

Minutes of the Committee-of-the-Whole of Stow City Council Meeting held on Thursday, January 13, 2022 at 6:59 p.m.

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Council Members Present: Feldman, Licate, Harrison, Lowdermilk, McIntire, Fiocca

Council Members Absent: Ward 1 Vacant

City Officials Present: Mayor Pribonic, Chief of Staff/Service Director Wren, Finance Director Costello, Police Chief Film, Fire Chief Stone, City Engineer McCleary, Law Director Syx, Deputy Clerk of Council Mottram and Clerk of Council Villers.

Press Representatives: None

**Call to Order**

President McIntire called the meeting to order.

**Approval of Minutes**

Motion made by Fiocca seconded by Harrison for approval of Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of December 16, 2021. Vote – Yeas: Feldman, Licate, Harrison, Lowdermilk, McIntire, Fiocca. Nays: None. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Harrison seconded by Licate for approval of Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of January 3, 2022. Vote – Yeas: Feldman, Licate, Harrison, Lowdermilk, McIntire, Fiocca. Nays: None. Motion carried unanimously.

*Mr. McIntire rearranged the agenda this evening. The minutes were typed according to the agenda.*

**New Business**

T-177 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF AKRON, THE CITY OF CUYAHOGA FALLS, THE CITY OF FAIRLAWN, THE CITY OF TALLMADGE, AND THE COUNTY OF SUMMIT WHEREBY THE COUNTY WILL ACQUIRE, DESIGN, CONSTRUCT, FURNISH, MAINTAIN AND FINANCE A JOINT PSAP BUILDING, AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THOSE AGREEMENTS DEFINED IN THE COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO, AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS WITH THE CITY OF CUYAHOGA FALLS, THE CITY OF FAIRLAWN, THE CITY OF TALLMADGE, AND THE COUNTY OF SUMMIT, FOR PURPOSE OF

**OPERATING A CONSOLIDATED PRIMARY PSAP, GUARANTEE AGREEMENTS, LEASE AGREEMENTS, AND A JOINT USE AGREEMENT FOR THE USE AND OPERATION OF THE JOINT PSAP BUILDING LOCATED IN THE CITY OF TALLMADGE.**

On January 6, 2022, Summit County and the Administration gave a presentation to Council. Mr. McIntire opened the floor for additional discussion regarding the COG.

Discussion was held with both Chiefs regarding Police and Fire Department average response times, the different definitions per the departments and how response times worked. The Chiefs explained how their individual departments functioned/operated as calls were received. The Fire Stations were fixed locations and the Police Officers were patrolling. Chief Stone explained National Standards, ISO ratings, NFPA requirements and how each Fire Station housed different equipment, which could affect times. Chief Film explained the difference between a Call Taker and a Dispatcher and the importance of having the two jobs functions for. It was determined Chief Film would email Council the Police Department reports for a better understanding.

**Liquor License – Spicy Sombreros Mexican Grill LLC – 4976 Darrow Road**

Motion made by McIntire seconded by Harrison to return the Liquor License for Spicy Sombreros Mexican Grill LLC located at 4976 Darrow Road without a hearing. Vote – Yeas: Feldman, Licate, Harrison, Lowdermilk, McIntire, Fiocca. Nays: None. Motion carried unanimously.

**Liquor License – Northeast Siam LLC dba Bangkok Thai Restaurant – 3767 Darrow Road**

Motion made by McIntire seconded by Harrison to return the Liquor License for Northeast Siam LLC dba Bangkok Thai Restaurant located at 3767 Darrow Road without a hearing. Vote – Yeas: Feldman, Licate, Harrison, Lowdermilk, McIntire, Fiocca. Nays: None. Motion carried unanimously.

**Discussion of Citywide Alert System**

Discussion was held regarding the various citywide alert options used over the years. The goal was for better communications and over the years the City utilized print, text, Facebook, City Website, Media, Fun in Stow, Summit Count Reserve and phone alerts. Mrs. Nahrstedt listed the various communication options and numerous subscribers. She explained the Administration was still researching different options at an approximate cost of \$30,000 to \$40,000 but had not decided on a company. The Mayor pointed out it was difficult to keep the contact list correct/updated because of the 350-500 houses sold annually. It was determined Code Red had not been used for two-years and the Administration was not sure if the residents were aware it was no longer in use. The Administration would continue to research the topic and report to Council possibly in March.

**Executive Session**

The Executive Session request for Compensation of a Public Employee §122.22 (G)(1) was not needed this evening per Mr. Wren.

Motion made by McIntire seconded by Harrison to remove the Executive Session request for Compensation of a Public Employee §122.22 (G)(1). Vote – Yeas: Feldman, Licate, Harrison, Lowdermilk, McIntire, Fiocca. Nays: None. Motion carried unanimously.

City Council recessed into Executive Session at 7:34 p.m.

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Motion made by McIntire seconded by Licate to recess into Executive Session to discuss the Appointment of a Public Official §122.22 (G)(1). Vote – Yeas: Feldman, Licate, Harrison, Lowdermilk, McIntire, Fiocca. Nays: None. Motion carried unanimously.

City Council reconvened into Open Session at 7:59 p.m.

Motion made by Harrison seconded by McIntire to reconvene the Committee of the Whole. Vote – Yeas: Feldman, Licate, Harrison, Lowdermilk, McIntire, Fiocca. Nays: None. Motion carried unanimously.

**Remonstrance Period**

Bruce Campbell, 3331 Pine Hollow Drive, explained how he was familiar with Code Red and how the PSAP should take advantage of it.

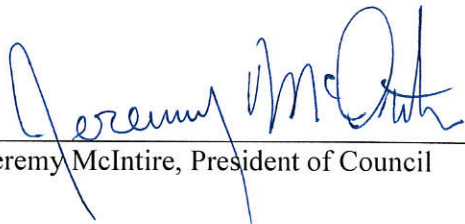
Lisa Sarafian, 3203 Englewood Drive, talked about The Village of Silver Lake Sidewalk Project and how it affected Stow residents on the other side of the street. She was not pleased with the lack of communication throughout the project, which made the entire project very confusing of everyone’s responsibilities. She talked about the two people collecting signatures, which apparently misinformed the Stow residents. Mr. McCleary explained Silver Lake started the project without communication with the Mayor and City Administration. The City was not aware of the project until it had gone out to bid and was moving forward. He explained there were 48 property owners with 60-foot frontage at a cost of \$40 per lineal foot equaling \$2,400 each a total of \$2.5 million. He, again, assured everyone this was a Silver Lake project not the City of Stows. Mrs. Syx explained the petitions and the City’s responsibilities. It was determined this topic needed further discussions within the Administration.

**Adjournment**

Motion made by Harrison seconded by Fiocca to adjourn. Vote – Yeas: Feldman, Licate, Harrison, Lowdermilk, McIntire, Fiocca. Nays: None. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:31 p.m.

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Lorree Villers, Clerk of Council

  
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Jeremy McIntire, President of Council