

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

**HELD** \_\_\_\_\_ February 20, 2024

Page 1

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

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

Members Present: D. Bender D. Caruso, AJ Ganim, M. Jantzen; A. Koepke, B. Savage, B. Stucky. **ROLL CALL**

Members Absent: None.

Others Present: Mayor Daryl Kingston, Law Director D. Matty, Engineer G. Wise, CBO S. Packard, Economic and Community Dev. Director, M. Bartkiewicz, Human Services Director, Dr. S. Paciorek, Purchasing Director R. Riser, Fire Lt. M. Bender, Police Chief S. Korinek, Service Director J. Kickel, IT Technician P. Packard, Council Clerk T. Tabor.

**MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 6, 2024 REGULAR MEETING:** Motion by Ganim, seconded by Koepke, to dispense with the reading of the February 6, 2024 regular meeting minutes and to accept same as presented. **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF 2-6-2024 APPROVED**  
Ayes: Bender, Caruso, Ganim, Jantzen, Koepke, Savage, Stucky.  
Nays: None.  
**MOTION CARRIED 7-AYES, 0-NAYS.**

**RESOLUTION 5532 re:** a Resolution authorizing the City of Brecksville Fire Chief to complete the grant process for the FY 2023 Assistance to Firefighters Grant; and declaring an emergency, was read by title. **RES. 5532 AUTHORIZE FIRE CHIEF TO APPLY FOR FIREFIGHTER GRANT FY2023**  
Motion by Ganim, seconded by Koepke, to suspend the rules and place Resolution 5532 on third and final reading.  
Ayes: Bender, Caruso, Ganim, Jantzen, Koepke, Savage, Stucky.  
Nays: None.  
**MOTION CARRIED 7-AYES, 0-NAYS.**

Motion by Stucky, seconded by Bender, to pass Resolution 5532.  
Ayes: Bender, Caruso, Ganim, Jantzen, Koepke, Savage, Stucky.  
Nays: None.  
**MOTION CARRIED 7-AYES, 0-NAYS.**

**RESOLUTION 5533 re:** a Resolution authorizing the Mayor to complete the application for a Transportation, Utility Systems, Telecommunications and Facilities on Federal Lands and Property Permit for the NEORSR Riverview Road Flood Reduction Project; and declaring an emergency, was read by title. **RES. 5533 AUTHORIZE COMMUNITY AWARENESS RECYCLING GRANT APPLICATION 2024**  
Motion by Ganim, seconded by Koepke, to suspend the rules and place Resolution 5533 on third and final reading.  
Ayes: Bender, Caruso, Ganim, Jantzen, Koepke, Savage, Stucky.  
Nays: None.  
**MOTION CARRIED 7-AYES, 0-NAYS.**  
Motion by Stucky, seconded by Savage, to pass Resolution 5533.  
Ayes: Bender, Caruso, Ganim, Jantzen, Koepke, Savage, Stucky.  
Nays: None.  
**MOTION CARRIED 7-AYES, 0-NAYS.**

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE

COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRECKSVILLE

HELD \_\_\_\_\_ February 20, 2024

Page 2

- ORDINANCE 5684 re:** an Ordinance accepting the proposal of Knight & Stolar, Inc. for Landscape Architectural Services for Phase I of the Kids Quarters Revitalization Project; and declaring an emergency, was read by title. **ORD. 5684 ACCEPT PROPOSAL KNIGHT STOLAR FOR KIDS QUARTERS**
- Motion by Ganim, seconded by Koepke, to suspend the rules and place Ordinance 5684 on third and final reading.
- Ayes: Bender, Caruso, Ganim, Jantzen, Koepke, Savage, Stucky.  
Nays: None.
- MOTION CARRIED 7-AYES, 0-NAYS.**
- Motion by Stucky, seconded by Savage, to pass Ordinance 5684.
- Ayes: Bender, Caruso, Ganim, Jantzen, Koepke, Savage, Stucky.  
Nays: None.
- MOTION CARRIED 7-AYES, 0-NAYS.**
- 
- ORDINANCE 5685 re:** an Ordinance amending Section 145.13 of the Administrative Code and the exempted employees of the City of Brecksville; and declaring an emergency, was read by title. **ORD. 5685 AMEND 145.13 EXEMPTED EMPLOYEES TO ADD HUMAN RESOURCE SPECIALIST**
- Motion by Ganim, seconded by Koepke, to suspend the rules and place Ordinance 5685 on third and final reading.
- Ayes: Bender, Caruso, Ganim, Jantzen, Koepke, Savage, Stucky.  
Nays: None.
- MOTION CARRIED 7-AYES, 0-NAYS.**
- Motion by Stucky, seconded by Savage, to pass Ordinance 5685.
- Ayes: Bender, Caruso, Ganim, Jantzen, Koepke, Savage, Stucky.  
Nays: None.
- MOTION CARRIED 7-AYES, 0-NAYS.**
- 
- ORDINANCE 5686 re:** an Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 5668 as it relates to employee compensation; and declaring an emergency, was read by title. **ORD. 5686 ADD HUMAN RESOURCE SPECIALIST POSITION AND ASST. LAW DIRECT. POSITION TO AMEND PAYROLL ORDINANCE**
- Motion by Ganim, seconded by Koepke, to suspend the rules and place Ordinance 5686 on third and final reading.
- Ayes: Bender, Caruso, Ganim, Jantzen, Koepke, Savage, Stucky.  
Nays: None.
- MOTION CARRIED 7-AYES, 0-NAYS.**
- Motion by Stucky, seconded by Savage, to pass Ordinance 5686.
- Ayes: Bender, Caruso, Ganim, Jantzen, Koepke, Savage, Stucky.  
Nays: None.
- MOTION CARRIED 7-AYES, 0-NAYS.**
- 
- ORDINANCE 5687 re:** an Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Customer Services Agreement with Ease@Work, EAP, LLC to provide employee assistance services; and declaring an emergency, was read by title. **ORD. 5687 AUTHORIZE CUSTOMER SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH EASE@WORK**
- Motion by Ganim, seconded by Koepke, to suspend the rules and place Ordinance 5687 on third and final reading.
- Ayes: Bender, Caruso, Ganim, Jantzen, Koepke, Savage, Stucky.  
Nays: None.
- MOTION CARRIED 7-AYES, 0-NAYS.**
- Motion by Stucky, seconded by Savage, to pass Ordinance 5687.
- Ayes: Bender, Caruso, Ganim, Jantzen, Koepke, Savage, Stucky.  
Nays: None.
- MOTION CARRIED 7-AYES, 0-NAYS.**

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

**HELD** \_\_\_\_\_ February 20, 2024

Page 3

**ORDINANCE 5688 re:** an Ordinance authorizing the transfer of Police Portable Radios and related equipment no longer needed for municipal purposes to Vasu Communications in exchange for credit to purchase needed speaker microphones and batteries; and declaring an emergency, was read by title. **ORD. 5688 AUTH. TRANSFER OF EQUIPMENT NO LONGER NEEDED FOR MUNICIPAL PURPOSE**

Motion by Ganim, seconded by Koepke, to suspend the rules and place Ordinance 5688 on third and final reading.

Ayes: Bender, Caruso, Ganim, Jantzen, Koepke, Savage, Stucky.

Nays: None.

**MOTION CARRIED 7-AYES, 0-NAYS.**

Motion by Stucky, seconded by Savage, to pass Ordinance 5688.

Ayes: Bender, Caruso, Ganim, Jantzen, Koepke, Savage, Stucky.

Nays: None.

**MOTION CARRIED 7-AYES, 0-NAYS.**

**ORDINANCE 5689 re:** an Ordinance accepting the bids of J.D. Striping & Services, Inc., Specialized Construction, Inc., Konstruction King, Inc., Cuyahoga Fence LLC, Ronyak Paving, Inc. for various portions of the 2024 Road Maintenance Program for the Service Department of the City of Brecksville; and declaring an emergency, was read by title. **ORD. 5689 ACCEPT BIDS ROAD PROGRAM 2024**

Motion by Ganim, seconded by Koepke, to suspend the rules and place Ordinance 5689 on third and final reading.

Ayes: Bender, Caruso, Ganim, Jantzen, Koepke, Savage, Stucky.

Nays: None.

**MOTION CARRIED 7-AYES, 0-NAYS.**

Motion by Stucky, seconded by Savage, to pass Ordinance 5689.

Ayes: Bender, Caruso, Ganim, Jantzen, Koepke, Savage, Stucky.

Nays: None.

**MOTION CARRIED 7-AYES, 0-NAYS.**

**BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS:** Councilmember Stucky reported the next meeting of the Board of Zoning Appeals will be Monday, March 11th at 7:30 P.M. **BD. OF ZONING APPEALS**

**APPEAL 2024-04** Approval for a variance from Section 1151.25(d)(2)(C) maximum 240 sq. ft. to allow 412 sq. ft. for the construction of a pool house building located at 6505 Summer Wind Drive, PP#604-10-004. **APP. 2024-04 6505 SUMMER WIND DRIVE PP#604-10-004.**

Motion by Stucky, seconded by Savage.

Ayes: Bender, Caruso, Ganim, Jantzen, Koepke, Savage, Stucky.

Nays: None.

**MOTION CARRIED 7-AYES, 0-NAYS.**

**APPEAL 2024-05** Approval for a variance from Section 1173.02(a) to allow 8 ft. extension for the construction of an addition on the front of a house on a non-conforming lot located at 8700 Riverview Road, PP#602-14-018. **APP. 2024-05 8700 RIVERVIEW ROAD, PP#602-14-018.**

Motion by Stucky, seconded by Bender.

Ayes: Bender, Caruso, Ganim, Jantzen, Koepke, Savage, Stucky.

Nays: None.

**MOTION CARRIED 7-AYES, 0-NAYS.**

**PLANNING COMMISSION:** Councilmember Caruso reported the next meeting of the Planning Commission will be February 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 P.M. **PLANNING COMMISSION**

**RECREATION COMMISSION:** Councilmember Ganim reported the next meeting of the Recreation Commission will be February 26<sup>th</sup>. **RECREATION COMMISSION**

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

**HELD** \_\_\_\_\_ February 20, 2024

Page 4

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES:** Councilmember Koepke reported the next meeting of the Human Services Advisory Board will be March 12<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 P.M. **DEPT. OF HUMAN SERVICES**

**SAFETY-SERVICE COMMITTEE:** Councilmember Koepke reported the committee met earlier today and has one item for Council consideration. **SAFETY-SERVICE**

**SOUTHWEST COG MEMBERSHIP** Approval of a Purchase Requisition in the amount of \$27,500.00 to Southwest Council of Governments for annual membership dues. **SOUTHWEST COG MEMBERSHIP**

Southwest Enforcement Bureau -Police	\$15,000.00	Account
#1100210 21030 Southwest Emergency Response Team -Fire	\$12,500.00	Account
#2900260 21030		

Motion by Koepke, seconded by Ganim.

Ayes: Bender, Caruso, Ganim, Jantzen, Koepke, Savage, Stucky.

Nays: None.

**MOTION CARRIED 7-AYES, 0-NAYS.**

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

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

**BUILDINGS & GROUNDS COMMITTEE:** Councilmember Jantzen reported the Buildings & Grounds Committee met earlier this evening and has no items for Council consideration. **BUILDINGS & GROUNDS COMMITTEE**

**KIDS QUARTERS REVITALIZATION PROJECT PHS 1 BID AUTHORIZATION** - Recommend to Council authorizing the Director of Purchasing to advertise for bids for the Kids Quarters Revitalization Project, Phase 1. **KIDS QUARTERS REVITALIZATION PROJECT PHS 1 BID AUTHOR.**

Motion by Jantzen, seconded by Ganim.

Ayes: Bender, Caruso, Ganim, Jantzen, Koepke, Savage, Stucky.

Nays: None.

**MOTION CARRIED 7-AYES, 0-NAYS.**

**OLD POLICE DEPARTMENT ASBESTOS REMOVAL** - Recommend to Council approval of a purchase requisition in the aggregate amount of \$11,973.00 to Hathaway Environmental for Asbestos Abatement in the Old Police Department and Building Department. Account #C4900166 32020 Project #BI190006. **OLD POLICE DEPARTMENT ASBESTOS REMOVAL**

Motion by Jantzen, seconded by Ganim

Ayes: Bender, Caruso, Ganim, Jantzen, Koepke, Savage, Stucky.

Nays: None.

**MOTION CARRIED 7-AYES, 0-NAYS.**

**LEGISLATION COMMITTEE:** Councilmember Bender reported the committee met earlier this evening and has no items for Council consideration. **LEGISLATION COMMITTEE**

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

**REPORT OF LAW DIRECTOR:** Law Director Matty reported the Release of Mortgage and Release of Temporary and Permanent Easements for Glen Valley have been recorded. Law Director Matty said he has submitted an application on behalf of the City of Brecksville to the Endo Opioid Claim Settlement. Law Director Matty reported he prepared legislation as directed by Council. for the regulation of adult use cannabis. Planning Director

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

**HELD** \_\_\_\_\_ February 20, 2024

Page 5

Bartkiewicz will present the legislation for consideration to the Brecksville Planning Commission for review and recommendation.

**REPORT OF ENGINEER:** No Report.

**ENGINEER**

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

**FINANCE**

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

**BUILDING  
DEPT.**

**REPORT OF PLANNING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT:** Director Bartkiewicz said the ribbon cutting for Master Pizza will be Wednesday February 21<sup>st</sup> at 1:00 PM.

**PLAN & DE-  
VELOPMENT**

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

**SERVICE**

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

**PURCHASING**

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

**POLICE**

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

**FIRE**

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

**RECREATION**

**REPORT OF THE MAYOR:** Mayor Kingston reported the City of Brecksville was ranked 68 of 81 communities for property tax rates. Mayor Kingston said in this Cleveland.com survey, you like to come in near the bottom. Mayor Kingston said Representative Phil Robinson was help to secure \$500,000 in funding for a Safety Service Station at Valor Acres.

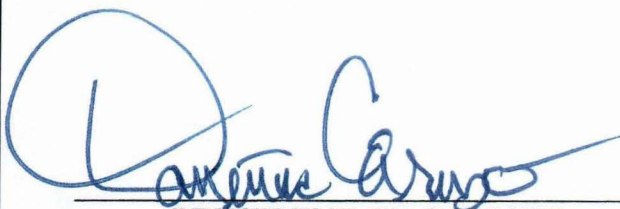
**MAYOR**

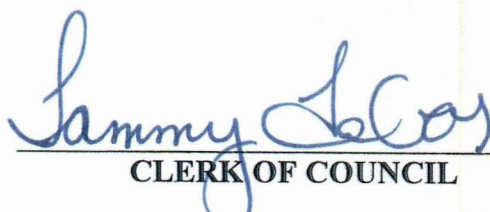
**COMMENTS:**

Motion by Caruso, seconded by Savage, to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:17 P.M. **ADJOURN**  
Ayes: Bender, Caruso, Ganim, Jantzen, Koepke, Savage, Stucky.

Nays: None.

**MOTION CARRIED 7-AYES, 0-NAYS.**

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
**PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL**

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
**CLERK OF COUNCIL**