

# City of Seven Hills

Record of Minutes of

COUNCIL MEETING HELD April 23, 2019

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This Regular Council Meeting was called to order by President of Council Anthony D. Biasiotta at 8:17 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

## ROLL CALL

Present and accounted for were Mayor Dell'Aquila, Director of Law Pignatiello, Director of Finance Herwick, Councilman-at-Large Elliott, Councilwoman-at-Large Kelly, Councilwoman-at-Large Stager, Ward 1 Councilman Biasiotta, Ward 3 Councilman Snitzky, Ward 4 Councilman Greenwald, Building Commissioner Vittardi, and Engineer Collins. Absentees were Ward 2 Councilman Martin and Director of Public Service and Properties Johnson.

## Motion to Excuse Absence

**MOTION** by Mr. Biasiotta, seconded by Ms. Stager, to excuse the absence of Councilman Norman Martin from tonight's Council Meeting.

**Council President Biasiotta** stated:

"Councilman Martin made a prior commitment to be out-of-town this evening, long before he was appointed Councilman recently. He is honoring that commitment. This is not something that will happen on a normal basis."

Roll Call: all yea

**MOTION CARRIED**

*(A motion to excuse the absence of Director of Public Service and Properties Johnson was entertained later in the meeting. See Page 10.)*

## READING AND DISPOSAL OF JOURNAL

**MOTION** by Ms. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Elliott, to accept the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held March 25, 2019, as printed.

Roll Call: all yea

**MOTION CARRIED**

## CONSENT AGENDA

**MOTION** by Mr. Biasiotta, seconded by Mr. Elliott, to amend the Consent Agenda of April 23, 2019, by adding an emergency request for funds for the purchase of a 2017 UTV, a Sport Utility Vehicle, for the Ball Fields in the amount of \$4,500.00.

**Council President Biasiotta** stated:

"The vendor's name is Ronald E. Shuck. This Consent Agenda item is being made on the contingency of a successful review of said vehicle by the City Mechanic."

Roll Call: all yea

**MOTION CARRIED**

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**MOTION** by Mr. Biasiotta, seconded by Mr. Elliott, to accept the Consent Agenda of April 23, 2019, as amended and supplemented, if there is no division of the question.  
Roll Call: all yea **MOTION CARRIED**

## **RESOLUTIONS OF COMMENDATION**

**Resolution No. 12-2019** – A RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION TO ROBERT L. WROBEL, WARD 2 COUNCILMAN, CITY OF SEVEN HILLS, OHIO.

**MOTION** by Mr. Biasiotta, seconded by Mr. Elliott, to read Resolution No. 12-2019 in its entirety for its first and final reading.  
Roll Call: all yea **MOTION CARRIED**  
Resolution No. 12-2019 was read in its entirety by the Clerk of Council for its first and final reading.

**MOTION** by Mr. Biasiotta, seconded by Mr. Elliott, to adopt Resolution No. 12-2019 as an emergency measure.

**Ms. Kelly** stated:

“You’re missed every day and it was definitely a pleasure to serve with you on Council. I consider you a true asset to this Council with your financial expertise, your insightfulness, your attention to detail, and your dry humor. You really were a blessing to this Council, and I thank you, and do miss you. I am hoping that at some point you will resurface in some capacity and come back around. I am hoping, and I am holding out for that. I want to wish you well. Stay in touch. I hope everything works out for you.”

**Mr. Elliott** stated, “You look a lot happier over there than up here!”

**Mr. Snitzky** stated:

“Bob, I have to tell you, I have sat between a lot of different individuals on this dais, and probably the most productive and enjoyable was sitting between the old sage over there (*referring to Councilman Wrobel*) and the young stalwart (*referring to Councilman Greenwald*) over here. I miss you every day. Everything that Councilwoman Kelly said -- plus I want to add one more..... I still have not heard a guitar solo from you. So, I am probably missing those, too. Good luck to you.”

**Ms. Stager** stated:

“Bob, I miss you, that’s all I can say. I miss your humor. I miss your expertise. I want to thank his wife for sharing him with us, as long as you did. I just miss you, Bob, but I know we will see you soon. Take care.”

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**Mr. Greenwald** stated:

“Bob, I am sure that we miss you more than you miss us. This honor is more than well deserved. Despite the short term of your service, your contribution was immense. Congratulations and good luck.”

**Mayor Dell’Aquila** stated:

“Bob, I know you considered long and hard the decision to initially run for office in Seven Hills. I know you shared many of those concerns with me as well as Mrs. Wrobel. In hindsight now, that careful deliberation was a predictor how you would perform on Council. You have been judicious, you have been professional, personal, and you have been focused. We miss your knowledge and your integrity. I personally miss not having you around just to speak with you from time to time. I hope that will end soon and we will be able to rekindle that relationship after you complete what you are about to undertake. I wish you and your family the very, very best in your future. Thank you so much for your service to the City. I know you thought long and hard before you decided to do it. I hope that you are happy and satisfied -- I certainly am. Thank you, Bob.”

**Council President Biasiotta** stated:

“I don’t miss you at all -- because I still talk to you and see you all the time. And, I hope that never changes -- I pray it doesn’t. We already had other meetings where I acknowledged your contributions, particularly in the realm of finance, and being my ‘go-to guy’ for a number of items, and your attention to detail and all that. I am not going to let your head get too big this evening. On a personal note, and I don’t know if I am allowed to say it, but since it has been refuted in the public, your open heart surgery is scheduled for this week. So, those that have dared to say other reasons, they will be accountable someday themselves. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family this week as you undergo this very serious procedure. I know you are going to bounce back soon, and we will be talking again. Like Councilwoman Kelly said, it is in your nature to be contributing as soon as you can. *‘Au revoir’* Councilman Wrobel, until we meet again.”

**Director of Law Pignatiello** stated:

“All the best this week. You are in my prayers. I wish you all the best, whatever you decide to do after you fully recover.”

Roll Call: all yea

**MOTION CARRIED**

**RESOLUTION NO. 12-2019 IS DECLARED PASSED.**

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*There was a hearty round of applause from the audience and all those present upon the adoption of Resolution No. 12-2019.*

*Council President Biasiotta with the entire Council left their seats on the dais and proceeded to the audience to award the Resolution of Commendation to former Councilman Wrobel. The Resolution of Commendation was presented to Bob Wrobel on behalf of all members of Council and the Administration with their congratulations and best wishes for continued success.*

**Former Councilman Wrobel** stated:

“This is really cool. I was not expecting this. Thank you all for your kind words. I was trying to recognize who that person was who you were talking about. Yes, I miss being on Council. It was an honor and privilege to serve with this group, Council, and Administrators as well. Keep up the good work. I may just come back and haunt you guys, and I don’t mean in *that* way. That’s it -- and thanks again.”

**Ms. Stager** stated, “You’re a scholar and a gentleman, Bob.”

*There was an additional enthusiastic round of applause from the dais and audience members.*

## **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

### **Planning, Zoning, and Economic Development**

Planning, Zoning, and Economic Development Committee Chairman Snitzky stated that the minutes from the previous meeting (*April 16, 2019*) are on file with the Clerk of Council. Mr. Snitzky said that the Committee will hold its next regular meeting on Tuesday evening, May 21, 2019.

### **Public Works**

Public Works Committee Chairman Greenwald stated that the Committee last met on Tuesday evening, April 2, 2019, and the minutes from that meeting are on file with the Clerk of Council. Mr. Greenwald said that the Committee will hold its next regular meeting on Tuesday evening, May 7, 2019.

### **Community Services**

Community Services Committee Chairperson Kelly stated that the Committee also last met on Tuesday evening, April 2, 2019, and the minutes from that meeting are on file with the Clerk of Council. Ms. Kelly said that the Committee will hold its next regular meeting on Tuesday evening, May 7, 2019.

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## **Police and Fire**

Police and Fire Committee Chairman Elliott stated that the Committee will hold its next regular meeting on Tuesday evening, May 21, 2019. Mr. Elliott said that the minutes from the last meeting (*April 16, 2019*) are on file with the Clerk of Council.

## **Parks and Recreation**

Council President Biasiotta stated that the Parks and Recreation Committee last met on Tuesday evening, April 16, 2019, and the minutes from that meeting are on file with the Clerk of Council. Council President Biasiotta reported that the Committee will hold its next regular meeting on May 21, 2019.

## **Rules, Ordinances, and Ethics**

Rules, Ordinances, and Ethics Committee Chairperson Stager stated that the Committee last met on Tuesday evening, April 2, 2019, and the minutes from that meeting are on file with the Clerk of Council. Ms. Stager said that the Committee will hold its next regular meeting on Tuesday evening, May 7, 2019.

## **Finance, Civil Service, and Personnel**

Finance, Civil Service, and Personnel Committee Chairman Biasiotta stated that the Committee last met on Tuesday evening, April 16, 2019, and the minutes from that meeting are on file with the Clerk of Council. Mr. Biasiotta said that the Committee will hold its next regular meeting on Tuesday evening, May 7, 2019.

## **APPOINTMENTS AND CONFIRMATIONS**

There were no appointments or confirmations.

## **COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS, AND CLAIMS**

There were no communications, petitions, or claims

## **COUNCIL OPEN TO THE AUDIENCE ON LEGISLATION ONLY**

There were no questions or comments from the audience.

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## ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

**Ordinance No. 55-2019** – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO ACCEPT NORTHEAST OHIO PUBLIC ENERGY COUNCIL (NOPEC) 2019 ENERGIZED COMMUNITY GRANT FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$38,258.00.

**Ordinance No. 55-2019 was read by full title only for its second reading.**

**Ordinance No. 56-2019** – AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 131-2017, PASSED BY COUNCIL DECEMBER 11, 2017, WHICH AUTHORIZED THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT JOB CREATION AND JOB RETENTION AGREEMENT WITH BBMC MORTGAGE, TO REFLECT THE TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP FROM BBMC MORTGAGE TO SYNERGY ONE LENDING, INC.

**Ordinance No. 56-2019 was read by full title only for its second reading.**

**Amended Ordinance No. 57-2019** – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN ANNUAL PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT WITH THE ETIQUETTE FACTORY BY MISS KIM, LLC, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING ETIQUETTE CLASSES AT THE COMMUNITY RECREATION CENTER FOR THE PERIOD COVERING JANUARY 1, 2019 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2019; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

**MOTION** by Ms. Stager, seconded by Mr. Greenwald, to read Amended Ordinance No. 57-2019 by title only for its second and final reading.

**Council President Biasiotta** stated:

“The reason for the emergency is that this class is already underway. We want to pay the instructors who are already doing the work.”

Roll Call: all yea

**MOTION CARRIED**

Amended Ordinance No. 57-2019 was read by full title only for its second and final reading.

**MOTION** by Ms. Stager, seconded by Mr. Greenwald, to pass Amended Ordinance No. 57-2019 as an emergency measure.

Roll Call: all yea

**MOTION CARRIED**

**AMENDED ORDINANCE NO. 57-2019 IS DECLARED PASSED.**

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**Ordinance No. 58-2019** – AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 1123, REGISTRATION OF CONTRACTORS, AS CONTAINED IN TITLE THREE, LOCAL BUILDING PROVISIONS, OF PART ELEVEN, BUILDING CODE, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SEVEN HILLS, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADDING NEW SECTION 1123.09, ATTACHMENT OF PREVAILING WAGE PROVISIONS ON BIDS AND CONTRACTS.

**Ordinance No. 58-2019 was read by full title only for its second reading.**

**Ordinance No. 63-2019** – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A SERVICE AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF SEVEN HILLS WITH iWorQ FOR THE LICENSE MANAGEMENT – CONTRACTOR LICENSES SOFTWARE TO BE USED BY THE SEVEN HILLS BUILDING DEPARTMENT; APPROPRIATING AN ANNUAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,000.00 FOR SAID SERVICE/PURCHASE; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

**MOTION** by Ms. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Biasiotta, to read Ordinance No. 63-2019 by title only for its first and final reading.

**Ms. Kelly** stated:

“The reason for the emergency is that we need the licensing fee in order to go ahead with the software.”

Roll Call: all yea

**MOTION CARRIED**

Ordinance No. 63-2019 was read by full title only for its first and final reading.

**MOTION** by Ms. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Biasiotta, to pass Ordinance No. 63-2019 as an emergency measure.

Roll Call: all yea

**MOTION CARRIED**

**ORDINANCE NO. 63-2019 IS DECLARED PASSED.**

**MOTION** by Mr. Biasiotta, seconded by Mr. Snitzky, to amend Ordinance No. 64-2019 by adding the words ‘**and declaring an emergency**’ to the title, and by adding the emergency provision to Section 4.

**Mr. Biasiotta** stated:

“The reason for the emergency clause is that Microsoft Office 365 is currently used in City Hall under a free trial period. The trial period of thirty days expires on May 1, 2019. So, the necessity of the emergency is there so that we continuing using our new Microsoft Office 365.”

Roll Call: all yea

**MOTION CARRIED**

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**Amended Ordinance No. 64-2019** – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF SEVEN HILLS WITH BAILEY COMMUNICATIONS INC., FOR THE MONTHLY BILLING OF OFFICE 365 GCC G1 (\$294.15) AND OFFICE 365 GCC G3 (\$478.80) COMPUTER HARDWARE; AND APPROPRIATING AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$772.95 FOR SAID PURCHASE; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

**MOTION** by Mr. Biasiotta, seconded by Mr. Snitzky, to read Amended Ordinance No. 64-2019 by title only for its first and final reading.

Roll Call: all yea

**MOTION CARRIED**

Amended Ordinance No. 64-2019 was read by full title only for its first and final reading.

**MOTION** by Mr. Biasiotta, seconded by Mr. Snitzky, to pass Amended Ordinance No. 64-2019 as an emergency measure.

Roll Call: all yea

**MOTION CARRIED**

**AMENDED ORDINANCE NO. 64-2019 IS DECLARED PASSED.**

**Ordinance No. 65-2019** – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE POLICE DEPARTMENTS OF PARMA, PARMA HEIGHTS, BROOKLYN, THE HIGH INTENSITY DRUG TRAFFICKING AREA, AND SEVEN HILLS, FOR FORENSIC ASSISTANCE, EXPERTISE, AND OTHER SPECIALIZED SERVICES; AND AUTHORIZING AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$3,000.00 ANNUALLY FOR SAID SERVICE.

**Ordinance No. 65-2019 was read by full title only for its first reading.**

**MOTION** by Mr. Snitzky, seconded by Mr. Greenwald to amend Ordinance No. 66-2019 by adding the words ‘**and declaring an emergency**’ to the title, and by adding the emergency provision to Section 4.

**Mr. Snitzky** stated, “The reason for the emergency is that the summer season has started and we need the porta potties.”

Roll Call: all yea

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Amended Ordinance No. 66-2019** – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH MILLER & COMPANY SANITATION SERVICES OF CANTON, OHIO, TO PROVIDE PORTABLE TOILET SERVICE FOR SUMMITVIEW COMMONS (5/1/19 – 10/30/19), NORTH PARK (5/1/19 – 8/31/19), JOHN GLENN PARK (5/1/19 – 8/31/19), CALVIN PARK (5/1/19 – 9/30/19), VALLEYWOOD PARK (5/1/19 – 10/15/19), HOMEDAYS (7/26/19 AND 7/27/19), AND THE CITY OF SEVEN HILLS FARMERS’ MARKET (7/11/19 – 9/27/19); AND AUTHORIZING AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$4,210.00 FOR SAID SERVICE; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.



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**MOTION** by Mr. Snitzky, seconded by Mr. Greenwald, to read Amended Ordinance No. 66-2019 by title only for its first and final reading.  
Roll Call: all yea **MOTION CARRIED**  
Amended Ordinance No. 66-2019 was read by full title only for its first and final reading.

**MOTION** by Mr. Snitzky, seconded by Mr. Greenwald, to pass Amended Ordinance No. 66-2019 as an emergency measure.  
Roll Call: all yea **MOTION CARRIED**

**AMENDED ORDINANCE NO. 66-2019 IS DECLARED PASSED.**

**Ordinance No. 67-2019** – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF SEVEN HILLS, OHIO, WITH JACK DOHENY COMPANIES OF TWINSBURG, OHIO, FOR REPAIRS TO THE SERVICE DEPARTMENT SEWER VACTOR, MODEL 2110J6P, SERIAL NO. 10-06V-12212, WITH APPURTENANCES, AND APPROPRIATING AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$10,758.22.

**Ordinance No. 67-2019 was read by full title only for its first reading.**

**Ordinance No. 68-2019** – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH FREDERICKS FLOOR COVERING FOR THE PURPOSE OF REPLACING THE CARPETING IN THE MEN’S AND WOMEN’S LOCKER ROOMS AT THE CITY’S RECREATION COMPLEX AND INSTALLING A NEW PRODUCT (Centaur Rubber Athletic Puzzle Tiles), WITH APPURTENANCES, AND AUTHORIZING AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$5,782.40 FOR SAID SERVICE.

**Ordinance No. 68-2019 was read by full title only for its first reading.**

## **COUNCIL OPEN TO THE AUDIENCE**

There were no questions or comments from the audience.

## **REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR-SAFETY DIRECTOR**

**Mayor Dell’Aquila** had no formal report.

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## REPORTS FROM THE DIRECTORS OF DEPARTMENTS AND OTHER OFFICIALS

Director of Finance Herwick had no formal report.

### Director of Law Pignatiello:

Briefly, I would like to reiterate my request for some transparency around here. In the work session people are going home right now to edit heavily what just transpired for the last hour and a half. That will be posted and given a distorted view to the residents and what goes on around here. I already gave my request that it be moved out here, or whether a camera will be put in there. Nothing further.

Director of Public Service and Properties Johnson was not present.

**MOTION** by Mr. Biasiotta, seconded by Ms. Kelly, to excuse the absence of Director of Public Service and Properties Johnson from tonight's Council Meeting.  
Roll Call: all yea **MOTION CARRIED**

### Engineer Collins:

My latest report is on file with the Mayor's Office, which you would all likely have a copy of.

Building Commissioner Vittardi had no formal report.

## MISCELLANEOUS

### Mr. Snitzky:

The Taste of Seven Hills is this Thursday, April 25, 2019 -- it is a wonderful event. Probably stealing your fire, Councilwoman Kelly, but I have to. Tony Terry is in the audience and reminded me of how much work he has done on this and other events over the years. Taste of Seven Hills is a great event. Go to it, if you can.

Mr. Greenwald had no miscellaneous comments.

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Ms. Stager had no miscellaneous comments.

Mr. Elliott had no miscellaneous comments.

Ms. Kelly had no miscellaneous comments.

**Council President Biasiotta:**

Today was our Shred Day from 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. I talked to our Service Department and other personnel, and it was by far the most participated and attended Shred Day in the history of Seven Hills. People were lined up around the building and back out to Summitview at 1:00 p.m. today when I came in to do some early work for a 7:00 p.m. meeting. A little bit before 6:00 p.m. the line was still there, and looking out the window at 7:00 p.m., they were still taking shredding.

That is a great success to our new communication efforts. One of them being the robocall and letting people know that this valuable service was available to them, and the other being the community newsletter that now, and for over a year, has been mailed to every single home.

The amenities, services, the programs, and the things that Seven Hills has to offer -- the word is getting to our residents. To all those involved, great job.

I will be at the Taste of Seven Hills. It is one of my favorite events of the year. I do believe there are some tickets still available. Oh, I stand corrected, earlier today they were available -- there were tickets available, but at this point it is sold out. I advise you to buy early next year, so you do not miss out.

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**MOTION** by Mr. Biasiotta, seconded by Mr. Elliott, to adjourn the meeting.

Roll Call: all ye

**MOTION CARRIED**

The April 23, 2019 Regular Council Meeting was adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

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Anthony D. Biasiotta, President of Council

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Carol L. Sekerak, Clerk of Council

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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