PRESENT AT COMMUNITY CENTER: Mayor Brunello; Council Representatives: D’Amico, DeLisio, DiLalla, Ganser, Hargate, Milroy, Stickan; Clerk of Council Cahill; Fire Chief Turner; Police Chief Cook; Service Director Belfiore; Building Commissioner Grabfelder; City Engineer Mader; Finance Director Filippo; Law Director Paluf.

ACTION ON MINUTES:
The reading of the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held June 9, 2020 was dispensed with. Mrs. Ganser moved to accept the Minutes as written; seconded by Mr. DiLalla. Ayes all; motion carried.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Fire Chief’s Report: Chief Turner announced the new fire engine is parked outside for Council to review. The engine will be in service in approximately 2-3 weeks.

Chief Turner stated the local CERT team purchased a trailer that will be stored at the Fire Station.

Chief Turner stated the request for the purchase of a Stryker Power Load was discussed at the Committee of the Whole meeting. The current Stryker Power Load was purchased in 2012 through a Worker’s Comp grant.

Police Chief’s Report: Chief Cook thanked Mr. Filippo for assisting on the identifying of commingled funds in the Juvenile Diversion account.

Chief Cook related and clarified two incidences that residents expressed concern to the Mayor and Police Department.

Chief Cook stated two Sergeants will not be on duty for the next 3-6 months. An entrance exam will be held on July 23rd.

Chief Cook forwarded to the Mayor and Council the Ohio Collaborative Standards. These Standards may become legislation as the issue of law enforcement and police reform is coming forward.

Service Director’s Report: Director Belfiore stated the Pool successfully opened on June 18th. The Pool Manager and Asst. Pool Manager were trained on pool operations. The Service Department replaced five concrete sidewalks on Davidson and five concrete sidewalks on Blair. The municipal complex received 80 yards of mulch on the landscaping beds.
The Household Hazardous Waste Round Up collected over 2500 pounds of hazardous waste. Shred Day will be July 11th from 8 AM – 2 PM at the Service Department.

Mayor Brunello stated 200 reusable bags received from a County grant will be distributed to residents.

Building Commissioner’s Report: Mr. Grabfelder was available to answer questions on items #11, #12, legislation amending sections 1109 and 1145 of the Planning & Zoning Code.

Mr. Milroy stated the legislation to eliminate the maximum sign size in 1145.05 (c), was considered with Mr. DiLalla, Mr. Adamus and Mr. Grabfelder. They agreed that there should be a maximum sign size and suggested a 300 sq. foot maximum size. Before the legislation is passed, an adjustment should be made to place a cap on the maximum size.

City Engineer’s Report: Mr. Mader stated the Strumbly water main is complete and all residents are on the new main. The intermediate course for the road will be performed this week. Esther/Roy/Renee has the intermediate course and the surface course may done by mid-July.

Concrete road repairs have begun on Highland Woods East. The Crack Sealing program will begin tomorrow. The contractor anticipates completion within two weeks. The Street Striping program is recommended to be awarded to Pat Flowers Inc. The southbound lanes on Brainard Road are being worked on currently and completion is anticipated in mid-July.

Finance Director's Report: Director Filippo had no report. Mr. Milroy congratulated Mr. Filippo on the exit audit conference call.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Commission on Aging: No report.

Community Day: Mr. DeLisio stated a Community Day meeting will be held on July 7th at 7:30 PM at the Park.

Park & Recreation: Mr. DeLisio stated the softball/baseball season will start June 25th. A sound system has been installed in the watch tower. Family Movie Night will be held on June 26th. The Pool opened June 18th until August 4th. The swim times and guidelines are posted on the city’s website.

Planning & Zoning: Mr. DiLalla stated Planning & Zoning Commission met June 22nd. The lot split at 302 Miner Road to Mr. Dalpiaz was approved which will create two new homes being built. Three variances for fences at: 1022 Oakview Drive; 576 Miner Road; and 1018 Millridge Road were scheduled for a public hearing on July 13th. A variance to a shed location at 5464 Strathaven Drive was scheduled for a public hearing on July 13th.
Safety and Service Committee: No report.

Drainage Committee: Mr. Milroy reported a Drainage Committee meeting was held this evening and reviewed a drainage complaint at 5808 Pinehurst which will be followed up by Mr. Grabfelder. Mr. Mader met with a resident on Eastlawn and has had no other requests to meet with residents on Eastlawn or Colony.

Law Director's Report: Mr. Paluf requested suspension and passage of #7 & #8.

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Brunello stated 13 applications have been received for the Small Business Relief program. The deadline is June 28th. The Pool is open and Mayor Brunello thanked the Service Department for opening and operating the pool efficiently. Mayor Brunello thanked the Finance Department for the reimbursement and registration of pool and recreation participants.

Opening day for baseball is June 25th. The Park has received many compliments and residents are pleased that some recreational programs are proceeding.

Music at the Gazebo will be June 24th from 7:00 to 9:00 PM. Light of Two Moons will be performing. Guests are required to bring their own chair or blanket.

The Neighborhood Bike Ride will be held on June 28th at 11 AM. The summer newsletter will be delivered to residences by the end of the week. City Hall will be closed on Friday, July 3rd.

Cleveland Magazine rated the suburbs and Highland Heights has moved from the 12th spot in 2019 to #9 in 2020. Mayor Brunello thanked Council, Directors and Chiefs for reaching the Top Ten designation.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: President Stickan stated the Legislative and Finance Committee met this evening and discussed moving forward with the moratorium and holding special meetings.

ITEMS TO BE REMOVED/ADDED TO THE AGENDA: There were no items removed or added to the Agenda.

MEETING OPENED TO THE PUBLIC:

Mr. Bob Mastrangelo, 633 Davidson Drive, provided a suggestion on the sign size limit. Mr. Mastrangelo cautioned Council on the moratorium issue that creating spot zoning and non-conforming uses may cause challenges. Emphasis should be given to attracting new businesses to the PCM zoned land.

Mr. Mastrangelo is concerned after hearing that many cities are facing financial difficulties that purchasing of new equipment along with the current needs of the municipal center should be carefully reviewed.

Mr. Mastrangelo commented on the proposed ordinance to create a Department of Public Safety that in the past the Police Chief received a stipend for the unofficial title of Safety Director. The proposed ordinance identifies the Mayor shall receive a salary and compensation as Council determines on a yearly basis.
NEW BUSINESS:

COUNCIL RECESS: A motion was made by Mr. DiLalla to approve a Council Recess for the month of August; seconded by Mrs. Ganser. Ayes all; motion carried.

MOTION TO PURCHASE: A motion was made by Mr. Milroy authorizing the purchase of a new Stryker Power Load for $20,836.41, excluding any finance charges, if applicable, minus the trade-in of $3,000 for a 2003-Lifepak 12, Serial Number 30902706; seconded by Mrs. Ganser. Ayes all; motion carried.

FIRST READING PROPOSED RESOLUTION 19-2020: Council listened to the First Reading in title only of proposed Resolution 19-2020 which description is: “A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a contract with Lebanon Ford for the purchase of a 2020 Ford Explorer Police Interceptor, pursuant to the Ohio Cooperative Purchasing Act in an amount not to exceed Thirty-two Thousand, One Hundred and Twenty-eight dollars ($32,128.00), and declaring an emergency.” (Mayor Chuck Brunello, Jr. and Council as a Whole)

FIRST READING PROPOSED RESOLUTION 20-2020: Council listened to the First Reading in title only of Proposed Resolution 20-2020 which description is: “A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a contract with Clark Equipment Company Da Bobcat Company, for the purchase of a Skid Steer Loader, pursuant to the Ohio Cooperative Purchasing Act in an amount not to exceed Forty-five Thousand Dollars ($45,000.00), and declaring an emergency.” (Mayor Chuck Brunello, Jr. and Council as a Whole)

FIRST READING PROPOSED RESOLUTION 21-2020: Council listened to the First Reading in title only of Proposed Resolution 21-2020 which description is: “A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a contract with Concord Road Equipment, for the purchase and installation of a Dump Body-Anti-Ice/De-Icing System, pursuant to the Ohio Cooperative Purchasing Act in an amount not to exceed Twenty-Seven Thousand Dollars ($27,000.00), and declaring an emergency.” (Mayor Chuck Brunello, Jr. and Council as a Whole)

FIRST READING PROPOSED RESOLUTION 22-2020: Council listened to the First Reading in title only of Proposed Resolution 22-2020 which description is: “A Resolution declaring Pat Flowers, Inc. to be the lowest and best bidder for the striping of certain streets within the municipality, authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract with said bidder not to exceed the sum of Forty Thousand Twenty-three dollars and twenty-four cents ($40,023.24), rejecting all other bids received and declaring an emergency.” (Mayor Chuck Brunello, Jr. and Council as a Whole)

ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 23-2020: Council listened to the First Reading in title only of Proposed Resolution 23-2020 which description is: “A Resolution affirming that funds received from the County Coronavirus Relief Distribution Fund will be expended only to cover costs of the City of Highland Heights, Ohio consistent with the requirements of Section 5001 of the CARES Act as described in 42 U.S.C. 601(d), and any applicable regulations as is necessary pursuant to H.B. 481 before receiving said
funds and declaring an emergency." (Mayor Chuck Brunello, Jr. and Council as a Whole)

Council was asked to suspend the Second and Third readings due to the timing and urgency to receive said funds. Mr. DiLalla moved to suspend the Second and Third readings; seconded by Mr. DeLisio. Ayes all; motion carried.

Mr. DeLisio moved to adopt; seconded by Mr. Milroy. Ayes all; motion carried.

**ENACTMENT OF ORDINANCE 18-2020:** Council listened to the First Reading in title only of Proposed Ordinance 18-2020 which description is: “An Ordinance authorizing the establishment of the Local Coronavirus Relief Fund and declaring an emergency.” (Mayor Chuck Brunello, Jr. and Council as a Whole)

Council was asked to suspend the Second and Third readings. Mrs. Ganser moved to suspend the Second and Third readings; seconded by Mr. DiLalla. Ayes all; motion carried.

Ms. D'Amico moved to enact; seconded by Mr. Hargate. Ayes all; motion carried.

**FIRST READING PROPOSED ORDINANCE 19-2020:** Council listened to the First Reading in title only of Proposed Ordinance 19-2020 which description is: “An Ordinance authorizing the transfer of commingled funds in the Juvenile Diversion Fund to the Law Enforcement and Education Fund (208) and declaring an emergency.” (Mayor Chuck Brunello, Jr. and Council as a Whole)

**FIRST READING PROPOSED ORDINANCE 20-2020:** Council listened to the First Reading in title only of Proposed Ordinance 20-2020 which description is: “An Ordinance establishing a Department of Public Safety in the City of Highland Heights and declaring the Mayor to be the Director of Public Safety and declaring an emergency.” (Council Representative Ganser)

**FIRST READING PROPOSED ORDINANCE 21-2020:** Council listened to the First Reading in title only of Proposed Ordinance 21-2020 which description is: "An Ordinance amending Chapter 1109 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Highland Heights, Ohio, repealing all legislation inconsistent herewith, and declaring an emergency." (Mayor Chuck Brunello, Jr. and Council as a Whole)

**FIRST READING PROPOSED ORDINANCE 22-2020:** Council listened to the First Reading in title only of Proposed Ordinance 22-2020 which description is: “An Ordinance amending Chapter 1145 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Highland Heights, Ohio, repealing all legislation inconsistent herewith, and declaring an emergency.” (Mayor Chuck Brunello, Jr. and Council as a Whole)

**ENACTMENT OF ORDINANCE 14-2020:** Council listened to the Third Reading in title only of Proposed Ordinance 14-2020 which description is: “An ordinance adopting a Tax Budget for the City of Highland Heights, for the year 2021 and declaring and emergency.” (Mayor Chuck Brunello, Jr. and Council as a Whole)
Mr. DeLisio moved to enact; seconded by Mrs. Ganser. Ayes all; motion carried.

**ENACTMENT OF ORDINANCE 15-2020:** Council listened to the Third Reading in title only of Proposed Ordinance 15-2020 which description is: “An Ordinance authorizing transfers and declaring an emergency. (General Fund to Capital Improvement Fund $1,000,000)” (Mayor Chuck Brunello, Jr., and Council as a Whole)

Mrs. Ganser moved to enact; seconded by Ms. D’Amico. Ayes all; motion carried.

**ENACTMENT OF ORDINANCE 16-2020:** Council listened to the Third Reading in title only of Proposed Ordinance 16-2020 which description is: “An ordinance authorizing transfers and declaring an emergency. (General Fund to Police Pension Fund $250,000; General Fund to Fire Pension Fund $250,000)” (Mayor Chuck Brunello, Jr., and Council as a Whole)

Mrs. Ganser moved to enact; seconded by Mr. DiLalla. Ayes all; motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT:** A motion was made by Mr. DiLalla and seconded by Mr. DeLisio to adjourn the meeting. Ayes all; motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

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