

**SWEARING-IN – 6:50 p.m.**

- **Swearing-In of Newly Appointed Councilman Don Moore to fill Council Vacancy  
Term ending December 31, 2017**

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – 7:00 P.M.**

The Council of the City of Cortland met in regular session on Tuesday, January 19, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at the City Administration Building, 400 N High St, Cortland, Ohio with Council Vice President Deidre Petrosky presiding. Members of Council present were James Edwards, Patti Keller, Don Moore, Kevin Piros, and Scott Rowley; absent was Council President Dennis Linville. Also present at the meeting were Mayor Woofter, Law Director Wilson, Police Chief Andrews, Finance Director Moyer, Fire Chief Rea and Clerk of Council Horn; absent was Service Director Wittman.

A motion to approve Council Minutes from the January 4, 2016 Regular Council Meeting was made by Councilman Piros and seconded by Councilman Edwards. **ROLL CALL** - Edwards, aye; Keller, aye; Linville, absent; Moore, abstain; Petrosky, aye; Piros, aye; Rowley, aye. **MOTION PASSED**

A motion to approve Schedule of Bills to be paid totaling \$104,283.19 was made by Councilman Rowley and seconded by Councilman Edwards. **ROLL CALL** - Edwards, aye; Keller, aye, Linville, absent; Moore, aye; Petrosky, aye; Piros, aye; Rowley, aye. **MOTION PASSED**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**ORDINANCE O-37-15** – An Ordinance changing the zoning classification for 113 and 123 Walnut St from Residential Multi-family, R-M to Highway Commercial, C-2 was read and moved for third and final reading by Councilman Rowley and seconded by Councilman Piros. **ROLL CALL O-37-15** - Edwards, aye; Keller, aye; Moore, aye; Linville, absent; Petrosky, aye; Piros, aye; Rowley, aye. **ORDINANCE PASSED THIRD AND FINAL READING**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**RESOLUTION R-04-16** - A Resolution authorizing the sale by internet auction pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 721.15(D) during the calendar years 2016 and 2017 of municipally owned personal property which is not needed for public use or is obsolete or is deemed unfit for the use for which it was required was read and moved by Councilman Rowley and seconded by Councilman Moore. **ROLL CALL** - Edwards, aye; Keller, aye; Moore, aye; Linville, absent; Petrosky, aye; Piros, aye; Rowley, aye. **MOTION PASSED**

**ORDINANCE O-04-16** – An Ordinance to extend the project funding for the North High Street Pedestrian Enhancement Project with GPD Group was read and moved by Councilman Moore and seconded by Councilman Piros. A motion to suspend the rules was made by Councilman Rowley and seconded by Councilman Edwards. **ROLL CALL ON SUSPENSION OF RULES** - Edwards, aye; Keller, aye; Linville, absent; Moore, aye; Petrosky, aye; Piros, aye; Rowley, aye. **ROLL CALL O-04-16** - Edwards, aye; Keller, aye; Moore, aye; Linville, absent; Petrosky, aye; Piros, aye; Rowley, aye. **ORDINANCE PASSED EMERGENCY**

**ORDINANCE O-05-16** – An Ordinance authorizing ODOT to perform PID No. 100323 resurfacing work on sections of SR 7 and SR 46 within the corporation limits of the City of Cortland, Ohio was read and moved for first reading by Councilman Piros and seconded by Councilman Moore.

**MAYOR WOOFER** - I would like to clarify something here. This might look a little odd because you are looking at State Route 7. When ODOT submitted this ordinance to us, this was their wording. That's part of the original ordinance from ODOT. They are doing a section of St Rt 7 that is not in our district but ST Rt 46 is. Basically we are approving this small section of Rt 46. We are agreeing to have them perform it.

**COUNCILMAN PIROS** - Where is mile marker 7.85? Is that at the north end?

**MAYOR WOOFER** - I don't know.

**COUNCILMAN PIROS** - Its looks like 5.5 miles.

**MAYOR WOOFER** - With Don not being here, I apologize. I really can't answer that but its somewhere between that border and that border. I'm thinking it's that direction. (Points south)

**LAW DIRECTOR WILSON** - Don verified that it was within the city. As Jim said, we are restricted. We can't really change the ordinance around. It would be nice if we dropped the reference to St Rt 7 all together because it's confusing, but we can't do that. We have to keep it somewhat substantive.

**COUNCILMAN PIROS** - I thought maybe we acquired some new property that I was unaware of.

**LAW DIRECTOR WILSON** - No.

**ROLL CALL O-05-16** - Edwards, aye; Keller, aye; Moore, aye; Linville, absent; Petrosky, aye; Piros, aye; Rowley, aye. **ORDINANCE PASSED FIRST READING**

**ORDINANCE O-06-16** – An Ordinance whereby the City of Cortland authorizes funding to S.C.O.P.E., Inc. to support its services for the Cortland Senior Center was read and moved for first reading by Councilman Rowley and seconded by Councilman Piros.

**COUNCILWOMAN KELLER** - What is the amount? Is it \$10,000...?

**MAYOR WOOFER** - I think it's \$10,300, I believe.

**FINANCE DIRECTOR MOYER** - \$10,600. It is based on a percentage for our community. There is a formula. That is the percentage that Cortland has always paid.

**COUNCILWOMAN KELLER** – My next question is, can we afford that? Will we always be able to afford it and is it always the same amount of money? Who determines that?

**FINANCE DIRECTOR MOYER** - It has been the same amount of money for several years based on this formula.

**MAYOR WOOFER** - The future funding may be in question depending on the state of our General Fund. We will have to look at this when it comes around again next. There is a possibility, depending on the state of the General Fund, that we may not be able to contribute towards it.

**LAW DIRECTOR WILSON** - This is a follow up from a resolution from this past April that set forth the general belief in the city (INAUDIBLE) to support SCOPE and then this comes around for the actual money. There will be an opportunity this coming year to review whether it makes sense going forward.

**COUNCILMAN MOORE** - As someone who was formally on the board of SCOPE, this was pretty much what was done with all of the communities where the SCOPE facilities were located. I know they had asked for support locally for that. Lordstown and Champion and other communities have all supported it as well.

**COUNCILMAN MOORE** - Since I was on the board and may still be on an advisory board, I should abstain.

**ROLL CALL O-06-16** - Edwards, aye; Keller, aye; Moore, abstain; Linville, absent; Petrosky, aye; Piros, aye; Rowley, aye. **ORDINANCE PASSED FIRST READING**

**ORDINANCE O-07-16** – An Ordinance authorizing the Police Chief to purchase accessories and the installment of the accessories in the 2016 Chevrolet Impala police cruiser was read and moved for first reading by Councilman Moore and seconded by Councilman Piros. **ROLL CALL O-07-16** - Edwards, aye; Keller, aye; Moore, aye; Linville, absent; Petrosky, aye; Piros, aye; Rowley, aye. **ORDINANCE PASSED FIRST READING**

**MAYOR'S REPORT:**

**MAYOR WOOFER** – I don't have much but I'd like to welcome Don Moore, our new council member. Thank you, Don.

**COUNCILMAN MOORE** - Thank you. Glad to be here.

**MAYOR WOOFER** – I have a couple announcements. The City Welcome Packets - It's that time of year again. The city is collecting donations from businesses and organizations to be included in City "Welcome Packets" for new residents. For several years, the city has delivered "Cortland Welcome Packets" to new residents moving into the city. These packets include a welcome letter, information about the city, a listing of important phone numbers and many local business advertisements and/or "goodies". It is a very nice gift for people moving into town. Over forty business/organizations participated last year. The city thanks those who have participated in the past and if you don't, please consider it. It's an excellent way to advertise and bring attention to your business. A supply of 100 items will need to be dropped off no later than Monday, March 21st. If you have any questions, please call Rhonda at (330) 638-0142 or go to the city's website [cityofcortland.org](http://cityofcortland.org) for more information.

We have two splash pad fundraisers coming up: Thursday, Feb 4th - Beef 'O' Brady's – 4 to 8 p.m. A portion of all food sales will go toward the splash pad. Beef's is helping make the splash pad a reality by offering this the first Thursday of each month through March. Also, on Monday, Feb 8<sup>th</sup> – CHICKEN4CHARITY at

Quaker Steak & Lube – 4 to 10 p.m. You should all have a brochure at your places. Present the flyer and 15% of your meal will be donated to the Cortland Splash Pad. So, I wish to thank both Beef O Brady's and Quaker Steak and Lube for doing that. Kevin, I'm sure, and the Splash Pad Committee helped instigate all that. So, thank you.

**FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

**FINANCE DIRECTOR MOYER** – First of all, the amended certificate was received today in the mail. I had certified our ending balances to the county and they have now certified back to me the amounts that will be available on each fund. We will be starting on appropriations. I will have the worksheets done up this week and out to the department heads so we can get started on that. Secondly, I will ask the members of the Finance Committee to meet with me shortly after this meeting to see if we can set a date and time to have a committee meeting. That's all I have unless there are any questions of me or my department.

**POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT:**

**POLICE CHIEF ANDREWS** – First of all, I would like to apologize. I was not here at the last council meeting. I intended to be here and then an emergency took me out of here. Also, I would like to say congratulations to newly appointed councilmen and newly elected councilmen back again. My door is always open. My phone is always there and my email is always available so if you ever have any questions, please ask. If it's something you want to see, something you are not sure about, call and ask. I'm always available. Same thing to constituents, if anybody has questions, I like to be available. We will try to get them answered even if they don't deal with us. We will get you the right answer, even if it's not a city issues. We do that a lot.

We have the DAWN kits. They are finally in. We've been talking about that for the last couple of months for the Narcan for the officers. They went through training, went through the hands on with the medics, and met with the health dept. to get all the kits free of cost.

You have my monthly report in your packets and I'll answer any questions. You will have my yearly report next meeting. I got that to Rhonda today.

**FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT:**

**FIRE CHIEF REA** – I would like to welcome Mr. Moore to council. This month begins grant month for the fire service. We applied for 3 grants through city assistance to firefighters. One is for power cots for our ambulances and power load systems. If we get them it would take a lot of stress off the backs, the knees, hips and thighs to reduce workers comp injuries. Another one is for a new fire truck. We are in a position where we are going to have to replace a fire truck within a 2 year span. We are actually looking at 2017 to purchase it. If the federal government is willing to give us money for it, I'm willing to take it. The other one is for misc., a smaller grant through AFG for misc. equipment. We also asked the Dept of Workers Comp grant for power cots as well. That's one item they specifically address they like to give grants for. We are hoping they will give us money. I don't have anything else to report. You have my monthly. I'd be happy to answer any questions.

**SERVICE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

*(SERVICE DIRECTOR WITTMAN ABSENT)*

**MAYOR MOLL** - On Tuesdays, Don has personal family and things that he takes care of and that's why he is not here this evening. If you have any questions, please feel free to call him tomorrow morning.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**January 19, 2016**

**COUNCILMAN PIROS** – I would like to report that the Safety Services Committee met this evening and as a result there will be some potential legislation coming at our next meeting.

**NO QUESTIONS OF COUNCIL FROM THE AUDIENCE**

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilman Piros and seconded by Councilman Moore.

**ROLL CALL** - Edwards, aye; Keller, aye; Linville, absent; Moore, aye; Petrosky, aye; Piros, aye; Rowley, aye. **MOTION PASSED**

Meeting adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

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**CLERK OF COUNCIL**

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**PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL**