# MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL MAYFIELD VILLAGE, OHIO

Monday, September 20, 2021 – 7:30 p.m. Mayfield Village Civic Hall-Mayfield Village Civic Center

The Council of Mayfield Village met in Regular Session on Monday, September 20, 2021, at Mayfield Village Civic Hall following a Town Hall meeting held by State Representative Phil Robinson. Council President Schutt called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Present: Mrs. Jurcisek, Mr. Marquardt, Mrs. Mills, Mr. Meyers,

Mr. Murphy, Mr. Schutt and Mr. Williams

Also Present: Mayor Bodnar, Mr. Wynne, Mr. Coyne,

Mr. Cappello, Chief Carcioppolo, Chief Matias, Mr. Marquart, Ms. Echt, Mr. Russell, Mr. Sipos,

Ms. Wolgamuth and Mrs. Betsa

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was given.

# CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES:

# Regular Council Meeting - August 16, 2021

Mrs. Mills, seconded by Mr. Marquardt, made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of August 16, 2021 as written.

Council President Schutt asked, any discussion?

There was none.

ROLL CALL: AYES:

All

Motion Carried

NAYS:

None

Minutes of August 16, 2021

Meeting Approved as Written

# Comments from Mayor Bodnar

Thank you, Council President. I have written commendation letters to several members of our lifeguard staff, who encountered situations this summer which required them to be attentive and to respond very swiftly with skilled actions and that is what they did. Each of them on different occasions helped to save lives. The young people that I recognized were Jack Kerver, Antonio Lopez, Ava Rumbarger, Lily Stenroos, Valerie Sague and Christian Sifra. I would like to take this

time to just thank them publicly on the record for their services to our community. They were instrumental in helping us to save lives this summer. We appreciate all that they have done for us.

Another thing is I just wanted to give a little report on Cruise Night. I know that Danielle is here and she will probably give another recap, but it was held last Saturday night. Normally it's held in June. We moved it to September. It was a beautiful evening. It was very well-attended. I got a lot of compliments on the evening. I also got compliments on how well the Village looked the following Sunday morning. You could not tell that a Cruise Night had occurred the night before. Thanks go out to Shane and Danielle and Sean and especially all the Recreation Department volunteers who were instrumental in making it a great night. Also, to Scott Sipos and all of the Service Department and Chief Matias and the Police Department, Chief Carcioppolo and the Fire Department who were there to aid in our safety on Saturday night. It took a Village, but we ended up with a really great Cruise Night. Thank you very much. That's all I have for tonight.

Council President Schutt stated, thank you, Mayor Bodnar.

#### **Comments From Council President Schutt**

Although they have left, I would like to give a special thank you to State Representative Phil Robinson and his team of Katy Dakota and Mia for the information on the Budget Planning, Educational and Legislative updates. It was very informative.

I would like to say Happy Birthday to Councilwoman Jen Jurcisek. Her birthday is today. Also, Happy Birthday today to our Finance Director, Mr. Ron Wynne. Happy Birthday as well.

I would also just like to echo Mayor Bodnar's comments about Cruise Night. It was a huge success. As she said, you couldn't even tell we had an event that large. I believe that was the largest Cruise Night that we have had in Mayfield Village probably ever from what I have seen. It was a fantastic event. Special shout out to our Parks and Rec Department as Mayor Bodnar said as well, and to our Service Department and Police and Fire for keeping everybody safe as well. Thank you everyone for that. That's all I have for tonight.

**Open Portion** – For Public Comment (5-minute limit imposed by Chair)

Mary Murphy 816 Hardwood Court

I am going to pass these out as I am talking. I took this picture in Acacia Reservation over in Lyndhurst by the Metroparks. I thought it was a very sharp sign. I am a little concerned about the amount of strollers and dog walkers and residents in the different developments in the Village. There are a lot of people out and about. I think this is a very sharp sign. You might consider it. I don't know what Committee would discuss this but maybe you could consider something like this for Mayfield Village.

I just want people to be safe. I will be honest with you. A lot of it is residents or the residents' kids flying through the development. When I am out with the dog or stroller, I get dramatic and jump over on the grass to make them see they are going too fast. I am not sure which group it would be, but hopefully maybe you will consider it. They are very sharp and classy and I like the green. Thank you.

Council President Schutt stated, thank you, Mrs. Murphy. Does anyone else have any comments?

There were none.

#### **Department Head Reports:**

**Anthony Coyne (Law)** – I have no report this evening, but if Council has questions concerning the new Ordinance concerning the handheld traffic law enforcement devices and the related Master Services Agreement, I can discuss those at the appropriate time.

Council President Schutt stated, thank you, Mr. Coyne.

### Danielle Echt (Parks & Recreation)

- Parks and Recreation Cruise Night really was a great night. We had a good crowd. We had great weather. There were a lot of cars. The volunteers were outstanding. I think most of Council was there to volunteer. The Rec Board volunteered. There were a whole bunch of volunteers. It really was a great night where we all came together and made it happen. It wasn't just the Recreation Department. We had Police there, Fire, Service, all of the support from everyone, not just the Recreation Department. Thank you very much everyone for the support for being there. I also wanted to report that we collected \$1,128.23 for a donation to Hillcrest Meals on Wheels. Thank you.
- Senior Services We have 167 participants who have opted in for the Senior Snow Removal Program. The deadline is September 27<sup>th</sup>. As of now, we only have 3 who have opted out. That deadline is December 31<sup>st</sup>.

Ms. Echt stated, thank you.

Council President Schutt stated, thank you, Ms. Echt.

**Chief Matias (Police Department)** – I have no report. I have a few things on the agenda that I will comment on if necessary when they come up.

Council President Schutt stated, thank you Chief.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

Council President Schutt stated, there is no Old Business to discuss this evening.

#### NEW BUSINESS

. Motion to approve recommendation from Planning and Zoning Commission concerning the Conditional Use Permit for Kidtown Eduplay Center Childcare at 771 Beta Drive. (Building Department)

Mrs. Mills, seconded by Mr. Marquardt, made a motion to approve recommendation from Planning and Zoning Commission concerning the Conditional Use Permit for Kidtown Eduplay Center Childcare at 771 Beta Drive. (Building Department)

Council President Schutt asked, discussion?

There was none.

ROLL CALL: AYES:

All

Motion Carried

NAYS:

None

Recommendation Approved

Motion to authorize expenditure in the amount of \$41,191.50 to A.&J Cement Contractors, Inc. for Service Department annex storage building drainage improvement (Engineer)

Mrs. Mills, seconded by Mr. Marquardt, made a motion to authorize expenditure in the amount of \$41,191.50 to A.&J Cement Contractors, Inc. for Service Department annex storage building drainage improvement (Engineer)

Council President Schutt asked, discussion?

There was none.

ROLL CALL: AYES:

All

Motion Carried

NAYS:

None

Expenditure Approved

Motion to acknowledge receipt of financial reports for August 2021 and to approve of same as submitted. (Finance Department)

Mrs. Mills, seconded by Mr. Marquardt, made a motion to acknowledge receipt of financial reports for August 2021 and to approve of same as submitted.

Council President Schutt asked, discussion?

There was none.

ROLL CALL: AYES:

NAYS:

All None Motion Carried

Financial Reports for

August 2021 Acknowledged And Approved as Submitted

• First Reading of Ordinance No. 2021-10, entitled, "An emergency ordinance enacting Mayfield Village Codified Ordinance Chapter 317 Officer-Operated Handheld Traffic Law Enforcement Devices." Introduced by Mayor Bodnar (Administration)

Council President Schutt stated, Chief Matias would like this legislation to pass on emergency this evening.

Mrs. Mills, seconded by Mr. Marquardt, made a motion to suspend the rules of Council requiring an Ordinance to be read on three separate occasions.

ROLL CALL: AYES: All

NAYS: None

Motion Carried

Rules Suspended

Mrs. Mills, seconded by Mr. Marquardt, made a motion to enact Ordinance No. 2021-10.

Council President Schutt asked, discussion?

Mrs. Jurcisek stated, I have just a couple of questions, Chief, if that's okay.

Chief Matias replied, okay.

Mrs. Jurcisek stated, in some of the earlier communications, you had indicated that the handheld devices would be used for a couple hour span in the morning and then in the evening during rush hour. Do you still anticipate using it for a couple of hours in the morning and in the evening?

Chief Matias replied, yes. We are targeting the rush hour when we can see when the higher volumes of traffic are occurring in the morning and in the afternoon.

Mrs. Jurcisek stated, okay. And then I am thinking of that stretch of highway right there. Do you know if, obviously officer safety is of the utmost importance, do you know if Mayfield Heights or Highland Heights are discussing this at all? Could power in numbers cut down on that at all?

Chief Matias replied, I don't know if they are discussing it at all. I will say that both Mayfield Heights and Highland Heights over the next few months are going to be getting new Chiefs, both Chief Bittner and Chief Cook from Mayfield Heights and Highland Heights are retiring at the end

of this year or early next year. I don't want to speak for them, but that is something to be aware of.

Mrs. Jurcisek stated, okay. Great. Thank you.

Council President Schutt asked, any other comments or discussion?

Mr. Meyers asked, will you be able to monitor after a month if this is working or not?

Chief Matias replied, we will be able to monitor it assuming that I still have access to the ODOT traffic data that we will be able to monitor the data coming in. To say after a month if we can tell if it's working or not, I don't know if that would be enough data. I think this is going to be kind of a longer term to see an impact because we are using data to determine why we are doing it. I think we are going to need to collect data to measure the effectiveness over a little longer period of time than that.

Mr. Meyers asked, there's nobody in the immediate area that is doing this right now?

Chief Matias stated, not in the immediate area, no.

Mr. Meyers stated, Okay. Thank you.

Council President Schutt asked, any other comments or discussion? I had one myself as well. So then if somebody borrows an individual's vehicle and is speeding, I am assuming they will take a look at it and go to the registered owner of the vehicle?

Chief Matias replied, right. When a person receives a citation, included with the citation will be a transfer of liability form. They just provide who was driving and that will go to the company Gatso and then another citation is sent out to that person.

Council President Schutt stated, okay. The other thing too that I saw. There's three different fines depending upon the speed over the limit. The \$100, \$200 and \$300 fines. If someone is ticketed multiple times, will those fees increase, or will it still be those same \$100, \$200 or \$300?

Chief Matias replied, in the Ordinance, we just have it set.

Council President Schutt stated, okay. And then just one last comment. I agree 100% with officer safety. My son got a flat tire about 2 weeks ago on 90. It was insane how fast people were driving. I was afraid for my life. I was afraid for his life. Two vehicles were on the side of the road because he had his flat tire and then I came to help. It was mind boggling how people would not get over. They could care less that there were two people standing there on the side of the highway. I give full support of this and understand where you are coming from.

Chief Matias stated, thank you Council President. And just to kind of summarize, that's how this whole thing started. Last year I started monitoring the ODOT traffic monitor that is just north of Highland Road and we started seeing the dramatic increase of the very high speeds. In January we started doing traffic details where the officers were going up during morning and afternoon rush hour to target a lot of these high speeders. What we found was people were not moving over, they were not slowing down and it became what I felt was way too dangerous to try and do regular traffic enforcement in the traditional way during those times. And so, I started looking for solutions and the solution was technology. We are still doing the same thing. The officer is still going to be observing the vehicle and is still going to be using the same style of laser that we use now, just instead of what we have been doing since the '40's where we have to pull out from a dead stop, weave through traffic and try to catch up to the car and then do the stop on the roadside as rush hour traffic is flying by us, we are just using the technology to try to make it safer for the officers and for everybody else because that's what we saw. The exact same thing. You are standing out there and the volume and the speeds combined we felt it was too dangerous and we think this will be a good solution for that. I thank everybody for their support.

Council President Schutt asked, any other questions for Chief Matias?

There were none.

ROLL CALL: AYES: All

NAYS: None

Motion Carried
Ordinance Enacted

• <u>First Reading of Ordinance No. 2021-11</u>, entitled, "An emergency ordinance to approve current replacement pages to the Mayfield Village Codified Ordinances." Introduced by Mayor Bodnar (Administration)

Mrs. Jurcisek, seconded by Mr. Marquardt, made a motion to suspend the rules of Council requiring an Ordinance to be read on three separate occasions.

ROLL CALL: AYES: All

NAYS: None

Motion Carried Rules Suspended

Mrs. Jurcisek, seconded by Mr. Marquardt, made a motion to enact Ordinance No. 2021-11.

Council President Schutt asked, discussion?

There was none.

ROLL CALL: AYES: All

NAYS: None

Motion Carried Ordinance Enacted

• <u>First Reading of Ordinance No. 2021-12</u>, entitled, "An ordinance amending Mayfield Village Codified Ordinance Section 351.12 Handicapped Parking." Introduced by Mayor Bodnar (Administration)

Ordinance No. 2021-12 moved to Second Read

• First Reading of Ordinance No. 2021-13, entitled, "An ordinance amending Mayfield Village Codified Ordinance Section 351.99 Penalty." Introduced by Mayor Bodnar (Administration)

Ordinance 2021-13 moved to Second Read

• Resolution No. 2021-32, entitled, "A Resolution accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the Budget Commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the County Fiscal Officer." Introduced by Mayor Bodnar (Administration)

Mrs. Mills, seconded by Mr. Marquardt, made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2021-32.

Council President Schutt asked, discussion?

There was none.

ROLL CALL: AYES: All

NAYS: None

Motion Carried

Resolution Adopted

• Resolution No. 2021-35, entitled, "An Emergency Resolution authorizing Mayfield Village to enter into a contract with Stephen Campbell Associates for a communications recording system in the amount of \$21,539.00." Introduced by Mayor Bodnar (Administration)

Mrs. Mills, seconded by Mr. Marquardt, made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2021-35.

Council President Schutt asked, discussion?

There was none.

ROLL CALL: AYES: All

NAYS: None

Motion Carried

Resolution Adopted

• Resolution No. 2021-36, entitled, "An Emergency Resolution authorizing Mayfield Village to enter into a contract with Sensys Gatso USA, Inc. for an officer-operated traffic photo enforcement program." Introduced by Mayor Bodnar (Administration)

Mrs. Mills, seconded by Mr. Marquardt, made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2021-36.

Council President Schutt asked, discussion?

There was none.

ROLL CALL: AYES: All

NAYS: None

Motion Carried

Resolution Adopted

# ANY OTHER MATTER THAT MAY COME BEFORE COUNCIL

Council President Schutt asked, are there any other matters to come before Council at this time?

There were none.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Mrs. Mills, seconded by Mr. Marquardt, made a motion to adjourn.

ROLL CALL: AYES: All

NAYS: None

Motion Carried

Meeting Adjourned

The meeting adjourned at 8:01 p.m. The next Regular meeting of Council will be on Monday, October 18, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. in Civic Hall at the Mayfield Village Civic Center.

STEPHEN SCHITT COUNCIL PRESIDENT

BRENDA T. BODNAR, MAYOR

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MARY B. BETSA, MMC, CLERK OF COUNCIL