MINUTES ORANGE VILLAGE COUNCIL SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING FEBRUARY 1, 2023 7:45 PM

- 1. Council President Kurland called the Special Council Meeting of February 1, 2023 to order at 7:45 p.m.
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Roll call

Members Present:

Kline, Vincent, Silver, Perry, Bilsky, Kurland

Members Absent:

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Others Present:

Kathy Mulcahy, Mayor Steve Byron, Law Director Bob Wilson, Fire Chief Chris Kostura, Police Chief Bob Zugan, Service Director Dana Kavander, Treasurer Anna Girardi, Council Clerk

Mrs. Kurland took a moment to honor the memory of lifelong resident and member of the Orange Village Fire Department as a Firefighter/Advanced EMT, John Prochazka. Mayor Mulcahy provided information about John Prochazka including how he began his career as an Orange Village Firefighter at 18 years old and how he came to have coffee everyday with his Orange Village "family". She thanked the Firefighters and Police Officers that attended the meeting to honor their friend and co-worker, John Prochazka. Chief Wilson spoke about Mr. Prochazka as a great friend and co-worker. John was also a groomsman in his wedding. He spoke about how John was a worker whether it was for his plumbing business or as an Orange Village Firefighter/Advanced EMT. Chief Wilson expressed his deepest sympathy to John's family and his girlfriend, Heather Bizub. He stated if there is anything the Fire Department or anyone can do for them to please contact him and they will make sure it is handled. The funeral will be at Tabone Funeral Home in Solon this Saturday, February 4, 2023.

A moment of silence was provided in John's honor.

Mrs. Vincent stated she was a classmate of John's. He was in the band with her and was part of the alumni band performance.

4. A Motion to confirm the appointment of Charles Maimbourg to the Finance Committee was made by Mrs. Kurland seconded by Mrs. Vincent.

Mrs. Perry stated he is very qualified for the position. We are looking for more residents to join the committee.

Ayes:

Kline, Vincent, Silver, Perry, Bilsky, Kurland

Nays:

None

5. A Motion to approve the Council Meeting Minutes of January 11, 2023 was made by Mrs. Kurland seconded by Mr. Kline.

Ayes:

Kline, Vincent, Silver, Perry, Bilsky, Kurland

Nays:

None

6. A Motion to authorize the purchase of a 2023 AGPRO John Deere 4052M HD tractor for a price \$38,828.91, minus a trade in allowance of \$13,000.00 for a final sale price of \$25,828.91 through the Sourcewell cooperative purchasing program, in accordance with Section 107.01(e)(2) of the Orange Village Codified Ordinances was made by Mrs. Kurland seconded by Mrs. Perry.

Mr. Zugan explained this is piece of equipment that is part of our daily operations. He explained that this is not part of the Sourcewell purchasing agreement, it was from Ohio STS 515 Program. We received 3 quotes and this is the best price we could find.

Ayes:

Kline, Vincent, Silver, Perry, Bilsky, Kurland

Nays:

None

- 7. Audience comments relating to agenda items only no audience comments
- 8. Old Business of Pending Legislation and Motions
 - None
- 9. New Business and Consideration of:

A. RESOLUTION 2023-1

A RESOLUTION UNEQUIVOCALLY CONDEMNING THE RECENT RISE IN ANTISEMITIC VIOLENCE AND HARASSMENT TARGETING JEWISH PEOPLE, AND STANDING IN SOLIDARITY WITH THOSE AFFECTED BY ANTISEMITISM, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

A Motion for passage of Resolution 2023-1 was made by Mrs. Kurland seconded by Mrs. Vincent.

Mrs. Kurland stated this is important as a way of recognizing and hoping to help curb the rise in anti-Semitism. She quoted FBI data explaining Jews are the target of more than 60% of religiously motivated hate crimes despite being on 2% of US population. She hopes her fellow Council members feel comfortable passing this resolution.

Mrs. Vincent stated she is proud to live in Orange Village a community that prides itself in its diversity and being a welcoming belonging place to live and she joins Mrs. Kurland and supports this resolution and asks other communities to follow suit. Mr. Kline stated other communities have passed resolutions similar and in the past we have recognized racism as an issue and he supports the resolution fully.

Ayes:

Kline, Vincent, Silver, Perry, Bilsky, Kurland

Nays:

None

- 10. Audience comments relating to matters which advance the good of the Village no audience comments
- 11. Comments by the Mayor
 - Mayor Mulcahy added a motion concerning the need to replace a motor for the ambulance. Unfortunately, we received a quote for \$31,715. for a remanufactured motor, we will receive the \$3600 deposit back.

A Motion to authorize the Mayor to expend not more than \$35,000 to Interstate for the repair of a 2008 Horton Ambulance, known in the Village as "Squad 3" was made by Mrs. Perry seconded by Mrs. Kurland.

Ayes: Kline, Vincent, Silver, Perry, Bilsky, Kurland

Nays: None

- Sgt. Debeljak returned to work without restrictions from his life threatening injuries that occurred during the March 30, 2022 incident.

12. Comments by the Council President

- Ohio Citizens Action knocking on doors if you are on the Do Not Knock list or No
 Trespassing sign they will not be able to come to your home but you may also miss out on
 speaking with your neighbor who may be running for office
- Property Tax bill is not due until February 9, 2023
- Kia / Hyundai steering wheel locks available at the police department
- 13. Committee Reports and Comments by Council Members

Perry

- Condolences to Prochazka family and firefighters

Silver

No comments

Vincent

- School update
- School survey available until February 17, 2023
- National Girls and Women in sports day

Kline

- Condolences to the family of John Prochazka and thanked him for all the years of services
- Thanked Sgt. Sherwood for setting up the CPR/AED class that she invited all Orange Village staff to attend

Bilsky

- Condolences to John's family
- Encourage everyone to take the Orange Schools Survey

14. Adjournment of the Special Council Meeting of February 1, 2023

Council President Kurland adjourned the Special Council Meeting of February 1, 2023 at 8:25 p.m.

Annamarie Girardi

Council Clerk

Amanda Kurland Brent Silve Council President