

The Council of the City of North Royalton caucused in the North Royalton City Hall Council Chambers, 14600 State Road on **December 17, 2019, at 7:00 p.m.**

PRESENT: Council: President of Council Larry Antoskiewicz, Council Representatives Gary Petrusky, Dan Langshaw, Paul Marnecheck, Dan Kasaris, Legislative Services Director Dana Schroeder; **Administration:** Mayor Robert Stefanik, Law Director Thomas Kelly, Finance Director Eric Dean, Safety Director Bruce Campbell, Community Development Director Thomas Jordan.

Agenda reviewed.

The Council of the City of North Royalton met in the North Royalton City Hall Council Chambers, 14600 State Road on **December 17, 2019 in regular session.** The meeting was called to order at **7:00 p.m.** by President of Council Larry Antoskiewicz and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

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Moved by Mr. Kasaris, seconded by Mr. Petrusky to **excuse Mr. Nickell and Ms. Hannan.** Roll Call: Yeas: **Five** (Antoskiewicz, Petrusky, Langshaw, Marnecheck, Kasaris). Nays: **None.** (Excused: Nickell, Hannan). **Motion carried.**

CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Approval of Minutes: December 3, 2019
 - b. Receipt and acknowledgement without objection to Ohio Dept. of Liquor Control request for a C1, C2 and D6 transfer permit for JB Foodmart LLC, 10011 W. 130th Street North Royalton, Ohio 44133.
- No one on Council wished to have an item removed from the Consent Agenda for discussion.

Moved by Mr. Kasaris, seconded by Mr. Petrusky to **adopt the Consent Agenda as presented and read.** Roll Call: Yeas: **Five** (Antoskiewicz, Petrusky, Langshaw, Marnecheck, Kasaris). Nays: **None.** (Absent: Nickell, Hannan). **Motion carried.**

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Stefanik introduced Safety Director Bruce Campbell and explained that he was going to introduce a couple of individuals with some donations of time, money and energy that they are giving to the city.

Mr. Campbell wished to recognize a couple of organizations and individuals tonight. Mr. Campbell stated part of his duties are that he gets to address the organizations, businesses and residents within the city. Mr. Campbell stated that recently he was asked to speak at the North Royalton Lion's Club meeting to discuss public safety services and as well as our CERT team, our volunteer team. After the meeting Gary Janson contacted Mr. Campbell and wanted to donate tourniquets to all of the North Royalton police officers in the city through the Lion's Club and his company that he owns. We had already had a donation through the Police Wives of Ohio recently donating tourniquets for every officer in the Police Department. An important piece to this is that the officers need to carry the tourniquets with them and Mr. Janson's company makes these cases and bleeding control devices for military, Army people and civilian police officers as well. He contacted Mr. Campbell and the Lion's Club is here tonight to donate the cases. Mr. Campbell stated what we have found in the past through mass casualties and incidents of industrial accidents, car accidents, the leading cause of death is blood loss. And by the officers having these cases, they can really make an impact by saving lives. Be it their own due to tourniquets being self-applicating. They are able to self-save themselves as well as any resident or anybody at any situation that they may run across. Mr. Campbell stated we really appreciate this and this really makes this convenient for our officers to have this equipment because it will be on their person or connected to their vest. Our Fire Department carries the same type of equipment in active shooter responses. Mr. Campbell stated he wanted to publicly thank the Lion's Club for their commitment and their support of our Police Department.

Mr. Antoskiewicz thanked the Lion's Club for the donation and it's double when provides extra safety for our residents.

Mr. Campbell stated he would like to introduce another individual to recognize tonight, Don Borowski of Borowski Builders. Mr. Campbell stated he first met Mr. Borowski at the Home and Flower Show and have stayed in touch throughout the years. Mr. Campbell stated Mr. Borowski had stopped by the Police Station a couple of years ago and asked if there were any projects he could assist with to fund or donate or specifically a K9. Part of Mr. Campbell's job is to research a lot of alternative funding and things that can offset our cost and maybe enhance the level of equipment. A couple of years ago we did receive a K9 grant and we are currently working through things with equipment. Mr. Borowski has donated a check in the amount of \$4445.00 and that money is going to build a customized K9 kennel that is going to be built off site and delivered to the officer's house and allow him to safely store equipment and the dog when the weather is appropriate. It has an inside chamber as well. Mr. Campbell stated he really appreciates Mr. Borowski's support and with helping out when he could. He has been a big supporter of our Police Department.

Mr. Borowski thanked Mr. Campbell for giving him the opportunity to help out. He stated that if this dog can save one policeman's life or one fireman's life, any time it is well worth it.

Mr. Campbell thanked President of Council Larry Antoskiewicz for his support for our Police and Fire services. It is not only important for police and firefighters to know that the Administration supports them, which they always have, but it's also important for them to realize their Council supports them in the endeavors that they do and Council has done that for the past 12 years and he expressed his appreciation.

Also, Mr. Campbell thanked Mayor Stefanik and stated that he trusted him 12 years ago to bring him on as the Public Safety Director. We have made a lot of accomplishments and we've made a lot of changes in public safety. Mayor Stefanik has provided the guidance and let Mr. Campbell have the autonomy to get things done as he saw fit. We have made a lot of good improvements and he wishes Mayor Stefanik the best in his retirement. Mr. Campbell stated on behalf of himself and his family, he wishes all a blessed holiday and health and happiness in the New Year.

Mayor Stefanik wished to thank the residents of North Royalton who elected him 6 times going back to 1999. He stated he appreciates their confidence they had in him and also wanted to thank the Department Heads that he has worked with the past 12 years. They have done an outstanding job for the city. He has expected a lot out of people but that is the way he was raised and asked no more out of them that he would do himself. Also, he wished to thank City Council for the great job they have done the last 12 years. We have really worked together and the days of bickering and fighting over petty things disappeared about 10 years ago and that was good for the city. We have made great strides together and he congratulated all of Council and stated he considered them not only colleagues but friends. He looks forward to seeing everyone as a regular everyday citizen of North Royalton. He stated residents will see him around town and he will still be volunteering here and there, attending service club meetings and being part of the community.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS: Mr. Kelly wished to thank Mayor Stefanik on behalf of the Department Heads for all of the good things he brought to the community. Mr. Kelly stated Mayor Stefanik served this town longer than any other Mayor except maybe Lester Edgerton. Mr. Kelly stated he has brought this community such progress and said it is hard to calculate all of the things Mayor Stefanik did. Mr. Kelly stated that for the record that Mayor Stefanik has done an absolutely marvelous job and we are all the better for it.

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL'S REPORT: Mr. Antoskiewicz stated this is last meeting as President of Council and fortunately he is able to stick around and will be moving to the end of the bench. Mr. Antoskiewicz wished to thank all of Council and stated not many Council's get to be together for the duration and this does not happen very often. It is a testament to all of Council that this happened. Council was able to withstand the most part and everyone did a great job and he will certainly miss everyone.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

All Committees, Boards, and Commissions announced the dates and times of their next regularly scheduled meetings and reviewed items currently on their agendas. All meetings are held at City Hall, 14600 State Road, unless otherwise noted. A complete meeting schedule is available from the Council Office. ***Any changes to the regular schedule of Council or committee meetings are noted below.***

LEGISLATION**THIRD READING CONSIDERATION:****ORDINANCE 19-91**

Introduced by: Mayor Stefanik. **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF NORTH ROYALTON PART 4 TRAFFIC CODE, CHAPTER 476 SNOWMOBILES AND ALL PURPOSE VEHICLES, SECTION 476.03, AND PART 6 GENERAL OFFENSES CODE, CHAPTER 606 GENERAL PROVISIONS; ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT, SECTION 606.10, CHAPTER 612 ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, SECTION 612.12, CHAPTER 618 ANIMALS, SECTION 618.12, CHAPTER 630 GAMBLING, SECTION 630.01, CHAPTER 634 NOISE CONTROL, SECTION 634.04, CHAPTER 642 OFFENSES RELATED TO PROPERTY, SECTION 642.01, CHAPTER 648 PEACE DISTURBANCES SECTION 648.11, CHAPTER 672 WEAPONS AND EXPLOSIVES, SECTIONS 672.01, 672.02, 672.03, 672.04, 672.06, 672.07, 672.12, 672.14, AND 672.15, AND REPEALING, PART 6 GENERAL OFFENSES, CHAPTER 672 WEAPONS AND EXPLOSIVES, SECTIONS 672.05, 672.085, AND 672.11 RELATING TO THE OWNERSHIP, POSSESSION, PURCHASE, OTHER ACQUISITION, TRANSPORT, STORAGE, CARRYING, SALE, OTHER TRANSFER, MANUFACTURE, TAXATION, KEEPING, AND REPORTING OF LOSS OR THEFT OF FIREARMS, THEIR COMPONENTS, AND THEIR AMMUNITION, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** Title read.

Moved by Mr. Kasaris, seconded by Mr. Petrusky **to amend Ordinance 19-91 by amending the title, Whereas #1 and #5, Sections 1 and 2 and the Exhibit.** Roll Call: Yeas: **Five** (Antoskiewicz, Langshaw, Marnecheck, Hannan, Kasaris). Nays: **None**. (Absent: Nickell, Hannan). **Motion carried.** Moved by Mr. Kasaris, seconded by Mr. Petrusky **to adopt Ordinance 19-91 as amended.** Roll Call: Yeas: **Five** (Antoskiewicz, Langshaw, Marnecheck, Hannan, Kasaris). Nays: **None**. (Absent: Nickell, Hannan). **Motion carried.**

SECOND READING CONSIDERATION:**ORDINANCE 19-110**

Introduced by: Mayor Stefanik. **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF NORTH ROYALTON, PART 8 BUSINESS REGULATION BY CREATING A NEW CHAPTER 879 RETAIL DISPOSEABLE BAG RECYCLING, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** Title read.

Placed on third reading

ORDINANCE 19-115

Introduced by: Marnecheck, Nickell, Kasaris. **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A LAND LEASE AGREEMENT AND A MEMORANDUM LEASE AGREEMENT WITH CELLCO PARTNERSHIP, DBA VERIZON WIRELESS GRANTING THE RIGHT TO INSTALL, MAINTAIN AND OPERATE COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT ON CITY OWNED PROPERTY PPN 481-07-026, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** Title read.

Placed on third reading

FIRST READING CONSIDERATION**ORDINANCE 19-116**

Introduced by: Antoskiewicz. **AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A SIMILAR USE PERMIT TO BLUELINE CLASSICS, LLC TO OPERATE A CLASSIC CAR RECONDITIONING AND RESTORATION BUSINESS AT 11035 STATE ROAD, PPN 489-19-007 AND 489-19-008, GENERAL BUSINESS ZONING, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** Title read.

Placed on second reading

ORDINANCE 19-117

Introduced by: Langshaw, Hannan, Petrusky. **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH SENIOR TRANSPORTATION CONNECTION, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** Title read.

Placed on second reading

ORDINANCE 19-118

Introduced by: Langshaw, Hannan, Petrusky. **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH MEDICOUNT MANAGEMENT, INC. TO PROVIDE BILLING SERVICES FOR EMS SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE CITY OF NORTH ROYALTON, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** Title read.

Placed **on second reading**

ORDINANCE 19-119

Introduced by: Antoskiewicz, Petrusky, Marnecheck. **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH UTILITY INC. FOR BODYWORN CAMERA AND VEHICLE VIDEO AND COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS FOR THE NORTH ROYALTON POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$247,100.00, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** Title read.

Certificate of Availability of Funds has been signed by the Finance Director stating that these funds are available or are in the process of being collected in the **Law Enforcement Trust Fund #208.**

Placed **on second reading**

ORDINANCE 19-120

Introduced by: Langshaw, Hannan, Petrusky. **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY OF NORTH ROYALTON AND THE NORTH ROYALTON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** Title read.

Placed **on second reading**

MISCELLANEOUS

Mr. Langshaw wished to recognize and thank the Mayor by presenting him with a gift for his 20 years of service from the residents of Ward 3 and himself.

Mr. Kasaris stated that we had a great run, from new roads, new buildings, new trails, new recreation facility, and new opportunities for residents. What began in November 2007, it's going to end tonight. We have benefited in a way that ones that came before us and those who are on this Council, the Mayor and President of Council who passed the tax increase in 2006. The residents, however entrusted us to use that money and we used it wisely, due to our frugal Mayor. We used the money wisely and that what the tax payers asked of us. We saw a good government in action and we saw this city shed itself from past issues. We improved the storm water system in the city enormously. We have constructed roads in a better way, we have provided better safety forces and through strong leadership from the Mayor when our past governor stripped us of close to a million dollars our Mayor went out and went to the MetroParks, the county, and did what he could do to have other governments help us fund our roads, do our road repairs, partner with people. To extend our MetroParks trail, to build Aukerman Park, to run Aukerman Park and other areas as well. This group in Mr. Kasaris' view had respect and concern for each other. He has had 1 friend from Ward 1, one friend from Ward 2, 2 from Ward 3, 2 Council President's, 3 from Ward 4 and 3 from Ward 5. We have all worked together to get things done. We have had spats and arguments, but we are still friends. As a legislative body, it is our duty to and our responsibility to have oversight. That is the job of City Council. It is what checks and balances are all about and that is what we did, and in doing so we helped our Mayor to do the awesome job that he has done during the 12 years he was Mayor. Picking excellent Department Heads, the 3 here tonight are really second to none....Mark Schmitzer, Nick Cinquepalmi, and Eric Dean. The Mayor also did a great job due to his work ethic and we have fed off of that. A slogan that was used in 2007, wasn't really a slogan, it was putting residents 1st and that's what we did.

Tonight, the sun sets on 12 years of government and January 1st the sun is going to rise for a new government and some of the people here tonight will be on that new governments, some won't and that's okay. Let us learn from what we have done, the good we have done, the opportunities that we took to do what's right for the residents, for the 30,000 people that live in North Royalton. We have all accomplished what we have done in 12 years with one goal in mind and that was to make life better not for us, but for the 30,000 people who call North Royalton their home. The legacy we leave is a good one. We have left this city in enormously better shape than we found it in 2007, through hard work for the people of this community. Thank you to the Mayor, thank you Gary, Dan, Larry, Dana, and Paul.

Mr. Petrusky wished to thank all of his colleagues from the time he has been here. He thanked the Mayor for all that he has helped him with and enlightened him. When we first came into office is when the recession hit and it really showed what we were made out of and how well we bonded together, worked together to make a better city. He thinks that was the start of a great beginning and great relationship, not only personally but professionally. He stated he is sorry to see it end but as they say new things, new chapter.

Mr. Marnecheck stated that 12 years is quite a run and he will fond memories of this time on Council. He would like to thank Mr. Petrusky for explaining to him some of the areas he has expertise in when it comes to safety, police forces, those kinds of issues, as well as hunting. He really had a familiarity that Mr. Marnecheck does not and he was always gracious in explaining to him primitive hunting and what that meant. Those issues really clarified and answered Mr. Marnechecks' questions.

Mr. Marnecheck stated he wanted to thank Mr. Kasaris for always allowing to him address BZA when there was an issue in his ward. Mr. Marnecheck stated that Mr. Kasaris ran a strong judicial body there and everyone would agree, even though all did not come out on the winning side of the issue in BZA that all were heard and treated fairly.

Mr. Marnecheck stated that whether it is the bow ties he likes to wear or the poor technique of stacking boxes or frying bologna, the Mayor was always willing to provide constructive insight and helped Mr. Marnecheck be better and he is going to miss serving with him. Also, seeing him on a regular basis and having him call Mr. Marnecheck to notify him that an issue is already solved before he awoke in the morning, because he has already been working on it for hours before anyone else woke up.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Mr. Kasaris, seconded by Mr. Petrusky to **adjourn the December 17, 2019 City Council meeting**. Roll Call: Yeas: **Five** (Antoskiewicz, Petrusky, Langshaw, Marnecheck, Kasaris). Nays: **None**. (Absent: Nickell, Hannan). **Motion carried**.

Meeting adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

APPROVED: /s/ Paul F. Marnecheck DATE APPROVED: January 7, 2020
PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

ATTEST: /s/ Dana A. Schroeder
DIRECTOR OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES