

**City of Richmond Heights
City Council Meeting
February 26, 2008**

Council President, Roche called the meeting to order at 8:45 pm.

Roll Call:

Present: Alexander, Gambatese, Henry, Keyerleber, O'Toole, Roche

Excused: Morgan

Roche excused Morgan for tonight's meeting.

Consent AGENDA for tonight's meeting:

1. Minutes of the City Council Meeting from February 12, 2008
2. RESOLUTION NO.: 19-2008, INTRODUCED BY Mayor Ursu and All Members of Council: A Resolution Commending Lee Courtney for his Service on the City Master Plan Committee.
3. RESOLUTION NO.: 20-2008, INTRODUCED BY Mayor Ursu and All Members of Council: A Resolution Commending Lee Gase for his Service on the City Master Plan Committee.
4. RESOLUTION NO.: 21-2008, INTRODUCED BY Mayor Ursu and All Members of Council: A Resolution Commending Jai Kadambi for his Service on the City Master Plan Committee.
5. RESOLUTION NO.: 22-2008, INTRODUCED BY Mayor Ursu and All Members of Council: A Resolution Commending Ray Loushin for his Service on the City Master Plan Committee.
6. RESOLUTION NO.: 23-2008, INTRODUCED BY Mayor Ursu and All Members of Council: A Resolution Commending Rev. Michael Marino for his Service on the City Master Plan Committee.
7. RESOLUTION NO.: 24-2008, INTRODUCED BY Mayor Ursu and All Members of Council: A Resolution Commending Dennis McAndrew, Jr. for his Service on the City Master Plan Committee.
8. RESOLUTION NO.: 25-2008, INTRODUCED BY Mayor Ursu and All Members of Council: A Resolution Commending Dori Mittinger for her Service on the City Master Plan Committee.
9. RESOLUTION NO.: 26-2008, INTRODUCED BY Mayor Ursu and All Members of Council: A Resolution Commending Terry Yerkic for his Service on the City Master Plan Committee.

Motion was made by O'Toole to approve the Consent Agenda and seconded by Gambatese. Motion passed by Council, 6-0.

REPORTS:

Mayor Ursu: It has been a pleasure to have fine residents working on the Master Plan Committee, as well as some of our own Council persons. He presented the framed resolutions to Dori Mittinger and Terry Yerkic, who were present at the meeting.

Fire Chief Cek: YTD 239 alarms, 189 Emergencies/EMS and 50- fires and misc. We are down 3% from 2007.

Police Chief Rowe: No report tonight.

Building Commissioner, Rodic: 23 permits were in January, with 2 notable occupancies- Dollar Tree moved to a bigger space at Hilltop and Fitworks is expanding its area.

Finance Director, Rossiter: The Finance Dept is starting to get caught up and we are advertising for our open Finance position, as discussed. It will be a part-time clerk position.

Development Director, Gase: -excused-

Service Director, Lazar: No report.

City Engineer, Courtney: No further report.

Recreation Director, Drda: This Saturday, we will have a March Madness Event at the school gym. We will start off in the morning with Basketball Championship games and activities. From 6-9:30pm, we will have a Rally for the School (levy) with all sorts of fun activities.

AUDIENCE: -none-

OLD BUSINESS: -none-

NEW BUSINESS:

ORDINANCE NO.: 27 -2008, INTRODUCED BY ALEXANDER, FIRST READING
AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND HEIGHTS, STATE OF OHIO, DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2008; REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 139-2007; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

- **MOTION WAS MADE BY ALEXANDER AND SECONDED BY GAMBATESE TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCE AS PROVIDED IN SEC. 121.22 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCE. THE MOTION PASSED 6-0.**
- **MOTION WAS MADE BY GAMBATESE, SECONDED BY O'TOOLE TO PASS ORDINANCE NO. 27-2008. THE MOTION PASSED 6- 0.**

ORDINANCE NO.: 28 -2008, INTRODUCED BY MAYOR URSU, FIRST READING
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1325.02 OF THE BUILDING CODE TO ADJUST PERMIT FEES.

- **HOLD FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION.**

ADDITIONS:

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE JUSTICE AFFAIRS GRANT THROUGH THE OFFICE OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE FOR MOBILE DATA TERMINALS FOR THE POLICE DEPT; A \$6200 GRANT, WHERE THE CITY PAYS \$689, TO COME FROM CAPITAL.

Alexander motioned, O'Toole seconded. Motion passed 6-0.

CORRESPONDENCE: Letter from Kathy Cummins regarding the helpful service from Fire Dept to her parents' home on Monticello Blvd.

ADJOURNMENT: A MOTION WAS MADE BY ROCHE, SECONDED BY GAMBATESE TO ADJOURN THIS FEBRUARY 26, 2008 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING AT 8:55 PM.

BETSY TRABEN, CLERK OF COUNCIL

DAVID H. ROCHE, COUNCIL PRESIDENT