

MINUTES

CUYAHOGA COUNTY COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
TUESDAY, APRIL 25, 2023
CUYAHOGA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS
C. ELLEN CONNALLY COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 4TH FLOOR
2:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

Council President Jones called the meeting to order at 2:07 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Council President Jones asked Clerk Richardson to call the roll. Councilmembers Kelly, Turner, Miller, Tuma, Gallagher and Jones were in attendance and a quorum was determined. Councilmembers Schron and Conwell were absent.

[Clerk's Note: Councilmembers Stephens, Sweeney and Simon entered the meeting after the roll-call was taken.]

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments given.

4. ITEMS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE / CONFIRMATION HEARING:

Council President Jones made a brief statement regarding the confirmation hearing process for Resolution Nos. R2023-0054 and R2023-0080.

a) R2023-0054: A Resolution confirming the County Executive's appointment of Jacqueline M. Fletcher, upon her taking the oath of office, as Director of the Division of Children and Family Services in the Department of Health and Human Services, and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Ms. Jacqueline M. Fletcher, County Executive Ronayne's nominee for the position of Director of the Division of Children and Family Services in the Department of Health and Human Services, was called upon to deliver an opening statement. She provided background into her education, experience and qualifications for the position.

Councilmembers asked questions of Ms. Fletcher pertaining to her experience and expertise, which she answered accordingly.

On a motion by Mr. Miller with a second by Ms. Turner, Resolution No. R2023-0054 was considered and approved by unanimous roll-call vote to be referred to the full Council agenda for second reading.

b) <u>R2023-0080:</u> A Resolution confirming the County Executive's appointment of Sarah A. Nemastil, upon her taking the oath of office, as Director of Human Resources, and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Ms. Sarah A. Nemastil, County Executive Ronayne's nominee for the position of Director of Human Resources, was called upon to deliver an opening statement. She provided background into her education, experience and qualifications for the position.

Councilmembers asked questions of Ms. Nemastil pertaining to her experience and expertise, which she answered accordingly.

On a motion by Mr. Sweeney with a second by Mr. Tuma, Resolution No. R2023-0080 was considered and approved by unanimous roll-call vote to be referred to the full Council agenda for second reading.

5. DISCUSSION/EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a) Collective bargaining matters, including:
 - i) a Collective Bargaining Agreement between Cuyahoga County and the Fraternal Order of Police, Ohio Labor Council, Inc. ("FOP"), representing approximately thirteen (13) employees in the classification of Protective Services Officer Sergeant in the Cuyahoga County Sheriff's Department for the period 1/1/2021-12/31/2023.
- b) Pending or imminent litigation

A motion was made by Ms. Simon, seconded by Mr. Kelly, and approved by unanimous roll-call vote to move to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing a collective bargaining matter and pending or imminent litigation and for no other purpose whatsoever. Executive Session was then called to order by Council President Jones at 3:32 p.m. The following Councilmembers were present: Turner, Stephens, Simon, Kelly, Miller, Sweeney, Tuma, Gallagher and Jones.

The following additional attendees were present: Law Director Gregory Huth; Assistant Law Director Wesley Kretch; Human Resources Administrator, Sheriff's Department, Sarah Nemastil; Captain Jay Hodge, Sheriff's Department; Captain Rich Peters, Sheriff's Department; Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Brendan Healy; Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Matthew Greenwell; Council Chief of Staff Joseph Nanni; Legislative Budget Advisor Trevor McAleer; Special Counsel Michael King and Policy Analyst James Boyle.

6. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

There was no miscellaneous business.

7. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Council President Jones adjourned the meeting at 4:21 p.m., without objection.