

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

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Council was **CALLED TO ORDER** in Regular Session by Council President **CALL TO ORDER**
Redinger at 8:00 P.M. in Ralph W. Biggs Council Chambers.

Following the **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**, members of Council answered to **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
ROLL CALL as follows:

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| Members Present: | D. Kingston, A. Koepke, L. Redinger, B. Savage, B. Stucky. | ROLL CALL |
| Members Absent: | D. Caruso, AJ Ganim. | |
| Others Present: | Mayor Jerry N. Hrubby, Law Director D. Matty, Engineer G. Wise, Finance Director L. Starosta, CBO S. Packard, Economic and Community Dev. Director, M. Bartkiewicz, Purchasing Director R. Riser, Fire Chief N. Zamiska, Police Chief S. Korinek, Service Director J. Kickel, IT Technician P. Packard, Council Clerk T. Tabor. | |

1:30:34

MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 3, 2023 REGULAR MEETING: Motion by **REGULAR MEETING**
Kingston, seconded by Koepke, to dispense with the reading of the October 3, 2023 regular **MINUTES OF**
meeting minutes and to accept same as presented. **10-3-2023**
Ayes: Kingston, Koepke, Redinger, Savage, Stucky. **APPROVED**
Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED 5-AYES, 0-NAYS.

1:31:06

RESOLUTION 5466 re: a Resolution appointing Alexander J. Haffner as a full- **RES. 5466**
time Firefighter/Paramedic in the City of Brecksville Fire Department; and declaring an **APPOINTING**
emergency, was read by title. **ALEXANDER J.**
Motion by Kingston, seconded by Koepke, to suspend the rules and place Resolution **HAFFNER AS A**
5466 on third and final reading. **FULL TIME**
Ayes: Kingston, Koepke, Redinger, Savage, Stucky. **FIREFIGHTER**
Nays: None. **PARAMEDIC**

MOTION CARRIED 5-AYES, 0-NAYS.

Motion by Stucky, seconded by Savage, to pass Resolution 5466.

Ayes: Kingston, Koepke, Redinger, Savage, Stucky.

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED 5-AYES, 0-NAYS.

Mayor Hrubby said Alexander Haffner is currently with the City as a part time **COMMENTS**
firefighter. Mr. Haffner has done an outstanding job and with the results of his test and
interview process we are recommending his appointment to a full time position. Alexander
earned his Ohio Paramedic and Firefighter certification through Cuyahoga Community
College. Firefighter Haffner is currently pursuing his associate degree related to firefighting
and Emergency Management. Alex comes from a long family of firefighters currently his
father and his brother both are members of the Strongsville Fire Department. He enjoys
physical fitness training, hiking, soccer, football, and other outdoor activities. Mayor Hrubby
administered the oath of office. Alexander introduced his father, Dave, who had the honor
of installing the badge on his son. Also in attendance were his mother Michelle, his brother
David and many members of his family.

1:36:15

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RESOLUTION 5467 re: a Resolution appointing William J. Lovell as a full-time Firefighter/Paramedic in the City of Brecksville Fire Department; and declaring an emergency, was read by title.

Motion by Kingston, seconded by Koepke, to suspend the rules and place Resolution 5467 on third and final reading.

Ayes: Kingston, Koepke, Redinger, Savage, Stucky.

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED 5-AYES, 0-NAYS.

Motion by Stucky, seconded by Savage, to pass Resolution 5467.

Ayes: Kingston, Koepke, Redinger, Savage, Stucky.

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED 5-AYES, 0-NAYS.

Mayor Hruby said Firefighter Lovell comes from the City of Aurora, where he is working as a part time firefighter. He attended Auburn Career Center where he obtained the State of Ohio certification for firefighter and paramedic. Firefighter Lovell attended Kent State University where he attained his Bachelor of Arts in biology. Firefighter Lovell's father is also in the fire service as the Assistant Fire Chief for the Bainbridge Fire Department. William also enjoys football and working on his physical fitness. He is about to be married to Brianna. Mayor Hruby administered the oath of office. William introduced his fiancé Brianna, who had the honor of installing the badge on Firefighter Lovell. Also in attendance were his mother, father and Brother. William's grandparents and future in-laws were also in attendance.

Mayor Hruby thanked the many members of the Fire and Police Department in attendance to support the newly appointed firefighters. Retired Brecksville Firefighter Lt. Patrick Coleman was also in attendance. Mayor Hruby thanked the families and will do everything the City can to keep the men safe and return the firefighters to their families in the same condition.

1:42:28

RESOLUTION 5468 re: a Resolution authorizing the Mayor to submit an application for Cuyahoga County's 2024 Community Development Supplemental Grant program for funding to implement a community development project; and declaring an emergency, was read by title.

Motion by Kingston, seconded by Koepke, to suspend the rules and place Resolution 5468 on third and final reading.

Ayes: Kingston, Koepke, Redinger, Savage, Stucky.

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED 5-AYES, 0-NAYS.

Motion by Stucky, seconded by Savage, to pass Resolution 5468.

Ayes: Kingston, Koepke, Redinger, Savage, Stucky.

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED 5-AYES, 0-NAYS.

1:43:10

ORDINANCE 5650 re: an Ordinance accepting the proposals of Medical Mutual of Ohio for employee healthcare insurance, administration of the employee healthcare insurance program, and for the provision of healthcare stop loss insurance; and declaring an emergency, was read by title.

Motion by Kingston, seconded by Koepke, to suspend the rules and place Ordinance 5650 on third and final reading.

Ayes: Kingston, Koepke, Redinger, Savage, Stucky.

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED 5-AYES, 0-NAYS.

Motion by Stucky, seconded by Savage, to pass Ordinance 5650.

Ayes: Kingston, Koepke, Redinger, Savage, Stucky.

Nays: None.

**RES. 5467
APPOINTING
WILLIAM J.
LOVELL AS A
FULL TIME
FIREFIGHTER
PARAMEDIC**

COMMENTS

**RES. 5468
CUYAHOGA
COUNTY'S 2024
COMMUNITY
DEVELOP
MENT
SUPPLEMEN
TAL GRANT
APPLICATION**

**ORD. 5650
ACCEPT THE
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MOTION CARRIED 5-AYES, 0-NAYS.

**STOP LOSS
INSURANCE**

1:44:07

ORDINANCE 5651 re: an Ordinance accepting the proposal of Delta Dental for an employee dental insurance program; and declaring an emergency, was read by title.

Motion by Kingston, seconded by Koepke, to suspend the rules and place Ordinance 5651 on third and final reading.

Ayes: Kingston, Koepke, Redinger, Savage, Stucky.

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED 5-AYES, 0-NAYS.

Motion by Stucky, seconded by Savage, to pass Ordinance 5651.

Ayes: Kingston, Koepke, Redinger, Savage, Stucky.

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED 5-AYES, 0-NAYS.

**ORD. 5651
ACCEPTING
THE
PROPOSAL OF
DELTA
DENTAL FOR
EMPLOYEE
DENTAL
INSURANCE
PROGRAM**

1:44:56

ORDINANCE 5652 re: an Ordinance authorizing a contract with Lincoln National Life Insurance Company for an employee life insurance program; and declaring an emergency, was read by title.

Motion by Kingston, seconded by Koepke, to suspend the rules and place Ordinance 5652 on third and final reading.

Ayes: Kingston, Koepke, Redinger, Savage, Stucky.

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED 5-AYES, 0-NAYS.

Motion by Stucky, seconded by Savage, to pass Ordinance 5652.

Ayes: Kingston, Koepke, Redinger, Savage, Stucky.

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED 5-AYES, 0-NAYS.

**ORD. 5652
LINCOLN
NATIONAL
LIFE
INSURANCE
COMPANY FOR
AN EMPLOYEE
LIFE
INSURANCE
PROGRAM**

1:45:37

ORDINANCE 5653 re: an Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 5570, making appropriations for current expenses of the City of Brecksville during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2023, making necessary appropriation and revenue adjustments; and declaring an emergency, was read by title.

Motion by Kingston, seconded by Koepke, to suspend the rules and place Ordinance 5653 on third and final reading.

Ayes: Kingston, Koepke, Redinger, Savage, Stucky.

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED 5-AYES, 0-NAYS.

Motion by Stucky, seconded by Savage, to pass Ordinance 5653.

Ayes: Kingston, Koepke, Redinger, Savage, Stucky.

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED 5-AYES, 0-NAYS.

**ORD. 5653
APPROPRIA
TIONS**

1:46:30

ORDINANCE 5654 re: an Ordinance authorizing the purchase of one (1) Model JLG T350 Electric Towable Lift from Bobcat of Cleveland, through SourceWell (formerly The National Joint Powers Alliance); and declaring an emergency, was read by title.

Motion by Kingston, seconded by Koepke, to suspend the rules and place Ordinance 5654 on third and final reading.

Ayes: Kingston, Koepke, Redinger, Savage, Stucky.

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED 5-AYES, 0-NAYS.

Motion by Stucky, seconded by Savage, to pass Ordinance 5654.

Ayes: Kingston, Koepke, Redinger, Savage, Stucky.

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED 5-AYES, 0-NAYS.

**ORD. 5654
ELECTRIC
TOWABLE LIFT
FOR SERVICE
DEPARTMENT**

1:47:22

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BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS: Councilmember Savage reported the next meeting of the Board of Zoning Appeals will be Monday, November 13th at 7:30 P.M.

**BD. OF
ZONING
APPEALS**

1:48:35

APPEAL 2023-41 Approval of a (1) variance from section 1151.24 from the minimum required 10 ft. side yard setback to allow 4.75 ft. and (2) a variance from 1151.24 minimum 125 ft. front yard setback to allow 115.16 ft. for the construction of an addition located at 5400 Valley Parkway, PP#603-17-026.

**APPEAL 2023-41
5400 VALLEY
PARKWAY,
PP#603-17-026.
SETBACK**

Motion for approval by Savage, seconded by Stucky.

Ayes: Kingston, Koepke, Redinger, Savage, Stucky.

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED 5-AYES, 0-NAYS.

1:48:43

Appeal 2023-43 – Approval of (1) A variance from section 1157.29(d)(1) minimum 75 ft. rear setback required to allow 55.09 ft. for the construction of a building, and (2) a variance from section 1183.04(c) minimum parking stalls 10'x20' to allow 9'x18' for a parking lot expansion located at 8006 Katherine Blvd. PP#604-14-019.

**APPEAL 2023-43
8006
KATHERINE
BLVD. PP#604-
14-019.**

Motion for approval by Savage, seconded by Stucky.

Ayes: Kingston, Koepke, Redinger, Savage, Stucky.

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED 5-AYES, 0-NAYS.

1:49:45

PLANNING COMMISSION: Councilmember Stucky reported the next meeting of the Planning Commission will be October 26th at 7:00 P.M.

**PLANNING
COMMISSION**

1:49:50

PICKLEBALL COURT IN LANDSCAPE BUFFER EASEMENT – 2383 SPRINGSIDE OVAL - Approve a pickleball court within a Landscape Buffer Easement at 2383 Springside Oval, Brecksville, Ohio, as described in the application dated September 15, 2023 by 9th Avenue Designs and attached documentation and contingent upon approval of the City Horticulture Department and also contingent upon approval of the neighbor to the south.

**PICKLEBALL
COURT IN
LANDSCAPE
BUFFER
EASEMENT –
2383
SPRINGSIDE
OVAL**

Motion for approval by Stucky, seconded by Savage.

Ayes: Kingston, Koepke, Redinger, Savage, Stucky.

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED 5-AYES, 0-NAYS.

1:50:41

VERIZON CELL TOWER EQUIPMENT UPGRADES – 6898 MILLER ROAD - Approve the installation of an antenna at the 155' height and installation of ground equipment at the existing wireless facility tower at 6898 Miller Road, Brecksville, Ohio 44141, PP #604-18-010, for Verizon, as described in the application dated September 11, 2023 by Verizon/Northstar Towers and plans dated May 6, 2021, contingent on the approval of City Council and structural review approval.

**VERIZON CELL
TOWER
EQUIPMENT
UPGRADES –
6898 MILLER
ROAD**

Motion for approval by Stucky, seconded by Savage.

Ayes: Kingston, Redinger, Savage, Stucky.

Abstain: Koepke

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED 4-AYES, 1 – ABSTAIN, 0-NAYS.

1:51:40

OFFICE BUILDING I ADDITIONAL FACADE DESIGN – MILLER RD/BRECKSVILLE RD. - approve Option 3 for Office Building I at Valor Acres in reference to the approval already given conditional upon these facade studies.

**OFFICE
BUILDING I
ADD FACADE
DESIGN
MILLER
RD/BRECKSVIL
LE RD.**

Motion for approval by Stucky, seconded by Savage.

Ayes: Kingston, Koepke, Redinger, Savage, Stucky.

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED 5-AYES, 0-NAYS.

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RECREATION COMMISSION: No Report.

**RECREATION
COMMISSION**

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES: Councilmember Koepke reported Dr. Craig Hileman was sworn in at the October 1th meeting. The next meeting of the Human Services Advisory Board will be November 14th at 3:00 P.M.

**HUMAN
SERVICES**

1:52:55

SAFETY-SERVICE COMMITTEE: Councilmember Stucky reported the committee met earlier today and has (3) items for Council consideration.

**SAFETY-
SERVICE**

1:53:06

POWERLOAD CONTROL BOARD - Approval of a purchase requisition to EMSAR in the amount of \$3,062.40 for a replacement PowerLOAD Control Board Assembly Unit for ambulance #3043. *Account # 2900260 25010.*

**POWERLOAD
CONTROL
BOARD**

Motion for approval by Stucky, seconded by Savage.

Ayes: Kingston, Koepke, Redinger, Savage, Stucky.

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED 5-AYES, 0-NAYS.

1:53:43

POLICE VEHICLE REPAIR - Approval of a purchase requisition to KMS Paint and Body in the amount of \$4,273.05 for body damage repairs to Police vehicle #1820. *Account #1100150 21250*

**POLICE
VEHICLE
REPAIR**

Motion for approval by Stucky, seconded by Savage.

Ayes: Kingston, Koepke, Redinger, Savage, Stucky.

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED 5-AYES, 0-NAYS.

1:54:20

LEAF MACHINE REPAIR -Approval of a purchase requisition to Old Dominion Brush Company in the amount of \$8,375.00 for a replacement Hydraulic Valve Assembly for Leaf Machine #B-131. *Account #1100623 26010.*

**LEAF
MACHINE
REPAIR**

Motion for approval by Stucky, seconded by Savage.

Ayes: Kingston, Koepke, Redinger, Savage, Stucky.

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED 5-AYES, 0-NAYS.

1:54:59

STREETS & SIDEWALKS COMMITTEE: Councilmember Kingston reported the committee met earlier today and has no items for Council consideration.

**STREETS &
SIDEWALKS**

1:55:04

UTILITIES COMMITTEE: Councilmember Stucky reported the committee met earlier today and has no items for Council consideration.

**UTILITIES
COMMITTEE**

1:55:16

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS COMMITTEE: Councilmember Koepke reported the Buildings & Grounds Committee met earlier this evening and has two items for Council consideration.

**BUILDINGS &
GROUNDS
COMMITTEE**

EHRlich PEST CONTROL - Approval of an increase to blanket purchase order #20231004 to Ehrlich Pest Control in the amount of \$800.00 for the City's annual Pest Control Management Services due to the addition of the Blossom Field House, and 4470 Oakes Road to the contract during the year. *Account #1100171 21030.*

**EHRlich PEST
CONTROL**

Motion for approval by Koepke, seconded by Kingston.

Ayes: Kingston, Koepke, Redinger, Savage, Stucky.

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED 5-AYES, 0-NAYS.

1:55:47

HUMAN SERVICES BUILDING ROOF REPAIR Approval of an increase to purchase order #23000526 to West Side Roofing Co. for the repairs to the north hip section

**HUMAN
SERVICES**

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of the Human Services Building Roof in the amount of \$3,500.00 due to the contractor's error in estimating supplies and materials. *Account #C4900330 32020 Project #BI230013.* **BUILDING ROOF REPAIR**

Motion for approval by Koepke, seconded by Kingston.

Ayes: Kingston, Koepke, Redinger, Savage, Stucky.

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED 5-AYES, 0-NAYS.

1:56:17

LEGISLATION COMMITTEE: Councilmember Savage reported the committee met earlier today and has no items for Council consideration. **LEGISLATION COMMITTEE**

1:56:29

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Councilmember Savage reported the committee met earlier today and has no items for Council consideration. **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

1:56:41

REPORT OF LAW DIRECTOR: Law Director Matty said the City Tax Administrator has advised the City of Brecksville Tax Code needs to be updated to reflect the amendments to the state regulations. The updates will be brought to Council at the next meeting of Council. Law Director Matty advised Council he received notice from the Court of Appeals that on November 28th at 10:30 oral arguments will be held on the City's case with the Lake Park Estate's Pond issue. **LAW**

1:57:45

REPORT OF ENGINEER: No Report. **ENGINEER**

REPORT OF FINANCE DIRECTOR: No Report. **FINANCE**

REPORT OF BUILDING DEPARTMENT: No Report. **BUILDING**

1:58:05

REPORT OF PLANNING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT: Planning & Development Director Bartkiewicz said there will be two ribbon cuttings in the city. Plant Love Botanicals and The Light: Wisdom and Wellness will be opening on October 18th at 4:30 PM at 8185 Brecksville Road. **PLAN & DEVELOPMENT**

REPORT OF SERVICE DIRECTOR: No Report. **SERVICE**

REPORT OF PURCHASING DIRECTOR: No Report. **PURCHASING**

REPORT OF POLICE DEPARTMENT: No Report. **POLICE**

1:58:50

REPORT OF FIRE DEPARTMENT: Fire Chief Zamiska thanked Council for appointing two members to the Brecksville Fire Department. **FIRE**

REPORT OF RECREATION DEPARTMENT: No Report. **RECREATION**

1:59:05

REPORT OF THE MAYOR: Mayor Hruby said the City was notified that we have a new member of the city family; Anderson Ryan Engle, Recreation Director Engle gave birth to a son and we're very pleased and we offer our best to them and they're very excited about having the new addition to their family. Recreation Director Engle will be on maternity leave and I'll be assisting in the operation of the Recreation Department. **MAYOR**

1:59:38

Metro Health is placing a new unit in Brecksville. Chief Zamiska said Metro Health announced that Metro Health will be stationing their Life Flight 8 Ground Unit at their Brecksville location. The unit has the same capabilities as the helicopter it's staffed with a nurse practitioner, doctor and a paramedic. The unit will be right in our city and what's great about that is, the unit can be called and the City can actually use them as normal mutual aid and they can come right to our scene with that higher level of care. This is a mobile unit, not a helicopter although they are saying it is equipped as a helicopter would be.

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Mayor Hruby said House Bill 33 will be taking effect in the next fiscal year. It will raise the threshold for competitive bidding from \$50,000 to \$75,000. South Suburban Montessori School has requested to extend the lease at Blossom Hill with the city for another five years. The City will be talking with South Suburban Montessori and negotiating the lease. 2:01:24

Booville is going to be on October 22nd at the Brecksville Community Center. The City is already started setting up for that. On October 28th Kiwanis has the Trick-or Trot event at the Blossom facility.

2:01:40 October 31st the date the County Mayors and Managers Association have announced that trick or treating will take place from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

2:01:52

November 5th is daylight saving time and everyone should turn their clock back. The City will be sending out a reminder to the citizens.

2:02

November 7th is election day, early voting has already started and then on November 10th our city offices will be closed an observance of Veterans Day which is on the 11th.

2:02:28

COMMENTS:

Steve Schadler, Cinnabar Dr.

"I'm sure you all are aware I'm also a candidate for City Council currently as such I've become a student of our Charter. I was recently reviewing Article 4, Section 4 in light of recent events that have been published in the media as I'm sure you are all aware as members of Council. Article 4 Section 4 of our City Charter lists as a reason for removal from Council; malfeasance which is wrongdoing especially by a public official. This next one nonfeasance which is failure to perform your duty or an act required by law and gross misconduct which is intentional wrongdoing malfeasance those are some Webster Dictionary definitions there's no immunity in the Charter for proximity to an election so with the nonfeasance in mind I hope that you all take all of your duties as elected officials seriously and we'll carry them out I believe a member one of your colleagues a member of elected member of City Council has committed a deliberate criminal act which qualifies under the Charter as reason for removal and the Charter does not require a conviction it just requires the act to have occurred. So I suppose I have some questions that I would like from each of you and I think the community would like as well. And as I thought about this I also realized that as Council you have several options for disciplinary actions to take if removal is not warranted. You could remove somebody from their position their leadership position as Vice President of Council or you could just formally censure them as I'm sure you're all aware those are your options. I think that sort of lays out what I'd like to remind all of you of. I recently did a video laying out what I knew and when I knew it and I would be very curious to hear your stories about what you knew and when you knew it. I'm not unmindful Mr. Kingston that last night Mr. Caruso endorsed you as Mayor and encouraged the community to vote for you. I know you're a man of integrity I'm sure that wouldn't influence your role on City Council here today which as you said here's an elected city council rep and I know the community is looking to you for future leadership and you to demonstrate that. So I'll leave each of you with the opportunity to respond if you so choose or if you don't so choose, I think that speaks volumes, too."

2:06:02 Joshua Folk, Gatewood Dr. " I'm only here because I've never seen anything like this in Brecksville I've only been here for almost 5 years. I'll be honest I'm new to Brecksville politics so I'm new to everything you guys have done. But everything I've seen is massive bullying and blocks and only anyone who gets to Kiss the Ring who wins. So I came here to confront Caruso but does anyone see him? I don't. The last Council meeting before the election does anyone see him? No. Anyone? No. Apparently he's at a soccer game rather than, you know, the most important Council meeting probably of his career. So what I want to know, and I'm going to call you out. What did you know when he was

COMMENTS

**STEVE
SCHADLER,
CINNABAR DR.**

**JOSHUA FOLK,
GATEWOOD
DR**

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almost arrested and he signed this paperwork and everything? Like I want to know Mr. Mayor Hrubby what did you know and I'm putting you on record right now.

Mayor Hrubby: "First of all I'm not wearing a ring."

Joshua Folk: "Well you should be because that's the way this City works apparently."

Mayor Hrubby: "All right I appreciate"

Council President Redinger: "Sir you don't need to be disrespectful

Joshua Folk: (Overtalking) "I should be disrespectful to him.

Council President Redinger: "No sir you do not need to be disrespectful we you're giving the opportunity to ask us questions and you can keep it civil, thank you very much

Joshua Folk: This is between him and me.

Council President Redinger: no sir you're in our public meeting and I'm to take control of running the meeting and make sure that people are respectful so I would ask you to please do that.

Joshua Folk: Well, I asked him a question

2:07:48

Council President Redinger You did but be respectful thank you.

Mayor Hrubby: Could you repeat your question?

Joshua Folk: I asked you what you knew when Dominic Caruso was called down to the Police Department, was interviewed for vandalism. What did you know about it what did the city know about it why was why did it not come out for a year when I have a 20-year history in journalism every time a City Councilman or a City Council woman or anyone in the city is like in trouble with the law they issue a press release and they say hey this is what happened we're going through the process of everything nothing like that happened here. Why?

Mayor Hrubby: Well, first of all I don't know what you're talking about a year ago. Second,

Joshua Folk: (Interrupting) So you didn't read the article that was in the cleveland.com which is the most reputable you know journalism thing in the entire Northeast Ohio

Mayor Hrubby: I read the article.

Joshua Folk: Okay, so you didn't know about it?

Council President Redinger: Sir would you let him respond?

Joshua Folk: I would love him to respond.

Council President Redinger: Okay well then please quit interrupting.

2:09:07

Joshua Folk: He's dodging the question

Mayor Hrubby: You said a year ago. I don't know what you're talking about a year ago. Recent events involving Councilman Caruso were handled by the Brecksville police they were handled by an independent prosecutor it's not something that I was involved in it's a private matter as far as I was concerned when I heard about it. It's the political season. A candidate for Council brought this to the attention of the media for his own agenda and his own purpose.

Joshua Folk: (Interrupting) but the media ran with it

Mayor Hrubby; the bottom line is Mr. Caruso has not been charged with any crime Mr. Caruso, there is no evidence that he committed any crime .

Joshua Folk: But you're not answering my question Mr. Mayor no you're not did you know about it when it happened you're not answering my question

Mayor Hrubby: Did I know about it when it happened

Joshua Folk: Yes when it happened. Did you know about it when what happened? When the whole thing happened when he was called down to the police and had to be interviewed when he hid behind his lawyer did you know about it.

Mayor Hrubby: I knew that Mr. Caruso had been interviewed by the Police and the Police handled the matter appropriately.

Joshua Folk: So you knew back a year ago when it happened?

Mayor Hrubby: It didn't happen a year ago sir

Joshua Folk: Okay so when did it happen? well you say you know about it so when did it happen?

Mayor Hrubby: I'm answering your questions

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Joshua Folk: So you knew about it last November you knew about it is that what you're saying?

Mayor Hruby: I don't remember exactly.

Joshua Folk: (Interrupting) you don't remember so just like he didn't remember when he Unintelligible Discussion

2:10:58

Joshua Folk: I'm sorry but he deserves to be challenged on this.

Council President Redinger: Sir, let him answer his question your questions you keep barraging him.

Joshua Folk: Yes yes I am because he never is.

Council President Redinger: Sir I asked you to be respectful. Let him answer.

Joshua Folk: Okay go ahead

Mayor Hruby: Well, let's do it this way okay I have no further comment therefore you won't be frustrated.

Joshua Folk: I figured you would hide behind

Mayor Hruby: You can continue to say what you want to say and do what you wish to do but I have no further comment.

Joshua Folk: And you know what I figured you would hide behind that and that's all I have to say and thank you Councilwoman Redinger thank you for letting me speak I appreciate that thank you very much and Mayor you showed your true colors.

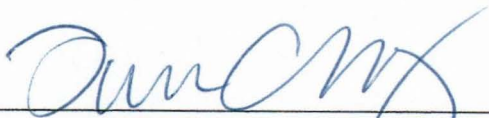
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Motion by Redinger, seconded by Savage, to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:42 **ADJOURN**
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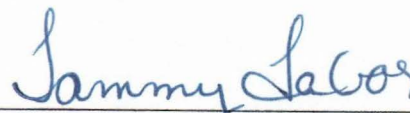
Ayes: Kingston, Koepke, Redinger, Savage, Stucky.

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED 5-AYES, 0-NAYS.



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