



## **MINUTES**

**CUYAHOGA COUNTY COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING  
TUESDAY, JUNE 25, 2019  
CUYAHOGA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS  
C. ELLEN CONNALLY COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 4<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR  
2:30 PM**

### **1. CALL TO ORDER**

**Councilmember Gallagher, Chair of the Public Safety & Justice Affairs Committee, called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m.**

### **2. ROLL CALL**

**Chair Gallagher asked Clerk Schmotzer to call the roll. Councilmembers Brown, Stephens, Baker, Miller, Tuma, Gallagher, Schron and Brady were in attendance and a quorum was determined. Councilmembers Simon, Jones and Conwell were in attendance shortly after the roll-call was taken.**

**Chair Gallagher then gave opening remarks providing background that lead to the introduction of a Resolution for a Charter amendment to elect the County Sheriff.**

### **3. PUBLIC COMMENT**

**The following individuals addressed Council regarding Resolution No. R2019-0134, a Resolution providing for the submission to the electors of the County of Cuyahoga an amendment to repeal Section 5.08 and enact Article XVI of the County Charter providing for the election of the Sheriff:**

- a) Ms. Lynda Mayer**
- b) Ms. Catherine LaCroix**
- c) Mr. Daniel Leffler**

### **4. ITEM REFERRED TO COMMITTEE:**

- a) R2019-0134: A Resolution providing for the submission to the electors of the County of Cuyahoga an amendment to repeal Section 5.08 and enact Article**

XVI of the County Charter providing for the election of the Sheriff, including the powers, duties, qualifications, and compensation of the office; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

**The Honorable John J. Russo, Administrative and Presiding Judge for Cuyahoga County Court of Common Pleas; Mr. Eugene Kramer and Mr. Bruce Akers, framers of the Cuyahoga County Charter; former Cuyahoga County Sheriff Robert Reid; Cuyahoga County Chief Public Defender Mark A. Stanton; The Honorable Michael C. O'Malley, Cuyahoga County Prosecuting Attorney; Muskingum County Sheriff Matthew J. Lutz, President of Buckeye State Sheriffs' Association; and Buckeye State Sheriffs' Association Executive Director Robert A. Cornwell addressed Council regarding Resolution No. R2019-0134. Discussion ensued.**

**Councilmembers asked questions of Messrs. Russo, Kramer, Akers, Reid, Stanton, O'Malley, Lutz and Cornwell pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.**

**No further legislative action was taken on this item.**

**Chair Gallagher then handed the gavel over to Council President Brady, who chaired the remainder of the meeting.**

**5. DISCUSSION / EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

- a) Collective bargaining matters, including:
  - i) a Collective Bargaining Agreement between Cuyahoga County and International Union, United Automobile, Aerospace and Agricultural Implement Workers of America, UAW Region 2-B, representing approximately 15 employees in the classifications of Cook, Custodial and Laundry Worker at the Sheriff's Department for the period 7/1/2018 - 6/30/2021.
  - ii) a Collective Bargaining Agreement between Cuyahoga County and Ohio Patrolmen's Benevolent Association representing approximately 620 employees in the classification of Correction Officer at the Sheriff's Department for the period 1/1/2020 - 12/31/2022.

**A motion was made by Mr. Schron, seconded by Mr. Miller and approved by unanimous roll-call vote to move to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing collective bargaining matters and for no other purpose whatsoever. Executive Session was then called to order by Council President Brady at 4:45 p.m. The following Councilmembers were present: Brown, Stephens, Simon, Baker, Miller, Tuma, Gallagher, Schron, Conwell, Jones and Brady. The following additional attendees were present: Director of Law Gregory Huth, Assistant Law Director Todd Ellsworth, Council Chief of Staff Joseph Nanni and Council Legislative Budget Advisor Trevor McAleer.**

**At 5:08 p.m., Executive Session was adjourned without objection and Council President Brady then reconvened the meeting.**

**6. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS**

**There was no miscellaneous business.**

**7. ADJOURNMENT**

**With no further business to discuss, Council President Brady adjourned the meeting at 5:09 p.m., without objection.**