

Minutes of a Regular Council Meeting of the
Village of Walton Hills, Ohio held Tuesday
May 17, 2016 at 6:15 p.m. in the
Village Hall Council Chambers at 7595 Walton Road

Mayor Hurst called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. This was followed by a moment of silence for the military men and women serving our nation. The roll call was taken by Ms. Iaconis. Councilpersons present were Denny Linville, Mary Brenner-Miller, Paul Rich, Gloria Terlosky, Don Kolograf and Brian Spitznagel. Also present were Katie Iaconis, Fiscal Officer, and Bill Mason, Solicitor.

Councilman Linville motioned to excuse Councilman Kolograf from tonight's meeting, seconded by Councilwoman Brenner-Miller, and five ayes approved.

Councilman Rich motioned to approve the Council Caucus minutes of May 17, 2016, seconded by Councilman Linville, and five ayes approved.

PERSONS HAVING BUSINESS BEFORE COUNCIL: None.

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Hurst reported that the court receipts for the month totaled \$100,750. We have 18s citations for the month of April, 66 speeding violations, followed by 23 citations written for expired plates and 17 citations written for driving under suspension. There were also 6 arrests on OVIs for the month of April.

Mayor Hurst states that next week, we have a Town Hall meeting on Tuesday May 24, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. in the community room to discuss the Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District storm water issue and fees. He goes on to state that we will also be having Memorial Day here at the Village Hall on Monday May 30, 2016 at 8:30 a.m. Then, we will follow with the Bedford parade. We meet at the Bedford City Hall at 10:00 a.m. for the parade that goes through Bedford.

COUNCIL COMMENTS: Councilman Linville comments on the Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District that they had the highest rate for the supplementary fee, probably 94% of the homes in Walton Hills. He states that everyone in the Village should appeal this fee to get the fee lowered.

LEGISLATION:

Resolution No. 2016-19, a Resolution of appreciation to Peter J. Kanjuka for the distinguished public service he has provided to the residents of the Village of Walton Hills and declaring an emergency, was introduced for suspension by Councilman Linville, seconded by Councilman Rich, and five ayes approved. Councilman Linville motioned to adopt Resolution No. 2016-19, seconded by Councilwoman Brenner-Miller, and five ayes approved. The councilmembers one at a time read the "where as" statements as Peter J. Kanjuka stands to receive acknowledgement. Provided it receives the affirmative vote of five or more members of a legislative authority and the signature of the Mayor, this will take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Resolution No. 2016-20, a Resolution awarding Sargent Peter Kanjuka his service weapon upon his retirement from the Walton Hills Police Department and declaring an emergency, was introduced for suspension by Councilman Spitznagel, seconded by Councilman Linville, and five ayes approved. Councilman Spitznagel motioned to adopt Resolution No. 2016-20, seconded by Councilman Linville, and five ayes approved. Peter J. Kanjuka comes forward to receive his revolver, receive his badge, and take some pictures.

Ordinance No. 2016-6, an ordinance to enact section 618.16 Chicken Regulations of the Codified Ordinance of the Village of Walton Hills, our second reading, was introduced by Councilwoman Terlosky.

Ordinance No. 2016-8, an ordinance authorizing an amendment to the collective bargaining agreement with the village of Walton Hills and the Fraternal Order of the Police Lodge 67 – Walton Hills division – and declaring an emergency, was introduced for suspension by Councilwoman Brenner-Miller, seconded by Councilman Rich, and five ayes approved. Councilwoman Brenner-Miller motioned to adopt Resolution No. 2016-8, seconded by Councilman Linville, and five ayes approved. Councilman Spitznagel brings up hiring new-hire police officers, allowing them to hire a net increase of one full-time police officer replacing Mr. Kanjuka and bringing one other office up. We all, including the Mayor, looked at this and the numbers of what we have coming in and what we have going out, and we are cautiously optimistic but we are going to keep our eyes and ears open to the budget. The Mayor will also be doing this and if something changes, there is confidence that the Mayor and the councilmembers will react to any negative impacts that happen to come about the budget. Councilman Linville comments that he will vote for this also and states that in a previous administration, there was a budget stampede, he is afraid of budget creep now. These were expressed and talked about, and he was reassured. Mayor Hurst brings up that the exact memo that was handed out to them is on the front page of the Journal regarding us being at 23% with the income tax and we are up so many percentages. This also clarifies that we are bringing the number to 13 full-time police officers, at a \$28 rate.

Resolution 2016-18, a Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with the Ohio Department of Transportation, office contracts, and purchasing services for participation in the Ohio Department of Transportation's contract for rock salt and declaring it an emergency, was introduced for suspension by Councilman Rich, seconded by Councilwoman Terlosky, and five ayes approved. Councilman Rich motioned to adopt Resolution No. 2016-18, seconded by Councilwoman Brenner-Miller, and five ayes approved.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: Mayor Hurst announced that there will be a Town Hall Meeting to discuss the Northeast Ohio Sewer District next Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. in the community room. There will be representatives there to go over the details. On Wednesday afternoon, we are having a luncheon for the businesses to come and the Sewer District will be there as well. All council is invited. We will have a special council meeting on Wednesday June 1, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. to vote on amending the JEDD agreement with Sagamore Hills Township in council chambers. The Committee of the Whole meetings will be held on June 7, 2016 and June 14, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. Memorial Day parade from Bedford City Hall starting at 10:00 a.m. on Monday May 30, 2016. Walton Hills' Memorial Day program starts at 8:30 a.m. This Friday, with council's blessing, since we have passed everything, at 2:00 p.m., we are going to swear in [Tom Cercak].

Councilwoman Brenner-Miller motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilman Rich, and five ayes approved. The meeting adjourned at 6:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Katie Iaconis
Fiscal Officer