

CITY OF *Beachwood* Council Update

MAYOR
MERLE S. GORDEN

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COMMITTING TO BEACHWOOD'S FUTURE FROM MAYOR MERLE S. GORDEN

My goal has always been to keep Beachwood a progressive, vibrant city and to be one of Greater Cleveland's most sought after locations for families and businesses. I will continue to lead with passion, dedication and vision.

I am honored to be serving my fifth term as Mayor. I look forward to working with my colleagues on City Council, administration and my staff. We offer municipal services that are second to none. Our safety forces are top-notch and the efforts of our service department are unparalleled. We are accessible to our residents while operating with integrity and transparency.

We feature over 2,500 businesses, ranging from start-up firms to Fortune 500 companies. A healthy business community yields innumerable benefits. We work hard to help our existing businesses thrive and to cultivate Beachwood as an excellent business address.

I want to thank Mel Jacobs for his service and leadership as past Council President. Congratulations to our new Council President, Fred Goodman. Fred has served on Council since 1992 and most recently chaired the Audit and Economic Development committees.

Welcome to Alec Isaacson and James Pasch, Beachwood's two new City Council members. I look forward to working with both of them in their new roles. Alec and his wife Cheryl, have two children who attend Beachwood Schools. James is a small business owner and established trial attorney. James and his wife Carly have lived in Beachwood since 2012.

Finally, I want to extend my heartfelt gratitude to Saul Eisen – former Council President and 12 year council member. He has given Beachwood much of his personal time and has worked hard to make Beachwood a better place.

Thank you to all the residents and community members for your continued support. Serving as your Mayor is truly a privilege. I appreciate the opportunity to continue working hard for you.



"The City is in excellent fiscal condition."
Mayor Gordon

FRED GOODMAN
PRESIDENT

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CLERK OF COUNCIL
216.595.5493

BE WILY ABOUT COYOTES

Several residents have reported seeing coyotes in their yards. Here are tips to keep you and your pets safe:

- Make sure to bring cats inside at nighttime.
- Turn outside lights on and check the yard before letting your dog out.
- Make noise. Let them know you're coming out.
- Walk your dog on a leash; dogs often charge after a coyote and once a fight begins, the coyote won't stop.
- Coyote pups are being born now and their parents are protective of them. Again, walk your dog on a leash so it doesn't wander into an area where a coyote may be denning.
- Make sure your garbage cans are closed and don't leave pet food outside.
- Eliminate food sources. Bird feeders attract rodents which attract coyotes.
- Coyotes don't look for confrontation. Nonetheless, they will defend themselves.
- Coyotes are protective of their pups, which will be born in late March and early May. Denning areas are now being established.

Although The Ohio Division of Wildlife has an agreement with the Ohio State Trappers Association where they will provide trappers free-of-charge, it is unclear as to whether the service is currently provided in Cuyahoga County. For more information visit www.ohiostatetrapper.org.

Another option is to contract with A&S Animal Control, 440.232.2964, at your cost. It is important to recognize that coyote territories are widespread, so regardless of the person trapping, there is no guarantee that the coyote causing the problem will be the one caught.

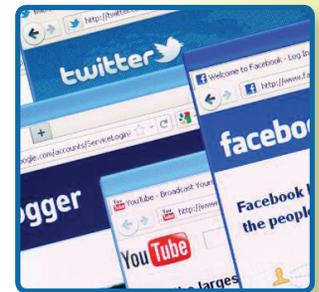
For more information or questions call the Ohio Division of Wildlife at 330.644.2293. If a coyote is acting aggressive by growling or approaching people, please contact the Beachwood Police Department.

OF SPECIAL NOTE

Mayor Gorden has been named by Cuyahoga County Council to the county's Planning Commission. He will represent 10 eastern communities. The Commission oversees land use, zoning, development and other planning services.

SOCIAL MEDIA SAFETY

- Explain that online images may be copied and posted by others and can "live forever".
- Tell your children not to post their address, phone number or any other identifying information on-line.
- Explain that colleges and employers are checking social media sites prior to acceptance or hiring.
- Remind children to never give out their passwords to anyone but you. Review your child's social media profiles regularly.
- Encourage children to report anything unusual that makes them uncomfortable.



UPCOMING MEETINGS

CITY COUNCIL

Usually meets the first and third Mondays of each month at 7:00 p.m. Upcoming meetings: Monday, March 3, 17 and April 2. Questions? Call 216.595.5462.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

Usually meets the last Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Upcoming meeting: Thursday, March 27. Questions? Call 216.292.1914.

ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD

Meets at 5:30 p.m. Upcoming meetings: Monday, March 3, 17 and April 2. Questions? Please call 216.292.1914.

Departments

AUDITOR
216.595.5492

BUILDING DEPARTMENT
216.292.1914

COMMUNITY SERVICES
216.292.1970

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
216.292.1915

FINANCE DEPARTMENT
216.292.1913

FIRE DEPARTMENT
216.292.1965

LAW DEPARTMENT
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MAYOR'S OFFICE
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POLICE DEPARTMENT
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SERVICE DEPARTMENT
216.292.1922

2014 ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

BEACHWOOD CITY COUNCIL

At the January organizational meeting, elected officials and staff members took their oath of office.

1. Mayor Merle S. Gorden was sworn in by his daughter, Carey Gorden.
2. Councilman Melvin M. Jacobs was sworn in by Mayor Merle S. Gorden
3. Saul Eisen was recognized by Mel Jacobs. "Thank you for serving on Council since 2002," Jacobs said. "Your service to this community has been extraordinary."

Saul said, "I am proud to have been able to serve Beachwood. I thank Beachwood residents for allowing me to serve. Thanks to all for your support. I'm proud to be a Beachwood resident."

4. Cuyahoga County Council Representative, Sunny Simon, administered oath to: Councilman James Pasch, Councilman Alec Isaacson, Law Director Margaret Anne Cannon, Fred Goodman as President of Council and Mark Wachter as V.P.

Mel Jacobs was recognized by Fred Goodman as Outgoing Council President "Thank you for tenure as President," Goodman said. On behalf of Council, we appreciate your leadership and service."

5. Paul Kowalczyk, Alternate of the Architectural Review Board
Mark Wachter, Member of the Tax Incentive Review Council
Fred Goodman, Member of the Tax Incentive Review Council
Rochelle Hecht, Member of the Planning & Zoning Commission
Bill Mann, Chairman of the Planning and Zoning Commission
Brian Burke, Chairman of Civil Service Commission

6. Clerk of Courts Kelly Bowen, Assistant Clerk of Council Patricia Vanek, Clerk of Council Karen Navolanic, Assistant Clerk of Council Susanna Ley, Assistant Administrative Officer Tina Turick

7. Margaret Cannon was recognized for Outstanding Legal Service since 1996.



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8. Rochelle Hecht was recognized as outgoing Planning and Zoning Chair.

9. Brian Linick (not in attendance) was recognized with a plaque by Mark Wachter for serving as Councilman.

The following were also sworn in: Mark Wachter as Council Representative to the Planning and Zoning Commission, James Pasch as Alternate Council Representative to Planning and Zoning Commission, Mel Jacobs as Alternate Council Representative to Planning and Zoning Commission, James Pasch as Council Representative to the Storm Water Commission and Assistant Law Director William Hanna.

10. City Department Heads: Finance Director Dave Pfaff, Service Director Dale Pekarek, Police Chief Mark Sechrist, Building Commissioner William Griswold, Audit Director Harvey Rose, Economic Development Director James Douth, Community Services Director Karen Carmen and Fire Chief Patrick Kearns.

11. Prosecutor Thomas Greve, City Engineer Joseph Cuni, City Planner George Smerigan

Not Pictured:

Plans Examiners G Gifford Dyer, Paul Kowalczyk and William Nadeau. Alternate of the Architectural Review Board Ronald Kluchen and Member of Records Commission Justin Berns.



UPCOMING ART SHOW

BEACHWOOD COMMUNITY CENTER

Presented by the Beachwood Arts Council

SCULPTOR ALICE KIDERMAN,
PHOTOGRAPHER DON PENN AND
ACRYLIC PAINTER ASHLEY SULLIVAN

MARCH 8 – APRIL 6

Reception: March 8 from 5:00 – 7:30 p.m.

GALLERY HOURS

Monday – Friday
9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Saturday
10:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Sunday
11:00 AM – 1:00 PM



BEACHWOOD DAY CAMPS

Resident Early Bird Ends March 7

Registration packets for Summer Day Camps are available in the Recreation Office for RESIDENTS ONLY for Kidz, Bison and Sports Camps. Residents and non-residents may register for Teen Travel and Theater Camps.

Monday – Friday from 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. An early-bird discount will be offered to all residents who register through March 7, after which time registration will remain open for residents and non-residents at our regular camp fees. Questions? Call 216.292.1970.



BEACHWOOD RECREATION COMMUNITY THEATER PRESENTS

DIRECTOR JILL KOSLEN-FREIREICH • MUSICAL DIRECTOR RORY SANDERS



ROALD DAHL'S

Willy Wonka



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Beachwood Middle School Auditorium

Tickets available at door • Students/Seniors \$7 • Adults \$8

Saturday, March 1 • 4:00 PM
Sunday, March 2 • 2:00 PM
Friday, March 7 • 8:00 PM
Saturday, March 8 • 2:00 PM

Sunday, March 9 • 2:00 PM
Friday, March 14 • 8:00 PM
Saturday, March 15 • 2:00 PM
Sunday, March 16 • 2:00 PM



CITY TWEETS @BeachwoodOH
PD TWEETS @BeachwoodPolice



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Council Update

FREE PLAN TO ATTEND
AN EXPO OF
INNOVATIVE ENTREPRENEURS

ENTROVATION

FRIDAY, MAY 2

BEACHWOOD COMMUNITY CENTER

12:00 NOON – 6:00 PM

WWW.ENTROVATION.COM



DID YOU KNOW?

Cuyahoga County has a hotline to help seniors and disabled adults connect with needed services. Call 216-420-6700 to find out about available services.

HEROIN SUMMIT ADDRESSES CUYAHOGA COUNTY EPIDEMIC

CUYAHOGA COUNTY COUNCIL MEMBER SUNNY SIMON and **CUYAHOGA COUNTY COUNCIL**

PRESIDENT ELLEN CONNALLY recently held a Heroin Summit at the Beachwood Community Center to address the rising heroin epidemic in Cuyahoga County. Heroin has reached epidemic levels in recent years. Younger people are dabbling in the hard drug and overdose deaths have skyrocketed.

“On a county level, heroin use has dramatically increased over the past several years,” Simon told us. “It is imperative that we address this epidemic, which touches all sectors of our community and be proactive about reversing it through education.”

Here is an overview from the speakers:

U.S. ATTORNEY STEVEN M. DETTELBACH – Discussed the working draft of an action plan to curb this heroin epidemic. It includes strategies for establishing an education plan highlighting the dangers of heroin, setting up prevention programs in high-risk areas, advocating for legislation aimed at suppressing the scourge of heroin and work to increase penalties for traffickers.

CUYAHOGA COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINER DR. THOMAS GILSON – Discussed trends in the community and how he has seen a 400% increase in heroin deaths since 2007, going from 40 deaths in 2007 to approximately 190 in 2013, which exceeded the number of deaths from homicides or car accidents.

CUYAHOGA COUNTY COMMON PLEAS COURT JUDGE DAVID T. MATIA – Discussed the link between prescription drugs and addiction. A growing number of young people who start abusing expensive prescription drugs are switching to heroin which is cheaper.

CUYAHOGA COUNTY JUVENILE COURT JUDGE DENISE RINI – Discussed the importance of getting a message across to kids about the dangers of drugs. Communication and early intervention are critically important if we are going to reverse this epidemic.

METROHEALTH EMERGENCY MEDICINE PHYSICIAN DR. JOAN PAPP – Discussed her pilot program, Project DAWN, to combat the deaths. Naloxone is a drug whose sole purpose is reversing opiate overdoses – no side effects, no addictive qualities. Administered to someone going through an overdose, it immediately knocks the drug off the receptors in the brain, saving lives. Unfortunately, Ohio law currently precludes users or their family or friends from acquiring the drug to have on hand.

CUYAHOGA COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT SPECIAL ASSISTANT PHILIP ANGELO – Discussed the importance of disposing unwanted, unused or expired prescription drugs in community drop boxes. Many abusers, a high percentage of which are teens, are known to have obtained their controlled substances from the homes of family and friends. In addition, research has shown that our environment has been threatened by medications' being flushed down toilets.

