

Service, Utilities and Public Lands

October 25, 2023

In Attendance: Chair Charlie Malta, Committee Dave Phares, Tom Loncala, Mayor Michael Vanni, Monica Koudela, Pat Mohorsic, Natalie Antosh, Theresa Bisbee, Brian Starr, Patricia Mika McGrew, Kevin McGrew, Toni Bisbee, Bill Heeter, Owen & Pete Engle.

Meeting began @ 6:33 with the Pledge of Allegiance

Charlie introduced the first family of our four KIA Families that we have gotten a hold of which is the Sister of Stephen Mika, Pat Mika McGrew and her son Kevin McGrew. Pat had a very eloquent letter about her brother Stephan. Pat was very thankful we are doing this. Pat comes all the way from Marblehead and her son Kevin from Canal Fulton. Much of the meeting was spent talking of the 12.2 acres the City owns. Mayor Vanni found a map that gave us a great description of the property we own where the Police Station, Fire Station and City Hall currently sit. The 12.2 acres does consist of Dr. Ocksalof's property the City purchased. Richard Bonde and Willoughby Mayor Bob Fiala made up the map we figured. It is the first time we heard the Mayor say to keep City Hall in tack and build a New Police & Fire Station. Monica & I gave our thoughts on the Woody Williams Monuments might be better suited in Dr.Ock's Property by Lakeshore Blvd. Natalie liked the property right in the middle of Lake Front Lodge, which would have parking on both sides. Theresa voiced parking concerns on the Dr.Ock's property near Lakeshore. Patrick talked about a brick paver pathway to the lake and Patrick talked about funding it with groups such as H-2 Ohio, Lake Erie Funding and a new funding opportunity, which will be made available next year that will have over half of a billion for new projects like ours. Pat also had a strong feeling to fund both the Police and Fire stations together. Pat also mentioned that Armour Stone, which will be used as part of the lake access, is extremely expensive. Pat also asked if anyone talked with our Law Director and got the ok to do this project. Monica said she had the opportunity to do that and all systems are a go. Owen wants the Monuments to sit by the lake so all can take advantage of photographs with the monument. Lakefront access will be the Mayor Vanni's #1 priority if he gets re-elected. Mayor Vanni & Pat will meet with Painesville Township and see how they went about accessing the Lakefront. Bruce Sterling brought up the traffic problems we could have with a roundabout and an Emergency vehicle trying to get through. Dave had a map and the monuments on our big screen TV for all to get an idea of what is to come. Brian Starr suggested go check out Wickliffe's Veteran Memorial. He also reminded all of us how important the benches will serve. The group met Bill Heeter. Also. Owen got Charlie and Patrick Certified along with Monica.

Meeting Adjourned @ 7:40pm. **Next Meeting Tues. November 21, 2023 @ 6:30**

Respectfully Submitted,

Charlie Malta

