

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BROOK PARK, OHIO
TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2024
7:30 P.M.**

- A. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS**
- B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PRECEDING MEETINGS:**
- D. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:**
 - Aviation & Environmental Committee - Dufour
 - Board of Zoning Appeals - Mencini
 - Finance Committee - Scott
 - Legislative Committee - Scott
 - Parks & Recreation Committee - McCorkle
 - Planning Committee - Poindexter
 - Safety Committee - Troyer
 - Service Committee - Roberts
- E. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES:**
 - Southwest General Health Center Trustee - Mencini
 - Berea Board of Education Representative - McCorkle
 - Technology & Innovation Council Representative -Dufour
- F. REPORTS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:**
- G. INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS OF COMMENDATION:**
- H. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR:**
- I. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM DEPARTMENTS, COMMISSIONS, AND OTHER PUBLIC OFFICIALS:**
- J. OTHER COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS, AND VERBAL APPROVAL: (INTRODUCTION OF NEW LEGISLATION):**

K. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS, APPOINTMENTS, CONFIRMATIONS:**L. REMARKS FROM THE AUDIENCE ON ANY SUBJECT MATTER:****M. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS FIRST READING**

1. Ord. No. 11443-2024

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1311.06(a) OF THE BROOK PARK CODIFIED ORDINANCES, ENTITLED 'SURETY BOND AND INSURANCE REQUIRED', AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Introduced by Mayor Orcutt.

2. Ord. No. 11444-2024

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCES NO. 11390-2024 AND 11427-2024, THE APPROPRIATION ORDINANCES FOR THE CITY OF BROOK PARK, STATE OF OHIO, FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2024, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Introduced by Mayor Orcutt.

3. Res. No. 20-2024

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE CUYAHOGA COUNTY FISCAL OFFICER TO ADVANCE TAX REVENUES FROM THE PROCEEDS OF TAX LEVIES PURSUANT TO SECTION 321.34 OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Introduced by Mayor Orcutt.

4. Res. No. 21-2024

A RESOLUTION GRANTING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO OPERATE A SENIOR MEDICAL CARE FACILITY AT 15149 SNOW ROAD LOCATED IN THE U-3A ZONING DISTRICT, ORDINANCE 1121.23(C)(1), AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Introduced by Council As A Whole.

5. Res. No. 22-2024

A RESOLUTION GRANTING THE LOT CONSOLIDATION OF 4 PARCELS AT 14100 SNOW ROAD, AND 0 WESTBROOK DRIVE; PPN'S: 344-15-178, 344-29-086, 344-15-008. AND 344-15-009, LOCATED IN THE U2-A6 ZONING DISTRICT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Introduced by Council As A Whole.

6. Res. No. 23-2024

A RESOLUTION GRANTING THE LOT CONSOLIDATION OF 9 PARCELS AT 0 PEMBERTON DRIVE AND 0 VAN WERT AVENUE, PPN'S: 344-34-077, 344-29-078, 344-29-079, 344-29-080, 344-29-081, 344-29-082, 344-29-083, 344-029-084 AND 344-29-085, LOCATED IN THE U2-A6 ZONING DISTRICT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Introduced by Council As A Whole.

N. SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

1. Ord. No. 11438-2024

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1323.02 OF THE BROOK PARK CODIFIED ORDINANCES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Introduced by Mayor Orcutt.

O. THIRD READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

P. ADJOURNMENT:

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The meeting was called to order by Council President Salvatore at 7:30 p.m., the clerk called the roll and the following Members of Council answered:

TROYER, ROBERTS, DUFOUR, POINDEXTER, MENCINI, McCORKLE, SCOTT

Also in attendance were Mayor Orcutt, Law Director Horvath, Finance Director McGann, Recreation Director Wetmore, Service Director Beyer and City Engineer Pjatak.

Mr. Salvatore asked for a moment of silence for long-time employee, Rich Solich.

Mr. Mencini stated Rich started working with the city in 1981 as a custodial and then move to animal warden with Karen Gallagher. Rich was also an auxiliary police officer and from Saint Pete's Church. One thing to say about Rich is he was a good guy never heard anything bad about him and never heard him say anything bad about anyone. Best to Rich's family.

Mayor Orcutt prior to serving Brook Park as an elected official I was a technician working in different areas of the city and met Rich 25 years ago. Rich would have to go into places before me to get the raccoons out and so forth. Pleasure to know Rich and once he retired he still dedicated himself to the city. Complete honor having Rich in my life.

Mr. Troyer stated Mr. Mencini expressed my feelings and mentioned Rich also volunteered at church for many events.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

Aviation & Environmental Committee - Dufour

Mr. Dufour reported no legislation in committee. Tomorrow the snow team at Cleveland Hopkins Airport will start dry run exercises for the upcoming weather.

Board of Zoning Appeals - Mencini

No report.

Finance Committee - Scott

Mr. Scott reported three (3) items on tonight's Council agenda. The Board of Control met twice since last report. November 7th had four (4) items on the agenda; three largest being basketball youth jerseys - \$5,250.00; Spring flag football and cheerleading - \$15,300.00.00 and purchase of property at 15150 Snow Road, former BP gas station - \$375,000.00. November 19th Board of Control had 12 items on agenda; three largest being Kurtz Brothers grinding and removing materials from tornado at service garage - \$25,000.00; maintenance agreements for backup dispatch at safety building, first (1st) year of five (5) year contract - \$25,400.00 and 2024 general and equipment services for Robert and Carol Drives - \$320,961.63.

Reports of standing committees: cont.

Legislative Committee - Scott

Mr. Scott reported one (1) item on tonight's agenda.

Parks & Recreation Committee - Scott

Mr. McCorkle reported basketball will begin after Thanksgiving and next meeting will be Thursday, November 18th.

Planning Committee - Poindexter

Mr. Poindexter reported three (3) items on tonight's agenda under first (1st) reading.

Safety Committee - Troyer

No report, wished everyone a happy, healthy and safe Thanksgiving.

Service Committee - Roberts

Mr. Roberts wished everyone a healthy, happy and safe Thanksgiving.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

Southwest General Health Center Trustee, Mencini

Mr. Mencini reported in 1997 Southwest General enter into a partnership agreement with University Hospitals making Southwest General the flagship hospital on the west side. Southwest General offers communities many services one being the Ireland Cancer Center, designated a comprehensive cancer center by the National Cancer Center Institute.

Berea Board of Education Representative, McCorkle.

Mr. McCorkle reported the first (1st) Titan awards for 2024-2025 were given to students and staff. Mr. Doug Schwinn reported that with the \$11 million-dollar grant Polaris will be doing several new programs i.e. LPN; machine trades and others. Superintendent Timmons is retiring as of January 1, 2025 and Diane Zander will be taking over as the new superintendent. Three teachers that have retired were honored and expect a couple more being able to retire. The treasurer gave the financial report with cash balances being higher than projected. Mr. Mack gave the Safety and Security report and stated that the grants received will assist with cameras and security.

Technology & Innovation Council Representative, Dufour

Mr. Dufour reported the committee met with a potential vendor to improve and install safety in the city's public parks; great meeting with the exploration of many options regarding existing and potentially new infrastructure. The technology committee has put together the first (1st) draft of the Artificial Intelligence (AI) operations report and hope to have in front of Council by end of 2024.

REPORTS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS OF COMMENDATION:

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR:

Mayor Orcutt gave a tornado update of the community center by reporting the progress of natatorium roof is moving along very well. Out of the seven (7) roofs five (5) were chosen for a complete tear-off and replacement. The quote received from West Roofing for polyurethane roofs came in at \$1.9 million-dollars and these roofs have been quite troublesome. Staff is currently gathering quotes for a 30-year non-polyurethane roof and that quote is around \$2.1 million-dollars. Currently waiting for mechanical quotes for some rooftop unit work that needs to be done. Cleveland Browns update meetings have been scheduled for this week to continue planning for the building of a dome stadium in Brook Park. Wished the entire community a Happy Thanksgiving and am extremely happy with the opportunity of working for the city; thankful for all the employees and City Council. Invited the whole community on November 29th for the annual tree lighting ceremony with the parade kicking off at 6:00 p.m. from Holland Road and through the municipal campus; fireworks to follow.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM DEPARTMENTS, COMMISSIONS, AND OTHER PUBLIC OFFICIALS:

Law Director Horvath

Madam Horvath had no report wished Council, administration and community a Happy Thanksgiving.

Finance Director McGann

Mr. McGann reported that all bond obligations were made last week and am pleased to announce the final payment has been made on the Keystone Park Street Improvement bonds. Happy Thanksgiving.

Recreation Director Wetmore

Mr. Wetmore reported as stated the parade and tree lighting ceremony will be Friday, November 29th at 6:00 p.m.; Santa Tours the City will be on Saturday, November 30th from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and Pancakes with Santa will be on December 7th from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in the main gym. Registrations are necessary to be in the holiday parade and are available at the front desk. Special thanks to service department crews for decorating of the municipal campus for the holidays. Senior Club had a turkey dinner today provided by Eastpark Assisted Living Center. There will be a new Art Class beginning December 14th and scheduling for the 2025 programs are underway. Happy Thanksgiving.

Service Director Beyer

Mr. Beyer reported leaf pickup is in full force place on tree lawns please don't park in front leaves or they won't get picked up, no sticks or dog refuse. Service yard will close for the season during the week this Friday. Will continue to remain open throughout the winter on Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. With winter approaching please be aware of snow plows and stay back from the snowplow trucks. The snow ban kicks in when there is two (2) inches on the street please park in driveways to make plow drivers job easier. Last bulk week of the year is December 9th on regular rubbish day.

Reports and communications from departments, commissions and other public officials:

Service Director Beyer: cont.

Would like to give a special shout-out to the Berea-Midpark High School Avid Group and overseer Ms. Kelly Baumgartner; community members and Senior Coordinator, Joan Corrigan for volunteering their time on Saturday, November 9th. 19 senior citizens signed up for leaves to be raked to the tree lawn, appreciate everyone's help and seniors were very thankful. Happy Thanksgiving.

City Engineer Piatak

Mr. Piatak reported with the natatorium the masonry tuck- pointing is wrapping up and contractors are currently working on the deck-board replacements. The vapor barrier is complete 100% and contractors are working on the base insulation layer and roofing membrane, that is over 50% complete. With the Holland Road repair project, the contractor is focusing work west of railroad tracks towards Eastland Road; last pour scheduled for later this week, weather pending. Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) is scheduling a bridge replacement project on Route 237 over Snow Road, will be attending a pre-construction meeting this Thursday. There will be a number of closures and detours primarily on Route 237 southbound with no left turn onto eastbound Snow Road, more updates will follow.

OTHER COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS, AND VERBAL APPROVAL: (INTRODUCTION OF NEW LEGISLATION):

New Legislation

1. An Ordinance amending section 351.03 of the Brook Park Codified Ordinances entitled 'Prohibited Standing or Parking Places and declaring an emergency. Introduced by Councilman Dufour. Legislative committee.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS, APPOINTMENTS, CONFIRMATIONS:

REMARKS FROM THE AUDIENCE ON ANY SUBJECT MATTER:

Lou Modic

14399 Fayette Blvd.

Mr. Modic expressed concerns with Rich Solich passing away, first person to meet when moving to Brook Park, great guy and neighbor.

Liz Sayers

23065 Cedar Point Road

Ms. Sayers expressed concerns with a structural engineer report for the recreation center.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS: (FIRST READING):

1. ORDINANCE NO. 11443-2024

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1311.06(a) OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES ENTITLED 'SURETY BOND AND INSURANCE REQUIRED' AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Introduced by Mayor Orcutt.

Motion by Mr. Scott, supported by Mr. Mencini, to suspend.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Scott, Mencini, McCorkle, Roberts, Dufour, Poindexter

NAYS: Troyer

Motion by Mr. Roberts, supported by Mr. Scott, to adopt.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Roberts, Scott, McCorkle, Mencini, Poindexter, Dufour

NAYS: Troyer. Ordinance No. 11443-2024, has passed under suspension of the rules. Adopted.

2. ORDINANCE NO. 11444-2024

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Motion by Mr. Mencini, supported by Mr. Dufour, to suspend.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mencini, Dufour, Poindexter, Roberts, Troyer, Scott, McCorkle,

NAYS: Unanimous.

Motion by Mr. Scott, supported by Mr. Dufour, to adopt.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Scott, Dufour, Poindexter, Roberts, Troyer, McCorkle, Mencini

NAYS: Unanimous. Ordinance No. 11444-2024, has passed under suspension of the rules. Adopted.

3. RESOLUTION NO. 20-2024

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE CUYAHOGA COUNTY FISCAL OFFICER TO ADVANCE TAX REVENUES FROM THE PROCEEDS OF TAX LEVIES PURSUANT TO SECTION 321.34 OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Introduced by Mayor Orcutt.

Motion by Mr. Mencini, supported by Mr. McCorkle, to suspend.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mencini, McCorkle, Scott, Troyer, Roberts, Dufour, Poindexter

NAYS: Unanimous.

Motion by Mr. Scott, supported by Mr. Dufour, to adopt.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Scott, Dufour, Poindexter, Roberts, Troyer, McCorkle, Mencini

NAYS: Unanimous. Resolution No. 2024, has passed under suspension of the rules. Adopted.

Ordinances and Resolutions: First Reading: cont.

4. RESOLUTION NO. 21-2024

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(Former Rite-Aid)

Motion by Mr. Mencini, supported by Mr. Dufour, to suspend.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mencini, Dufour, Poindexter, Roberts, Troyer, Scott, McCorkle

NAYS: Unanimous.

Motion by Mr. Dufour, supported by Mr. Scott, to adopt.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Dufour, Scott, McCorkle, Mencini, Poindexter, Roberts, Troyer

NAYS: Unanimous. Resolution No. 21-2024, has passed under suspension of the rules. Adopted.

5. RESOLUTION NO. 22-2024

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Motion by Mr. Mencini, supported by Mr. McCorkle, to suspend.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mencini, McCorkle, Scott, Troyer, Roberts, Dufour, Poindexter

NAYS: Unanimous.

Motion by Mr. Scott, supported by Mr. McCorkle, to adopt.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Scott, McCorkle, Mencini, Poindexter, Dufour, Roberts, Troyer

NAYS: Unanimous. Resolution No. 22-2024, has passed under suspension of the rules. Adopted.

6. RESOLUTION NO. 23-2024

A RESOLUTION GRANTING A LOT CONSOLIDATION OF NINE PARCELS AT PEMBERTON DRIVE AND VAN WERT AVENUE; PPN'S NO'S 344-34-007, 344-34-078, 344-29-079, 344-29-080, 34-29-081, 344-29-082, 344-29-083, 344-29-084 AND 344-29-085, LOCATED IN THE U2-A6 ZONING DISTRICT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Introduced by Council as a Whole

Motion by Mr. Mencini, supported by Mr. Dufour, to suspend

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mencini, Dufour, Poindexter, Roberts, Troyer, Scott, McCorkle

NAYS: Unanimous.

Motion by Mr. Scott, supported by Mr. McCorkle, to adopt.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Scott, McCorkle, Mencini, Poindexter, Dufour, Roberts, Troyer

NAYS: Unanimous. Resolution No. 23-2024, has passed under suspension of the rules. Adopted.

SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

1. ORDINANCE NO. 11438-2024
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1323.02 OF THE BROOK PARK
CODIFIED ORDINANCES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Introduced by Mayor Orcutt. **(Occupancy Permits)**

Motion by Mr. Roberts, supported by Mr. Mencini, to suspend.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Roberts, Mencini, McCorkle, Scott, Dufour

NAYS: Troyer, Poindexter.

Mr. Salvatore stated Ordinance No. 11438-2024 has had its second reading.

THIRD READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

Mr. Salvatore wished everyone Happy Thanksgiving and holiday event weekend.

There being no further business to come before this meeting a **motion** by Mr. Mencini, supported by Mr. Dufour, to adjourn.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mencini, Dufour, Poindexter, Roberts, Troyer, Scott, McCorkle

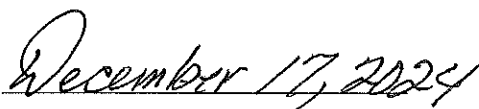
NAYS: Unanimous.

Council President Salvatore declared this meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED


Carol Johnson
Clerk of Council

APPROVED



THESE MEETING MINUTES APPROVED BY BROOK PARK CITY COUNCIL ARE A SYNOPSIS, NOT TRANSCRIBED IN THEIR ENTIRETY, ALTHOUGH ACCURATE.