

Lyndhurst, Ohio
May 3, 2021

The Council of the City of Lyndhurst held its Regular Meeting on Monday, May 3, 2021 at 7:36 P.M., Vice Mayor Lane A. Schlessel, presiding.

Members Present: Council Representatives J. A. Marko, J. Price, J. A. Gambatese, S. C. Grushetsky, D. A. Fey, C. A. LoPresti.

Others Present: P. A. Ward, Mayor;
J. P. Luskin, Director of Law;
R. J. Schmidlin, Assistant Director of Law;
P. A. Rhode, Chief of Police;
M. J. Carroll, Chief of Fire;
T. Fioritto, Director of Service;
J. Maichle, Building Commissioner;
M. A. Kovalchik, Director of Finance
K. L. Miller, Assistant Clerk of Council.

*NOTE: All those present participated virtually via the Zoom meeting application. The meeting was streamed live on the City of Lyndhurst, Ohio Facebook page for public viewing.

It was moved by Mr. Grushetsky, seconded by Mr. Gambatese, that the reading of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held Monday, April 19, 2021, copies of which were distributed to all Members, be dispensed with, and said minutes stand approved as circulated.

The question was put to a voice vote and passed unanimously.

MAYOR'S REPORT – Mayor Ward reminded everyone of the shred event and food drive this Saturday, May 8th from 11:30am-3:30pm in the parking lot of city hall. The food drive donations will benefit the Cleveland Food Bank.

Mayor Ward announced the second ever State of the City will be on Monday, May 17, 2021 directly following the City Council meeting; both events will be held remotely via the Zoom platform and streamed live on the City of Lyndhurst, Ohio Facebook page as well as posted to the City of Lyndhurst YouTube channel.

Mayor Ward said he will be holding the annual Mayor's Young at Heart Dance on Sunday, June 6th at the Community Center. This event is for residents 60 years and older featuring music by Carmelina. Reservations can be made by contacting the Community Center.

Mayor Ward aired that pool passes will go on sale Monday, May 10th and will be available online to residents only. Any resident wanting to reserve a time slot at the pool or at the spray park will need to have either a pass or a resident activity credential to make online reservations. As he previously stated, the rules have and will continue to change. Mayor Ward explained that residents will be able to book one time slot each day and is working to see if more than one reservation can be made should residents want to return and time slots are available. He said there will be 2-3 lanes dedicated each day to adults only during each session. Additionally, there will be adult swim on Saturday and Sunday from 11am-12:30pm. Mayor Ward mentioned they are also working on a non-resident portal for spray park reservations, while continuing to work on developing operation protocols based upon any changes from the state or Board of Health guidelines; communicate via email with passholders and residents with activity credentials.

Vice Mayor Schlessel inquired whether a date has been set for the Food Truck Friday events being held at the Lyndhurst Masonic Center.

Mayor Ward stated the Masonic Center is still working out the details and an official start date has not yet been set. He will provide an update once more information is available.

FINANCE COMMITTEE – Chairman Schlessel had nothing to report.

PUBLIC LANDS & BUILDINGS COMMITTEE – Chairman Frey stated the committee met on April 26, 2021 to discuss pool and spray park operations. He noted the Mayor provided most of what was discussed during his report. The minutes have been submitted.

ROADS & UTILITIES COMMITTEE – Chairman Grushetsky had no report.

SERVICE & SEWERS COMMITTEE – Chairman Price had no report.

SAFETY COMMITTEE – Chairman Gambatese had no report at this time.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE – Chairman Marko had no report.

PLANNING COMMISSION – Chairman LoPresti aired that the Planning Commission has not met since the last Council meeting; therefore, there is nothing to report.

SOUTH EUCLID-LYNDHURST BOARD OF EDUCATION – School Board Member Neil Bloomberg delivered the following report:

Mr. Bloomberg began by thanking the Mayor and City Council Members for their continued support of the district, especially during these challenging times.

Mr. Bloomberg announced the SEL school district is combining efforts with the Cuyahoga County Board of Health in providing the Pfizer vaccine to students 16 years of age and older in partnership with the Giant Eagle store at Legacy Village. The first dose is scheduled for Friday, May 14th with the second dose being administered on Friday, June 4th. Contact Maleeka Bussey, the Family and Community Engagement Coordinator with any questions or to register.

Mr. Bloomberg stated Destination 2023 was adopted in August of 2018 as part of the districts strategic plan. While being committed to the plan, updates were needed in areas affected by the pandemic. He mentioned there has been an addendum to the plan and it is broken down into 3 phases: Reopen, Recovery, and Revitalization. Details on the plan can be found on the school website.

Mr. Bloomberg spoke about a new program called Jump Start to Kindergarten. He said that due to COVID-19, many children could not attend preschool or other educational learning environments. The district is developing a program to support children's language skills, literacy, and social emotional development to improve readiness for kindergarten. The goal is to have one program in each of the K-3 buildings. More updates will be provided as this program develops.

Mr. Bloomberg proudly announced that the district is ahead of many others around the County regarding social emotional learning. He commented how the effects of the pandemic have provided a different level of social emotional issues. Maleeka Bussey is focusing attention on how this affects not only the students but the families as well, which is just as important as the educational component, as they go hand in hand.

Mr. Bloomberg announced the district will be providing a summer school program for students K-12. He said there are already over 300 participants signed up.

Regarding school safety, Mr. Bloomberg noted they are installing a two-door entry system in each of the school buildings. To date, each building except for Roland, has this entry system.

Lastly, Mr. Bloomberg stated the construction at Brush High School has been completed. Due to COVID-19, an open house was not held; however, guided tours can be scheduled by contacting the school.

The floor was opened for public comment with none being heard. Vice Mayor Schlessel stated, as outlined in the Pandemic Continuity Plan, any public comment relative to items contained in the published meeting Agenda was to be received by the Assistant Clerk of Council via email or phone call prior to 6:00pm.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2021-37
INTRODUCED BY: ADMIN**

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 WITH UNITED SURVEY, INC. FOR THE 2020 SEWER REHABILITATION PROGRAM, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

It was moved by Mr. Marko, seconded by Mr. LoPresti, that rules set forth under Section 123.01 of the Codified Ordinances be suspended, that Ordinance No. 2021-37 be placed on third reading for final passage and that it be highlighted.

Roll Call: Yeas: Marko, Price, Gambatese, Grushetsky, Frey, LoPresti, Schlessel.
Nays: None

Motion carried.
Rules Suspended.

Ordinance No. 2021-37 was highlighted by Mrs. Miller, with section 4 being read in its entirety.

It was moved by Mr. Marko, seconded by Mr. LoPresti, that Ordinance No. 2021-37 be passed.

Roll Call: Yeas: Marko, Price, Gambatese, Grushetsky, Frey, LoPresti, Schlessel.
Nays: None

Motion carried.
Ordinance No. 2021-37 is passed.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-38
INTRODUCED BY: MAYOR WARD AND ALL MEMBERS OF COUNCIL**

A RESOLUTION DECLARING MAY 2 THROUGH MAY 8, 2021 AS DRINKING WATER WEEK IN THE CITY OF LYNDHURST

It was moved by Mr. Marko, seconded by Mr. Gambatese, that rules set forth under Section 123.01 of the Codified Ordinances be suspended, that Resolution No. 2021-38 be placed on third reading for final adoption and that it be highlighted.

Roll Call: Yeas: Marko, Price, Gambatese, Grushetsky, Frey, LoPresti, Schlessel.
Nays: None

Motion carried.
Rules Suspended.

Resolution No. 2021-38 was highlighted by Mrs. Miller, with section 3 being read in its entirety.

It was moved by Mr. Marko, seconded by Mr. LoPresti, that Resolution No. 2021-38 be adopted.

Roll Call: Yeas: Marko, Price, Gambatese, Grushetsky, Frey, LoPresti, Schlessel.
Nays: None

Motion carried.
Resolution No. 2021-38 is adopted.

It was moved by Mr. LoPresti, seconded by Mr. Price, that the meeting be adjourned.

The question was put to a voice vote and passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:52 P.M.

Approved: May 17, 2021

Attest: _____
Clerk of Council

Vice Mayor