



A member of the Commission thanked the City for the Proclamation. She had never been so proud as to live in Stow than when she was hearing this.

Their Commission was pretty active. They would love to help the City in any way that they could. They were going to try to send representatives to the meetings frequently. She asked people to let them know if there was any way that they could help.

They really appreciated Mr. Lowdermilk right now for helping them with the Heritage Barn situation. Mr. Lowdermilk stated they were welcome. He wanted to thank Mr. Wren and his group for helping out at Silver Springs in making that a better situation for everybody.

On November 13<sup>th</sup> the Commission was having an Open Forum for the community so people could share their concerns with them.

2. Proclamation from the Mayor proclaiming October as "Breast Cancer Awareness Month". This item was read in its entirety. A copy of the Proclamation had been sent to the American Cancer Society.

### **Committee Reports**

Mr. D'Antonio reported on the Finance Committee Meeting of October 11, 2018 as follows:

1. Five items would be presented to Council this evening.

Mr. Pribonic reported on the Planning Committee Meeting of October 11, 2018 as follows:

1. One item would be introduced in legislative form.

Mr. Riehl reported on the Committee-of-the-Whole Meeting of October 11, 2018 as follows:

1. Recessed into Executive Session to discuss labor negotiations and the appointment of a city employee.
2. Legislation relating to the appointment would be introduced to Council this evening.

### **Comments from Other Persons Present**

Tiffany Leach  
4603 Martinique Drive  
Stow, OH

Ms. Leach stated she was a resident of Ward 4. She wanted to express her excitement and gratitude to the Councilmen who agreed to move forward on the Entertainment District at the last meeting. She thought it was a great opportunity for the residents to have a center to come together at as well as a source of income for the City.

Currently her family would head out to First and Main or to Kent to enjoy dinner, play on the green with the little kids or shop. She thought it would be really nice to be able to do that in their own city. She thought it was a great city to be in.

She thanked the Councilmembers for moving forward with that.

Ann Ream  
8220 Garnet Avenue  
North Canton, OH

Mrs. Ream requested Council's support of Issue No. 8. That was with the Summit County Children's Services. That would be on the ballot on November 6<sup>th</sup>.

She was and has been a social worker for over 25 years at the agency. She was now the Director of Community Relations for the agency. She asked who better knows the product than somebody who has actually done the work for many, many years? She was actually here as a volunteer though this evening to help get Council's support and endorsement for the issue.

As you know, it will be a renewal with an increase on the ballot on November 6<sup>th</sup>. They had not had new funds for over thirty years. Therefore, they had done the whole adage of doing more with less over the years. They have less social workers than they had had over the years. Their caseloads are higher, as well as they have more children in custody. Since 2012 they have had a 36% increase of custody of children.

They are first responders to child abuse and neglect. They are the only agency in the county who responds to concerns of child abuse and neglect. Their role in the community and the county is very vital. They serve 1 out of 12 children in Summit County. If you liken that to a classroom of 25, that would be 2 children in every classroom that they are responding to for abuse and neglect concerns.

Due to the opioid crisis their numbers have gone up and those children are witnessing a lot of trauma and complex issues that they are responding to and making sure that they have wrap-around services and that the kids are safe in this community. So it's very important that they get Council's support.

They had had almost 11,000 calls to their 24/7 hotline last year. They had served almost 10,000 in custody, which equates to the 1 out of 12 in Summit County.

If they do not pass Issue 8 they are going to be in trouble. They will be cutting almost 35% of their staff, which equates to almost 100 jobs and 20% of the budget. They had already done a whole lot more with less over the years and they really just can't be in that kind of situation to leave the vulnerable children of Summit County in a situation that would be less than desirable for the children and families that they serve.

Tom McKinney  
4731 Hilary Circle  
Stow, OH

Mr. McKinney asked if there are particular zoning districts where farm animals are or are not allowed? The only reference he could find was in Section 505.01 about dogs and animals running at-large. That was the only place that he saw a reference. He was curious to know if there are further regulations? He asked if there are particular districts where it is and it is not allowed? Mr. Kurtz stated no. Section 505.01 is the only reference.

Mr. McKinney asked if in R-1 people would technically be allowed to have farm animals or just R-2 or R-3 or in Overlay Districts or could they be any place? Mr. Kurtz stated there are no districts that would allow that. Mr. McKinney stated it makes it sound like you could have them, but they couldn't run at-large. He asked if that was correct or people couldn't have them at all? That provision actually says other fowl or animals.

He knew Council had had a discussion about alpacas. He knew of one other situation where there are farm animals at a home. Mrs. Zibritsky stated that wasn't the only section. There was another section about exotic animals. That provision was a little bit more of a catch-all.

Mr. McKinney stated it sounded like exotic animals wouldn't apply to goats or things like that. Mrs. Zibritosky thought it was an interesting issue. Her department was working with the Zoning Department on areas where things could be clarified.

Mr. McKinney stated he knew some neighbors in different areas that didn't want to complain about it, but they also didn't want it next to them. So if it's allowed some place, it may end up being allowed somewhere else just by accident. It seems to always be the responsibility of the next door neighbor to point it out, but if it's allowed, it's allowed, and if it's not, it would just seem that that would be a cut and dry issue.

The Clerk read a letter from Kari Suhadolnik regarding the City's Entertainment District, a copy of which is attached to these minutes.

### **City Officials' Reports**

Mayor Costello reported as follows:

1. We received a request this morning from Rob Workman, from Silver Lake Florists. On October 24<sup>th</sup>, he would like to "Petal it Forward".

On October 24<sup>th</sup>, from 11:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m., in front of the Stow Target Center, he plans to pass out approximately 200-250 bouquets of flowers and to hand them out to anybody who is willing to take them.

People could pay it forward or play it forward, whichever term you want to use, or they could keep it.

2. Since the last Council Meeting he had continued to work with the members of the intergovernmental agency group on the CAD Project and work with the vendor trying to negotiate some further reductions in pricing.
3. They were diligently working to bring-up to speed and install the new dispatch consoles and phones that they had received. They were looking at a cut-over of November 28<sup>th</sup> for that.
4. They have been working with the Fire Chief. There is legislation before Council this evening for the appointment of a new Fire Specialist-Safety Educator.
5. Regarding the City Center, they have sent out the RFPs. They had ten of them that have gone out. They were hoping to have answers back by mid-November. Mr. Wren stated November 21<sup>st</sup>.
6. They have been working with the Police Chief. He has a gentleman in mind to bring them up-to-speed as a new police officer, but they are still going thru the nuances of that.
7. He spent Tuesday and Wednesday in Atlanta Georgia working with the Akron Chamber of Commerce and Team NEO pitching Seasons Business Center III to a German cobalt steel manufacturer that would like to move into the area. They were keeping their fingers crossed that that will come to fruition.

Mr. Riehl asked Mr. Baranek how the Harvest Festival went? Mr. Baranek stated it was good. They had a lot of attendance. The weather actually broke that weekend. It was a nice weekend for people to come-out. Other than one injury they had to Mr. Pribonic, it went well.

Service Director Wren reported as follows:

1. Wanted to give Council an update where the City stands on salt. Last time they discussed it, they were going to go strike a deal for 2,000 tons at \$105/ton. That fell thru as part of their consortium. So they, just this week, struck a deal for 3,000 tons at \$102/ton. That would all be delivered prior to the end of the year.

They were still working with Cargo to purchase salt at \$79.82/ton after the first of the year, but both sides are non-committable. They don't have to supply them with the supply that they have requested and they don't have to take the salt that they pull out of the mine.

Their purchasing department reached out to 8-10 different companies to try to cut a side deal with somebody (just the City itself). They were unsuccessful. The best price they got for that was about \$136/ton.

With what they had on-hand plus the 3,000 tons, that should honestly take them thru the winter. If the winter is bad, they will have to order some of their allocation from Cargo, as long as hopefully there is some there. However, they felt they were more than ready with the moves they have made for the upcoming winter.

Mr. Lowdermilk thanked Mr. Wren and his guys for putting a ramp in at the lake at Silver Springs Park. That may not seem like a big deal, but for somebody in a wheelchair or with a disability getting to the fishing dock or the dock at the lake was an issue. He appreciated their getting that done. It wasn't completely finished yet.

Mr. Wren stated this fall they were trying to cut-in a path from the Silver Springs Campgrounds around the lake to the Young Road entrance at Silver Springs, which would actually get you hooked-up to the hike-and-bike trail without having to go on Young Road. Then they would branch a path off of that path directly to the fishing dock. That was the goal. Hopefully it would be done this fall.

City Engineer McCleary reported as follows:

1. The waterline along Lakeview Boulevard is almost completed. Tomorrow they will be setting-up zones along Graham Road. If the weather holds, that will take approximately one month to get the waterline between Elm Road and Northview Drive and get it buttoned-up before winter.
2. The S.R. 8 Project is going well. The berm work going northbound and southbound will continue for the next 2-3 weeks. The Seasons Road traffic signals are on schedule to be operational by December. As soon as the berm work is completed, the contractor mentioned that they would be making repairs and patches to S.R. 8 to get it smoother and ready for the winter.

At this time, if anybody calls into the City, they refer them back to ODOT because they are running the project. The District IV telephone number is (330)786-3100. The District IV website also has an area where you can sign-up for traffic alerts. They are also going to take that one-step further and create a website just for S.R. 8. Right now the traffic alerts are for the entire Summit County.

He signed-up about two-months ago. Sometimes you get three alerts during the week, but you always get at least one at the beginning of the week.

**New Business**

**MOTION:**

Mr. D'Antonio moved and Mr. Lowdermilk seconded to authorize the hiring of a Working (Field) Foreman for the Water Department.

Yes Votes: Rasor, Riehl, Adaska, D'Antonio,  
Herchick, Lowdermilk & Pribonic

No Votes: None. The motion carried.

**Disposition of Ordinances & Resolutions**

Ordinance No. 2018-83 remained on the table.

Ordinance No. 2018-90 remained on the table.

Mr. Pribonic introduced Resolution No. 2018-123, entitled:

A RESOLUTION GRANTING CONDITIONAL ZONING CERTIFICATE AND VARIANCE APPROVAL TO JIM YEAGER, APPLICANT, AND ROBERT CHEVALLEY, PROPERTY OWNER, TO PERMIT THE CONSTRUCTION OF A TWO-FAMILY DWELLING ON A VACANT LOT BETWEEN 1199/1201 AND 1231/1235 RITCHIE ROAD, IN THE CITY OF STOW, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

which was read by title by the Clerk for the first time.

Mr. Pribonic moved and Mr. Rasor seconded for the suspension of rules.

Yes Votes: Rasor, Riehl, Adaska, D'Antonio,  
Herchick, Lowdermilk & Pribonic

No Votes: None. The motion carried.

Mr. Pribonic moved and Mr. D'Antonio seconded for the adoption of Resolution No. 2018-123.

Yes Votes: Rasor, Riehl, Adaska, D'Antonio,  
Herchick, Lowdermilk & Pribonic

No Votes: None. The motion carried.

Resolution No 2018-123 was declared to be adopted by Council and, upon its signature by the Mayor, shall take effect immediately.

Mr. D'Antonio introduced Ordinance No. 2018-124, entitled:

AN ORDINANCE ALLOCATING ORIGINAL AND SUPPLEMENTAL OVERTIME FUNDS FROM THE CITY OF STOW'S BUDGET FOR OVERTIME EXPENDITURES FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT IN 2018 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

which was read by title by the Clerk for the first time.

Mr. D'Antonio moved and Mr. Pribonic seconded for the suspension of rules.

Yes Votes: Rasor, Riehl, Adaska, D'Antonio,  
Herchick, Lowdermilk & Pribonic

No Votes: None. The motion carried.

Mr. D'Antonio moved and Mr. Adaska seconded for the adoption of Ordinance No. 2018-124.

Yes Votes: Rasor, Riehl, Adaska, D'Antonio,  
Herchick, Lowdermilk & Pribonic

No Votes: None. The motion carried.

Ordinance No. 2018-124 was declared to be adopted by Council and, upon its signature by the Mayor, shall take effect immediately.

Mr. D'Antonio introduced Ordinance No. 2018-125, entitled:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO ADVERTISE AND SOLICIT BIDS, ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF STOW, FOR MOWING, FERTILIZATION AND LEAF PICK-UP ON VARIOUS CITY PROPERTIES FOR A THREE-YEAR PERIOD; AUTHORIZING AND ADOPTING PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS PREPARED BY THE CITY OF STOW THEREFOR; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO MAKE AND ENTER INTO CONTRACTS FOR SAID SERVICE, SO LONG AS PROPER AUTHORIZATION IS FIRST OBTAINED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 173.05, C.O.S.

which was read by title by the Clerk for the first time.

Mr. D'Antonio moved and Mr. Pribonic seconded for the suspension of rules.

Yes Votes: Rasor, Riehl, Adaska, D'Antonio,  
Herchick, Lowdermilk & Pribonic

No Votes: None. The motion carried.

Mr. D'Antonio moved and Mr. Pribonic seconded for the adoption of Ordinance No. 2018-125.

Yes Votes: Rasor, Riehl, Adaska, D'Antonio,  
Herchick, Lowdermilk & Pribonic

No Votes: None. The motion carried.

Ordinance No. 2018-125 was declared to be adopted by Council and, upon its signature by the Mayor, shall take effect in thirty (30) days.

Mr. D'Antonio introduced Resolution No. 2018-126, entitled:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CITY OF STOW APPLICATION FOR A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) FOR AUDITORY CROSSWALK UPGRADES AT TWO INTERSECTIONS: GRAHAM ROAD/FISHCREEK ROAD AND DARROW ROAD/KENT ROAD THROUGH THE SUMMIT COUNTY'S 2019 CDBG PROGRAM AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

which was read by title by the Clerk for the first time.

Mr. D'Antonio moved and Mr. Lowdermilk seconded for the suspension of rules.

Yes Votes: Rasor, Riehl, Adaska, D'Antonio,  
Herchick, Lowdermilk & Pribonic

No Votes: None. The motion carried.

Mr. D'Antonio moved and Mr. Pribonic seconded for the adoption of Resolution No. 2018-126.

Yes Votes: Rasor, Riehl, Adaska, D'Antonio,  
Herchick, Lowdermilk & Pribonic

No Votes: None. The motion carried.

Resolution No. 2018-126 was declared to be adopted by Council and, upon its signature by the Mayor, shall take effect immediately.

Mr. D'Antonio introduced Resolution No. 2018-127, entitled:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF STOW TO ACCEPT GRANT FUNDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF PURCHASING SOURCE CAPTURE EXHAUST EXTRACTION SYSTEMS FOR FIRE STATION NOS. 2 AND 3 FROM THE BUREAU OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION (BWC) FIREFIGHTER EXPOSURE TO ENVIRONMENTAL ELEMENTS GRANT (FEEEG) AND SAFETY INTERVENTION GRANT (SIG) AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

which was read by title by the Clerk for the first time.

Mr. D'Antonio moved and Mr. Pribonic seconded for the suspension of rules.

Yes Votes: Rasor, Riehl, Adaska, D'Antonio,  
Herchick, Lowdermilk & Pribonic

No Votes: None. The motion carried.

Mr. D'Antonio moved and Mr. Lowdermilk seconded for the adoption of Resolution No. 2018-127.

Yes Votes: Rasor, Riehl, Adaska, D'Antonio,  
Herchick, Lowdermilk & Pribonic

No Votes: None. The motion carried.

Resolution No. 2018-127 was declared to be adopted by Council and, upon its signature by the Mayor, shall take effect immediately.

Mr. D'Antonio introduced Ordinance No. 2018-128, entitled:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN EXPENDITURE FOR THE PURCHASE OF SOURCE CAPTURE EXHAUST EXTRACTION SYSTEMS FOR FIRE STATION NOS. 2 AND 3 FROM SOLE SOURCE PROVIDER ROSSMAN ENTERPRISES, WITHOUT THE NECESSITY OF PUBLIC BIDS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

which was read by title by the Clerk for the first time.

Mr. D'Antonio moved and Mr. Pribonic seconded for the suspension of rules.

Yes Votes: Rasor, Riehl, Adaska, D'Antonio,  
Herchick, Lowdermilk & Pribonic

No Votes: None. The motion carried.

Mr. D'Antonio moved and Mr. Rasor seconded for the adoption of Ordinance No. 2018-128.

Yes Votes: Rasor, Riehl, Adaska, D'Antonio,  
Herchick, Lowdermilk & Pribonic

No Votes: None. The motion carried.

Ordinance No. 2018-128 was declared to be adopted by Council and, upon its signature by the Mayor, shall take effect immediately.

Mr. Riehl introduced Ordinance No. 2018-129, entitled:

AN ORDINANCE CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF MELISSA A. ADAMS TO THE POSITION OF SPECIALIST-SAFETY EDUCATION WITHIN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF STOW; ESTABLISHING COMPENSATION FOR SAID APPOINTEE; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

which was read by title by the Clerk for the first time.

Mr. Riehl moved and Mr. Pribonic seconded for the suspension of rules.

Yes Votes: Rasor, Riehl, Adaska, D'Antonio,  
Herchick, Lowdermilk & Pribonic

No Votes: None. The motion carried.

Mr. Riehl moved and Mr. D'Antonio seconded for the adoption of Ordinance No. 2018-129.

Mr. Riehl stated that outside of the Chiefs in each respective department, the person he thought was either runner-up or second highest in exposure were those that dealt with our children, whether it was a DARE Officer or a School Research Officer or the Specialist-Safety Education. Sandy Ray had done a great job for a long time. He looked forward to welcoming our new recruit. He looked forward to her getting out and educating our children.

Yes Votes: Rasor, Riehl, Adaska, D'Antonio,  
Herchick, Lowdermilk & Pribonic

No Votes: None. The motion carried.

Ordinance No. 2018-129 was declared to be adopted by Council and, upon its signature by the Mayor, shall take effect immediately.

### **Disposition of Bills**

#### **MOTION:**

Mr. D'Antonio moved and Mr. Adaska seconded to approve the release of the checks for the current Bill Listing.

Yes Votes: Rasor, Riehl, Adaska, D'Antonio,  
Herchick, Lowdermilk & Pribonic

No Votes: None. The motion carried.

**Committee Meetings Scheduled**

Finance Committee  
Thursday, October 25, 2018  
at 6:00 p.m.

C.O.W.  
Thursday, October 25, 2018  
to Follow the Finance Committee

City Council  
Thursday, October 25, 2018  
at 7:00 p.m.

**Adjournment**

**MOTION:**

Mr. D'Antonio moved and Mr. Lowdermilk seconded to adjourn.

Yes Votes: Rasor, Riehl, Adaska, D'Antonio,  
Herchick, Lowdermilk & Pribonic

No Votes: None. The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

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Bonnie J. Emahiser  
Clerk of Council

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Matt Riehl  
President of Council