00 AM -5:00 PM. The Fire Department will hold its annual Clam Bake on September 7<sup>th</sup>. Mayor Kingston offered his condolences to Service Director Kickel on the loss of his Mother.

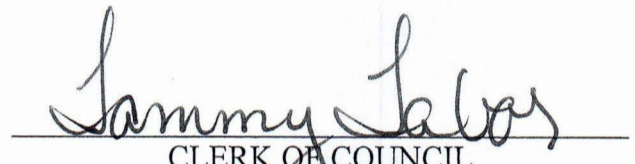
**Adjournment**

**8:43 PM**

Motion made by Caruso, Seconded by Stucky.

Voting Yea: Bender, Caruso, Ganim, Jantzen, Koepke, Stucky.

  
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PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

  
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CLERK OF COUNCIL