

**City Council Meeting
City of Richmond Heights
May 26, 2009**

Council President, David Roche, called the meeting to order at 8:30 PM

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Roll Call:

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

Excused: Henry

Motion made by Morgan to excuse Henry, seconded by Keyerleber. Motion passed 6-0.

Consent Agenda for Tonight:

- Minutes from City Council Meeting of May 12, 2009
- Resolution No. 26-2009, Introduced by Mayor Ursu & All Members of Council, First Reading. A Resolution Congratulating Phyllis and Larry Huston on the Occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary.

Motion to accept the Consent Agenda by Gambatese, seconded by Alexander.

Motion passed 6-0.

REPORTS:

Mayor Ursu: He presented Res 26-2009 to Phyllis and Larry Huston. He commented on Larry, who had been the long time dedicated Fire Chief at South Euclid, and thanked the family for coming tonight. He also thanked the veterans for the Memorial Day service in the park, and the Chiefs as well.

Fire Chief Cek: Thanked Larry Huston for his years of service as the Fire Chief in South Euclid. After performing the Hydrant check up, 12 items were shown to need repair. YTD 540 alarms, 50 double/triple alarms, 18 working fires, called MABAS 18 times.

Police Chief Rowe: There were some situations over the weekend with teen parties that were out of hand. We are working with the school in the class rooms, to warn and teach kids about safe parties.

Building Commissioner, Rodic: -excused-

Finance Director, Rossiter: She discussed the energy/conservation grant, which she says would only be good for the traffic signals and street lighting, but it would not work out for the city buildings. The 2007-2008 Audit may start in June. She thanked the armed and service people in honor of Memorial Day.

Service Director, Lazar: -excused-

City Engineer, Lee Courtney: The 2008 Road Program has resumed work. There was a pre-con meeting for 2009 road work (for Nan Linn and Swetland to start).

Gambatese asked about the water main digging on Claymore. There was no update yet.

She also asked when Royal Oak road work will start. Courtney said he will check on the schedule.

Recreation Director, Drda: The pool will open on June 5th and lessons are set to start on June 8th. Family day will have the theme, "No place like home". We will have a family scavenger hunt.

Audience: -no comments-

OLD BUSINESS: -none-

NEW BUSINESS:

ORDINANCE NO.: 27-2009, INTRODUCED BY ALEXANDER, FIRST READING

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE CODIFICATION, EDITING AND INCLUSION OF CERTAIN ORDINANCES AS PARTS OF THE VARIOUS COMPONENT CODES OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF RICHMOND HEIGHTS, OHIO, AND APPROVING THE UPDATING OF VARIOUS SECTIONS OF THE TRAFFIC AND GENERAL OFFENSES CODES TO COMPLY WITH STATE LAW.

- 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 ALEXANDER, SECONDED BY GAMBATESE TO PASS ORDINANCE NO.: 27-2009. THE MOTION PASSED 6-0.

ORDINANCE NO.: 28-2009, 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, 2009; TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 14-2009 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

- MOTION WAS MADE BY GAMBATESE AND SECONDED BY O'TOOLE 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 GAMBATESE TO PASS ORDINANCE NO.: 28-2009. THE MOTION PASSED 6-0.

ADDITIONS: -none-

CORRESPONDENCE: -none-

ADJOURNMENT: Motion was made by Morgan, seconded by Roche to adjourn this May 26, 2009 City Council Meeting at 8:45 PM

Betsy Traben, Clerk of Council

David H. Roche, Council President