



# Council Chambers

## June 28, 2016

### A) CALL TO ORDER

The Council for the City of Norwood met in regular session on the above date with Mrs. Donna Laake presiding. The meeting opened with a prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

### B) PRAYER

### C) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

### D) ROLL CALL

On roll call, the following members answered present: Mr. Cark, Mrs. Stickley, Mr. Blair, Mrs. Hanrahan, Mr. Sanker, and Mr. Mumper; Mr. Bonsall was absent.

### E) AMENDMENT OF AGENDA

There were no amendments to the agenda.

### F) MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

On a motion from Mr. Sanker, seconded by Mr. Blair, it was moved to accept the minutes of the June 14, 2016 meeting, as if read. All present voted, "Yes".

### G) REQUEST TO ADDRESS COUNCIL ON AGENDA ITEMS

There were no requests to address council on agenda items.

### H) REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL

- 1) Housing, Health, & Recreation: 5/23/16                      Re: Bee-hiving and Miscellaneous Zoning Issues  
On a motion by Mr. Mumper, seconded by Mrs. Stickley, it was moved to accept the committee report. All present voted, "Yes."

At this time, Mrs. Laake welcomed and acknowledged the Scouts from Troop 9, who were attending the meeting to earn their communications badge.

### I) SECOND READING OF RESOLUTIONS

- 1) RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE 2017 TAX BUDGET  
On a motion from Mr. Sanker, seconded by Mr. Mumper, it was moved to hear the second reading of the resolution. All present voted, "Yes."

### J) INTRODUCTORY READINGS OF RESOLUTIONS

- 1) A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE CITY OF NORWOOD PLANNING COMMISSION TO CONSIDER AMENDMENTS TO THE PLANNING AND ZONING CODE PROHIBITING PLAY STRUCTURES IN FRONT YARDS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY  
On a motion from Mr. Clark, seconded by Mrs. Hanrahan, it was moved to suspend the rules and hear all three readings of the resolution. All present voted, "Yes."  
Mr. Sanker asked a question to Mrs. Hanrahan, Chairperson of the Housing, Health, & Recreation Committee, regarding the request for the Planning Commission to review the current zoning and adding amendments identifying play equipment as a structure. Mrs. Hanrahan stated this was needed because the current wording doesn't identify play structures as a "structure." She has received complaints from neighbors living near the play structure on Forest Avenue. Mr. Sanker then reviewed the process of this matter going back to the Planning Commission, who will then review and make a recommendation, and then hold a public hearing to change the zoning; passing this resolution doesn't change the zoning.  
On a motion by Mr. Mumper, seconded by Mrs. Stickley, it was moved to pass the Resolution. All present voted, "Yes."

### K) ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

Keith Moore, Law Director                                      Re: Future Commercial Development Matters  
Mr. Moore began by discussing the Central Park parking garage. TIF documents should be coming soon. The TIF would assist with the funding of improvements to the parking garage. Mr. Moore also stated the developer wants to pay extra for energy improvements to the property; these documents are more complicated but should work the same way as the TIF. Mr. Moore referenced a meeting that took place with Bond Counsel and some municipal financial advisors. They were surprised with the rate of return on bond refinancing; works similar to refinancing a mortgage. Refinancing could free up \$80,000 - \$150,000 per year for the next fifteen years. Mr. Moore also stated, after looking at the agreement, the money may be able to be used for public improvements around the Cornerstone development. Before proceeding, Mr.

Moore was checking with Council to see if there were any objections. Mr. Mumper asked if this matter would have to be put out for bid; Mr. Moore stated this would not have to go out to bid. Mr. Moore stated the call-date on these bonds is December, 2016. Mrs. Stickley asked if refinancing would extend the terms; Mr. Moore stated it would not.

On a motion by Mr. Sanker, seconded by Mr. Mumper, it was requested that the Law Director pursue the potential for refinancing the TIF bonds. All present voted, "Yes."

**L) OTHER REQUESTS TO ADDRESS COUNCIL**

Mike Nagy Re: Trash Noise Ordinance

Mr. Nagy, a Rumpke truck driver, spoke about the Trash Noise Ordinance, which, until recently, hasn't been enforced. Mr. Nagy stated he has been starting his pick-up route between 4:00am- 4:45am. Because of the early morning hours, Mr. Nagy is considerate of the residents and does not use the louder functions on the truck. Mr. Nagy believes it is best for the safety of residents during the morning rush-hour commute and children walking to school, that these early morning hours are the best option. Mr. Nagy stated he has cleaned up messes left by scrappers. Other cities exclude trash pick-up from their noise ordinance, and he would like Norwood to also consider this same exclusion. Mrs. Hanrahan asked how many trucks are out at a time; Mr. Nagy answered 4-5.

On a motion by Mrs. Hanrahan, seconded by Mr. Sanker, it was moved to place the matter of trash pick-up time into the Law and Ordinance Committee. All present voted, "Yes."

Pastor Sonny James Re: Community

Mr. James began by commending the Law Department for looking at different options for funding relief. Mr. James also acknowledged the Scouts in the audience; he was proud to see them at the meeting. Mr. James reminded Council of his 13-point plan, and again reviewed some statistics from the May 27<sup>th</sup> event at the YMCA. Mr. James then discussed an incident that happened in Norwood involving a fire-arm; he believes the event at the YMCA helped to build a relationship between the youth of Norwood and the Norwood Police, which helped lead to the discovery of the fire-arm. Mr. James announced the next event to take place on July 10<sup>th</sup>.

Adrienne Jackson Re: Norwood Basketball Courts

Ms. Jackson, of Mills Avenue, addressed Council regarding the basketball courts in the city that are not open. Ms. Jackson stated kids enjoy playing basketball and it helps to build discipline; funding, alternative venues, and monitoring should be made available.

**M) UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Mr. Sanker reminded residents of the Fourth of July festivities taking place at Shea Stadium.

**N) NEW BUSINESS**

Mrs. Hanrahan announced there will be a Housing, Health, and Recreation Committee meeting on July 18<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30pm in Council Chambers, to discuss zoning.

Mr. Clark announced the next city-wide prayer meeting will take place on July 2<sup>nd</sup>, at 10am at the Norwood Plaza parking lot.

Mr. Sanker stated light poles are being painted throughout the city; this was made possible through Community Block Grant funding. Mr. Sanker also stated Highland Avenue is supposed to re-open July 1.

Mrs. Laake congratulated Mr. Clark and his wife on the birth of their daughter. Mr. Clark stated that his daughter and wife are "happy and healthy."

**O) COMMUNICATIONS**

There were no communications.

**P) EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBER/S**

On a motion by Mr. Mumper, and seconded by Mrs. Hanrahan, it was moved to excuse Mr. Bonsall's absence. All present voted, "Yes."

At the suggestion of Mr. Mumper, each of the Scouts observing the meeting approached the podium and introduced themselves to the members of Council.

**Q) ADJOURNMENT**

On a motion by Mr. Mumper, seconded by Mr. Clark, it was moved to adjourn. All present voted, "Yes".

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**Joseph S. Geers**  
Clerk of Council

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**Donna M. Laake**  
President of Council