



## **MINUTES**

**CUYAHOGA COUNTY COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING  
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2013  
CUYAHOGA COUNTY JUSTICE CENTER  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 1<sup>ST</sup> FLOOR  
9:00 AM**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**At the request of Council President Connally, the meeting was called to order by Councilmember Miller, Chair of the Finance & Budgeting Committee, at 9:22 a.m.**

**2. ROLL CALL**

**Chairman Miller asked Clerk Schmotzer to call the roll. Councilmembers Schron, Conwell, Simon, Greenspan, Miller, Germana, Gallagher and Connally were in attendance and a quorum was determined. Councilmembers Jones and Rogers entered the meeting sometime after the roll call was taken. Councilmember Brady was absent from the meeting.**

**3. PUBLIC COMMENT RELATED TO AGENDA**

**No public comments related to the agenda were given.**

**4. MATTERS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE / DISCUSSION:**

- a) R2013-0229: A Resolution adopting the 2014/2015 Biennial Operating Budget and Capital Improvements Program, and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

**Clerk Schmotzer read Resolution No. R2013-0229 into the record.**

- 1) Presentation of the 2014/2015 biennial budget including revenue and expenditures for 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, and 2016; FTEs; new initiatives and programs; and update on controlled services (Matt Rubino)
- 2) Miscellaneous expenses in the budget explained as a group including Municipal Court costs, Bureau of Inspection, Workers' Compensation, vital statistics, wellness fund, Agricultural Society, graves for the indigent, Memorial Day allowance, community-based corrections, Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency, Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District, and domestic violence (Matt Rubino)

**Mr. Matt Rubino, Director of the Office of Budget & Management, made a presentation to the Committee regarding the recommended 2014/2015 budget, which included the topics listed in Items 1) and 2) above. Discussion ensued.**

**Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. Rubino pertaining to the items, which he answered accordingly.**

- 3) Budget Presentations:
  - i) Office of the County Executive (Matt Carroll)

**Mr. Matt Carroll, Chief of Staff to County Executive FitzGerald, addressed the Committee regarding budget requests for the Office of the County Executive. Discussion ensued.**

**Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. Carroll pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.**

- ii) County Council (Joseph Nanni)

**Mr. Joseph Nanni, Chief of Staff to the County Council, addressed the Committee regarding budget requests for the County Council. Discussion ensued.**

**Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. Nanni pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.**

- iii) Office of the Fiscal Officer (Mark Parks)

**Mr. Mark Parks, Acting Fiscal Officer, addressed the Committee regarding budget requests for the Fiscal Office. Discussion ensued.**

**Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. Parks pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.**

iv) Office of the County Treasurer (Jeannet Wright)

**On behalf of Jeannet Wright, Acting Treasurer, Mr. Parks addressed the Committee regarding budget requests for the Office of the Treasurer. Discussion ensued.**

**Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. Parks pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.**

v) Department of Communications (Emily Lundgard)

**Ms. Emily Lundgard, Director of Communications, addressed the Committee regarding budget requests for the Department of Communications. Discussion ensued.**

**Councilmembers asked questions of Ms. Lundgard pertaining to the item, which she answered accordingly.**

**A brief recess was taken by the Committee after which Chairman Miller reconvened the meeting.**

vi) Department of Regional Collaboration (Ed Jerse)

**Mr. Ed Jerse, Director of the Department of Regional Collaboration, addressed the Committee regarding budget requests for the Department of Regional Collaboration. Discussion ensued.**

**Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. Jerse pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.**

vii) Human Resource Commission (Rebecca Kopcienski)

**Ms. Rebecca Kopcienski, Administrator for the Human Resource Commission, addressed the Committee regarding budget requests for the Human Resource Commission. Discussion ensued.**

**Councilmembers asked questions of Ms. Kopcienski pertaining to the item, which she answered accordingly.**

viii) Department of Internal Auditing (Valerie Harry)

**Ms. Valerie Harry, Internal Auditor, addressed the Committee regarding budget requests for the Department of Internal Auditing. Discussion ensued.**

**Councilmembers asked questions of Ms. Harry pertaining to the item, which she answered accordingly.**

ix) Agency of the Inspector General (Nailah Byrd)

**In the absence of Ms. Nailah Byrd, Inspector General, Ms. Andrea Nelson-Moore, Assistant Inspector General – Investigator Lead, addressed the Committee regarding budget requests for the Agency of the Inspector General. Discussion ensued.**

**Ms. Byrd entered the meeting and Councilmembers asked questions of Ms. Byrd and Ms. Moore pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.**

5. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

**There was no miscellaneous business.**

6. OTHER PUBLIC COMMENT

**No public comments were given.**

7. ADJOURNMENT

**With no further business to discuss and on a motion by Mr. Germana with a second by Mr. Greenspan, the meeting was adjourned at 1:05 p.m., without objection.**

[NOTE: Clerk revised Item No. 1 on 11/20/2013]