

**City Council Meeting  
City of Richmond Heights  
June 10, 2008**

Council President, David Roche, called the meeting to order at 8:20 PM

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Roll Call:

Alexander, Gambatese, Henry, Keyerleber, Morgan, O'Toole, Roche

Consent Agenda for Tonight:

1. Minutes of the City Council Meeting from May 27, 2008

Motion to accept by Gambatese, seconded by Alexander. Motion passed 7-0.

**REPORTS:**

Mayor Ursu: Announced the Summer Concerts at the Park. Please come and enjoy!

Fire Chief Cek: YTD, 631 alarms, 493 EMS, which is 78% of volume, 138 misc and fires (22%). We are up 1.6% from last year. MABAS box alarm in Euclid last night. Finished the training for the chest compression system (as displayed last year with the new units). The City would like to purchase 2 of them, between \$12-13K.

Police Chief Rowe: DARE finished its 19<sup>th</sup> year of school trainings. DiBassi did a DARE Graduation recently, which was nice. Through a grant, we have obtained 3 new computers for the dept.

Building Commissioner, Rodic:

- There were 85 permits issued in May and 7 were for new homes.
- Met with a rep from Planet Aid, who have 3 recycling containers in the City. They are currently working to be in compliance with Ord 38-2008. They stated that they have received nearly 25 tons of clothing from Rich Hts.
- The Director of the County Airport indicates that the fuel spill has been completely abated and the EPA has been given the go ahead to re-seed the area.
- The systematic housing inspection program is currently in progress on Brush Rd., streets off Brush, White Rd, Edgewood, Meadowlane, Radford and Kenbridge.

Finance Director, Rossiter: Working with the State Auditor on the 2005-2006 audit. Wrapping up statements from 2007. We are working with Don Lazar on the Air Conditioner in City Hall. There have been some issues with it.

Development Director, Gase: Cleveland Restoration Society has some Sat AM sessions in Akron. There are 4 different sessions with differ topics from 10-11:30am. Please call Gase if you are interested.

Service Director, Lazar: The new chipper works great. Working on the water breaks in the City, almost complete with fixing.

City Engineer, Courtney: High Rd- may request a joint project with the county, High Ridge- working on electric and phone in 1A and sewers in 1B, Woods of Richmond- in 1B there is minor work and ongoing stormwater management work. Ryan Homes in High Ridge is making more sales.

Recreation Director, Drda:

- Baseball and Pixie softball underway and the camps are going well.
- Received the tumble buckets for the Spraygrounds and the Aqua tech wheelchair.
- A new walking program has started at the park, and it's free. Walking twice around the park, starting at the gazebo, through the poles is 1.1 miles.
- Velocity Church at the Cinema at the Mall, will have a table at Family Day.
- Mayor Ursu added that the wellness program has forms at City Hall, and we can set it up for employees and Council as well.
- The theme for Family Day will be "Stepping in the Right Direction".

Audience: -no comments-

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Ordinance 38-2008, Introduced by O'Toole, Third Reading  
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CODIFIED ORDINANCE SECTION 521.08 TO REGULATE RECEPTACLES FOR COLLECTION AND STORAGE OF ITEMS DONATED OR OTHERWISE.

- O'Toole motioned for passage of Ord 38-2008, Gambatese seconded. Motion for passage 7-0.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**ORDINANCE NO.: 47 -2008, INTRODUCED BY ALL OF COUNCIL, FIRST READING**  
AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE FORMATION OF A NON PROFIT CORPORATION TO BE KNOWN AS THE "GREENWOOD FARM HISTORICAL, CULTURAL & ARTS ASSOCIATION, INC." FOR THE PURPOSE OF OPERATING, MAINTAINING, RESTORING AND PROGRAMMING OF THE USE OF GREENWOOD FARM IN THE CITY OF RICHMOND HEIGHTS, PURSUANT TO A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY; AUTHORIZING THE INITIAL ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION AND BY-LAWS OF THE CORPORATION; CONFIRMING THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF TWO OF THE INITIAL DIRECTORS OF THE CORPORATION; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

- Alexander motioned for suspension of the rules, O'Toole seconded. Motion passed 7-0.
- O'Toole motioned for passage of Ord 47-2008, Alexander seconded. Motion for passage 7-0.

**RESOLUTION NO.: 48 -2008, INTRODUCED BY O'TOOLE, FIRST READING**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF RICHMND HEIGHTS, OHIO TO PARTICIPATE IN THE NORTHEAST OHIO SOURCING OFFICE'S (NEO/SO'S) 2008-2009 SALT PROGRAM; TO DELEGATE THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE COMPETITIVE BIDDING FOR THE PURCHASE OF SALT; TO ESTABLISH THE CITY'S SALT TONNAGE COMMITMENT FOR THE 2008-2009 SEASON; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

- O'Toole motioned for suspension of the rules, Gambatese seconded. Motion passed 7-0.
- Morgan motioned for passage of Res 48-2008, Henry seconded. Motion for passage 7-0.

**ORDINANCE NO.: 49 -2008, INTRODUCED BY ALEXANDER, FIRST READING**

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$400,000 OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS BY THE CITY OF RICHMOND HEIGHTS, OHIO; AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN THE OHIO CAPITAL ASSET FINANCING PROGRAM; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

- Alexander motioned for suspension of the rules, O'Toole seconded. Motion passed 7-0.
- O'Toole motioned for passage of Ord 49-2008, Henry seconded. Motion for passage 7-0.

**RESOLUTION NO.: 50 -2008, INTRODUCED BY O'TOOLE, FIRST READING**

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE BIDS FOR THE VARIOUS SECTIONS OF THE BID SPECIFICATIONS FOR REPAIRS AND RESURFACING OF VARIOUS CITY STREETS FOR THE 2008 ROAD PROGRAM AND AUTHORIZING CONTRACTS THEREFOR.

- O'Toole motioned for suspension of the rules, Morgan seconded. Motion passed 7-0.
- Gambatese motioned for passage of Res 50-2008, Henry seconded. Motion for passage 7-0.

ADDITIONS: -none-

CORRESPONDENCE: Todd Hunt asked that a copy of the NEO/SO Resolution 48-2008 be delivered to NEO/SO office this week. Clerk Traben agreed to do so.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion was made by Roche, seconded by O'Toole to adjourn this June 10, 2008 City Council Meeting at 8:50 PM

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Betsy Traben, Clerk of Council

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David H. Roche, Council President