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COUNCIL MEETING HELD December 10, 2019

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This Regular Council Meeting was called to order by **Director of Law Richard A. Pignatiello** at 7:30 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **ROLL CALL**

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

## **APPOINTMENT OF CLERK OF COUNCIL**

**MOTION** by Mr. Snitzky, seconded by Ms. Kelly, to reappoint **Carol L. Sekerak** to continue as Clerk of Council of the City of Seven Hills.

Roll Call: all yea

**MOTION CARRIED**

Law Director Pignatiello congratulated Mrs. Sekerak on her reappointment to Clerk of Council.

Mrs. Sekerak thanked Council for the reappointment.

*There was a hearty round of applause from all those present.*

## **ELECTION OF PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL**

**MOTION** by Mr. Dell'Aquila, seconded by Mr. Snitzky, to nominate **Stacey L. Kelly** to the position of President of Council for the coming one-year term.

Roll Call: all yea

**MOTION CARRIED**

Law Director Pignatiello congratulated Ms. Kelly on her election to President of Council.

Council President Kelly thanked Council for electing her as President of Council.

***Director of Law Pignatiello turned the Council Meeting over to President of Council Kelly to Chair.***

## **ELECTION OF PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL PRO TEM**

**MOTION** by Mr. Dell'Aquila, seconded by Mr. Snitzky to nominate **Patrick Elliott** to the position of President of Council Pro Tem for the coming one-year term.

Roll Call: all yea

**MOTION CARRIED**

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Council President Kelly congratulated Mr. Elliott on his election to President of Council Pro Tem.

Mr. Elliott thanked Council for electing him as President of Council Pro Tem.

## **READING AND DISPOSAL OF JOURNAL**

**MOTION** by Mr. Elliott, seconded by Mr. Kulju, to accept the Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held November 21, 2019, as printed.  
Roll Call: all yea **MOTION CARRIED**

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

**MOTION** by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. Dell'Aquila, to accept the Consent Agenda of December 10, 2019, as printed, if there is no division of the question.  
Roll Call: all yea **MOTION CARRIED**

## **RESOLUTIONS OF COMMENDATION**

**Resolution No. 29-2019** – A RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION TO ANN MATTY, CITY OF SEVEN HILLS HALL OF FAME RESIDENT OF THE MONTH, DECEMBER, 2019.

**MOTION** by Mr. Snitzky, seconded by Mr. Dell'Aquila, to read Resolution No. 29-2019 in its entirety for its first and final reading.

Roll Call: all yea

**MOTION CARRIED**

Resolution No. 29-2019 was read in its entirety by the Clerk of Council for its first and final reading.

**MOTION** by Mr. Snitzky, seconded by Mr. Dell'Aquila, to adopt Resolution No. 29-2019 as an emergency measure.

**Mr. Snitzky** stated:

“I don’t know what to say, Ann. Out of all the different things that I volunteered and worked for over the years, Ann has been a constant presence there. Boy, I have had a lot of fun working with you. Somehow, Tony Terry managed to bamboozle me into doing the Senior Breakfast a while back. I don’t know how that even happened. I have done it rather consistently up until lately because I have been very busy. I graduated to eggs and then eggs and pancakes, and always a presence there when I was cooking for the seniors was Ann.”

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**Mr. Snitzky** concluded, “She is just an amazing lady. She does so many different things for the City. It is a pleasure to know that she is in my Ward and that I can call her a friend. Thank you.”

**Director of Law Pignatiello** stated:

“Now I know why I always see you here, I just missed this, unbelievable. Is there anything you are not involved in? You are the kind of people that we build a community on. I am really glad to wish you congratulations.”

**Council President Kelly** stated:

“Ms. Matty, I would like to say that we all know the importance of keeping our seniors engaged and the positive effects it has on their overall wellbeing. So, I would really like to thank you for all your hard work as a volunteer -- from the Senior Advisory Board, the Senior Luncheons, Meals on Wheels, and in addition, for your help with the Taste of Seven Hills and the Food Pantry. It is all greatly appreciated. You represent what a true sense of community is, and I thank you. This commendation is well deserved.”

**Mr. Dell’Aquila** stated:

“Ann, it has always been a pleasure working with you and seeing you at City Hall. In the several years that I have been here, as everyone has expressed here, you exemplify what it means to be a true, caring citizen of a community, a caring individual. So obvious in the different things you do and how you put yourself out to help your neighbors and friends. It is so gratifying to help a resident such as you in our City. I think you are an example to everyone for what it means to step up for the benefit of the larger community around us and making Seven Hills even better than it already is. Thank you so much for all of your efforts on behalf of all of our community and our neighbors and friends.”

**Mayor Biasiotta** stated:

“I will echo everything that was just said. The things that truly make Seven Hills a great community are the people that live here. Among the people that live here, there is a tremendous group of volunteers that make all the events possible -- the seniors’ meetings, luncheons, breakfast, holidays, etc., etc. The engine behind all that is an extraordinary group of volunteers and amongst that extraordinary group is one at the very top, maybe the most extraordinary and that is tonight’s honoree -- and that is Ann Matty. Every event, she is here to step up, and I am telling you, it is not for a couple of hours -- it is many hours, across many weeks. She is here at Seven Hills making this a greater community for all of us. With that, and for these reasons, I am very proud that my first official action as Mayor of Seven Hills was signing this Resolution of Commendation. Thank you, Madam President.”

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**Director of Community Services Tony Terry**, who was seated in the audience with Ann Matty, approached the podium and requested to be recognized:

“As probably the person who most benefits from the efforts of Ann Matty, and several of the other people who aren’t here tonight, I would like to thoroughly express my gratitude to Ann. It personally allows me to do my job for the City at a greater level and to allow everybody to understand the magnitude financially that volunteers like Ann Matty bring back to the City. It is great that we see so many of these accolades, but it is very important that it is noted that there is a tremendous financial savings or burden relieved from the City by the phenomenal work. Anytime I call or anytime I need someone, she is absolutely the first to step up.”

**Mr. Terry** continued:

“She is exactly what I would think about if I wanted to move into a community, the type of a person I would want as a neighbor. I am incredibly honored to have the opportunity to work with her. She probably is not as honored to have to work with me – *laughter* -- but truly, on at least an every-other-day basis.....could you honestly, I call on any of you to tell me, would you do something every other day for free? For the five years that I have been here, she has been here almost every other day for free. So, thank you very much Ann Matty. Thank you to the newly elected Council and to the new Mayor for taking this opportunity to recognize her efforts.”

Roll Call: all yea

**MOTION CARRIED**

**RESOLUTION NO. 29-2019 IS DECLARED ADOPTED.**

*There was a hearty round of applause from the audience and all those present upon the adoption of Resolution No. 29-2019.*

**Council President Kelly** and **Mayor Biasiotta** left the dais to present the Resolution of Commendation to **Ann Matty**. The Resolution of Commendation was awarded to Ann with the congratulations and best wishes of Council and the Administration.

*There was an additional round of applause from everyone present in recognition of Ann Matty after presentation of the Resolution of Commendation was completed.*

*There was a short pause before the meeting resumed allowing for photographs to be taken. Council President Kelly suggested this would be the proper time for members of the audience to exit Council Chambers if they chose not to stay for the remainder of the meeting.*

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## **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

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

Planning, Zoning, and Economic Development Committee Chairman Snitzky stated that a Planning Commission Work Session was scheduled for tomorrow evening, December 11, 2019. Mr. Snitzky said that minutes from the previous committee meeting (November 19, 2019) are to be sent to the Clerk of Council presently. He said the Committee will hold its next regular meeting on Tuesday evening, December 17, 2019.

### **Public Works**

Council President Kelly stated that Public Works Committee last met on Tuesday evening, December 3, 2019, and the minutes from that meeting are pending. Ms. Kelly said that the Committee will hold its next regular meeting on Tuesday, January 14, 2020.

### **Community Services**

Council President Kelly stated that the Community Services Committee last met on Tuesday evening, December 3, 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, January 14, 2020.

### **Police and Fire**

Police and Fire Committee Chairman Elliott stated that the Committee last met on Tuesday evening, November 19, 2019, and the minutes from that meeting are pending. He said that the Committee will hold its next regular meeting on Tuesday evening, December 17, 2019.

### **Parks and Recreation**

Parks and Recreation Committee Chairman Martin stated that the Committee last met on Tuesday evening, November 19, 2019, and the minutes from that meeting are on file with the Clerk of Council. He said that the Committee will hold its next regular meeting on Tuesday evening, December 17, 2019.

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

Council President Kelly stated that Rules, Ordinances, and Ethics Committee last met on Tuesday evening, December 3, 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, January 28, 2020.

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

Council President Kelly stated that Finance, Civil Service, and Personnel Committee last met on Tuesday, December 3, 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, December 17, 2019.

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## **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.

## **ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

**Ordinance No. 164-2019** – AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL SECTION 1101.01, OBOA/CABO 1, 2 AND 3 FAMILY DWELLING CODE, AS CONTAINED IN CHAPTER 1101, ADOPTION OF CODES, OF TITLE ONE, REGIONAL CODES, OF PART ELEVEN, BUILDING CODE, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SEVEN HILLS.

**Ordinance No. 164-2019 was read by full title only for its second reading.**

**Ordinance No. 165-2019** – AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 1143.021, INTERNATIONAL PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE (2006 EDITION) AS CONTAINED IN CHAPTER 1143, EXTERIOR MINIMUM MAINTENANCE CODE, OF TITLE THREE, LOCAL BUILDING PROVISIONS, OF PART ELEVEN, BUILDING CODE, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SEVEN HILLS, FOR THE PURPOSE OF REFERENCING THE MOST CURRENT EDITION OF THE INTERNATIONAL PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE.

**Ordinance No. 165-2019 was read by full title only for its second reading.**

**Ordinance No. 166-2019** – AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 963.02(b)(1)(2) STORAGE SHEDS, AS CONTAINED IN SECTION 963.02, ACCESSORY BUILDINGS OR USES, OF CHAPTER 963, FIRST RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS, OF TITLE NINE, ZONING USE DISTRICTS, OF PART NINE, PLANNING AND ZONING CODE, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SEVEN HILLS, OHIO, FOR THE PURPOSE OF REVISING THE PLACEMENT OF STORAGE SHEDS.

**Ordinance No. 166-2019 was read by full title only for its second reading.**

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**Ordinance No. 167-2019** – AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 1101.02, REGIONAL BUILDING CODE, AS CONTAINED IN CHAPTER 1101, ADOPTION OF CODES, OF TITLE ONE, REGIONAL CODES, OF PART ELEVEN, BUILDING CODE, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SEVEN HILLS, FOR THE PURPOSE OF REFERENCING THE CURRENT EDITION OF THE RESIDENTIAL CODE OF OHIO.

**Ordinance No. 167-2019 was read by full title only for its second reading.**

**Ordinance No. 168-2019** – AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL SECTION 1101.024, OBOA/CABO 1, 2 AND 3 FAMILY DWELLING CODE, AS CONTAINED IN CHAPTER 1101, ADOPTION OF CODES, OF TITLE ONE, REGIONAL CODES, OF PART ELEVEN, BUILDING CODE, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SEVEN HILLS.

**Ordinance No. 168-2019 was read by full title only for its second reading.**

**Ordinance No. 169-2019** – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN ANNUAL PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT WITH PHILIP TOMBERLAIN III FOR THE PURPOSE OF DIRECTING THE ROOKIE ATHLETIC YOUTH AND ADULT SPORT PROGRAMS AT THE CITY OF SEVEN HILLS RECREATION COMPLEX FOR THE PERIOD COVERING JANUARY 1, 2020 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2020.

**Ordinance No. 169-2019 was read by full title only for its second reading.**

**Ordinance No. 170-2019** – 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 RECREATION CENTER FOR THE PERIOD COVERING JANUARY 1, 2020 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2020.

**Ordinance No. 170-2019 was read by full title only for its second reading.**

**Ordinance No. 171-2019** – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH COVERALL NORTH AMERICA, INC., OF VALLEY VIEW, OHIO, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING CUSTODIAL SERVICES FOR THE CITY OF SEVEN HILLS RECREATION AND FITNESS COMPLEX FROM JANUARY 1, 2020 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2020, AND AUTHORIZING AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$19,104.00 FOR SAID SERVICE.

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**MOTION** by Mr. Martin, seconded by Ms. Kelly, to read Ordinance No. 171-2019 by title only for its third and final reading.  
Roll Call: all yea **MOTION CARRIED**  
Ordinance No. 171-2019 was read by full title only for its third and final reading.

**MOTION** by Mr. Martin, seconded by Ms. Kelly, to pass Ordinance No. 171-2019.  
Roll Call: all yea **MOTION CARRIED**

**ORDINANCE NO. 171-2019 IS DECLARED PASSED.**

**Ordinance No. 172-2019** – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH CONTINENTAL FIRE & SECURITY INC., OF INDEPENDENCE, OHIO, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE FOR THE FIRE AND SPRINKLER ALARM SYSTEMS AT THE COMMUNITY RECREATION CENTER FOR ONE YEAR COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2020 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2020, AND AUTHORIZING AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,402.00 FOR SAID SERVICE.

**MOTION** by Mr. Elliott, seconded by Mr. Kiriazis, to read Ordinance No. 172-2019 by title only for its third and final reading.  
Roll Call: all yea **MOTION CARRIED**  
Ordinance No. 172-2019 was read by full title only for its third and final reading.

**MOTION** by Mr. Elliott, seconded by Mr. Kiriazis, to pass Ordinance No. 172-2019.  
Roll Call: all yea **MOTION CARRIED**

**ORDINANCE NO. 172-2019 IS DECLARED PASSED.**

**Ordinance No. 173-2019** – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF SEVEN HILLS, OHIO, WITH DALENE M. PRIDE, AN INDEPENDENT GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS CONSULTANT, TO CONDUCT A TWO-YEAR MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION AUDIT OF CERTAIN OHIO BUREAU OF MOTOR VEHICLES RECORDS FOR, AND ON BEHALF OF, SEVEN HILLS, CUYAHOGA COUNTY, OHIO, FROM JANUARY 1, 2019 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2020.

**MOTION** by Mr. Snitzky, seconded by Mr. Kulju, to read Ordinance No. 173-2019 by title only for its third and final reading.  
Roll Call: all yea **MOTION CARRIED**  
Ordinance No. 173-2019 was read by full title only for its third and final reading.



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**MOTION** by Mr. Snitzky, seconded by Mr. Kulju, to pass Ordinance No. 173-2019.  
Roll Call: all yea **MOTION CARRIED**

**ORDINANCE NO. 173-2019 IS DECLARED PASSED.**

**Ordinance No. 174-2019** – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF SEVEN HILLS, OHIO, WITH TAC COMPUTER, INC., OF CLEVELAND, OHIO, TO PROVIDE ANNUAL RMS AND HARDWARE SUPPORT, AND MDT SERVICES AND HOUSING FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT, FOR THE PERIOD COVERING JANUARY 1, 2020 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2020, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$57,500.00 FOR SAID SERVICE.

**MOTION** by Mr. Dell'Aquila, seconded by Mr. Martin, to read Ordinance No. 174-2019 by title only for its third and final reading.

Roll Call: all yea **MOTION CARRIED**  
Ordinance No. 174-2019 was read by full title only for its third and final reading.

**MOTION** by Mr. Dell'Aquila, seconded by Mr. Martin, to pass Ordinance No. 174-2019.  
Roll Call: all yea **MOTION CARRIED**

**ORDINANCE NO. 174-2019 IS DECLARED PASSED.**

**Ordinance No. 177-2019** – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN ANNUAL PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT WITH THE PART-TIME PROGRAM INSTRUCTORS AT THE CITY OF SEVEN HILLS COMMUNITY RECREATION COMPLEX FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING VARIOUS CLASSES AT THE CITY OF SEVEN HILLS RECREATION CENTER FOR THE PERIOD COVERING JANUARY 1, 2020 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2020.

**Ordinance No. 177-2019 was read by full title only for its first reading.**

**Ordinance No. 178-2019** – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF SEVEN HILLS, OHIO, WITH THE CUYAHOGA SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT AND THE NORTHEAST OHIO REGIONAL SEWER DISTRICT, FOR THE PURPOSE OF WORKING WITH THE CITY OF SEVEN HILLS FOR EFFECTIVE COLLABORATION FOR PROVIDING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE IN IMPLEMENTING SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION MEASURES, AND THAT THE

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CITY OF SEVEN HILLS AGREES TO GRANT AN ANNUAL CONSERVATION APPROPRIATION TO THE SWCD NOT TO EXCEED \$5,500.00 FOR A TWELVE-MONTH PERIOD FOR SAID SERVICE. (NEORS Regional Stormwater Management will reimburse the City of Seven Hills for the \$5,500.00 through Title V of the NEORS Regional Stormwater Management Code, Section 79.)

**Ordinance No. 178-2019 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 Biasiotta** gave the following report:

I will try to be brief this evening. First and foremost, there will be many opportunities in the days and weeks ahead to elaborate on these positions. First and foremost, I want to extend my gratitude to former Mayor Dell'Aquila. The things that he has preserved over the last eight years and his vision on Rockside Road that dates back fourteen years, and many, many other things. The City of Seven Hills will reap the benefits for many years to come. I am grateful for the condition that you are handing things over. So, thank you former Mayor Dell'Aquila.

I would like to thank our newly elected officials and congratulate our newly elected Council. Congratulations to our first-time Councilmen -- Phillip Kiriazis and John Kulju. Further, I would like to congratulate Council President Kelly on her election this evening. It is much deserved. Also, I would like to congratulate Councilman Elliott on his election to Council President Pro Tem -- it is much deserved. I look forward to partnering with everyone in every sense of the word, as it has been the hallmark for the last two years, and continue to do great things for the City of Seven Hills. I would also like to congratulate our Law Director Pignatiello for another term in office.

I do have one report that I would like to share with everyone. Simultaneously tonight there was a meeting at the Parma City School Board. This evening they are rolling out their consolidation plan and everyone should be aware. Since we were unable to attend, the Superintendent shared with me the master plan in advance of that meeting. In a nutshell, they are rolling out tonight a school consolidation plan with two high schools going forward. Those two high schools will sit on two secondary campuses and those two high schools will be what is currently Normandy and what is currently Valley Forge.

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**Mayor Biasiotta (continued):**

If these plans go forward, there will be secondary campuses that will be joined at the middle. There will be a middle school and high school which will reside in what is currently the Normandy campus and of utmost importance to those of us in Seven Hills.

Our Hillside Middle School today will remain in service with no interruption but becoming an elementary school to serve Seven Hills and the surrounding community. That is it in a nutshell for Phase One that is being announced this evening over at the Parma School Auditorium.

**REPORTS FROM THE DIRECTORS OF DEPARTMENTS AND OTHER OFFICIALS**

**Director of Finance Herwick:**

I have no formal report this evening. I do wish to congratulate everyone and I look forward to working for and with all of you.

**Director of Law Pignatiello:**

I have no formal report. I would like to congratulate you, Stacey, on your new role. Also, Pat, as Council President Pro Tem, and Mayor Biasiotta.

**Director of Public Service and Properties Johnson:**

I would like to congratulate Mayor Biasiotta and congratulate all the newly elected Council people. Also, Council Clerk, your reappointment, and Law Director Pignatiello on your reelection.

I did not get a chance to talk to you out-going Council people, Councilwoman-at-Large Leslie Stager and Ward 4 Councilman Randy Greenwald, but it was a pleasure to have worked with you for the short time I had an opportunity to work with you.

I also want to extend my appreciation to now Councilman Dell'Aquila for your faith and willingness to bring me back for a second time. I view you as not only a good boss, but a friend. Having faith in me to bring me back as a Service Director. I am most appreciative, and it has been a pleasure to have worked with you and a continuing pleasure to continue to work with you.

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## **Engineer Collins:**

I will follow from that. That was great, and I echo everything pretty much Mr. Johnson has said.

My latest report is on file with the Mayor's Office.

I also, want to say congratulations to all you newly elected officials. Thank you.

## **Building Commissioner Houpt:**

I would like to say congratulations to Mayor Tony Biasiotta and all of the newly elected Council people. I hope to enjoy another fine year of working with you and for you.

With that, I have no other report.

## **MISCELLANEOUS**

### **Mr. Kiriazis:**

I just want to thank the residents of Seven Hills for giving me an opportunity to serve the City. I have been coming to meetings on a regular basis for about the last eight or nine months. What I have seen has made me very optimistic and inspired to see what is being done with the new Meijers coming in, and the Rockside Project looking like it is finally on its feet. Moving on, the Streets Program, West 9th being done, and Sprague Road is going to be done here soon with the partnerships with Parma and Broadview Heights.

I am really happy to see everything that has been done. I want to thank the past Council, Randy Greenwald and Leslie Stager, Councilman Dell'Aquila, for all their hard work over the last two years. I cannot wait to work with the new Council to keep this going. Thank you.

### **Mr. Martin:**

I want to thank Leslie Stager and Randy Greenwald for their efforts and time of stepping forward to serve their community like they did. It takes time and effort to do that, and not all do, and not all shouldn't, but they did and they did a fantastic job. It was a pleasure to have served with you.

Congratulation to Mayor Tony Biasiotta, and congratulations to Council President Kelly and congratulations to Council President Pro Tem Elliott.

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**Mr. Martin** (continued):

I really look forward to a great year -- John and Phillip for coming on Council, and I am no longer the rookie. Maybe not carry all those things you guys make me carry all the time. I do look forward to things like Jack's efforts of new machines, they tend to show up at his doorstep. Whether it is the street sweeper or new salt trucks coming in or whether it is our Paramedic squads that are new, it really shows that there is an investment in the community, long term, and having rolling stock and the appropriate tools and equipment to get the safety services conducted in an efficient manner and in an effective manner. It is really important to me as a resident and certainly important to me as an official. So, I look forward to coming here. Thank you.

**Mr. Snitzky:**

After that much eloquence over here on my left, it is very difficult to follow that up. I want to thank Leslie Stager and Randy Greenwald. It has been a pleasure working with you folks. You have done an awful lot of good for this City -- more than you probably even realize.

I want to thank the people in Ward 3 for sending me back again to Council. This is my fourth term and I cannot believe it. Allowing me to complete the projects that have been started in the ward and being involved in so many major capital improvement projects in the City, it still boggles my mind. Councilman Martin reiterated all of them. It is just.....I have been living in the City on and off since 1970, and I have never seen anything like this. It is just phenomenal.

I also want to thank the residents for electing a competent team up here. It is such a pleasure to come to Council Meetings and know that you can get some real work done. The political gamesmanship is going to be non-existent. I have had to put up with it in previous Councils and some of the other people up here have also. It is just a real pleasure to work with professional, mature individuals that just want to do the right thing by the City. So, I appreciate that more than you know.

Other than that, I look forward to working with all of you folks again -- and the newer guys, too. Thank you very much.

**Mr. Dell' Aquila:**

I first want to offer my congratulations to Mayor Biasiotta. It is well deserved and I look forward to working with you. I know you will be going a great job, and again congratulations. And, thank you for the kind words as well.

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**Mr. Dell'Aquila** (continued):

I would also like to offer my congratulations to the re-elected Council People, the re-elected Law Director, Carol Sekerak, the Council Clerk, and obviously the new President and President Pro Tem.

Randy and Leslie, thank you so much for everything you have meant to the City in the last couple of years over your first term. You will be sorely missed. I certainly hope that we will be seeing you on at least a semi-regular basis, in the audience or perhaps offering your input in the future, as we work through this next two-year term.

It is kind of trite, and I have said it a few times and I hope that I am not going to bore people too much, but my eight years as Mayor have truly been a labor of love. There have been sacrifices along the way, difficulties, and there has been some very significant success, none of which could have been accomplished without the work of good people, many of whom are up here on the dais. Most particularly, without the efforts of our City Employees and Directors. We have some of the most dedicated, highly-qualified, persevering folks working on behalf of our City. It would be remiss of me not to acknowledge them for all of their efforts on behalf of the City.

Some of them are sitting here with us this evening. I see Chief Salloum in the corner there. Chief, you are obviously one of the people I want to recognize -- and obviously the folks on the dais here, Building Commissioner Houpt, Finance Director Herwick, City Engineer Collins, and thank you Jack Johnson, Director of Public Service and Properties, for your kind words. It has been my honor to work with all of you.

As I said in my newsletter, you made me look good. I want to thank Council for your equanimity, your ability to see through a lot of things that needed to be done, your ability to put aside the political gamesmanship that Councilman Snitzky has referred to, and putting the City first. That is the most important thing. The City must come first. I look forward to working with all of you in the future. Great things ahead. We are not going to sit and rest on our laurels. I am looking forward to the future optimistically. Thank you everyone.

**Mr. Kulju:**

From my viewpoint there are a lot of thanks to go around. Thank you to Randy and Leslie for your service to the community. I do not know you guys all that well, but for you guys to serve your community and step forward like that, that says a lot about somebody.

Congratulations to all the newly elected. I do not quite know everybody's name here. Congratulations to everybody. It is a team that we have here. A few people I know well, and some I will get to know better.

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**Mr. Kulju** (continued):

I also would like to thank, most of all, the residents of Seven Hills. I am a fairly new member to Seven Hills for about four years, and for them to entrust their well-being to me is very humbling, very humbling -- so thank you guys to that.

Also, too, Norman -- that burden that rookies must bear. Pile it on us!

**Mr. Elliott:**

I want to congratulate everyone up here. I want to thank everyone for running again. It is not an easy job.

I think we all said the previous Council, Randy and Leslie, when we sat up here being new that we had a lot of work to do. We had a mountain to climb, and we are still climbing it. We have a lot of work to do. It takes teamwork. I am happy that everyone puts the work forward.

The Mayor is interrupting me already (*laughter*).

Thank you everyone for running and giving us the opportunity again. I look forward to working with everyone. Thank you.

**Council President Kelly:**

I just wanted to say thank you to our residents. I really appreciate the vote of confidence that you have in me and for reelecting me twice. That means a lot to me. It is very humbling. We will move this Council forward with transparency and due diligence, and continue the good work that our former Council President has started. So, again I do thank you.

I would also like to thank my Council peers for electing me as Council President. We are all going to work together to do some great things for this City, and work hand in hand with our Administration.

I would also like to congratulate our newcomers and returning Council people back to Council. I wish you all the best of luck.

Carol (*Clerk of Council*), congratulations on your reappointment.

Richard (*Law Director*), congratulations on your reelection.

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**Council President Kelly (continued):**

Our newly-elected Mayor -- I wish you nothing but the best of luck, and I look forward to working with you and your Administration.

On a lighter note, I have a couple of things and some reminders for our Council. Please do not forget that the deadline to file your post-election report is December 13, 2019, so please do that if you have not done that already with the Board of Elections.

We have an upcoming deadline for our Citywide Newsletter, and that is January 10, 2020. As soon as our emails are established, I will be sending you information on that.

Congratulations to our Service Department on our newest toy, our street sweeper. That is 100% paid for by NEORSD, so that is great news.

Our Council assignments will follow at the end of this week. I will send an email in regard to what committee you will be on -- what you will be chairing and sitting on.

One more thing that I do want to propose, and I hate to do it on the first day, but we are running out of time here. I would like to ask each Council Member to pick someone in their Ward, preferably a senior citizen or someone they know that is alone for the holidays, or someone that is maybe housebound, and do something nice for them this holiday season.

Whether you get them a gift card, fruit basket, a card, or just something nice. Show some act of kindness. Reach out to someone that you know, someone that is in need, or someone that would just really appreciate it. It is totally voluntary, but I would appreciate if everyone would participate. I am going to call it 'Council's Christmas Give Back'.

This is something I would like to start for our residents. I firmly believe that our seniors are the backbone of our community. It would be nice to reach out to some of those who may be alone for this holiday season. So, whatever you can do. Just a little something extra for someone.

We have all campaigned and I am sure you have come across someone or know of someone that would really benefit from this. So, if everyone could participate, I would really appreciate that.

If you have any questions, I will send out an email later in the week and we will go from there.



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**MOTION** by Ms. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Elliott, to adjourn the meeting.  
Roll Call: all yea **MOTION CARRIED**

The December 10, 2019 Regular Council Meeting was adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

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Stacey L. Kelly, President of Council

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

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

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