

Record of Proceedings

Regular Council Meeting

August 13, 2015

1 Presiding Officer, Mayor Donald Kuchta called the August 13 regular meeting to order at 7:33pm.

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3 **Present:** Council members' Rita Darrow, David Engle, Sylvia Hanneken, Nicholas Molnar and
4 Janet Tulley; Council Clerk Josephine Arceci and Assistant Law Director Mark Guidetti.

5 **Absent:**

6 **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** was led by Council President Darrow

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8 **INVOCATION** was led by resident Terri Hudak

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10 **MINUTES** Ms. Hanneken moved Ms. Darrow seconded to hold the minutes of the public hearing and
11 regular meeting of June 11, 2015, the special meeting of June 29, 2015 and the regular meeting of July 9,
12 2015 until the next meeting for the reason Ms. Hanneken stated she did not have time to read them.

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14 Roll call: Ayes: Darrow, Engle, Hanneken and Molnar
15 Nays: Tulley (for the reason she read them)
16 The motion passed

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18 **FINANCIAL REPORT** Ms. Hanneken moved Ms. Darrow seconded acknowledging receipt of the
19 Financial Reports dated June 30th and July 31, 2015.

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21 Roll call: Ayes: Darrow, Engle, Hanneken, Molnar and Tulley
22 Nays: None.
23 The motion passed

24 **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

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26 Resident Bev Sexton of 8179 S. Bedford Road read in part, a letter to Law Director Diemert about the
27 Ambassador Indoor Soccer Facility from Attorney Warren Mendenhall, legal counsel for S. Bedford
28 Road residents. Full text of letter of Mr. Mendenhall's review of the documents related to the
29 Ambassador Indoor Soccer Facility is attached.

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31 Mayor Kuchta asked Assistant Law Director Guidetti if Mr. Diemert will be responding to Mr.
32 Mendenhall to which Mr. Guidetti answered most probably. Mr. Guidetti added he personally has not
33 read Mr. Mendenhall's letter. Mr. Guidetti continued however, stating the property is held in trust by the
34 City. The City does not own or has ever owned the property. The situation is not traditional and
35 therefore the code sections Mr. Mendenhall references in his letter may not apply.

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37 Resident Joe Skarupa of 8199 S. Bedford Road complained that S. Bedford Road residents have been
38 before Council since January about the sale of the property to Ambassador and have received two
39 different answers about the process. Each answer is documented in council minutes; an indication there is
40 an uncertainty within Macedonia's own law department Mr. Skarupa stated. Mr. Skarupa said S. Bedford
41 Road residents took the initiative to seek legal counsel to determine whether the property could be sold
42 without Council's approval. Mr. Mendenhall's letter, which Mr. Skarupa described as thorough he
43 submits to Council to act upon, that the sale of the property is contingent upon approval of Council.

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45 With regards to another topic, Bill Roemer, former at-large member of Summit County Council explained
46 he is a member of the "Fair Districts for Summit County Committee" who is proposing a redistricting
47 plan for Summit County. Mr. Roemer explained in part that the plan proposes that a non-partisan
48 committee develop redistricting. Currently Summit County Council creates the districts. The plan also
49 proposes that communities with common interests, common school districts should be kept together and
50 that a community should not be split as is the case in Bath Township. The City of Akron however is the
51 exception. Mr. Roemer is hopeful that the team of about 100 volunteers will collect the 15,000 signatures
52 needed for the proposed plan of eight districts, three Akron and five suburban to be placed on the
53 November 2016 ballot.

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55 With regards to another matter, Josh Bruce, a Macedonia resident and June graduate of Nordonia Hills
56 High School announced his candidacy for a position to the Nordonia Hills School Board.

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