

CITY OF ROCKY RIVER

September 21, 2020

The Special Meeting of Council was called to order by Mr. Moran, President of Council, at 7:08 p.m. via Zoom

Council Members Present: Mr. Hunt, Mr. Shepherd, Mr. O'Donnell, Mr. Furry, Mrs. Morris, Mr. Klym, Mr. Moran

Administration: Mayor Bobst, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Snyder

Law Director: Mr. Bemer

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Special Meeting this evening is in regards to Resolution Nos. 66-20, 67-20, 68-20, 69-20 and Ordinance Nos. 70-20, 71-20, 72-20, 73-20 and 74-20.

Mr. Furry welcomed members of Pack 390 for joining this evening's zoom meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT: NONE

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION NO. 66-20

BY: MICHAEL P. O'DONNELL

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE CUYAHOGA COUNTY FISCAL OFFICER TO ADVANCE TAXES FROM THE PROCEEDS OF ALL TAX LEVIES FOR THE TAX YEAR 2020 PURSUANT TO THE OHIO REVISED CODE

3rd READING

Mr. O'Donnell stated that this is an annual resolution that is passed every year and has been discussed for several weeks. By approving this resolution, the city receives money much sooner from the County. There have not been any questions regarding this resolution. Mr. O'Donnell moved for passage of Resolution No. 66-20, seconded by Mr. Furry.

Vote: Hunt – aye	Shepherd – aye	O'Donnell – aye	Furry – aye
Morris – aye	Klym – aye	Moran - aye	
7 ayes		0 nays	PASSED

RESOLUTION NO. 67-20

BY: MICHAEL P. O'DONNELL

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE CUYAHOGA COUNTY FISCAL OFFICER TO ADVANCE TAXES HELD FROM THE PROCEEDS OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS FOR THE TAX YEAR 2020 PURSUANT TO THE OHIO REVISED CODE

3rd READING

Mr. O'Donnell stated that this is similar to Resolution No. 66-20. By making this request, the

city receives the final disbursements of special assessments for things like delinquent sewer accounts, erosion control and break wall projects sooner. Mr. O'Donnell moved for passage of Resolution No. 67-20, seconded by Mr. Furry.

Vote: Hunt – aye	Shepherd – aye	O'Donnell – aye	Furry – aye
Morris – aye	Klym – aye	Moran - aye	
7 ayes		0 nays	PASSED

RESOLUTION NO. 68-20

BY: MICHAEL P. O'DONNELL

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE CUYAHOGA COUNTY BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE CUYAHOGA COUNTY FISCAL OFFICER AS FURTHER DESCRIBED IN THE ATTACHED EXHIBIT "A"

3rd READING

Mr. O'Donnell said that this is an annual resolution and has been discussed for the last several weeks. This is the next step in the 2020-2021 budget process. The County Budget Commission has determined that for 2021 the City of Rocky River needs to levy 10.68 mills. Those mills are divided up for a number of different uses throughout the city including millage for the Senior Center, refuse and recycling, the Recreation Center, bond retirements, the fire and police pension funds and for capital improvement projects. Mr. O'Donnell has not had any questions regarding Resolution No. 68-20 and moved for passage of Resolution No. 68-20, seconded by Mr. Furry.

Vote: Hunt – aye	Shepherd – aye	O'Donnell – aye	Furry – aye
Morris – aye	Klym – aye	Moran - aye	
7 ayes		0 nays	PASSED

RESOLUTION NO. 69-20

BY: CHRISTOPHER J. KLYM

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE ODOT STATE AND U.S. BICYCLE ROUTE SYSTEM

3rd READING

Mr. Klym said this has been discussed during the last two meetings. Mr. Klym highlighted that this is a program sponsored by the State of Ohio and the Federal Government, the State and Federal Department of Transportation. The goal of the program is to establish a statewide network of state and US bike routes, which will provide bicyclists with state and convenient connections through and to popular destinations in Ohio. The system will serve as a strong backbone that local and regional bike networks can build on and connect across the state. Rocky River will have two routes come through the city. US Bike Route 30 and US Bike Route 130. Route 30 heads south from Detroit through Toledo and Cleveland going toward Erie, PA. Much of this route is in north central Ohio and is along the north coast inland trail. A scenic alternative is Route 130 follows the shores of Lake Erie and passes through Sandusky and Lorain before rejoining Route 30 just west of Cleveland in Rocky River on Detroit Road near Smith Court and Lakeview. 75% of the municipalities and villages are in support of this. This designation will allow the city to seek additional grant funding for other bicycle recreation projects and park projects within the city. Mr. Klym moved for passage of Resolution No. 69-20, seconded by Mr. Furry.

Vote: Hunt – aye	Shepherd – aye	O’Donnell – aye	Furry – aye
Morris – aye	Klym – aye	Moran - aye	
7 ayes		0 nays	PASSED

ORDINANCE NO. 70-20

BY: DAVID W. FURRY

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF ROCKY RIVER AND BURCH HYDRO INC. FOR THE 2020 WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT #1 PRIMARY DIGESTER CLEANING PROJECT AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$261,400.00

3rd READING

Mr. Furry said this is to enter a contract with Burch Hydro, Inc. for the cleaning of the #1 primary digester at the WWTP at a cost not to exceed \$261,400. This cleaning has not been performed in 21 years and is considered a necessary preventative maintenance. The bid by Burch Hydro was significantly less than the engineer’s estimate and other bids. If all goes well with this, the #2 primary digester will be done next. There may be some odor complaints but Superintendent McConnell hopes to keep that at a minimum. Mr. Furry moved for passage of Ordinance No. 70-20, seconded by Mr. O’Donnell.

Vote: Hunt – aye	Shepherd – aye	O’Donnell – aye	Furry – aye
Morris – aye	Klym – aye	Moran - aye	
7 ayes		0 nays	PASSED

ORDINANCE NO. 71-20

BY: JOHN B. SHEPHERD

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A PROFESSIONAL PLANNING SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CUYAHOGA COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION AND THE CITY OF ROCKY RIVER REGARDING PLANNING AND ZONING CODE REVISIONS, ATTACHED HERETO AS EXHIBIT A

3rd READING

Mr. Shepherd stated that this is to update the city’s Zoning Code and map and make it more accessible online to the public. This contract is capped at \$37,000. There is a \$20,000 grant from the Community Planning Grant Fund that is also part of the contract. This has been discussed several times with no questions. Mr. Shepherd moved for passage of Ordinance No. 71-20 seconded by Mr. Furry.

Vote: Hunt – aye	Shepherd – aye	O’Donnell – aye	Furry – aye
Morris – aye	Klym – aye	Moran - aye	
7 ayes		0 nays	PASSED

ORDINANCE NO. 72-20

BY: JAMES W. MORAN

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE SAFETY-SERVICE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH FRANCISCUS, INC. FOR THE SENIOR CENTER SHINGLE ROOF REPLACEMENT AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$67,871.00

3rd READING

Mr. Moran said that the Senior Center needs a shingle replacement for part of the roof. There were four bids received and Franciscus, Inc. was the lowest and best bid. The city received good reviews from other communities. Mr. Moran moved for passage of Ordinance No. 72-20, seconded by Mr. Furry.

Vote: Hunt – aye	Shepherd – aye	O’Donnell – aye	Furry – aye
Morris – aye	Klym – aye	Moran - aye	
7 ayes		0 nays	PASSED

ORDINANCE NO. 73-20

BY: CHRISTOPHER J. KLYM

**AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE SAFETY-SERVICE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH DRS ENTERPRISES FOR THE BRADSTREET’S LANDING WATERFRONT IMPROVEMENTS AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$2,999,746.00 INCLUDING ALTERNATE 1, ALTERNATE 2 ALONG WITH CONTINGENCY COSTS
2nd READING**

Mr. Klym stated that he forwarded an email he received from Director Snyder to Council this morning. The email contains a large amount of information in the text and attachments. Mr. Klym also met with Director Thomas, Director Snyder and Mayor Bobst last Friday and discussed the project and the financing of the project. This is a big project with the cost coming in at \$2,999,746. This includes \$275,000 in contingency planning funds. The city has \$1.1 million dollars from the Casino budget, which leaves the city \$1.9 million in costs including the contingency. In last year’s budget, funds were appropriated for this project on page 32 for capital improvements for Bradstreet’s Landing. As it is slated now, part of the project will be paid for this year and the other part next year. The timeline to finish will be next fall. There is a possibility of receiving funds from State Capital Budget, but due to COVID the city cannot count on that. Mr. Klym said this is a large expensive project with another ordinance coming for a construction administrator. The alternates include stainless steel posts for the railings and placement of a medallion at the knuckle of the pier. The Pedestrian Bridge at Spencer Creek will be put out for bid shortly. This will be read for a third time next week.

ORDINANCE NO. 74-20

BY: JOHN B. SHEPHERD

**AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND SAFETY SERVICE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH SPECIALIZED CONSTRUCTION, INC. FOR THE 2020 CRACK & JOINT SEALING PROGRAM IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$50,000.00 INCLUDING CONTINGENCY COSTS
1st READING**

Mr. Shepherd said that this is an annual ordinance wherein cracks and joints are sealed to help the pavement hold up over the years. This amount is less than previous years and he would like to move for a rules suspension at next week’s meeting. Mr. Shepherd will discuss this further at the Committee-of-the Whole Meeting following this Special Meeting.

Mr. Moran moved to close the Special Meeting, seconded by Mr. O’Donnell.

