

Westshore Council of Governments
Regular Meeting
Gemini Center, Fairview Park
October 8, 2014

Meeting began at 9:45 AM

1. ROLL CALL

In attendance: Mayors Bobst, Kennedy, Patton, and Summers; Fiscal Officer Renee Mahoney

Absent: Mayor Clough

Also in attendance: County Councilman Dave Greenspan

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion to accept the minutes of June 11 was made by Mayor Summers, second by Mayor Bobst; motion passed.

3. COMMISSION REPORTS

A. RTA – No report. Mayor Summers to attend meeting on October 21.

B. NOACA – No report.

C. Land Bank – No report.

D. County Planning Commission (CPC) – No report.

E. Cuyahoga County Mayors and Managers Association – Mayors and Managers continue to follow on HB5.

Mayor Stefanik of North Royalton is asking for support in his efforts to get the ODNR to manage the deer population. Mayors Clough and Sutherland declined to sign the letter. Mayor Sutherland offered that the ODNR is attempting to shift the burden onto homeowners.

F. Suburban Water Council (SWC) – next meeting is October 10; the agenda includes an update on the Clear Reads project which has been completed in the Westshore communities. There will also be updates on customer service improvements including online account management. The agenda includes a discussion on algae on Lake Erie; a Water Service Agreement update, and the proposed new procedures for main renewal program. Rates will be discussed as well. Suburban Water Council agenda is driven by Cleveland Water, not SWC.

Mayor Bobst added that before new road or sewer projects are undertaken, Cleveland Water is checking the lines so that resurfacing is not completed on top of damaged/broken water lines.

Mayor Bobst stated that residents already pay for water line replacement in their water bill(s) and she would like to see those dollars come back to the communities. Rates that are charged include water main replacement. Mayor Patton will provide an update following meeting on October 10. To be kept on agenda under Commission Reports.

- G. Mayor Patton reported that the Fairview Park Fire Chief has been selected by other chiefs as their representative to serve as a liaison to Westcom should any issues arise.

4. OLD BUSINESS –

Clean Fuels update: Mayor Summers met with Clean Fuels Ohio and reported that there is a program to create incentives for multi political jurisdictions to for sharing fuel stations, primarily national gas. There is more investigation to do, but combination of cities and school districts could combine forces on installation of high speed high flow fueling system, though the cost may be prohibitive.

Mayor Summers extended the invitation for Clean Fuels Ohio to come and talk to the group. He indicated that substantial advantages regarding fuel savings have been well documented and that it is worth pursuing. Continue on agenda.

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Dave Greenspan – County Council Updates:

Councilman Greenspan will conduct a Town Hall Meeting on October 16 at the CCC Westlake campus. The county prosecutor will be presenting. CCC will also discuss its levy on November's ballot and Cuyahoga County's four charter amendments will be discussed.

Putting together a partnership with Cuyahoga County Arts & Culture for transportation to arts and culture events such as concerts or plays. The plan is to offer a discounted bus pass.

Mr. Greenspan provided an update on the Demolition Fund. There is an amendment proposed that monies received out of this fund would only be repaid from of property tax appreciation. No cash flow impact. Councilperson Greenspan will send out the ordinance, his amendment, and the Cuyahoga County Councilperson Pernel Jones' amendment.

\$1,500 has been raised in support of Westshore CERT. Mr. Greenspan plans to present the check to CERT at the next Westshore COG meeting.

6. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Mayor Patton reported on Fairview Park's participation in the county's healthcare program regarding the city's savings and premium increase for 2015 (1.5 %.) The city has completed one year in the program.
- B. Fiscal Officer Renee Mahoney reported that the state audit is currently underway for the Westshore Enforcement Bureau. She will ensure all monthly reports are supplied to COG.

There being no additional business, the meeting was adjourned. Motion made by Mayor Summers, second by Mayor Bobst; motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

Next meeting scheduled for Wednesday, November 12

Gemini Center – Birch Room

9:30 AM

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