

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING
April 25, 2017

The Regular Meeting of City Council was called to order at 7:30 p.m. with Mayor Mucci presiding. The meeting was opened with a silent prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present were Councilmen Villamagna, DiLoreto, Hahn, Johnson, Paul and Timmons.

Mr. Paul moved that Mr. Dressel be excused from the meeting. Second by Mr. Johnson. Roll call. All ayes. So moved declared Mayor Mucci.

Also present; City Manager James Mavromatis, Urban Projects Director Chris Petrossi, Dave Gossett from the Herald Star and WTOV9.

APPROVAL/CORRECTION OF MINUTES

Mrs. Hahn moved that the minutes of April 18, 2017 be accepted as written. Second by Mr. Johnson. Roll call. All ayes. So moved minutes accepted declared Mayor Mucci.

PETITIONS/COMMUNICATIONS

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

NO. 2017-27 – BY THE PLANNING COMMITTEE – 3rd reading

Messrs. Johnson, Dressel, Hahn

ORDINANCE VACATING A PORTION OF WELLS STREET.

Mayor Mucci – “You have heard the third and final reading of Ordinance No. 2017-27. If there is anyone wishing to speak on Ordinance No. 2017-27 please come forward and state your name and address.”

Mr. Paul called question. Roll call. All ayes. Ordinance No. 2017-27 duly adopted declared Mayor Mucci.

NO. 2017-28 – BY THE PLANNING COMMITTEE – 3rd reading

Messrs. Johnson, Dressel, Hahn

ORDINANCE VACATING A PORTION OF THIRD STREET.

Mayor Mucci – “You have heard the third and final reading of Ordinance No. 2017-28. If there is anyone wishing to speak on Ordinance No. 2017-28 please come forward and state your name and address.”

Mr. Paul called question. Roll call. All ayes. Ordinance No. 2017-28 duly adopted declared Mayor Mucci

NO. 2017-29 – BY THE PLANNING COMMITTEE – 3rd reading

Messrs. Johnson, Dressel, Hahn

ORDINANCE VACATING A PORTION OF BATES STREET.

Mayor Mucci – “You have heard the third and final reading of Ordinance No. 2017-29. If there is anyone wishing to speak on Ordinance No. 2017-29 please come forward and state your name and address.”

Mr. Paul called question. Roll call. All ayes. Ordinance No. 2017-29 duly adopted declared Mayor Mucci

NO. 2017-30 – BY THE PLANNING COMMITTEE – 3rd reading

Messrs. Johnson, Dressel, Hahn

ORDINANCE VACATING A PORTION OF AN UNNAMED ALLEY.

Mayor Mucci – “You have heard the third and final reading of Ordinance No. 2017-30. If there is anyone wishing to speak on Ordinance No. 2017-30 please come forward and state your name and address.”

Mr. Paul called question. Roll call. All ayes. Ordinance No. 2017-30 duly adopted declared Mayor Mucci

NO. 2017-33 – BY COUNCIL AS A WHOLE

RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING THE WEEK OF APRIL 24 – APRIL 28, 2017 AS CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK.

Mr. Paul made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2017-33 by roll call. Second by Mr. DiLoreto. Roll call. All ayes. Resolution No. 2017-33 duly adopted declared Mayor Mucci.

NO. 2017-34 – BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Messrs. Paul, Johnson, Dressel

ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2016-113, THE EXISTING TABLE OF ORGANIZATION OF THE CITY OF STEUBENVILLE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mayor Mucci – “You have heard the reading of Ordinance No. 2017-34. If there is anyone wishing to speak on Ordinance No. 2017-34 please come forward and state your name and address.”

Mr. Paul called question. Roll call. All ayes. Ordinance No. 2017-34 duly adopted declared Mayor Mucci.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

Mr. Villamagna – “I have two resolutions to sunshine out of Council as a Whole; the first is a resolution proclaiming May, 2017 as motorcycle awareness month; the second is a resolution proclaiming May 15, 2017 as National Peace Officers Memorial Day.”

Mr. DiLoreto – no report

Mrs. Hahn – “Yes just a couple of comments; we had Andrea Irland here this morning so this was our third meeting with her; she is from the National Park Service and this is our non-monetary grant but it is a grant. So she came and met with a number of us; I think the most interesting thing that came out today is even though it is slow we are having movement toward the section of connecting from Franklin Avenue to the Marina so that there will be a protected bikeway crossing at that light and then a protected bikeway up to the Marina road. It will take a while before it is built but at least we have the plans moving ahead and the City Manager is working on that and we will have a resolution. At some point there will be some funds coming from the City but thankfully it is an 80/20 match and so anyway we’ll give you more details as those become available. A very interesting presentation from one of the gentlemen at Jefferson County Soil and Water; his name is Aaron and he is developing an entire area out in the County called the Hellbender Lands. It’s a particular kind of salamander that is an endangered species and the railroad companies involved in that area for the most part no longer using their lines are going to be giving that land to Jefferson County Soil and Water and so they’re developing bike trails that will I guess coming from the west over; there is a good chance they will connect all the way over to the Marina and so hopefully we’ll be able to at some point have a map to put out and you can begin to see where the trails are. At this point if you look at the trails developed in a number of different areas almost 1500 miles of trails; they all stop just shy of Steubenville. So hopefully with the Steubenville Heritage Trail, and we’ll have brochures on that; and then what else we hope to develop; we really want to be a part of what is happening in trails north of us, south of us, west and east. The other thing I wanted to mention is tomorrow there is a code enforcement workshop for the Council; it is open to the public from 2:30 to 4:30 over in the Pugliese Conference Room.”

Mr. Johnson – “Yes, your honor; last week at the Finance Committee meeting I complained about the potholes on the Mall property and they were fortunately filled so I want to thank the Mall for filling those potholes.”

Mr. Paul – no report

Mr. Timmons – “Yes; I just want to thank all the citizens and everybody that helped with the CDC hilltop cleanup on Saturday; I really appreciate it; I know I want to personally thank Mr. Hawkins for helping me out; I’m used to sitting behind a desk all day and he has that retired steelworker strength so I really appreciate that but it was very successful so thank you.”

Mayor Mucci – “Thank you, Mr. Timmons; and I will agree that there was quite a few people out even prior to the Saturday cleanup; they started cleanup in their neighborhoods and really congratulations for organizing it goes to both of the hilltop groups and the lunch that was provided for the volunteers. I’m just going to follow up; one other event that happened on Saturday was for Minority Health Month; the Steubenville Health Department put on a health fair down at the Finley United Methodist Church and we had an extremely good turnout for the day and we were able to provide some educational services along with free testing for everyone so congratulations to the Steubenville Health Department and thanks to all the people that volunteered. I do know that Family Recovery was there; Weirton Medical Center; Trinity Health System; but there was quite a bit of work that was done so that was really great for the community.”

REPORT OF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS

Mr. Mavromatis – “Thank you, Mayor; I passed out to each of the Councilmen; I’ve appointed Costa Mastros as the Acting Law Director until we fill this position. The City has several important litigation matters that we’re facing right now and Costa has been the backup for years to Mr. Repella so until we hire the full time one he will handle the duties right now. On our swimming pool; we’ve already had the trees removed; we have some stumps that need to be taken out and naturally the painting of the pool. There is a crucial piece that a lot of people aren’t aware of; we did advertise for lifeguards for the pool for this season and we only received one applicant. If we do not have lifeguards that pool will not open. I went this afternoon and talked to the principal at Big Red who introduced me to the swim coach, Ms. Rucker; and she is also an instructor for the Red Cross for lifeguards. I am sending down what we need to the school tomorrow; she feels confident that we might be able to get a group of seniors or juniors from Big Red. I’m also going to talk to the principal at Central; because if we can get a group of people, we have a means for getting them trained; have that on board. The slide is being taken apart as we speak; we should have that down by this week so we can start going into the finishing touches on the pool. I want to thank the citizens; for the last two weeks we’ve had minimal violations on the bulk pickup and what I mean by that is there were very few items that shouldn’t have been put out there compared to last year so again I greatly appreciate that; it makes the pickup go quicker so we still have four more weekends to go but I wanted to let Council know that people are complying and I appreciate that very much and it makes it go a lot quicker.”

MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS

Mr. Villamagna – “Thank you, Mayor; a couple things; first off I got a lot of calls about our water notification process and how when we have a boil order it goes into the paper but often it goes unnoticed and I got a couple

calls from people who said they worked all day and went home and were in a hurry to get our children ready for supper and we didn't really notice the paper until we had already used the water. I know when I was down at my friend's house in North Carolina they had a calling system; they called and said this is the City of Charlotte; you have a rabid fox in your area please be alert. I remembered that the other day and I said there has to be some kind of software where it would call the people that are affected in that neighborhood. I talked with a couple of people because I don't know anything about the computer except how to get on it; they said there probably is software where you could put that in there as a public announcement and I think that would be a good idea how to let people know so nobody misses it and to avoid the confusion. People are concerned about that especially if they have little kids; I don't think the water is going to be bad but I still think it's a good idea if we could notify them a little better."

Mr. Johnson – "I believe Steubenville City Schools has a calling system where if they cancel school they automatically call the parents. Maybe we could go to them and see what kind of system they use."

Mr. Paul – "Also if we're going to have Facebook maybe that could be one of the tools that we could use."

Mayor Mucci – "I also want to pitch in; when we were doing the water line replacement at Fourth and Market the fire hydrant; we were losing a lot of water; 911 assisted us and did what they consider a reverse call to a targeted area and called all the businesses in the downtown and notified them so we might want to check with 911 also to see if they have that capability for us."

Mr. Villamagna – "The next thing I get a lot of complaints on is speeding and parking on Bryden Road; especially due to the fact that it is a high traveled area now. So I had talked to the City Manager about it and he was going to notify the Police Department so they could run radar there a little bit and try to get people to slow down. I actually went down there and it is a little bit bad right now; then I happened to think about it after I talked to you; the parking situation; could we put a temporary ban; I was hoping that Costa was here; on no parking on Bryden Road at all until after this construction job is done on Lovers Lane. I think we'd be allowed to do that; I'm not 100% sure but it's something to check into; just put a ban on parking; everybody has a big driveway there they just don't want to pull in the driveway; they want to park in the street because they don't want to have to move the car."

Mr. Paul – "Another thing we used there was that speeding sign we had that posted the speed; we used that one time and Joe Marracino one of our City employees said it slowed down people; that was the very first place we used that."

Mr. Mavromatis – "As long as it's posted due to construction I think that would be a simple fix but I'll check with Bob tomorrow and see what's up."

Mr. Villamagna – "The next thing is Efts Lane; I was hoping Mike was going to be here but; does he have any progress; he was supposed to get me some prices for the full blown repair of Efts Lane and also the other so we can come up with some kind of strategy of what we're going to do with Efts Lane. Efts Lane is a shame; it's bad. My last thing is I was doing some thinking about our income tax and how it's down a little bit; we have a \$3 million job going on at Egan Hall up at the College; we have a \$7 million job going on at the convent on Lovers Lane; \$6 million or more for the Cathedral; \$2 million at Harding; I know this was brought up before under that last administration and I don't know if it was ever acted on. That Microtel hotel up there; they turned some of their rooms into offices; now they're running a business out of a hotel so they owe us some money if that's true; right Jerry; a business tax and stuff like that?"

Jerry Barilla – "It's a bed tax is what it is."

Mr. Villamagna – "Don't they have to pay more if they're running a business out of something like that?"

Mayor Mucci – "No."

Mr. Villamagna – "Ok, I stand corrected then; but they are running a business out of there and I don't know if you're allowed to do that or not."

Mayor Mucci – "I would ask that our planner, Mr. Petrossi check that it is not in violation of the zoning codes."

Mr. Johnson – "If they're running a business out of there and it is in the City limits they have to pay income taxes; they're not exempt. I could see them renting out a room or a conference room to some business and they set up an office there; as long as they make money; if they don't make money they're not paying anything."

Mr. Villamagna – "I was talking to these oil and gas guys and they said they have an office at the Microtel in one of the rooms; plus they have some kind of alcohol license and they hadn't used it but they are using it now; they're not drinking on premises but they're stocking coolers for these guys."

Mr. Johnson – "Those out of town oil and gas guys are probably not filing Ohio tax returns and if they don't file Ohio tax returns we're going to be hard pressed to catch them."

Mr. Villamagna – "Years ago we had Andy Richardson; correct me if I'm wrong; do you remember when Andy Richardson worked for the Finance Department; he went around and checked with these businesses to see if they're paying the income tax because there is a lot of money; there is \$18 million right there that I was talking about."

Mr. Johnson – "Do you know the name of the company?"

Mr. Villamagna – "I do not; I can find that out."

Mr. Johnson – "If we get the name of the company then Dave Lewis can check with RITA and see if they're filing."

Mr. Villamagna – "I think it is important to find out because that is \$18 million there."

Mayor Mucci – "Although the construction might be \$18 million; that would go when they get their building permit; the wage tax at 2% is on what the employees are making."

Mr. Villamagna – "I want to make sure that they're paying it. When we were doing a reline down in Mingo on the blast furnace I can still see John Corrigan; they said we're not taking income taxes out of anyone's

paycheck; John Corrigan went into the mill and told them if you don't want to take the money out we'll shut this job down immediately so they started taking it out; because these guys lived in Pennsylvania, Cleveland; all over the place. It just needs to be checked."

Mrs. Hahn – "There is also the construction at the roundabout and the bridge; there is also more millions of dollars."

Mr. Villamagna – "I left out Shelly & Sands because they've been dealing with us for years and I'm pretty sure they do but these other contractors may not."

Mayor Mucci – "All City contracts that we enter into are required to file with our Finance Office; even the subcontractors."

Mr. Villamagna – "Right; they bring in John Smith, John Doe; then they hire twenty more guys and I don't know if they tell us. I just want to make sure we get our fair share out of it."

PUBLIC FORUM

Mayor Mucci – "If there is anyone wishing to speak to City Council on City business please come forward and state your name and address."

John Mascio – "I live at 567 Braybarton. A couple things you just touched upon; parking; the City has the ability to restrict parking on any street in the City of Steubenville at any time for any reason whatsoever and I agree; Bryden is bad. People no longer park in driveways; they park on the streets. There are some streets where you have more cars I think than you do have driveways and garages; but it's really a problem; I don't know how you pick up garbage on some of these streets the way they park all over the place; but you can restrict it just as much as you want; that much I can tell you. Wage taxes have always been a problem; we rely pretty much on an honor system; I'm a skeptic and I don't think you can rely on an honor system. You have to go and knock on doors and check and see who the employees are; years ago I made a proposal that never happened; if someone comes in for a building permit; fine; we'll issue it; go down and check with the tax department so we can see who your employees are. Right from the get-go and then you don't have a problem with it. What I really want to ask was this; on the new trash pickup that is coming; as I understand everybody gets a 95 gallon container or some large container and you put everything in it and I was told if you have grass clippings for example they are to be put in a bag and then stuck in the container, not loose; if you don't have; if that container is not large enough to hold all of your trash and garbage I guess there is an option where you can purchase another container?"

Mr. Mavromatis – "You can; but initially when we start this it is going to be everyone adjusting to the new system; there are going to be extra bags there; as long as they're bagged up and tied. We had an incident the other day at Fourth and Market; they put their garbage out; why they would put bags out and not tie them I have no idea."

John Mascio – "Here is my question about the bags; as I understand it you get the bags from the City."

Mr. Mavromatis – "That is an option that we're looking at. The reason being if you buy them from the City they would be identified with the City seal on them. We haven't even gone into that yet."

John Mascio – "How are those bags picked up though when they're lying on the curb?"

Mr. Mavromatis – "They're picked up manually."

John Mascio – "This is what I was getting at; as I understood this whole project it was to be a one man operation; truck use the electronic arm; pick up the container and put them back."

Mr. Mavromatis – "Eventually when you get there that's what it'll be. Other communities have done it but there is a transition period and that's what you have to work through."

Mr. Paul – "It's not going to happen overnight."

John Mascio – "I know that but if it's a one man operation and they run the arm and pick up the container and now there are four or five bags sitting there he's going to have to get out of that truck and pick up those bags manually, isn't he?"

Mr. Mavromatis – "That is correct but you're not going to see the one man operation for several months or a year."

Mr. Paul – "First thing; if they don't turn it the right way you're not going to be able to pick that up so if someone wants to say well I'm not putting it out this way today the handle towards the house; you're going to need a second guy."

John Mascio – "Willie, I understand; I've seen this in operation; you have to put the container in a certain location turned a certain way, I know that; I'm more concerned with the extra bags. There are a lot of yards and I'm one of them where you have a lot of grass especially in spring with the grass starting to grow and everything like that; you have a leaf pickup in the fall and I don't throw them at the curb, I bag them and throw them out there; I might have eight or ten bags sitting out there and they're obviously not going to fit in that can. How are those getting picked up; is it a manual thing; are we still back to the same operation or are there charges for that or what?"

Mr. Mavromatis – "Again, it's however Bob wants to hire this out; from what I've seen with the neighborhoods that have used this they have picked the bags up when there is an overabundance such as the grass clippings. But those are 96 gallon cans and again they'll hold a lot; but they're clearly going to be people with problems."

Mr. Villamagna – "Some communities charge \$1.50 a bag."

Mr. Mavromatis – "Again, these are all things that haven't even been addressed yet."

John Mascio – "This is a follow up to the bag situation; come down and get a bag, there's a tag on it; if you're putting it in a bag why can't I just go to Kroger's and buy a box of bags and use those?"

John Mascio – "So this is a money making deal for the City."

Mr. Johnson – "I don't think we need to make money for the garbage fund; but, ideally we're going to get to the part where it's all manual, we're not going to have bags; I don't think the bags work. What other communities do

is put them in paper bags and the City comes and collects them once every two weeks. Large bags; I was just in a suburb of Columbus and my daughter has to have a big bag that Lowe's sells; they put their clippings in there; the City of Hilliard comes by every Monday and collects them and dumps them at a composting site. JB Green should do a composting; that's what we should get to. Also up in Hilliard they have the same can that we have but they also have a blue can for recycling. That's where we should go with this; this is just the first step of getting this can out; but we should go down that road where we eventually have a recyclable can and we eventually say no more yard waste in the can; we have a separate place to put the yard waste and then either we start our own composting site or ideally JB Green Team does; there are some communities in Ohio that have their own composting sites. All you're doing is dumping grass and it gets wet and it's heavy and there is a lot of tonnage from the grass and water. So if we can get out of that it will make the sanitation more efficient. But eventually, it isn't going to happen this first year; eventually we want to get to as highly automated in most of the neighborhoods; some of the neighborhoods like certain parts of Labelle and Pleasant Heights you can't do it because they're so narrow so we'll have to do a hybrid collection method; but we want to get to neighborhoods like yours on Braybarton or mine on Lawson Estates where we have wide roads; we want to get to where we're picking them up mechanically because it's designed to be more efficient; less people; and easier on our employees; throwing bags of garbage all day long; people throw their backs out; we have an older workforce and it's harder on them. It's a plan; will it work, we'll have to see but it isn't going to happen overnight but eventually I think it would work with grass clippings going someplace else other than Brooke Landfill and recyclables going someplace else. But since JB Green Team is charging everyone in two counties \$8 or whatever it is they're charging now; if they want to provide a better service they should provide a composting site and set up recyclables in every community; curb side recyclables; I know they have the cans all over the place but it works everywhere else except in this Ohio Valley; and on both sides of the river; both sides of the river are reluctant to change. We are actually no different but we treat things different; we bring up the cans and people are complaining about the cans; you spent \$1/2 million on cans; well we can only spend that money from the sanitation fund on sanitation related projects; salaries, equipment; people think we should take that money and put it in parks; we cannot do that."

John Mascio – "It's limited the uses what that money can be used for because you passed an ordinance that created it as a special fund and you specified the uses that it can be put toward; but I think that ordinance can be amended to include other things tied into sanitation."

Mr. Johnson – "I proposed to use some of that sanitation money to knock down more dilapidated houses and that may be happening; we have the auditors reviewing our position; Gary signed off on it; we shared that position with other Law Directors around the State; we'll be one of if not the first to do that; our auditors are looking at it and if they sign off on it then we can use some of that money to improve the neighborhoods. But some citizens don't understand fund accounting so they think we can take that money and add more police officers; do something with the parks; we can't do that."

John Mascio – "You mentioned Costa filling in; I saw the ad in the paper; first of all you don't have to advertise to hire any professional; lawyer, engineer, accountant; they are specialized trades and you're not required to advertise; you can go and get whoever you want to get; but the ad said full time no private practice; you are going to have an extremely difficult time hiring anybody for the amount of money I was told is being offered to somebody to take that job; if you're going to restrict them like that you're going to have to pay a lot more money than what the City is used to paying for that job. You might want to consider a change."

Mayor Mucci – "If there is anyone else wishing to speak to City Council on City business please come forward and state your name and address."

Sandi Rue – "I live at 803 Longford. I just have a question; I don't know if we can do anything about it but the crosswalk there when you come up University Boulevard toward Brady; when people come there and it's dark late at night we've almost had an encounter there with a couple people in dark clothing and it just wasn't lit enough that you would see them as they're coming across that little crosswalk where they cross over from Brady and get on the little island and then they cross over to go up to Woodlawn; it's just a little dark there sometimes and just a little concerned that somebody cuts across there with dark clothing on; I've almost hit a couple people a couple times because you know you're coming around the bend and all of a sudden you don't see them because they don't have anything to reflect them; I just wanted to ask the question because I don't know if there is somebody that can look into that to see if we can get some kind of lighting or something so people can be seen in that area when they're on that little island."

Mayor Mucci – "I will ask the City Manager to forward that concern to our Engineer, Mr. Dolak. If there is anyone else wishing to speak to City Council on City business please come forward and state your name and address."

Tony Piergallini – "I live at 710 Lawson Avenue. One of the questions Mr. Villamagna brought up about the high speed traffic on Bryden Road; I'd like to just say thank you to the Police Department; this week I have seen cruisers up there monitoring traffic and it has slowed traffic down."

Mayor Mucci – "If there is anyone else wishing to speak to City Council on City business please come forward and state your name and address."

Toni Dear – "I live at 198 Rosslyn Boulevard. I just want to know if the City has a plan, back to the cans; almost everybody I know has two trash cans now so 7000 some households, you're going to have 14,000 trash cans that we can't use anymore; are they going to recycle them?"

Mr. Mavromatis – "What is the question; will the City take those cans?"

Toni Dear – "Do you have a plan on what people should do with them?"

Mr. Mavromatis – "Do whatever you want with them."

Toni Dear – “Can you put them out for the trash?”

Mr. Mavromatis – “Yes and we will pick the cans up; we can do that but there are a lot of uses that you can probably find around your house; but again we will take the cans.”

Mayor Mucci – “If there is anyone else wishing to speak to City Council on City business please come forward and state your name and address.”

Regina Blanchard – “I live at 153 North 5th St. I really came here tonight to tell Mr. DiLoreto; I want to commend you because I went down to Beatty Park and it was really nice. When I first came here I was like just turn (inaudible); but I actually went down there and I saw it and rode through there and I thought it was very nice; very peaceful; very quiet; I just hope that we can keep it clean. I wanted to come here and publicly commend you on that.”

Mayor Mucci – “If there is anyone else wishing to speak to City Council on City business please come forward and state your name and address.”

Jeffrey Hawkins – “I live at 1515 Ridge Avenue. I brought this up before about Piece of Pie Park; are we going to do anything with that because right now it’s growing up real wild and everything and collecting a lot of trash. The kids up there; I looked today and I bet you there were ten or fifteen teenagers just hanging out in the street because they don’t have anywhere to go and that’s the thing because when you don’t have anything to do or anywhere to go that energy that is built up; you run into trouble. I know we have a lot of shootings up on Labelle but it is just sad that Piece of Pie Park is just going to waste and I was just wondering if anyone was going to come back in the future and try to do anything with it; if not just put a big fence up around it and enclose it and say the hell with it. Our kids up there don’t have anywhere to go and play; that’s the only place in Steubenville that doesn’t have a park for kids. Over on Pleasant Heights they have someplace but over on Labelle; nothing.”

Mayor Mucci – “Pleasant Heights has Murphy’s Field; Labelle really has Belleview Pool and the tennis courts and all that; it’s still considered Labelle; but I understand your concerns and I don’t want to speak for the administration or this Council but I don’t believe presently we have any plans of reopening that park. When I was growing up and some of my concerns were; you’re absolutely correct in describing it; it’s like a piece of pie; the way it’s shaped; and there have been many times; my cousin lived on Woodlawn and I grew up on Labelle; kids that were playing there lost their ball and it went out in the street either on the McDowell side or Woodlawn side and all; that’s really not the best area for a park but to have a recreational facility would be great and I think in the future we might see some movement from the Tower of Power Church. They were able to obtain the old nursing home and the old Roosevelt School; we assisted them through the City and some money through the County and through the demolition on the old nursing home, old school; I think in the future Reverend Mitchell who is the pastor there may have some ideas and plans for that.”

Jeffrey Hawkins – “The other thing is; I know Mr. Villamagna mentioned about speeding on Bryden; well, we have speeding up there on Ridge too and it’s a shame because when you come up the 1400 block up the hill everything is fine but as soon as they stop at the stop sign and go through the 1500 block they just zoom right on through there. Like I said, kids are playing out in the street, kicking their balls and this that or the other; I’m just afraid at one time somebody is going to hit a child.”

Mayor Mucci – “If there is anyone else wishing to speak to City Council on City business please come forward and state your name and address.”

Mr. Paul moved to adjourn. Second by Mr. Villamagna. Roll call. All ayes. So moved; meeting adjourned declared Mayor Mucci.

Mary F. Anderson
Clerk of Council

ATTEST: _____
CLERK OF COUNCIL

APPROVED: _____
MAYOR