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

The Council of the City of Cortland met in regular session on Monday, August 5, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at the City Administration Building, 400 N High St, Cortland, Ohio with Council President Deidre Petrosky presiding. Members of Council present were James Edwards, Kathy Fleischer, Patti Keller, Don Moore, Kevin Piros and Scott Rowley. Also present at the meeting were Mayor Woofter, Law Director Wilson, Finance Director Gibson, and Police Chief Morris, Fire Chief Rea, Service Director Wittman and Clerk of Council Horn.

A motion to approve Council Minutes from the July 15, 2019 Regular Council Meeting was made by Councilman Moore and seconded by Councilwoman Keller. **ROLL CALL** - Edwards, aye; Fleischer, aye; Keller, aye; Moore, aye; Petrosky, aye; Piros, aye; Rowley, aye. **MOTION PASSED**

A motion to approve Schedule of Bills to be paid totaling \$ 86,095.99 was made by Councilman Piros Moore and seconded by Councilman Edwards. **ROLL CALL** - Edwards, aye; Fleischer, aye; Keller, aye; Moore, aye; Petrosky, aye; Piros, aye; Rowley, aye. **MOTION PASSED**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**ORDINANCE O-24-19** - An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter an agreement with Thomas Fok & Associates, Inc. to perform engineering and bidding assistance for the North Mecca Waterline Replacement Project was read and moved for third and final reading by Councilman Rowley and seconded by Councilwoman Fleischer. **ROLL CALL ON O-24-19** - Edwards, aye; Fleischer, aye; Keller, aye; Moore, aye; Petrosky, aye; Piros, aye; Rowley, aye. **ORDINANCE PASSED THIRD AND FINAL READING**

**ORDINANCE O-25-19** - An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter an agreement with Thomas Fok & Associates, Inc. to perform construction administration and inspection for the Cedar Drive Waterline Replacement Project was read and moved for third and final reading by Councilman Piros and seconded by Councilwoman Fleischer. **ROLL CALL ON O-25-19** - Edwards, aye; Fleischer, aye; Keller, aye; Moore, aye; Petrosky, aye; Piros, aye; Rowley, aye. **ORDINANCE PASSED THIRD AND FINAL READING**

**ORDINANCE O-27-19** - An Ordinance amending Codified Ordinance No. 921.06 and authorizing the City of Cortland to place special assessments onto the Trumbull County Tax Records arising from unpaid water accounts was read and moved for second reading by Councilman Piros and seconded by Councilwoman Keller. **ROLL CALL ON O-27-19** - Edwards, aye; Fleischer, aye; Keller, aye; Moore, aye; Petrosky, aye; Piros, aye; Rowley, aye. **ORDINANCE PASSED SECOND READING**



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**ORDINANCE O-28-19** - An Ordinance amending Codified Ordinance No. 925.08 and authorizing the City of Cortland to place special assessments onto the Trumbull County Tax Records arising from unpaid sewer accounts was read and moved for second reading by Councilman Rowley and seconded by Councilwoman Fleischer. **ROLL CALL ON O-28-19** - Edwards, aye; Fleischer, aye; Keller, aye; Moore, aye; Petrosky, aye; Piros, aye; Rowley, aye. **ORDINANCE PASSED SECOND READING**

### **NEW BUSINESS**

**ORDINANCE O-29-19** - An Ordinance authorizing the Service Director to enter into a contract with Miller Yount Paving, Inc. for the resurfacing of the tennis courts at Willow Park was read and moved by Councilman Rowley and seconded by Councilman Piros. A motion to suspend the rules was made by Councilman Moore and seconded by Councilwoman Fleischer. **ROLL CALL ON SUSPENSION OF RULES** - Edwards, aye; Fleischer, aye; Keller, aye; Moore, aye; Petrosky, aye; Piros, aye; Rowley, aye. **ROLL CALL ON O-29-19** - Edwards, aye; Fleischer, aye; Keller, aye; Moore, aye; Petrosky, aye; Piros, aye; Rowley, aye. **ORDINANCE PASSED EMERGENCY**

**ORDINANCE O-30-19** - An Ordinance authorizing the Service Director to enter into a contract with Miller Yount Paving, Inc. to replace chain-link fencing for the tennis courts at Willow Park was read and moved by Councilman Piros and seconded by Councilwoman Fleischer. A motion to suspend the rules was made by Councilman Moore and seconded by Councilman Edwards. **ROLL CALL ON SUSPENSION OF RULES** - Edwards, aye; Fleischer, aye; Keller, aye; Moore, aye; Petrosky, aye; Piros, aye; Rowley, aye. **ROLL CALL ON O-30-19** - Edwards, aye; Fleischer, aye; Keller, aye; Moore, aye; Petrosky, aye; Piros, aye; Rowley, aye. **ORDINANCE PASSED EMERGENCY**

**ORDINANCE O-31-19** - 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 Moore.

**MAYOR WOOFER** – As you know, S.C.O.P.E. moved and are operating out of Cortland Christian Church. Previously, when they were in the old post office building, the city was providing water and sewer at no charge. We are no longer doing that. They have a rental agreement with the church. Also, after receiving an email from Mike Wilson, he informed me their attendance has significantly gone way up since they moved. So, that's nice. They just signed an additional 5 year lease with the church.

**COUNCILMAN ROWLEY** - Any reason for that?

**MAYOR WOOFER** – He didn't say. I would guess it is because the parking is better and the church is made up of a lot of senior citizens. It's an older group of parishioners and they might be taking advantage of that. That's all I have.



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**COUNCILMAN MOORE** - This match is based on the amount they get as a grant. It seemed to me, I didn't look it up, it is probably pretty close to what it was last year, wasn't it?

**MAYOR WOOFER** –It's identical. It's 20%. They get \$49,056 from Trumbull County and then our portion of that for the record is \$9,811.20.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETROSKY** - We have pages of activities that were provided whether they are health related, leisure and relaxation, and/or food related.

**MAYOR WOOFER** – There is a lot of statistical information you can look through.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETROSKY** - It's been well attended and now even more attended. That's exciting.

**ROLL CALL ON 0-31-19** - Edwards, aye; Fleischer, aye; Keller, aye; Moore, aye; Petrosky, aye; Piros, aye; Rowley, aye. **ORDINANCE PASSED FIRST READING**

**REPORTS:**

**FINANCE DEPT REPORT:**

**FINANCE DIRECTOR GIBSON** – I have nothing to report, but I'd be happy to answer any questions.

**COUNCILMAN MOORE** - How is the audit going?

**FINANCE DIRECTOR GIBSON** – Today was my first full day back so I'll have to contact them to see when they are going to come back. I told them I would email them when I was back.

**COUNCILMAN PIROS** - Glad to see you are back.

**FINANCE DIRECTOR GIBSON** – Thank you.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETROSKY** - And doing well.

**FINANCE DIRECTOR GIBSON** – Yes, doing well.

**POLICE DEPT REPORT:**

**POLICE CHIEF MORRIS** – Obviously you saw we received five AED's and eight Stop the Bleed Kits for our police cruisers. With the incident that happened in Dayton, these Stop the Bleed Kits are certainly good to have. God forbid we would ever need them. We thank University Hospitals for that donation. It's about \$10,000 worth of equipment that we got for free.



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We are currently operating on the MARCS radios. We are very happy to have those operational. Other than that, I have nothing. I'd be happy to answer any of your questions.

**FIRE DEPT REPORT:**

**FIRE CHIEF REA** – We received a grant from the Ohio Div. of Emergency Medical Supplies for \$2,917.00. It is specifically earmarked for non-durable medical equipment. We already purchased it. The money has been spent. We will be reimbursed soon. We bought some (INAUDIBLE)...stuff like that, but more importantly Stop the Bleed Kits for our first responder EMT's. We will have the same stuff the police dept is getting only on a larger scale and some triage tags and stuff like that.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETROSKY** – Hopefully we won't have to use them. Thank you both for pursuing grants and spending your money wisely. We appreciate it.

**SERVICE DEPT REPORT:**

**SERVICE DIRECTOR WITTMAN** – The paving for the Annual Resurfacing Project will start this week. I got a text this morning that the plant was down so they did not start today. With the rain in the forecast, hopefully it will miss Cortland and won't disrupt the paving and they can get it finished up this week.

We will post on the eNews and at the Speedway that hydrant flushing will begin after Labor Day and should continue for two to three weeks to get the entire city flushed. This is our annual hydrant flushing. We will get out as much information because that brings us to the discolored water situation.

Thank you for your support on the tennis courts. They will get moving on that project rather quickly. So, the courts are going to be closed this Wednesday. They will come in and start doing some of the fence removal and then come back and start paving. At the next meeting, I'll be bringing the contract for the color coat resurfacing. I'm still working through some things with the quotes we received and should have a contract narrowed down for that by the next meeting. That one wasn't as essential for this meeting because the asphalt has to sit for 30 days before they put the color coat on that. Once that is completed we will get the fencing in and should be ready to go next spring. Other than that, I don't have anything else to report but will entertain any questions council has for me.

**MAYOR'S REPORT:**

**MAYOR WOOFER** – Mosquito Spraying is August 7<sup>th</sup> and August 21<sup>st</sup> this month weather permitting.

Brush Chipping is the week of August 26<sup>th</sup>. Please have your branches put out Sunday evening just in case they start early Monday morning so they will get picked.

Labor Day is Sept 2<sup>nd</sup> – City offices will be closed. Republic Trash/Recycling pickup will run one day behind throughout the holiday week.

It seems like we just opened the Splash Pad, but it will be closing after Labor Day. We won't necessarily close it on Labor Day, but if the weather is good and we get an extra week out of it I'm sure we will let the water run.



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**MAYOR PRESENTS A PROCLAMATION TO THE CORTLAND BEAUTIFICATION ASSOCIATION:**

**MAYOR WOOFER** – At this time, I would like to ask the Cortland Beautification Association to come forward. We have a lot of gratitude to bestow on the Beautification Committee. Over the years, you have really been true partners of the City and we certainly appreciate that. In recognition of that, we are providing a proclamation from the City and it reads:

***PROCLAMATION ~***

***WHEREAS, the mission of the Cortland Beautification Association was to beautify and improve the quality of life for all, and***

***WHEREAS, in 2005 the Cortland Beautification Association's bylaws were approved, and***

***WHEREAS, they had several ongoing projects through donations; Main Street beautification, maintenance of Point Park, landscaping the community sign, Christmas decorations, Community Pride Awards, the upkeep of Casterline Cemetery and more, and***

***WHEREAS, the CBA have decided to disband in this year of our Lord Two Thousand and Nineteen, and***

***WHEREAS, physical appearances of a community are examples of pride in that community, and***

***WHEREAS, properties that are improved upon lead to improved property values and population expansion.***

***NOW THEREFORE: I, James Woofter, Mayor of the City of Cortland, Ohio, do hereby proclaim, in honor of the CBA and their past work, the month of June as The Month of Beautification Throughout the City of Cortland. I urge all organizations, schools, places of worship and individuals in our city to commemorate the month of June in order to help establish a month of beautification at our homes and in our community.***

**CORTLAND BEAUTIFICATION ASSOCIATION MEMBERS** - Thank you!

**(APPLAUSE)**

**NO COMMITTEE REPORTS**



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**NO QUESTIONS OF COUNCIL FROM AUDIENCE**

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

**ROLL CALL** - Edwards, aye; Fleischer, aye; Keller, aye; Moore, aye; Petrosky, aye; Piro, aye; Rowley, aye. **MOTION PASSED**

**Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.**

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**CLERK OF COUNCIL**

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**PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL**