

Regular Council

September 10, 2009

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2 The September 10 regular meeting of Macedonia City Council was called to order at 7:34pm,
3 Mayor Donald Kuchta presiding.

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5 **Present:** Council members' Shane Barker, David Engle, Kenneth Martin and Nicholas
6 Molnar, Law Director Joseph W. Diemert Jr., and Council Clerk Josephine
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9 **Absent:** Councilors Janet Tulley and Peggy Spraggins

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11 **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** led by Council President Dave Engle was followed by an invocation
12 led by Councilor Shane Barker.

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14 **MINUTES** Mr. Engle moved, Mr. Martin seconded to approve the minutes of the regular
15 meetings of July 9 and July 23, 2009.

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17 Roll call: Ayes: Barker, Engle, Martin, Molnar
18 Nays: None
19 The motion carried

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21 **INTRODUCTION, READINGS & ADOPTION OF LEGISLATION**

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23 **Prior to the readings of Resolutions No. 60 & 61-2009, Law Director Diemert advised**
24 **Council that insofar as the resolutions pertain to administrator's appointments, Council's**
25 **action relative to said the resolutions is a formality, thereby not requiring the suspension of**
26 **rules.**

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28 **RES. NO. 60-2009**

29 A RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING HE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF DAVID
30 ABERTH TO THE POSITION OF FULL-TIME FIREFIGHTER was **offered** by Mr. Barker
31 **title only for all three readings.** Second by Mr. Engle.

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33 Roll call: Ayes: Barker, Engle, Martin, Molnar
34 Nays: None
35 The motion carried.

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37 Mr. Barker moved, Mr. Engle seconded, to **adopt RES. NO. 60-2009**, and post same according
38 to law.

39 Roll call: Ayes: Barker, Engle, Martin, Molnar
40 Nays: None
41 The motion carried. **RES. NO. 60-2009, adopted**

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43 Relative to RES. NO. 60-2009 Chief Black mentioned that David Aberth has 12-years experience
44 as a state certified professional firefighter and paramedic. Mr. Aberth has been employed as part-
45 time firefighter for Macedonia for almost 2-years. Mr. Aberth also works as a part-time
46 firefighter/paramedic for the townships of Plain, Canton and Perry. In Perry Township he serves
47 in the capacity of captain. Mr. Aberth ranked ninth out 146 applicants who participated in
48 Macedonia's Civil Service test. Mr. Aberth has a masters degree in music and until October 4
49 has taught music at Nordonia Hills High School.

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51 Mr. Aberth thanked the Mayor and Council for his appointment. He introduced Nordonia high
52 school students and fellow fighters who attended this evening meeting in recognition of his
53 appointment.

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55 **RES. NO. 61-2009**

56 A RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF BRIAN
57 MILLER TO THE POSITION OF FULL-TIME FIREFIGHTER was **offered** by Mr. Barker **title**
58 **only for all three readings.** Second by Mr. Molnar.

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60 Roll call: Ayes: Barker, Engle, Martin, Molnar
61 Nays: None
62 The motion carried.

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64 Mr. Barker moved, Mr. Molnar seconded, to **adopt RES. NO. 61-2009**, and post same according
65 to law.

66 Roll call: Ayes: Barker, Engle, Martin, Molnar
67 Nays: None
68 The motion carried. **RES. NO. 61-2009, adopted**

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Relative to RES. NO. 61-2009, Chief Black mentioned that Brian Miller is a state certified professional firefighter and a state certified and nationally registered paramedic. Mr. Miller has five-years experience in this profession and has been part-time firefighter for Northfield Center Township. Mr. Miller ranked number 1 on the Civil Service eligibility list. He has a bachelor's degree and until October 5 has been employed by the Cleveland Clinic.

Mr. Miller thanked the Mayor and Council for his appointment. He introduced his wife Jennifer and two young children Julia and Jacob. Mr. Miller also introduced other family members in attendance..

Council President Engle informed the public that the 5-year fire replacement levy approved by voters in 2008 is the revenue stream that is funding the salaries for each of the appointments.

ORD. NO . 62-2009

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT BEGINNING ON OCTOBER 1, 2009 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2014 FOR THE RESIDENTIAL SOLID WASTE COLLECTION, DISPOSAL AND CURBSIDE RECYCLING SERVICES WITHIN THE CITY OF MACEDONIA WITH REPUBLIC WASTE / ALLIED WASTE SERVICES was **offered** by Mr. Engle for its **first reading by title only**. Second not required.

ORD. NO . 63-2009

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT BEGINNING ON OCTOBER 1, 2009 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2014 FOR THE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL OF MUNICIPAL FACILITES CONTAINER SERVICES WITHIN THE CITY OF MACEDONIA WITH REPUBLIC WASTE / ALLIED WASTE SERVICES was **offered** by Mr. Molnar for its **first reading by title only**. Second not required.

MOTIONS OR OTHER LEGISLATIVE ACTIONS: None

CORRESPONDENCE: None

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

MAYOR'S REPORT:

"I hope you all enjoyed the Holiday. I am excited that Labor Day made it 2 holidays in a row that I made it through without breaking any ankles. The financial picture has not improved satisfactorily yet. We are very much pinching pennies! You know things are bad when you get a letter stating that "due to budget restraints, we are sorry to inform everyone that the light at the end of the tunnel has been temporarily shut off". We have instituted the cuts mandated by recent Legislation and are constantly looking for ways to cut corners to extend the amount of money that taxes generate.

Just to update you on our stormwater committee the DSCC is alive and well and looking for ways to continue their quest to overcome problems associated with rain. They were just informed by Dave White from the Summit County Engineer' office, that NEORS has been put on notice that they cannot come into the County of Summit without a legal agreement. If they do, legal action will be taken. Summit County cannot take any action yet because the NEORS has not taken any action yet. NEORS stands for the North East Ohio Sewer District and they plan to extend stormwater charges out of Cuyahoga County, over the County line into Macedonia. We are watching and looking for any opportunity we can to thwart their plan.

I would like to thank the voters for us to get the ball in motion tonight to hire 2 more full time Firefighters. To get legislation passed in one reading you need 5 Council people at the meeting. 5 out of 6 is called a super majority and a motion passed by 5 yes

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138 votes allows legislation to be treated as an emergency measure, and
139 that means you can have all three readings be just one reading and
140 the legislation becomes effective immediately.
141 If you haven't had a chance yet you really should take a ride and
142 enjoy the experience of the new Rt. 8 & I271 interchange. It's
143 wonderful. It was finished early and we are hoping for the same on
144 the Rt. 82 Bridge. Do not forget our isolated businesses on the North
145 side of 82 where Sears is. They need you to continue to patronize
146 them. The economy and road work is making for very hard times for
147 them.

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149 There will be 4 Council seats open at this coming election so start
150 thinking about who would best represent you on Council. Elections
151 are your chance to make Macedonia better. Speaking of the coming
152 election...just a quick clarification...Issue 3 is not to put slots in the
153 race tracks. Issue 3 would take money **OUT** of the State of Ohio.”
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OMMITTEE REPORTS

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157 **Parks & Recreation Commission** Councilor Molnar announced the P&RC's next meeting
158 is Tuesday, September 15 at 7pm. The meeting is held on the 2nd floor of the Recreation Center.
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DEPARTMENT REPORTS

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162 **Service Department** Mr. Crevar announced that applications for the senior citizen snow
163 removal and rubbish disposal have been mailed. Questions about these programs or if a senior
164 feels they've been overlooked need only call the service department. Mr. Crevar announced that
165 crews are filing in the low spots of the berm because of water retention along on Route 8, on the
166 north and south side of Route 82. Crews are also creating crossovers within the median of Route
167 8 for use by safety vehicles.
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169 **Building Department** Mr. Hlad had no report.
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171 **Engineer's Report** Mr. Hill was not present
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173 **Recreation Department** Ms. Gmerek reported that the Recreation Center is holding an open
174 house Sunday, September 13 from 9am-3pm. Programming, activities and use of equipment is
175 free to all during those hours she added.
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177 **Finance Department** Mr. Sengstock was present during work session and the early part of
178 this meeting..
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180 **Fire Department** Chief Black was present during earlier portion of the meeting.
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182 **Police Department** Chief Golden announced that Route 82 construction is causing serious
183 traffic congestion and fraying driver's nerves. Chief Golden asked for civility and perseverance as
184 the road will be completed soon.
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186 **Law Department** Mr. Diemert had no report.
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188 **Unfinished business** None
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190 **New business** None.
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192 There being no further business before Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:59pm
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