

December 14, 2012



Just a reminder, there will be a short recognition at the start of the meeting for a Fire Department employee who showed exceptional valor in a recent fire incident in Kent.

Unauthorized Items

1. Public Defender Contract (Draft No. 12- 139)

Staff is requesting Council's authorization to renew the City's contract with the Portage County Office of the Public Defender for the purposes of legal counsel to indigent persons for the period of January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013.

Administration Recommendation

This is an annual contract renewal that Jim Silver and I recommend for Council's authorization.

Council Action

Authorize the renewal of the Portage County Public Defender's contract for 2013.

Information Items

1. Health Board Meeting Minutes and Department Statistics

Jeff Neistadt has provided copies of the Health Board agenda (for the December 11th meeting), the statistical report for November 2012. Health Department revenues are up 12% (\$23,882) and permits are up 1% (5 permits) in 2012 from 2011. (attachment)

2. December Planning Commission Meeting

Bridget Susel has enclosed copies of the Planning Commission agenda and staff report for the December 18th Planning Commission meeting. There are 3 items up for consideration: 1)Fairmount Properties-Building C, 210 S. Depeyster Street, site plan review; 2)Art & Heart Gallery, 707 S. Water Street, conditional zoning certificate and site plan review and 3)The Pizzuti Companies/Kent State University Foundation, 230E. Erie St. & 215 S. Depeyster St., comprehensive sign plan. (attachment)

3. Fire Incident Report

Dave Manthey has provided a copy of the fire and emergency medical services report for November 2012. In 2012 calls for fire service are up 11% (95 calls); fire mutual aid assistance (received) is up 16 events; and EMS responses are down 1% (19 calls). (attachment)

4. December Architectural Review Board Meeting

Bridget Susel has enclosed copies of the Architectural Review Board (ARB) agenda for the December 18th ARB meeting. There is 1 item up for consideration to receive a Certificate of Appropriateness: 1) Fairmount Properties, 100 E. Erie Street, review of proposed patio addition and signage. (attachment)

