

CITY OF ROCKY RIVER

September 8, 2020

The Special Meeting of Council was called to order by Mr. Moran, President of Council, at 7:00 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

Assistant Law Director: Mr. O'Shea

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Special Meeting this evening is in regards to Ordinance Nos. 62-20, 70-20, 71-20, 72-20 and Resolution Nos. 66-20, 67-20, 68-20, 69-20.

PUBLIC COMMENT: NONE

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

ORDINANCE NO. 62-20

BY: MICHAEL P. O'DONNELL

**AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$10,000,000 OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO PAY OR REIMBURSE THE CITY FOR ALL OR A PORTION THE COSTS AND ADDITIONAL COSTS OF CONSTRUCTING, EQUIPPING, FURNISHING AND OTHERWISE IMPROVING A NEW POLICE FACILITY, TOGETHER WITH ALL NECESSARY APPURTENANCES THERETO
3rd READING**

Mr. O'Donnell said that before the break, this ordinance was discussed for two months with no additional questions. This ordinance is drafted to authorize the issuance of notes to continue to fund the construction in progress of the new police station. The 2019 notes for the police station were \$6 million and are due to mature in September. This issue is considered a rollover of \$6,000,000 and a new money issue of up to \$4,000,000. These are 12-month notes. This measure is being passed in keeping to the plan to issue notes during construction while the final costs will be bonded out in the future.

Mr. O'Donnell moved for passage of Ordinance No. 62-20, 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. 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

1st READING

Mr. O'Donnell stated that this is an annual resolution that Council sees in order to receive money faster from the County by making this request. In making this request, the city will receive the 2020 property taxes for the first half collection cycle in January and February instead of waiting until the final reconciliation in late March or early April. The request is for the entire year so it also speeds up the second half of the collection cycle receiving a disbursement in July as opposed to August. This will have three full reads.

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

1st 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. By making this request, the city will receive the money sooner based on the same time periods discussed in Resolution No. 66-20. This will have three full reads.

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"

1st READING

Mr. O'Donnell said that this is an annual resolution also. This is the next step in the 2020-2021 budget process. The County Budget Commission has completed its analysis of the city's alternative tax budget information that was accepted by City Council pursuant to Resolution No. 64-20. The Budget Commission has determined that for 2021 the City of Rocky River needs to levy 10.68 mills. Mr. O'Donnell has a breakdown and will circulate it to Council. There is millage for the Senior Center, refuse and recycling, the Recreation Center, bond retirements, the fire and police pension funds and for capital improvement projects. When that millage is totaled, it comes to what the city has determine should be 10.68 mills. This will have three full reads.

RESOLUTION NO. 69-20

BY: CHRISTOPHER J. KLYM

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

1st READING

Mr. Klym will discuss this in more detail at the Committee-of-the-Whole Meeting, but it is basically a supportive resolution for things that the state and federal government are doing for bicycle routes here in Ohio and nationally.

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

1st READING

Mr. Furry wanted this read for this first time and will discuss this further at the Committee-of-the-Whole Meeting this evening.

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

1st READING

Mr. Shepherd stated that under this contract the Cuyahoga County Planning Commission will update the Development Code, Zoning Map and create an online Zoning Map. As part of the work, that they will do is to look at the changes, go through the other aspects of the city's website to see if things are consistent. This was discussed earlier and Council knew this would be coming up. This will have three full reads.

- President Moran asked if this was initiated earlier and asked who was on the initial part of the contract. Mr. Shepherd said he handled the last set of changes to these provisions.

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

1st READING

Mr. Moran discussed this with Mr. Snyder. Earlier, Council approved the replacement of the flat roof on the Senior Center and Warren Roofing completed the work in 2015. This is a different portion of the Senior Center roof. This is the best and lowest bid and Franciscus, Inc. has received good reviews from other communities. Mr. Snyder stated that he would like this project to begin as soon as possible, while the weather is still good.

- Mr. O'Donnell asked if Franciscus, Inc. has any unresolved findings in the State Auditor's database. Mr. Snyder said there were none stated in the bid packet and Mr. Snyder confirmed that today.
- Mr. Furry stated that this company replaced a flat roof on Northern Title, Inc. They were not the lowest and best bidder and there were issues with leaks in the roof. They were very responsive, but it took them five or six returns to complete the project.

Mr. Moran moved to close the Special Meeting, seconded by Mr. Shepherd.

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

The Special Meeting was adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

James W. Moran
President of Council

Susan G. Pease
Clerk of Council