

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE

COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRECKSVILLE

February 4, 2024

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Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Present: Council Vice President B. Savage, Councilmembers: D. Bender; AJ Ganim, A. Koepke; M. Jantzen, B. Stucky. Mayor Kingston, Law Director D. Matty, Asst. Law Director L. Sabol, City Engineer Wise, Assistant Law Director L. Sabol, Finance Director L. Starosta, Fire Chief M. Bender, Police Chief Korinek, Service Director J. Kickel, Human Services Director Dr. Paciorek, CBO Scott Packard, Purchasing Director M. Bartkiewicz, IT Technician, Clerk T. Tabor.

Absent: Council President Caruso.

Approval of Minutes

1. Approval of January 21, 2025 Minutes

Motion by Koepke, seconded by Bender.

Voting Yea: Bender, Jantzen, Koepke, Savage, Stucky

Abstain: Ganim.

MOTION CARRIED: 5- Ayes, 0-Nays, 1-Abstain.

Motion to add three resolutions authorizing the acceptance of grading and access easements.

Motion made by Savage, Seconded by Ganim.

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

Nays: None.

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

New Business

1:20:06

2. ORD. 5768 - an Ordinance enacting and adopting a Supplement to the Codified Ordinances of the City of Brecksville.

Motion by Stucky, seconded by Jantzen, to move Ordinance 5768 to second reading.

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

Abstain: None.

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

Council Members Bender and Ganim left Council Chambers while Ordinances 5769, 5770 and 5771 were presented.

1:21:18

3. ORD. 5769 - an Ordinance to accept and dedicate real property from the VA Land, LLC as roadway right-of-way for the widening of Miller Road located in the City of Brecksville.

Motion by Stucky, seconded by Jantzen, to move Ordinance 5769 to second reading.

Voting Yea: Jantzen, Koepke, Savage, Stucky

Abstain: Bender, Ganim,.

MOTION CARRIED: 4- Ayes, 0-Nays, 2-Abstain.

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4. **ORD. 5770** - an Ordinance to accept and dedicate real property from the Sherwin Williams Company as roadway right-of-way for the widening of Miller Road located in the City of Brecksville.

Motion by Stucky, seconded by Jantzen, to move Ordinance 5770 to second reading.

Voting Yea: Jantzen, Koepke, Savage, Stucky

Abstain: Bender, Ganim,.

MOTION CARRIED: 4- Ayes, 0-Nays, 2-Abstain.

1:23:18

5. **ORD. 5771** - an Ordinance to accept and dedicate real property from the 6850 Miller Road Holding Company, LLC as roadway right-of-way for the widening of Miller Road located in the City of Brecksville.

Motion by Stucky, seconded by Jantzen, to move Ordinance 5771 to second reading .

Voting Yea: Jantzen, Koepke, Savage, Stucky

Abstain: Bender, Ganim,.

MOTION CARRIED: 4- Ayes, 0-Nays, 2-Abstain.

Council Members Bender and Ganim returned to Council Chambers.

1:24:34

6. **RES. 5652** - a Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with Cuyahoga County to set forth expected and normal operating procedures regarding child abuse or neglect.

Motion for suspension made by Ganim, Seconded by Koepke.

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

Nays: None.

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

Motion by Stucky, seconded by Bender, to pass Resolution 5652.

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

Abstain: None.

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

1:25:31

7. **RES. 5653** - a Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Community Cost-Share Agreement with the Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District for the Highland Drive Culvert (C-10) Replacement Project.

Motion for suspension made by Ganim, Seconded by Koepke.

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

Nays: None.

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

Motion by Stucky, seconded by Bender, to pass Resolution 5653.

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

Abstain: None.

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

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8. **RES. 5654** - a Resolution authorizing the Mayor to complete the application process and enter into the NOPEC 2025 Energized Community Grant Agreement for a 2025 NOPEC Energized Community Grant.

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

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

Motion by Stucky, seconded by Bender, to pass Resolution 5654.
Voting Yea: Bender, Ganim, Jantzen, Koepke, Savage, Stucky
Abstain: None.

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

1:27:36

RESOLUTION 5655 a Resolution accepting a Temporary Grading and Access Easement across certain lands owned by Andrew Kocher and known as PPN 605-18-002.: if the Clerk would please read by title only;

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

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

Motion by Stucky, seconded by Bender, to pass Resolution 5655.
Voting Yea: Bender, Ganim, Jantzen, Koepke, Savage, Stucky
Abstain: None.

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

1:28:33

RESOLUTION 5656 a Resolution accepting a Temporary Grading and Access Easement across certain lands owned by Frances E. Rusk and Walter Thomas Rusk and known as PPN 605-28-004: if the Clerk would please read by title only;

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

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

Motion by Stucky, seconded by Bender, to pass Resolution 5656.
Voting Yea: Bender, Ganim, Jantzen, Koepke, Savage, Stucky
Abstain: None.

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

1:29:34

RESOLUTION 5657 a Resolution accepting a Temporary Grading and Access Easement across certain lands owned by Dahlia M. Les and known as PPN 605-28-003: if the Clerk would please read by title only;

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

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

Motion by Stucky, seconded by Bender, to pass Resolution 5657.
Voting Yea: Bender, Ganim, Jantzen, Koepke, Savage, Stucky

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Abstain: None.

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

Report of Council Representatives: Board of Zoning Appeals, Planning Commission, Recreation Commission, Human Services Advisory Board.

1:30:44

Board of Zoning Appeals: Council Member Stucky reported the Board of Zoning Appeals has no items for Council consideration. The next meeting of the Board of Zoning Appeals will be February 10th at 7:30 PM.

Planning Commission: No Report

Recreation Commission: Council Member Ganim said Andie Lazaridis was elected as Vice Chair of the Recreation Commission. The next meeting of the Recreation Commission will be February 24th at 7:30 PM.

Council Member Ganim said with a heavy heart, to remember and honor Margaret English, or as most knew her, Meg. Her sudden passing this past week has left a profound void in our community.

To Tom, her son Will, his wife Diane, and their four children—Owen, Emmett, Isaac, and Xavier—as well as to all of Meg’s family, friends, and those impacted by her passing, I extend my deepest condolences. I do so both personally and on behalf of the Recreation Commission, my fellow City Council members, and the City of Brecksville.

Meg’s extraordinary journey in supporting and organizing youth sports began long before the organizations she helped to build. Meg coached baseball for many years with the “Breck Rec” starting in the late 1980’s, winning two championships; along with coaching CYO Baseball for St. Basil. Meg was a Cub Scout Den Leader. 2003 was the start of Brecksville Travel Baseball Association, or as we know BTBA. With the later addition of soccer and then basketball, her efforts helped shape what is now a thriving multi-sport nonprofit—the Cuyahoga Valley Youth Organization (CVYO), officially founded in 2008.

Meg’s behind-the-scenes efforts—organizing teams, attending Recreation Commission meetings, coordinating events, and balancing the needs of passionate coaches and athletes all competing for the same field or court—are simply irreplaceable. Truthfully, it’s hard to imagine anyone stepping up to do all that she did with such dedication and grace. To quote Mayor Jerry N. Hruby, “She was kind, compassionate yet she commanded ones respect by her manner of leadership, firm and decisive.”

Meg’s impact wasn’t just on the fields and courts, but in the hearts of everyone who knew her. She embodied what it means to give selflessly, always putting the kids and community first. Jackie Robinson said, “A life is not important except in the impact it has on other lives.”

On behalf of all of us, we say thank you, Meg, for your dedication, passion and love. You’ve been an inspiration in your service to this community.

With that, I respectfully move that Council authorize the Administration to prepare a Resolution of Condolence and Appreciation in honor of Meg English, ensuring that her legacy of service and dedication to our community is formally recognized.

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Motion by Ganim, seconded by Stucky.

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

Abstain: None.

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

Human Services Advisory Board: Council Member Koepke reported The Human Services Advisory Board's next meeting will take place February 11th, at 3:00 at the Human Services Building.

Report of Council Committees: Safety-Service, Streets & Sidewalks, Utilities, Buildings & Grounds, Legislation, Finance.

Safety-Service, Council Member Koepke reported the committee met earlier today and has two items for Council consideration.

1:34:35

LIFESCAN Wellness Approval of a purchase requisition for LIFESCAN Wellness Center in the amount of \$68,100 for early detection health and cancer physicals for firefighters and police officers. *Account #1100210 21010 - \$34,050.00 Account #2900260 21010 - \$34,050.00.*

Motion by Koepke, seconded by Jantzen.

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

Abstain: None.

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

Cleveland Psychiatry Associates - Approval of a purchase requisition for Cleveland Psychiatry Associates in the amount of \$18,000 for mental health and wellness visits for firefighters and police officers. *Account #1100210 21010 - \$9,000.00. Account #2900260 21010 - \$9,000.00*

Motion by Koepke, seconded by Jantzen.

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

Abstain: None.

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

1:35:56

Streets & Sidewalks, Councilmember Stucky said the committee met earlier tonight has one item for Council's consideration.

Snowville Road Raising Project – Recommend to Council approval of an increase to purchase order in the amount of \$1,500.00 to Donald G. Bohning and Associates for the Snowville Road Raising Project.

Motion by Stucky, seconded by Bender.

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

Abstain: None.

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

Utilities, Councilmember Ganim said the committee met earlier tonight has one item for Council's consideration.

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~~Sentinel Drive Culvert Replacement Project.~~ Approval of a motion authorizing the Purchasing Director to advertise for bids for the Sentinel Drive Culvert Replacement Project.

Motion by Ganim, seconded by Stucky.

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

Abstain: None.

MOTION CARRIED: 6- Ayes, 0-Nays, 0-Abstain.1:37:16

Buildings & Grounds, Councilmember Jantzen reported the committee met earlier today and has two items for Council's consideration.

Annual Flower Purchase - Recommend to Council approval of a purchase in the amount of \$20,173.35 for the purchase of annual flowers for the 2025 season, *Purchase Order # 20256800*.

Motion by Jantzen, seconded by Stucky.

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

Abstain: None.

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

Fire Alarm Inspections - Recommend to Council approval of a motion authorizing a purchase requisition to Silco Fire & Security in the amount of \$8,214.91 for 2025 City Buildings Fire Alarm and Sprinkler System Inspections, Tests and Cleaning. *Purchase Order # 20259020*

Motion by Jantzen, seconded by Stucky.

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

Abstain: None.

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

Finance. Councilmember Savage reported the Committee met earlier this evening and has one item for Council consideration.

1:38:41

Professional Bills - Recommend to Council approval of a motion authorizing payment of monthly professional bills as follows:

Matty, Henrikson & Greve LLC \$11,113.33, Kulchystsky Architects, LLC \$106.25, William Logan \$4,000.00, Mansour Gavin LPA \$1,260.00, Donald G. Bohning & Associates, Inc. \$10,645.75, Sixmo \$900.00, Daniel & Rhodes, LLC \$3,925.00, Huntington National Bank \$500.00. Total of all Invoices \$32,450.33.

Motion by Savage, seconded by Ganim.

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

Abstain: None.

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

Report of the Department Directors:

Director of Law, Dave Matty: No Report

Finance Director, Laura Starosta: No Report

Purchasing Director, Monica Bartkiewicz: No Report

Engineer, Gerry Wise: No Report

Director of Finance, Laura Starosta: No Report

Chief Building Official, Scott Packard: In January the Department issued 45 permits with a valuation just under \$25.1 Million with \$24,437.54 in permit receipts.

Director of Human Services, Dr. Paciorek: The Empty Bowls event will take place on March 4th at the

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Cuyahoga Valley Career Center benefitting local food pantries.

Director of Service, Joseph Kickel: No Report

Director of Purchasing, Monica Bartkiewicz: No Report

Chief of Police Department, Stan Korinek: No Report

Chief of Fire Department: Mark Bender: No Report

1:41:42

Report of the Mayor

Mayor Kingston said the City has been awarded \$109,380.62 from the Cuyahoga County Department of Public Works 2025 County Road Preventative Maintenance Reimbursement Program for the Wallings Road pavement resurfacing project (WCL to Brecksville Road C.R. NO. 57).

Mayor Kingston said he will work with the family of Meg English to plan a dedication in her name.

Adjournment

8:39 PM

Motion by Savage, seconded by Bender.

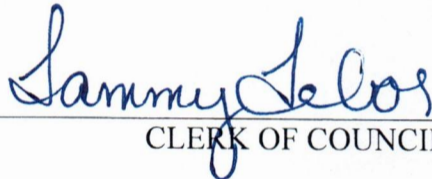
Voting Yea: Bender, Ganim, Jantzen, Koepke, Savage, Stucky

Abstain: None.

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



PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL



CLERK OF COUNCIL