

**City of Richmond Heights
City Council Meeting
April 8, 2008**

Started with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Council President, Roche called the meeting to order at 8:28 pm.

Roll Call:

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

Excused: Gambatese

Motion was made by O'Toole, seconded by Alexander to excuse Gambatese from the meeting.

Consent AGENDA for tonight's meeting:

1. Minutes of the City Council Meeting from March 25, 2008
2. Minutes of the Special City Council Meeting from March 27, 2008

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

REPORTS:

Mayor Ursu: Thanked Finance Director, Lynda Rossiter, for her Budget meetings and planning all that she has with that. It has been an evolutionary process.

Fire Chief Cek: Thanked Fitworks for donating a lot of equipment for the new workout/training room and to the Service Dept/Lazar for installing the equipment.

Police Chief Rowe: Place the order for the new police car vehicles, before the April 4th deadline. He explained the rotation process of cars to the audience.

Building Commissioner, Rodic: The Building Dept issued 39 permits in March and 1 for a new home. Discussed the Ohio Board of Building Standards, being able to file emergency rules for one, two and three family dwellings. They will use the 2005 National Electrical Code and 2003 International Energy Conservation Code. The 2008 National Electrical Code and 2006 International Energy Conservation Code will be in effect for all other structures and occupancies. The apartment inspection program ran smoothly without any unusual incidents. Follow up inspections are being conducted.

Finance Director, Rossiter: Will revise the Capital Budget list this week. The Directors will vote on them as well, and Council next Tues night. She said she will set aside some requests for later in the year.

Development Director, Gase: -nothing further-

Service Director, Lazar: The part time Landscape crew came back to work this week. We have about 700 tons of salt left. The salt usage has doubled over the past 18 years. We work with a consortium now, which is better.

City Engineer, Courtney: With the better weather, the concrete phase I of the Woods of Richmond has been completed. We are 2 weeks out with the underground electric.

Recreation Director, Drda: -excused-

AUDIENCE:

Mike Burley, thanked Council for Res 33-2008 with their opposition to the airport runway extension. Thanks for sticking together with the residents.

Jeff Tolley, 432 Cary Jay, asked how much clout the County Commissioners have with this plan? Roche said they do have a lot of clout. Mayor Ursu said they will need 10 years and need to still do an Environmental Study with the plan. It is a daunting project, and if they go through with it, there will be ample opportunity to intervene. We will have to see how things unfold. It is a long process.

Ken Sole, 428 Douglas, said he has called the County Commissioners 3 days in a row and left messages with the Secretary. They have not called him back. Mayor Ursu suggested he call Paul Oyaski instead. He may have better luck with getting through to him.

Ed Krauss, 294 Knollwood, restated his appreciation to the City and said the Commissioners have agreed with the recommendation to the FAA. If you oppose this plan, please write to the County Commissioners and the FAA. There are comment cards to fill out on this.

Mike Burley, 25951 Highland Road, said he had called the County Commissioners, and received a phone call back from Kevin Delaney, from the airport, which he thought was odd. He said that Delaney stuck to his side and he stuck to his side. He said to go to the Cuyahoga County airport link for comment cards to fill out on this opposition.

Lee Gase added that there will be a bus available on April 24th. We may want to think about sending people downtown to oppose this at the Cuyahoga County Commissioners that day. They are leaving at 10am, from Willoughby Hills.

OLD BUSINESS:

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

- **MOTION WAS MADE BY MORGAN, SECONDED BY HENRY TO PASS ORDINANCE NO. 28-2008. THE MOTION PASSED 6- 0.**

NEW BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION NO.: 32 -2008, INTRODUCED BY MORGAN, FIRST READING
A RESOLUTION APPROVING A REVISED FINAL PLAT FOR PHASE I OF THE HIGHLAND RIDGE SUBDIVISION RESIDENTIAL CLUSTER DEVELOPMENT.

** ADDED THE MOTION THAT THE PLAT IS NOT TO BE RECOMMENDED UNTIL THE FINAL APPROVAL IS GIVEN BY THE CITY ENGINEER BEFORE PLAT RECORDING.*

- **MOTION WAS MADE BY MORGAN AND SECONDED BY ALEXANDER 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 MORGAN, SECONDED BY O'TOOLE TO PASS RESOLUTION NO. 32-2008. THE MOTION PASSED 6- 0.**

RESOLUTION NO.: 33 -2008, INTRODUCED BY MAYOR & COUNCIL, FIRST READING

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING CERTAIN SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS RELATED TO NOISE ABATEMENT/POLLUTION CONTROL, MAINTENANCE OF FACILITIES; AND SAFETY AREAS/ZONES AND OPPOSING THE PROPOSED RUNWAY EXTENSION AT THE CUYAHOGA COUNTY AIRPORT; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

- **MOTION WAS MADE BY O'TOOLE AND SECONDED BY ALEXANDER 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 ALEXANDER, SECONDED BY O'TOOLE TO PASS RESOLUTION NO. 33-2008. THE MOTION PASSED 6- 0.**

ADDITIONS: -NONE-

CORRESPONDENCE: -NONE-

ADJOURNMENT: A MOTION WAS MADE BY ROCHE, SECONDED BY MORGAN TO ADJOURN THIS APRIL 8, 2008 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING AT 8:57 PM.

BETSY TRABEN, CLERK OF COUNCIL

DAVID H. ROCHE, COUNCIL PRESIDENT