



City of Reminderville
Council meeting
August 13, 2024

Call to Order

Meeting called to order by Mayor Alonso at 8:08pm

Roll Call

Mr. Hoffmann, present
Mr. Kondik, present
Mr. Wiggins, present
Ms. Kovach, present
Ms. Jeromos, present
Mr. DiCarlo, present

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Wiggins moved to approve the minutes from July 9, 2024. Mr. DiCarlo seconded. All in favor.

Acceptance of Financial Reports

Mr. DiCarlo moved to accept the financial reports. Mr. Kondik seconded. All in favor.

Amendments to the Agenda

Mr. Hoffmann moved to add Resolution 51-2024, Resolution 52-2024, and Resolution 53-2024 to the agenda. Ms. Kovach seconded. All in favor.

Comments from the Public: Thirty minutes maximum time, two minutes per person. Raise your hand, state your name and address. Please remember residents have the opportunity to raise their hands and be recognized by the chair at any time during public meetings.

Hillary Hurst 10533 Crisfield Ct

Ms. Hurst stated her street was flooded from the storm and that caused her basement to flood and sewage to back up. The same thing happened five years ago and she is upset that it happened again and is now nervous it will happen yet again. She understands flooding can't be prevented totally but she would like to know what is being done about the backup. Mayor Alonso said he empathizes with everyone and is working with engineering to see what happened with Twinsburg's pump station and is speaking to Tim Miller at

Summit County Sanitary Services. The storm water got into the sewer and he will be asking if they are planning to do testing to see if there is a leak. He encouraged Ms. Hurst to send her damage report to Summit County.

Brenda Forte 10532 Crisfield Ct

Ms. Forte stated there is a sewer grate in front of her house where water would pool and run down the sidewalk. After the repaving of the street, it no longer does that. Mr. Gorog said he will look at the area. Ms. Forte also said residents should be made aware that they can attend council meetings to voice their concerns. Mr. Wiggins stated there are council members who have also gone through flooding issues including himself. His street was flooded and there was sewage backup in the houses on his street including his. Mayor Alonso asked if they have backflow preventors. Ms. Hurst said they are looking into it and learned they can put one in the basement or in the yard. Mr. Wiggins said he had one installed in his yard because as the homeowner he doesn't trust that Summit County's systems will never fail. Before the installation he had 2' of sewage water after a past storm, this storm he had 3" so he feels it helped. He continued that council over the years has researched and has taken as many actions as they can to make remediations but there are factors out of their control. He empathizes with all residents impacted.

Bert Piccirillo 4292 Morley Dr

Ms. Piccirillo stated she also had flooding in her basement and after learning it has happened in the past to multiple neighbors, asked why are the homeowners responsible to put in a backup system and not the city. Mr. Gorog replied the sewer lines are not owned by the city, they are owned and maintained by the county. Residents pay their bill to Summit County Sanitary Services that includes maintenance of the lines and that is why he and Mayor Alonso will be meeting with them to see what happened and what they are going to do to prevent this from happening again. Reminderville was not the only community affected by the county's lines; Akron, Hudson, Cuyahoga Falls among others so it will take some time to get their assessment and statement. Mayor Alonso stated besides dealing with Summit County he has been dealing with flooding issues in the city for years and there are outside influences he cannot control like additional water coming in from Solon's golf course and the new development in Aurora and the Metroparks holding water making it harder for the water to leave the city. There are a lot of systems and processes to understand and work through. He encourages residents to contact Summit County Sanitary Services regarding sewer backup.

Michele Carosello 10524 Crisfield Ct

Ms. Carosello stated she understands the city is not responsible and that it was a really bad storm, she is just looking for help. Mayor Alonso said he understands, he feels badly for everyone this happened to, and he is working on getting answers.

LEGISLATION:

ORDINANCE 12-2024: AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 149 "EMPLOYMENT PROVISIONS" OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF REMINDERVILLE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. 2nd Reading. *DiCarlo*

ORDINANCE 16-2024: AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE TO MAKE APPROPRIATION AND REVENUE ADJUSTMENTS FOR THE 2024 CITY BUDGET, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. 1st Reading. *DiCarlo*

Mr. DiCarlo moved to suspend the rules. Ms. Kovach seconded. All in favor.
Mr. DiCarlo moved to pass by emergency. Ms. Kovach seconded. All in favor

RESOLUTION 45-2024: A RESOLUTION TO HIRE JENNA HOOVER AS A PART-TIME BUILDING DEPARTMENT CLERK AT REMINDERVILLE CITY HALL AT THE PAY RATE OF EIGHTEEN DOLLARS AND 00/100 (\$18.00) PER HOUR, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. 1st Reading. *Alonso*

Mr. Hoffmann moved to suspend the rules. Mr. DiCarlo seconded. All in favor.
Mr. DiCarlo moved to pass by emergency. Ms. Kovach seconded. All in favor

RESOLUTION 46-2024: A RESOLUTION TO TRANSITION THE POSITIONS AND PAY RATES OF STEVE PAGANO, MICHAEL BERQUIST, JAMIE SIEGFRIED, AND MARCO BERQUIST WITH THE CITY OF REMINDERVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT. 1st Reading. *Alonso*

RESOLUTION 47-2024: A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION FROM THE REMINDERVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND REVOKE THE POLICE COMMISSION OF JACKSON PEMBERTON, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. 1st Reading. *Alonso*

Mr. Hoffmann moved to suspend the rules. Mr. DiCarlo seconded. All in favor.
Mr. DiCarlo moved to pass by emergency. Ms. Kovach seconded. All in favor

RESOLUTION 48-2024: A RESOLUTION TO HIRE MILES GRESCHL AS A FULL-TIME POLICE OFFICER ON PROBATION WITH THE CITY OF REMINDERVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND TO BE PAID AT THE RATE OF THIRTY DOLLARS AND 72/100 (\$30.72) PER HOUR, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. 1st Reading. *Alonso*

Mr. DiCarlo moved to suspend the rules. Ms. Kovach seconded. All in favor.
Mr. DiCarlo moved to pass by emergency. Ms. Kovach seconded. All in favor

RESOLUTION 49-2024: A RESOLUTION TO HIRE NICHOLAS MARRALI, JULIA MILLER, JACKSON FARLEMAN, JACE JONES, SEAN McKINLEY, JACKSON SIMMERSON, AND RILEY VILECAN AS RECREATION AIDES FOR THE REMINDERVILLE ATHLETIC CLUB AND TO BE PAID TWELVE DOLLARS AND 00/100 (\$12.00) PER HOUR, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. 1st Reading. *DiCarlo*

Mr. DiCarlo moved to suspend the rules. Ms. Kovach seconded. All in favor.
Mr. DiCarlo moved to pass by emergency. Mr. Hoffmann seconded. All in favor

RESOLUTION 50-2024: A RESOLUTION TO PROMOTE HANNAH PICKENS TO RECREATION LEAD POSITION FOR THE REMINDERVILLE ATHLETIC CLUB TO BE PAID AT THE RATE OF FOURTEEN DOLLARS AND 00/100 (\$14.00) PER HOUR, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. 1st Reading. *DiCarlo*

Mr. Hoffmann moved to suspend the rules. Ms. Kovach seconded. All in favor.
Mr. DiCarlo moved to pass by emergency. Ms. Kovach seconded. All in favor

RESOLUTION 51-2024: A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT THE PROPOSAL FROM OHM ADVISORS FOR ADDITIONAL SERVICES PROVIDED FOR THE 2024 PAVING PROGRAM IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED FIFTEEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS AND 00/100 (\$15,500), AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. 1st Reading. *Alonso*

Mr. DiCarlo moved to suspend the rules. Ms. Kovach seconded. All in favor.
Mr. DiCarlo moved to pass by emergency. Ms. Kovach seconded. All in favor

RESOLUTION 52-2024: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING OHM ADVISORS TO MAKE APPLICATION TO THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION (OPWC) TO ASSIST IN THE FUNDING OF THE RESURFACING AND RECONSTRUCTION OF MULTIPLE CITY PARKING LOTS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. 1st Reading. *Alonso*

Mr. DiCarlo moved to suspend the rules. Ms. Kovach seconded. All in favor.
Mr. DiCarlo moved to pass by emergency. Mr. Hoffmann seconded. All in favor

RESOLUTION 53-2024: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FOR JOB CREATION AND RETENTION AND TAX REVENUE SHARING WITH SUMMIT COUNTY. 1st Reading. *Alonso*

Mr. Hoffmann moved to suspend the rules. Ms. Kovach seconded. All in favor.
Mr. DiCarlo moved to pass by emergency. Ms. Kovach seconded. All in favor

Unfinished Business

Ms. Kovach reported the NatureWorks grant application will be mailed out this week.

New Business

The discussion for the proposal of a new equipment garage for the Service Department will be done at an upcoming meeting. Mr. Hoffmann asked to add a quote for a pre-constructed metal building.

Adjournment

Mr. Wiggins moved to adjourn. Ms. Kovach seconded. All in favor.
Meeting adjourned at 8:49pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Stacey Task, Clerk of Council
City of Reminderville
Date _____

Sam Alonso, Mayor