

**MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING**  
**August 8, 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 Dressel, Hahn, Johnson, Paul, Timmons, Villamagna, & DiLoreto

Also present; City Manager Jim Mavromatis, Acting Law Director Costa Mastros, Police Chief Bill McCafferty, Fire Chief Carlo Capaldi, Parks and Recreation Director Lorri Fetherolf, Sanitation Director Bob Baird, Finance Director Dave Lewis, Dave Gossett from the Herald Star, & WTOV9.

**APPROVAL/CORRECTION OF MINUTES**

Minutes were approved by Mrs. Hahn for August 1, 2017. Second by Mr. Johnson. Roll Call. All ayes. So moved minutes accepted declared Mayor Mucci.

**PETITIONS/COMMUNICATIONS**

Mayor Mucci – “Madame Clerk is there any petitions in communications?”

Mrs. Haley – “Nothing your Honor”

**ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

**NO. 2017-58 – BY THE SERVICE COMMITTEE – 3<sup>rd</sup> reading**

**Messrs. DiLoreto, Johnson, Hahn**

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO MAKE APPLICATION FOR A GRANT FROM THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION TO BE USED TOWARDS FUNDING THE CITY OF STEUBENVILLE JEF-SR43-4.21 SUNSET BOULEVARD AND LOVERS LANE INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENT PROJECT, PID NO. 90235, CITY PROJECT NO. 2010-131 AND TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS AS REQUIRED.**

Mayor Mucci – “You have heard the third and final reading of Ordinance No. 2017-58. If there is anyone wishing to speak on Ordinance No. 2017-58 please come forward and state your name and address.”

Mr. DiLoreto called question. Roll call. All ayes. Ordinance No. 2017-58 duly adopted declared Mayor Mucci. The effective date of this ordinance will be September 8<sup>th</sup>.”

**NO. 2017-59 – BY THE SERVICE COMMITTEE – 3<sup>rd</sup> reading**

**Messrs. DiLoreto, Johnson, Hahn**

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO MAKE APPLICATION FOR A GRANT FROM THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION TO BE USED TOWARDS FUNDING THE CITY OF STEUBENVILLE WILSHIRE BOULEVARD WATERLINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT, CITY PROJECT NO. 2017-115 AND TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS AS REQUIRED.**

Mayor Mucci – “You have heard the third and final reading of Ordinance No. 2017-59. If there is anyone wishing to speak on Ordinance No. 2017-59 please come forward and state your name and address.”

Mrs. Hahn called question. Roll call. All ayes. Ordinance No. 2017-59 duly adopted declared Mayor Mucci. The effective date of this ordinance will be September 8<sup>th</sup>.”

**NO. 2017-62 – BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**Messrs. Paul, Johnson, Dressel**

**A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR.**

Mr. Paul made a motion to accept Resolution 2017-62. Seconded by Mr. Johnson.

The Mayor called for public comment. Mr. Paul called question. Roll call. All ayes. Resolution No. 2017-62 duly adopted declared Mayor Mucci.

Mayor Mucci – “I would like to just remind Council that we will certify this and Mr. Lewis will deliver to the County Auditor within this week.”

**REPORT OF COMMITTEES**

Mr. Dressel – No report

Mrs. Hahn – “Yes I would just like to make a couple of comments; we had a really fantastic meeting on the marina this past week; Andrea Ireland was able to draw together three (3) different representatives from the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, two (2) from the Army Corp. of Engineers, one (1) lady from the Ohio EPA, and there were at least three (3) representatives of Jefferson soil and water; just to walk through what would be involved in developing the marina, trying to redo the boat ramps, possibly being able to appeal to developers to see if they could build a structure in the upper part or even over the wall and just addressing various things and what came through in a way the encouraged us; most of us have already been working on

this for some time; is they're interested in really assisting us; they're not there primarily to be a road block; they said they want to help us walk through the process; if you don't need a permit we're going to tell you and I just think overall it was very encouraging. We have a lot of work to do and we have a lot of funds to raise but I just thought it was a fabulous meeting; the Mayor was able to give a lot of historical background to the property; I think it was very encouraging hopefully we'll hear more things in the future. Also I wanted to mention that Wooster is going to be the location for the Heritage Ohio Presentation on the step by step process on doing downtown revitalization and if anybody is particularly interested I'm planning to go; I'm going to drive over for the day and I would be really happy to fill my car with anybody; any Council members; anybody in the public that wants to go; I have to double check but I think it's \$25.00 for the day and I think we're on our own for cooking; the \$25.00 is for the conference. I think it would be a fabulous conference to go to (inaudible) hopefully we'll have some others. That will be coming in September I'll give you the date and details next week. Keep moving forward. Thank you."

Mr. Johnson – "Yes your Honor; I have two (2) pieces of legislation I would like to sunshine out of Planning; an ordinance authorizing the demolition of 438 South 4<sup>th</sup> St., 442 South 4<sup>th</sup> St., 450-452 South 4<sup>th</sup> St., and 547 South 4<sup>th</sup> St.; and then an ordinance authorizing the vacation of a unnamed alley between 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Street. Also I want to remind everybody that the Walking Tour of Pleasant Heights will be on Monday at 1:30 and we're meeting at Veteran's Park."

Mr. Paul – "Yes your Honor; I have one on August 22<sup>nd</sup> I would like to call a Finance Committee meeting at 6:30; it will be here at Council Chambers. Also the Mayor is requesting that all Council members; it regards the Port Authority; he is requesting our approval to reappoint the following person to the Port Authority for Dr. Ed Florak 434 Scenic Drive his term will expire 2021. I make a motion that we accept Dr. Florak's nomination. Seconded by Mr. Villamagna. Roll Call. All ayes. So moved motion carried declared Mayor Mucci.

Mayor Mucci – "Once again I would like to thank the members Council for accepting the nomination of the reappointment of those recommended by my office and I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Dr. Florak for his service so far on the Port Authority; I'm looking forward for the continuing work and relationship of the City of Steubenville and we will hear shortly from the Executive Director of the Port Authority; Mr. Evan and I believe Dr. Florak; you can recall I gave all members of Council about two (2) weeks ago a copy of some minor changes but important changes to the Port Authority's bylaws and according to the bylaws that was original adopted; both the county and city government need to approve any changes to the bylaws. We will be hearing that presentation shortly."

Mr. Timmons – No report

Mr. Villamagna – No report

Mr. DiLoreto – "Yea just one report. Good luck with the railroad; that's all I'm going to tell you; I've dealt with them and they got a lot of red tape and a lot of wasted time. First of all I would like to thank the administration for the new fence down Beatty Park and the basketball courts; it's been a long time coming; also we got a new fence down at Lincoln and Wilson and as usual I would like to thank Jody (inaudible) for cutting the grass; he also hires landscaping in front of the park; year in and year out he cuts the grass for us free of charge. Also Dave Alball uses his own tractor; uses his own gas; cuts the rest of Beatty Park. So I got one more little project and that is to cut the weeds by the creek so I can plant some grass and Beatty Park isn't used very much but it's also very cheap for the City. (All inaudible) So we'll have a big reunion down there in probably the last month. Thank you."

Mayor Mucci – "I would to ask the clerk to facilitate the proper notice for the Finance Committee on August 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30. However if I could have a part of that agenda that evening; I would like to talk to the members of Council and go through the process of the renewal for our 5 mill operating levy; I don't know if that was going to be a part of the agenda or not."

Mr. Paul – "I can make it."

Mayor Mucci – "Please do."

Mr. Paul – "How much time do you need?"

Mayor Mucci – "Five minutes really; it's going to be the kickoff."

Mr. Paul – "Okay I'll make that part of the agenda."

Mayor Mucci – "I do want to inform the members of Council my office is gearing up for the 5 mill operating levy that will appear on the November 7<sup>th</sup> ballot; I think all members Council actually realized the importance of this renewal again we have two (2) funding sources for our general fund; one of them is the wage tax 2%, the other one is the 5 mill operating levy; the 5 mill operating levy generates about \$633,000.00 annually for the City of Steubenville. What I have provided and the figures have verified; created through the Finance office Mr. Lewis of the percentage of what goes to the Police Department, Fire Department, General Operating, Street Department, Municipal Court, Recreation, Planning, lighting, and the affect this has on the general fund; mind you our general fund is about 13.5 million dollars in 2017 we're projecting \$633,000.00 may not sound like a lot of dollars to the general fund but is has a drastic impact. At the Finance Committee I would like to explain to the members of Council so we could move forward with a committee and talking about a committee for our 5 mill renewal again anybody interested in serving on a committee and I am looking for a treasurer; our treasurer has other duties that usually assist us through this renewal of our wage tax levy our renewal 7/10<sup>th</sup> and 3/10<sup>th</sup>; but I am looking for people to volunteer to help promote this and if they could contact me or my office I would appreciate that. That will take care of that item. The other item; at this time under Economic Development if it's okay with the chairman Mr. Villamagna; I would like to call on Evan Scurti I believe is going to recognize Dr. Florak for the presentation of the amendments; after words if we could have a motion to agree to the amendment; seconded then we'll have a vote. Mr. Evan or Dr. Florak either one."

Dr. Florak – “Thank you Mayor and Council. I believe you’ve all had the opportunity to look at the document; I can take questions about the changes we’re recommending or I can walk you through every change; whatever will be your pleasure.”

Mayor Mucci – “Dr. Florak will all due respect we would love to hear however when I passed out the amendments to the bylaws I indicated that they really weren’t significant as far as our roll goes but they were significant to the Port Authority and the operation and the selection of the seats. I think everybody understood them and they had a couple weeks to review them so does any member of Council have a question for Dr. Florak? If not your task here was pleasant and short.”

Mr. Villamagna – “I want to thank you for the time that you have put in already and the time that you’re going to put on; I’ve seen that Port Authority work at the meetings and it’s an honor to serve with you and it’s been an honor to appoint you again tonight.”

Mr. Villamagna made a motion to accept the changes to the Port Authority bylaws. Seconded by Mr. Johnson. Roll Call. All ayes. So moved motion carried declared Mayor Mucci.

Mayor Mucci – “The Board of County Commissioners accepted those changes two (2) weeks ago.”

Mr. DiLoreto – “I got to say something real short to Dr. Florak and Evan Scurti; we’re talking about (inaudible) I got a building in my ward; that’s brand new; has somebody wanting to get into it; I’ve been all the way from the congressman all the way down to the; and can’t get no cooperation to get someone in that bus station down there; all I get is excuses, excuses, excuses. I’ve been to every place; I’m frustrated; we’re talking about making the downtown lively again well there’s one building that’s accessible; it’s brand new; I’m frustrated and I’m done; so if there is anything you can do to put something in that building I’d appreciate it. Help the people out so they have a place to go eat.”

## REPORT OF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS

Mr. Mavromatis – “Thank you your Honor; I just want Council to be aware; I’ve been contacted Monday by a company that’s interested because of the (inaudible) that we had on marijuana facilities has expired but I want Council to think about it and I’ll be able to properly brief next week. What they are basing this on is they’re going to set up in Ohio several dispensaries and they looked at the east bordering area or the eastern region here as Steubenville being one of the ones to dispense medical marijuana; again it’s been passed by our State and again they are looking ahead here; the question I asked is one how many jobs would this employ here? Fifteen (15) to twenty (20) and the revenue source; they are trying to get me all the information I need to know but I’m more concerned with what issues may have concerned in other states that they have been involved in. So I just want Council to start thinking about that I’ll have more information next Tuesday in Council (inaudible) information.”

Mr. Paul – “We can have a Safety Committee meeting on the 29<sup>th</sup>.”

Mr. Mavromatis – “Yea that will give me more time. Great what date is that sir?”

Mr. Paul – “The 29<sup>th</sup> is a Tuesday; we can have a full safety meeting you want six o’clock?”

Mr. Mavromatis – “Yea”

Mr. Paul – “That way you can update us on this.”

Mr. Mavromatis – “And I’ll have documents that I’ll be able to handout.”

Mr. Paul – “29<sup>th</sup> at six o’clock Mayor.”

Mr. Mavromatis – “That’s all I have to report Mayor.”

Mr. Mastro – No report

Mayor Mucci – Spoke again on Day of Action from the United Way. Same as last week.

## MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS

Mr. Timmons – “I have a few items tonight; I just want to remind everybody that Mike Chadsey from the Ohio Oil and Gas Association will be at the Steubenville Revitalization Group meeting; that’s Monday the 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 at Froelich’s. He’ll be talking about what Steubenville can do to look into that industry a little more and just take any kind of questions that we’ll have. I’ve had some mix reactions about the trash containers; I’ve had several calls about; from elderly or handicap individuals talking about difficulties moving the containers; I did recommend that they downsize and go to another size container and a couple of them said that that is just not going to work; do we have any other suggestions or solutions for them?”

Mr. Mavromatis – “As what was put out; this is anywhere from a four (4) to six (6) week process of rolling out all these cans; you got approximately 6,400 cans that has to be distributed which was done by contractors. I will tell you that some mistakes were uncovered; they were put in places that there weren’t accounts there; I personally talked to a 90 year old lady today so I am well aware of their concerns and these are issues we will have to deal with on a case by case basis. Now again we had to start with one size can because believe it or not the people misjudge what they need; so we started with the largest can being the most popular with other communities that have used that and the success rate. There are smaller cans that can be ordered and what we are doing at this point is people that have called in say well I would like a smaller can this is too large for me to handle we will take their request and they will eventually be exchanged out. Now you have individuals here; elderly people that are 80, 90 years old living by themselves and clearly they just can’t do that and these are exceptions that we are going to have to look at and make and work in with that. This is just all new but I will

tell you the bulk of the people I've run into are pleased with the cans and I do understand the frustration with the elderly and I do sympathize with them and we are going to work with them but it's like with anything else we have to initially get it out there; get everything logged in; there are people that have asked if they can get another can; the answer is yes to that; there will be a cost to that that they will have to pay; it's still the City's can. What I want to caution then about already making quick judgement; this 96 gallon is too much; think about holidays; think about family gatherings where you are going to have to have more to put that in there so again we are well aware of this and every community that Mr. Baird has talked to has; these are growing pains on a new program but I can tell you this every city that has gone to this; I've had a chance to show a lot of citizens a video tape on how easy this is and how quick it is and that's what this is all about. Have more efficiency with our sanitation people; when you sit and look what has caused garbage; go all around Pleasant Heights, LaBelle, other areas we have people that are not comply with the policy; they put their garbage out 3-4 days ahead of time; dogs are going to go through it; animals are going to go through it; then you have garbage all up and down; with these cans the bags can go in there and sit and then when it's time to put their can out they put it out there. I think this will cut down on some of the garbage that is going around all over; it's not going to stop people who don't comply; that issues we have to deal with code enforcement so please let them know and again if they want to know more have them call me. A daughter from Columbus called me about her mother and I met with her today and she clearly understands and she's willing to try and accept the smaller can when we get those in."

Mr. Timmons – "I understand that there were some certain ones but I will have them call you I appreciate that."

Mr. Mavromatis – "Absolutely"

Mr. Timmons – "And a lot of the feedback has been positive. But one other thing about the cans the bulk items; there's people wanting to know what to do with those; do we have a remedy for that yet or still working that out?"

Mayor Mucci – "We still have the dumpster; the container at the maintenance garage available to our residents also."

Mr. Timmons – "Okay cause I know they were talking of a program where we tag it; maybe you buy something but I just didn't know if that was really."

Mr. Baird – "We have actually been doing something for several months; what we like to do or the residents do if they have a need just to let us know and we'll make arrangements to address whatever the circumstances are; so all we ask is that they contact us; let us know what their issues are and we'll make arrangements to address them."

Mr. Timmons – "I appreciate that. One final thing I'll send you the address Jim tomorrow; I've had some complaints and I've turned them in on Oregon and Oxford specifically and on Woodlawn; the complaint is about parking more than two (2) non-family members living in a residents; it's not being followed up on by the City. I'll send you those addresses tomorrow."

Mrs. Hahn – "Yes I would like to ask if we could go into executive session with the focus on personnel, for building, sanitation, City Manager, Law Director..."

Seconded by Mr. Johnson. Roll Call. All ayes. So moved motion declared by Mayor Mucci.

Mr. Villamagna – "Yes Mayor two (2) things; first off I'd like to take this time to thank Russell Hunt for volunteering his time and his companies time to do the roundabout; they did a nice job in there; it was a little bit overgrown and they got in there and did a nice job. The second thing I wanted to expand a little bit on what Eric with the garbage cans; I've had several calls; most of them positive; couple were elderly trying to figure out and I told them they could get a smaller can; they called down and got on the list and so everything worked out for them. The one guy he has a unique house; he had quadruple bypass; his house is way down over a hill; where he lives and what he does with his garbage now; he puts the garbage can in his truck and the garbage in his truck; he drives to the top of the hill he takes the garbage can out and he puts the garbage in the can then; then they pick it up. So what I told him; I'm going to give you the address I'm not going to say it publicly; because they are still using that back loader so I said they'll continue to pick up the garbage in your regular can but do you want him to contact you?"

Mr. Mavromatis – "Yea you give me his name and address."

Mr. Villamagna – "Okay I'll have him call. The other thing was the old garbage cans; I understand that JB Green Team says they are non-recyclable but on the bottom of the garbage can it says it is recyclable; on some of the cans; so I don't know is there something; cause I would hate to send that amount of garbage cans to a landfill that our great grandchildren will still be able to see them."

Mr. Mavromatis – "You talked to JB Green Team?"

Mr. Villamagna – "I did not but somebody had sent an e-mail that somebody had to contact them."

Mr. Timmons – "I saw that; yea JB Green Team; said that they couldn't do that."

Mr. Dressel – "It's because of the garbage."

Mr. Villamagna – "On the bottom of them; I don't know if all of them are like that but if it says recyclable we should be able to recycle it; cause we're going to have a lot of garbage cans floating around."

Mr. Mavromatis – "What I'll do Bob is one I'll check with JB Green Team specifically on that; if they say they can't do it; there has to be somebody that can pick up and what we'll do is set up an actually day in the City; it may take two (2) days and find out who can pick up all this plastic."

Mr. Villamagna – "I put one of them in the big can and I just said that's bad I didn't like doing it because it's just bad. It's bad for the environment for that many cans. The last thing about garbage that I had; I got a couple calls about this too; grass clippings; now I contacted a couple of communities they don't have to bag their grass clippings they can just put them in the can; if you bag the grass clippings in that 96 gallon can for 4-5 months

you're not going to have a lot of room in there for garbage. So if you get two cans then you got two cans hanging around for the rest of the winter but if we can check with some other communities cause I don't understand really the concept the grass clippings having to be in a bag; if we could just check and see why other communities don't do it and if we can maybe."

Mr. Baird – "It's simply a recommendation in the guidelines and in the residents best interest; if the resident chooses to not bag their grass clippings; that's fine by us; we don't care it's in the can; the reason that statement is made is in the residents best interest; if grass is placed in the can that's not bagged; especially if it's damp; it's going to cling to the side of the can; it's going start to stick and accumulate the bottom of the can; that will eventually lead to odors and so bagging the waste whatever it is; whether if it's your household waste or your grass clippings; is simply measured to help keep the can clean; which in turn helps keep the can as odor free as possible. Which is a nicer can to have in your home. We understand that residents are going to throw away what they throw away; the way they choose to throw it away and that's on them and that's okay."

Mr. Villamagna – "Yea those are the guidelines Bob and they called today and asked about cardboard; I said listen they don't want you putting a bunch of cardboard in there; stick it in the side however you want too; that's what guidelines are."

Mr. Baird – "That's fine. We've had the same questions about trimmings, hedge trimmings or branches or what have; it just a suggestion to help keep the cans as clean as possible and odor free as possible."

Mr. Villamagna – "Thank you"

Mayor Mucci – "Before we leave that particular subject maybe we should reiterate just a couple of the simple rules. First of all the cans that were distributed has an ID number on it; that ID number is associated with your water bill. I had people because I was acting City Manager and all call me up; they didn't receive it however the neighbor down the street doesn't want it so I'm going to go get that one; there was a duplex together they want to switch the cans and all; it's important that was left and identified to your structure stays with your structure that's how we identify that can and where it belongs in case it ever comes up missing. There was also a little confusion on the bagging of the materials and the grass clippings and all and we clarified that but the other out there is about an additional bag system; that the city was going to purchase bags with the City logo; let me remind you that until action is taken by this Council there's a lot of alternatives, there's a lot of strategy, and a lot of opinions at Committee Meetings and during the Committee Meeting; probably on two (2) occasions there was some discussion about yard waste; possibly purchasing bags; possibly getting stickers for additional bags that people may purchase; stick it on there for a small minimal fee. I believe that we will not be providing bags; is that correct Mr. Baird?"

Mr. Baird – "That's correct"

Mayor Mucci – "For sale or bags brought to our citizens and right now we haven't decided affirmatively on if we are going to have stickers for additional waste to be picked up. Is that fair to say?"

Mr. Baird – "Yea"

Mayor Mucci – "Or can you explain better?"

Mr. Baird – "Yea. We're clearly in transition; like the City Manager said this is going to take some time; I'd like to reassure all the members of the public; please don't be concerned; we're implementing the parts; we understand there's unique conditions or circumstances in some people's homes or households and we're happy to address those. Right now we're again in the process of rolling out the cans; we've had multiple request for additional cans that we will be addressing; we've had multiple request for swapping of smaller cans and move the large can which we are happy to address and then we have questions that have come up tonight regarding; I have put them in a category; I have a circumstance; I have a certain situation that I need to help solve this and again all that we ask is that we be made aware of it; we're happy to address it. I think it's important to remember that everybody has been putting their trash out for years and they can continue to do that; in this transition period as the new cans go out into service if we see additional bags; if we see additional waste during this period we're happy to collect it; that's going to continue; so nothing changes in that regard. As we move forward and determine on how other things go and see how things are happening we will address those issues as they come up but our goal right now is to make it as easy and simple as possible; the trash still goes out in the same place on the same day; whatever you've been throwing out you can continue to throw out; we're just trying to get it under control; get it in the container; and you know we're accommodating all cases throughout this community and we'll cross those bridges when we come to them."

Mayor Mucci – "And hopefully when the leaves start falling is probably when we'll need those additional capacity of bags and all; hopefully we'll have some of those questions resolved by then. Mr. Baird, Mr. Mavromatis, and to our Law Director; last week at City Council I believe it was Mr. Johnson for the request of Mr. Timmons asked for the review of section 951 of the codified ordinances which deals with the sanitation department and the requirements; I did not have an opportunity last week to do that review so Mr. Mavromatis if you would review that section there's probably some changes since we have a new system for the sanitation department and the right structure and all of section 951 of the codified ordinances of the City of Steubenville."

## **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."

Frank Calabria – “3975 Argonne; hey I was just curious is it still on the agenda the guardrail across from EGCC; if they are still going to replace that? It looks like heck.”

Mr. Baird – “I believe that is under the Engineering Department your Honor and the City Engineer is not here this evening so I don’t know.”

Mayor Mucci – “Mr. Calabria let us get back to you or next week.”

Frank Calabria – “Okay also where do you dispose of old paint cans?”

Mayor Mucci – “The JB Green Team has a hazardous waste pick up; I believe at least once a year; maybe twice a year; usually it’s at the Fort Steuben Mall parking lot however; Mr. Mavromatis you signed that board; are you aware of the hazardous pick up?”

Mr. Mavromatis – “I’ll have to check Mayor.”

Mayor Mucci – “We’ll have to check. You can also the Jefferson Belmont solid waste authority or JB Green Team or we’ll find out (all inaudible).”

Patrick McLaughlin – “407 Colonial Drive. Reason I am here is because I gave you all a paper; that was sent to my mother from the City of Steubenville; regarding these hazardous boulders and (inaudible) located on her property. My mother was told that she had to remove the hazardous boulders and iron poles or the City of Steubenville was going to remove them for her and charge her if she did not remove them. If these boulders are hazardous on my mother’s property; are they hazardous on other’s people property? That question is to you Costa.”

Mr. Mastros – “I don’t know; all I know is I believe that the letter that Mr. Repella sent her in 2016 stated that it was in a right of way and it needed to be moved.”

Patrick McLaughlin – “Okay now if you flip that page to the last page; are those boulders located on city right of way?”

Mr. Mastros – “I don’t know where these pictures were taken from but let’s assume that they are and if they are it’s the policy that our right of way has to be unobstructed and that’s all.”

Patrick McLaughlin – “The answer to that question would be yes. They are in the City’s right of way.”

Mr. Mastros – “I don’t know if they are or not. I don’t know where these pictures are from I have no idea. I would assume that they are; we’ll just assume that they are and if they are I think our policy is; and I’m not a 100% sure but I think it is. That if they are in the right of way and they are an obstruction and or a hazard I’m assuming; they have to be removed.”

Patrick McLaughlin – “My next question is other than my mother how many house have been sent letters? To explain the hazards of these items being in the right of way that have to be removed.”

Mr. Mavromatis – “Mayor Do you want me to answer that? Since I’ve been here there’s only been one and that was based on a complaint and that is normally how a city gets involved. That is our right of way; I can tell you that if we had to go on these properties that are pictured here we would dig that all up and the only thing that would go back is grass; and that is at the responsibility of the home owner. So again we responded to complaints that come and if it’s in our right of way; we check if it is a hazard; in that particular case it was; so they were asked to remove them and they did they complied. It still did not stop the issue of a car pulling up and opening its car door because they couldn’t; that a terrain of the land because you can go right down to the next property; the same thing; we pull up; open the door; and it stops right in the grass. But with the issue with the steel rods being in there and the kids riding bikes up and down that is a problem. I understand why the rods were there you were trying to keep the boulders from sliding down off the river rock and I think they were tied at the time with fishing line so again they complied and that was the end of it. To my knowledge we’ve had no other complaints about boulders in this city and that’s why...”

Patrick McLaughlin – “There’s probably a thousand homes that have them. I’m now complaining about every property that has these. So that’s not (inaudible) it’s going to affect all your wards; if these are a hazard on my mother’s property in the right of way they are a hazard on everybody; and if this city is going to allow these hazards to exist in our city; shame on this city. If it’s not right for my mother it’s not right for any other property that has these on their property and I think we can all agree to that. If we are going to pick and choose who we’re going to pick on shame on this city. If it is declared a hazardous on one person’s property it’s a hazard on someone else’s. Willie Paul you’ve said it best when you stood up last week and said you’re tired of the bull crap so am I. Right for somebody then it’s right for everybody. If it’s wrong for somebody then it’s wrong for everybody and I expect to see you do the right thing. Jim I’ve sent you photographs and addresses as of right now I have over 200 all ready for you and I’ll get them to you; and I’ll keep (inaudible) to make sure these letters are being sent out for these things to be removed. I do not want to live in a city that is full of hazards. Thank you.”

Marlane Figurski – “3113 Portland Blvd. Since we are talking about garbage I just want to ask; I know JB Green Team has those recyclable (inaudible); the ones on Jeff Tech, the ones at Holy Rosary, the ones at Central are so full all the time. Now we’re talking about getting the garbage cans to eliminate the animals or whatever going into the garbage and then the garbage is scattered throughout the city; that’s what is happening on Sunset; at Jeff Tech those bins are so full you can’t close the lid and when we get a windy day it’s in everybody’s yard; same thing with Holy Rosary; same thing with Central. I don’t know where they are in the rest of the city but I know those three (3) because that’s kind of in the area that we live. I don’t know how often they pick up; is there any way to find out and get them pulled more often; it’s not doing its purpose.”

Mayor Mucci – “We can find that out our representative on the salt and waste commission; the JB Green Team is Mr. Mavromatis by law; the Ohio Revised Code and the bylaws calls that the CEO Officer of the (inaudible) Municipality which is the City of Steubenville served on the board; so he could find out some of those details but I may want to ask City Council that maybe in the future at one of the Committee Meetings when appropriate to ask the Executive Director Anita Petrella to attend one of our meetings because I understand they are also bringing

back the grant program and ask her to explain that grant program and maybe that will answer some of our concerns; not to say that we're going to date you Marlane but it's Eastern Gateway Community College not Jeff Tech."

Mr. Paul – "There is a website that JB Green Team does have and that's where I find out a lot of; if you guys have questions that's where I find out; when the hazardous waste pickup is for Frank. You can go look at the website it will tell you a lot of information."

Marlane Figurski – "I've seen the hazardous waste and that but I never see anything for those specific pickups."

Dolores Wiggins – "1620 State St. Steubenville. I'm concerned about something that was brought up about two (2) months ago by the city; by the Councilman Mike Johnson; Mr. Mavromatis you've mentioned something about those restrooms there; would be closed up; something about receiving the keys to it."

Mr. Mavromatis – "Yes"

Dolores Wiggins – "Well it's getting worse. A young boy about 15 or 16; he went in there this past Thursday inside the restroom; shortly after about 5-7 minutes a young girl came in the restroom also; one of the neighbors went over and chased them out; we don't know what was going on but it's bad; it's not fair to the neighbors; they go in there and they smoke their pot; smoke whatever they're going too and do what they want to do because the restrooms stay open all night and all day; particularly all night. If the neighbor is sitting on the porch; coming out (inaudible) they can see the tracks going in and out of those restrooms. So I'm just interested in Mr. Mavromatis if you have received the keys?"

Mr. Mavromatis – "The keys have been distributed Ms. Wiggins about two (2) or three (3) weeks ago and the only questions I guess that I can ask you is that when this happened did you call the police at that time to have a car respond?"

Dolores Wiggins – "Did I?"

Mr. Mavromatis – "What you observed did you call the police department then to respond?"

Dolores Wiggins – "My neighbor did; I didn't."

Mr. Mavromatis – "Okay well the chief will look; do you know what times this was on Thursday?"

Dolores Wiggins – "Between 9-9:30."

Mr. Mavromatis – "We have a very narrow time that we can go to the logs you can find if she called."

Dolores Wiggins – "Okay so the keys; are they locked up?"

Mr. Mavromatis – "Again the Chief will have to check with the turn Captains cause they were issued for every turn a set of keys to the bathrooms."

Dolores Wiggins – "Okay thank you."

Patrick McLaughlin – "I got one thing I would like to say. It's a positive note; on August 2<sup>nd</sup> at approximately at 11:30 I was leaving work and I got to the top of the hill right by Bob Evans and the bank there; there was a horrific car crash; I don't know if you guys saw it or not; I was going to get out of my car and go check on people but first the Steubenville Fire Department arrived and the men dropped off of their truck and ran to these vehicles; check on these people; if there were any children in these vehicles and car seats; Carlo you guys did a great job. Next to arrive was the Steubenville Police Department; Chief McCafferty your officers also did a wonderful job; hopped out of their cars; checking on everybody making sure everybody was secure. Last that was there was the ambulance; they might have been on other duties I don't know what they were doing; but I just want to thank you Chief McCafferty, Chief Capaldi, City Manager Jim Mavromatis; to our safety forces they do a great job protecting our services every day and in the future I would love to see us get an ambulance for the Fire Department; I know a lot of the times just like the other day we had an emergency up here at the county building; we got (inaudible) that live up on 213 (All inaudible) if that car crash happened at the top of the hill and children are being involved; we're waiting on an ambulance from the volunteer fire department and you'll have to wait half hour to forty-five (45) minutes before an ambulance can get there. Thank you guys so much for your services I appreciate it."

Council Chambers were cleared for Executive Session.

Council Chambers were reopened for adjournment.

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

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
CLERK OF COUNCIL

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_  
MAYOR