

**MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING**  
**July 10, 2018**

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

Present were Councilmen Villamagna, DiLoreto, Dressel, Hahn, & Petrella.

Mr. Villamagna moved that Mr. Paul & Mr. Timmons be excused from the meeting. Second by Mr. DiLoreto. Roll call. All ayes. So moved declared Mayor Barilla.

Also present; City Manager Jim Mavromatis, Law Director Costa Mastros, Wastewater Director Chuck Murphy, Parks and Recreation Director Lori Fetherolf, Finance Director Dave Lewis, Paul Giannamore from the Herald Star, & WTOV9.

**APPROVAL/CORRECTION OF MINUTES**

Minutes were approved by Mr. Villamagna for July 3, 2018. Second by Mr. DiLoreto. Roll Call. Four (4) ayes. One (1) abstain. So moved minutes accepted declared Mayor Barilla.

**PETITIONS/COMMUNICATIONS**

Mayor Barilla – “Petitions and Communications Madame Clerk?”

Mrs. Haley – “Nothing this evening.”

Mayor Barilla – “Thank you Madam Clerk.”

**ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

**NO. 2018-49 – BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**Messrs. Paul, Dressel, Timmons**

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH HDR ENGINEERING, INC. FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE PROJECT KNOWN AS THE AERATION SYSTEM TANK AND DIFFUSER REPAIR AND REPLACEMENT PROJECT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Mayor Barilla – “You have heard the reading of Ordinance 2018-49. If there anyone wishing to speak on Ordinance No. 2018-49 please come forward state your name and address.”

Mr. Dressel – “I just; before we vote on this and also on the other one that’s water related. I’d like just an explanation so everybody understands why it has to be an emergency. Okay (all inaudible).”

Chuck Murphy – “Dealing with secondary aeration our system has; as stated in previous community Council meetings that the Councilmen’s had that the secondary aeration system is a very important part of the wastewater treatment facility and basically it is critical to our building to meet the water quality standards required by Ohio EPA; without it; it simply couldn’t do it. As such this system is in extremely poor condition and basically we estimate no more than about two years’ worth of life (inaudible) and this project is going to go head and take two years from the word go to get everything taken care of and on; on course. So the idea here is to get the engineering aspect of things moving forward because that in it of itself is going to take 8 to 9 months by itself. This will allow us to be able to go ahead and (inaudible) utilize sewer funds for that and that will allow us to go ahead and work on our rate structures due to that nature while the engineering is moving forward so that that way we are not putting ourselves; the City in jeopardy basically intentionally causing harm (all inaudible).”

Mr. Dressel – “Okay sounds good.”

Mrs. Hahn – “And if I could just have a point of clarification so we have this money currently?”

Chuck Murphy – “Yes mam.”

Mrs. Hahn – “Okay I was just wondering.”

Mr. Villamagna – “A point was made today by Scott and a; about piecing all this thing together; (all inaudible); and a; we need to get this plan in down in writing so we know exactly what we’re doing because I understand we got a problem there and I know we got more problems coming down the road but Mr. Dressel brought it up before about we’re holding the public kind of like hostage by telling them every day that we’re going to do this and do this. We need; I mean are we close to getting a plan together where we’re going to see a breakdown of everything that needs to be done so we don’t have to pass another emergency ordinance to do something?”

Chuck Murphy – “As far as things are concerned we are; we are you know working very diligently on that aspect. One of the things that makes things difficult which I know Council is aware of it and (inaudible) of the community as well is the fact that we are in negotiations on the consent decree aspect for the wastewater side of it (all inaudible) what we were talking about here but then kind of jumped forward a little bit; also on the water and essentially the wastewater side I believe we are very close to having an agreement but it’s not done with the projects that Council has already seen that 7.6 million total which the second aeration project is a part of and basically the 3.5; I just want to make sure I want to make this clear; the 3.5 million dollars for the project does include the engineering that says (all inaudible) out of it; take it out of our own funds we will not have to

finance that part of that so there will be a savings in that aspect as well but what it comes down to is; the tricky part is when you're dealing with the water side in particular there's a lot less fix if you will and therefore as such we need to go ahead and be careful as well as that as well as the asset management plan. Now we're going to take; to do our best to make sure that we cover things in that; in that frame of time that we are dealing with which is initially the first 5 years okay? And then try to broadcast out as far as we can regarding things but the pace at which they (all inaudible) is what the concern is; the faster they want us to go is basic; it's going to go ahead (inaudible)..."

Mr. Villamagna – "You're talking about the EPA?"

Chuck Murphy – "Yeah EPA yeah the faster the EPA wants us to go the worse that situation could be."

Mr. Villamagna – "Now let me ask you a question concerning the EPA (inaudible) is brought up. We have in writing exactly what they want us to do; do we have that anywhere in writing?"

Chuck Murphy – "We know exactly what they want us to do; part of the equation is; is we still have to go ahead and (all inaudible); problem is right now as an example is with values okay? We need to go ahead and exercise; I mean (inaudible) 305 we know we're basically almost completed with basically determining which ones of those work; not work; and need to be actually replaced (inaudible); there's (all inaudible) 305 values no matter what happens but is the fact that we have to get them all off initially. Once we go ahead and do them in approximately 10 years."

Mr. Villamagna – "Maybe you misunderstood what I (inaudible)."

Chuck Murphy – "Sure"

Mr. Villamagna – "Do we have in writing a list of the things that the EPA wants done? Do we have that in writing?"

Chuck Murphy – "We have the general part of that in writing yes. But the exact in meaning the full scope of it; they won't know that until we know it and part of that equation is..."

Mr. Villamagna – "The thing that we're in violation of?"

Chuck Murphy – "Yes."

Mr. Villamagna – "I mean I understand things are going to come up. But the things that we're in violation of that they're making mandatory that we fix; obviously they can't tell us to fix something that's not broke yet."

Chuck Murphy – "Correct."

Mr. Villamagna – "Do we have that list?"

Chuck Murphy – "We do have that list; yes; it's basically in the notice of violation letter which you know Council (all inaudible) got a copy of."

Mr. Dressel – "Okay so just to be; I'll just be really clear. Let's take that list and a list of all the water improvements you know that we have to do in the next 5 years; we have them you just said it; give that list to Dave along with a relatively good estimate; if you don't have one get one as to what it will cost; then add all that up figure out how we can spread that out and I was talking to Jim before the meeting. We are not going to vote on a rate increase until we get that. So do that and we can vote next week; it's entirely up to you; it's in your hands we're going to approve that if we get it so we need to have it because; let's assume it's 20 million dollars in improvements and that's probably not far off from what it is; roughly; so we're not going to just throw money at it without knowing exactly; roughly where it's going to go so just get that list to Dave with whatever estimate each of those projects are going to be within a \$100,000; it's (inaudible) to say within a \$100,000 but I mean we may not know after 5 years up; prices change so we have to start somewhere so we need that so we can be able to tell the citizens of this city why they're paying more. We're not going to just say oh we're going to pay more because we think we have to spend 20 million dollars we have to know it so but we've been talking about it forever; as Yonk says we've been talking about it since like 1990; so let's just do it. I don't know how to be more clear so just give it to him and I'll just tell you he says he doesn't have it so let's give it to him so he has it and then if you need help like if you need to have HDR or someone else give you a rough estimate for those of all their experience and the size of our system; we'd probably approve that because we need to; you know not spend a gazillion dollars; we're not going to do the rate study you know and spend a \$100,000 because it's basically the rate study; you know we could probably get some estimates of some things from someone so we're not like you know throwing a dart at a dart board and add it up; I'm just; I'm frustrated that this seems so complicated when; but I also don't mean it's so simple; but I know it's not; the work isn't simple but clearly it's a sewer line and a water line running through a whole City; you can actually vividly see or know where everything is so you know all that; let's just write it all down by project put a number after it so Dave can do some financial calculating on it so we can decide how big of a rate increase we need within reason and then if we have to squish it out over time because we can't obviously increase the rates that much; we need to know that now or you're going to get to the point where the EPA is going to say well you guys are going to do all this work and you haven't done anything and; honestly I'm sorry but I think this is a 2 or 3 week project to figure that out. Just give him the list and..."

Chuck Murphy – "If I may."

Mr. Dressel – "Yeah go head so if we aren't there then let's get it there."

Chuck Murphy – "Yeah the thing I want to be 100% clear on is this; we have 1,140 valves."

Mr. Dressel – "I get that."

Chuck Murphy – "Okay now there's 305 of those that we had actually originally programed as far as the 7 million dollars that we're looking at."

Mr. Dressel – "Right."

Chuck Murphy – "Now everything else is going to be the smaller valves approximately on average about \$7,000 per valve now the question I can't answer; this (all inaudible); that leaves 1,105 valves assuming all 305"

over here doesn't quench which I got some numbers with that already. Let alone 1,105 valves I don't really know how many of those things are functional so the thing is if I'm going to forecast based on upon that 1,105 I got to assume worst case scenario for all of them; which is a monumental number and that's the concern. Now the thing is; is count; we got the EPA going to give us 10 years that I can go ahead and I can project maybe say 50% of that; okay? And then go from there but the thing is I don't have..."

Mr. Dressel – "You're not; you're not addressing my; my; I'm sorry. My; you're not addressing my question and I don't mean this as disrespectful because I don't care about the valves; we all know that we have a thousand and some valves; 1,405; let's assume they (all inaudible) place; they're done okay? (All inaudible) of that \$7,000 (inaudible) overtime; we'll do all the valves. We don't actually need 1,405 that's what you needed (all inaudible). The issue is the first water tower; do it again; the second water tower, the third water tower; work that has to be done at the filtration plant if any; we have water line replacement, sewer line replacement, replacement of parts at the sewage treatment plant that need to be fix the one you're bringing up tonight for example is obviously the most critical. Okay? So put those on a piece of paper and with a number next to it and then figure out how we're going to schedule those over time from (inaudible); from most critical to least critical and then we'll figure out how much of a rate increase we have to do. I don't mean all of it; let's just (inaudible) now to replace that would make your life simpler; great we'll replace them all in the next 20 years; start with the worst to the least and then we'll just do them all and then at the end point you're just going to start over again. So you know that's fine but it's the (inaudible) all of it it's not just the valves; don't get caught up on the (inaudible) of the valve when you're going to; when you can just say valve you could say 20 years times \$7,000; in 20 years for 1,400 each you know that's the number. I think that's what you have to look at; if we're going to develop a rate plan an infrastructure improvement fund on the sewer and water side to keep everything functioning forever; you have to just assume we're going to replace them eventually so just give him that so we can write something up and vote on it or we're going to sit here and talk about it exactly like this over and over again (inaudible) the exact same conversation like 6 weeks ago; 6 months ago; probably the 6 month I was here and you're doing fine it's just that you need to just give it to him so we can do something because if you don't you're not going to get any funding and nothing is going to get fixed and it isn't going to be this Council's fault okay? Because we're ready to vote on it; you just need to give us the information to go ahead and vote on it and we don't have it."

Chuck Murphy – "And that's the reason why; yeah Dave and I and David Babela was discussing even just yesterday just to go ahead and give you an idea of things. If we were to go ahead and actually try to program everything in with (all inaudible) example; you're talking north of \$800,000 (inaudible) which would be a huge perk in savings so what we're trying to do is this."

Mr. Dressel – "(All inaudible)"

Chuck Murphy – "What we're trying to do is this; is make sure that we go ahead and keep it as livable as possible so (all inaudible) if anything's down from the first (all inaudible) when the loans falls off; trying to pick that up it doesn't (all inaudible)."

Mr. Dressel – "(Inaudible)"

Chuck Murphy – "The EPA would agree."

Mr. Dressel – "That's exactly what he wants to do. Give him the total though so he knows the horrible part of it and then we'll structure it to make; keep the system functioning. I don't; because this is more than just structuring the improvement it's also structuring the financing and sometimes the finance will drive when you can do things but we have to know by (all inaudible); clearly a water tower has to happen now; we aren't (inaudible); you know why we aren't? Because we don't have this plan in front of us."

Chuck Murphy – "Well the numbers are there for all of that because..."

Mr. Dressel – "We're not going to vote on it one thing at a time."

Chuck Murphy – "Oh I agree."

Mr. Dressel – "Okay? So does that clear it up? I'm trying to be really clear. I'm rarely not clear by the way. If it's not clear it's not me. So Jim?"

Mr. Mavromatis – "Let me make this simple for you."

Mr. Dressel – "Okay."

Mr. Mavromatis – "Next week when you walk in here; it'll be laid out there."

Mr. Dressel – "Okay."

Mr. Mavromatis – "Okay? But the one thing Council can't do is take money from one account to another."

Mr. Dressel – "Right."

Mr. Mavromatis – "Because you already got accounts that are going farther and farther into debt."

Mr. Dressel – "Exactly."

Mr. Mavromatis – "The other thing is and again we can make all these statements that we want but we didn't get notified till the end of last week that it looks like we're going to get the loan; the forgiveness loan but until I see it in writing from Ohio EPA that loan does not exist and we're not going to see that money till 2019 but what has to be done is two major issues that we have to meet and they're already in process. We have a contractor that's working on it with the asset management plan that has to be done by a certain date."

Mr. Dressel – "Right (inaudible)."

Mr. Mavromatis – "And again if we don't meet those two things you don't have a loan so no matter what we tell you here; right today doesn't hold any water if that loan doesn't come through cause now you have a whole new financial structure you have to come up with to meet that and I agree with him; we're not going to do a thousand valves here but you're going to do the most crucial ones that will save that part within the City; those towers need to be fixed."

Mr. Dressel – “Right.”

Mr. Mavromatis – “Because I’ll tell you right now when they go out; the west end tower goes out; all the people in the west end is going to be out of water and that’s going to cause a massive problem out there so I understand that. So we’ll get this plain and simple for you.”

Mr. Dressel – “Okay.”

Mr. Mavromatis – “You need to say yes or no.”

Mr. Dressel – “Right.”

Mr. Mavromatis – “That’s going to include the Assistant Superintendent; that’s going to include the additional people; the whole ball of wax.”

Mr. Dressel – “It should also include getting the; the problem solved; and keeping them that way. That’s exactly what we want to do.”

Mr. Mavromatis – “Well.”

Mr. Dressel – “One big ball of wax.”

Mr. Mavromatis – “When you see this laid out here it’s very simple to do.”

Mr. Dressel – “Okay.”

Mr. Mavromatis – “To get the funds back up to where...”

Mr. Dressel – “Right.”

Mr. Mavromatis – “They should be. And then that way you move on and you go. There’s too many unknowns here. The unknown part is our infrastructure.”

Mr. Dressel – “(All inaudible)”

Mr. Mavromatis – “We do not know what is going to break here that is an unknown (inaudible).”

Mr. Dressel & Mr. Mavromatis – “(All inaudible)”

Mr. Mavromatis – “And again.”

Mr. Dressel – “Right.”

Mr. Mavromatis – The Ohio EPA has listed very simply; they want dates on the consent decree; you can’t get dates if you don’t have the money and we’re in the area now we’re going; when this decision is made...”

Mr. Dressel – “Right”

Mr. Mavromatis – “This is the amount of money had and again when I had the meeting the last one; 2 weeks ago I got finally what I needed from them; 10 years you keep hearing the 10 year mark.”

Mr. Dressel – “Right”

Mr. Mavromatis – “Maybe we need 15 years. I need the 15 years because I don’t have a crystal ball.”

Mr. Dressel – “It’s never going to end by the way.”

Mr. Mavromatis – “No.”

Mr. Dressel – “We going to be replacing infrastructure forever. (Inaudible) been doing it forever we wouldn’t be (all inaudible).”

Mr. Mavromatis – “Well that’s water over the damn...”

Mr. Dressel – “Right.”

Mr. Mavromatis – “And I can’t stop it.”

Mr. Dressel – “(All inaudible) so all we need is a plan so we can agree with it.”

Mr. Mavromatis – “Well you’ll have it.”

Mr. Dressel – “Okay thank you.”

Chuck Murphy – “We’ll be glad to go ahead and get that information together (all inaudible). The only thing I’m concerned about is I can’t predict what the EPA is going to do or agree too and (all inaudible)...”

Mr. Dressel – “(All inaudible) that I think we just need something and Dave needs something to work on. Thank you.”

Chuck Murphy – “Thanks.”

Mr. DiLoreto – “Yeah I think; I think we have one more Utilities meeting next week and I hope that’s the final one; I’m tired of coming. I think we’ve done enough talking; we know what the problem is; we need to raise the rates; we need more help; we have to have public meetings for all these people cause we’re going to vote on this one time only; I won’t be; I know; no flints or the water goes bad and all these people saying well you didn’t do this you didn’t do that well nobody (all inaudible). I’m not going to be here but I got a responsibility for the next year and half so I want to do it and I want to do it right; delivery the prices that’s it. (All inaudible) situation and it’s been going on for too long; so we’re going to be (inaudible); less talking and more action; we need more help; Chuck needs more help we need more money; we got a plan and we got to go; you might have another water break this week who knows. Thank you.”

Mrs. Hahn – “(Inaudible) I just think to take an opportunity to address it because it’s an emergency.”

Mayor Barilla – “I did I asked.”

Mrs. Haley – “They did. He did ask. Nobody stood up.”

Mayor Barilla – “I did ask.”

Mrs. Hahn – “I thought (inaudible) Council and then did the...”

Mayor Barilla – “No I asked first and then Council (inaudible).”

Mr. Villamagna called question. Roll Call. All ayes. Ordinance No. 2018-49 duly adopted declared Mayor Barilla.

**NO. 2018-50 – BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**Messrs. Paul, Dressel, Timmons**

**AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING A TAX BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2019 FOR THE CITY OF STEUBENVILLE, OHIO PROVIDING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING THEREON, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Mayor Barilla – “You have heard the reading of Ordinance 2018-50. If there anyone wishing to speak on Ordinance No. 2018-50 please come forward state your name and address.”

Mr. Villamagna called question. Roll Call. All ayes. Ordinance No. 2018-50 duly adopted declared Mayor Barilla.

**NO. 2018-52 – BY THE PLANNING COMMITTEE – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading**

**Messrs. Villamagna, Hahn, Petrella**

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DESIGNATING THE CITY MANAGER AS THE LOCAL OFFICIAL WITH THE AUTHORITY TO EXECUTE THE PROJECT KNOWN AS THE EFTS LANE ROADWAY PROJECT, CITY PROJECT NUMBER 2014-123, AND COMPLETE ALL NECESSARY FUNCTIONS THAT MAY BE REQUIRED TO COMPLETE SAID PROJECT, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO, ENGINEERING DESIGN SERVICES, RIGHT OF WAY SERVICES INCLUDING ACQUISITION OF RIGHT OF WAY, UTILITY RELOCATION, CONSTRUCTION ADMINISTRATION/INSPECTION SERVICES, BIDDING SERVICES, ADVERTISING FOR BIDS FOR CONSTRUCTION, RE-BIDDING IF REQUIRED, ENTERING INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE LOWEST MOST QUALIFIED BIDDER AND AUTHORIZING PAYMENT THEREFORE.**

**NO. 2018-53 – BY THE PLANNING COMMITTEE – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading**

**Messrs. Villamagna, Hahn, Petrella**

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DESIGNATING THE CITY MANAGER AS THE LOCAL OFFICIAL WITH THE AUTHORITY TO EXECUTE THE PROJECT AGREEMENT KNOWN AS THE JEF LOVERS LANE IMPROVEMENTS, PHASE III FROM FORT STEUBEN DRIVE TO SUNSET BOULEVARD, CITY PROJECT NUMER 2018-127, AND COMPLETE ALL NECESSARY FUNCTIONS THAT MAY BE REQUIRED TO COMPLETE SAID PROJECT, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO, ENGINEERING DESIGN SERVICES, RIGHT OF WAY SERVICES INCLUDING ACQUISITION OF RIGHT OF WAY, UTILITY RELOCATION, CONSTRUCTION ADMINISTRATION/INSPECTION SERVICES, BIDDING SERVICES, ADVERTISING FOR BIDS FOR CONSTRUCTION, ENTERING INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE LOWEST MOST QUALIFIED BIDDER AND AUTHORIZING PAYMENT THEREFORE AND RE-BIDDING THAT MAY BE REQUIRED.**

Mrs. Hahn made a motion to waive the 72 hour rule for both ordinance; 2018-55 & 2018-56. Second by Mr. DiLoreto. Roll Call. All ayes. So moved motion carried declared Mayor Barilla.

**NO. 2018-55 – BY THE PLANNING COMMITTEE**

**Messrs. Villamagna, Hahn, Petrella**

**AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE F.Y. 2018 CONSOLIDATED PLAN/ONE-YEAR ACTION PLAN FOR THE CITY OF STEUBENVILLE, AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION THEREOF TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD), AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER AND URBAN PROJECTS DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT WITH THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD) FOR F.Y. 2018 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) FUNDS AS INCORPORATED IN THE ACTION PLAN.**

**NO. 2018-56 – BY THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMITTEE**

**Messrs. DiLoreto, Dressel, Timmons**

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE LOWEST AND MOST QUALIFIED BIDDER FOR THE STATE ROUTE 7 AND 3<sup>RD</sup> STREET EMERGENCY WATERLINE UPGRADE, CITY PROJECT NUMBER 2018-115, PURSUANT TO REVISED CODE SECTION 735.051 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Mayor Barilla – “You have heard the reading of Ordinance 2018-56. If there anyone wishing to speak on Ordinance No. 2018-56 please come forward state your name and address.”

Mr. Dressel – “Just a real simple one of this one. Just so I’m clear are we just doing this quickly because we want to get it done before winter or?”

Chuck Murphy – “No sir. Basically the big problem here is; is there is a lack of fire protection (all inaudible).”

Mr. Dressel – “(All inaudible) 2 inch line in in January and then let it sit there ever since. So why the urgent today and not seven months ago?”

Chuck Murphy – “There’s a; well we’ve been working on it since then...”

Mr. Dressel – “Okay.”

Chuck Murphy – “Essentially we had to go through the process, permitting, this that...”

Mr. Dressel – “Okay.”

Chuck Murphy – “And the other so forth and so on.”

Mr. Dressel – “So everything is ready to go and we’re ready to go is that what you’re saying?”

Chuck Murphy – “The design is done and approved now...”

Mr. Dressel – “Okay.”

Chuck Murphy – “By Ohio EPA basically we actually had the contractors in today.”

Mr. Dressel – “Okay.”

Chuck Murphy – “To go ahead and actually give us our numbers by I do believe next Tuesday or Wednesday (inaudible).”

Mr. Dressel – “Okay I’m good then thank you.”

Mrs. Hahn – “I do have one other quick question. Sorry. We had a small conversation a month ago about this 20 inch water line (all inaudible) valve and how expensive it is. Are we going to be taking it out and saving it to be able to use it again?”

Chuck Murphy – “Yes that is part of the project.”

Mrs. Hahn – “Okay thanks.”

Mr. Villamagna called question. Roll Call. All ayes. Ordinance No. 2018-56 duly adopted declared Mayor Barilla.

Mr. Dressel – “Okay and I don’t have the code citation so Costa may have to do it.”

Mr. Mastros – “2017-87.”

Mr. Dressel – “I wanted to make a motion to take 2017-87 off the table which is the tree commission ordinance; to repeal the tree commission and make a motion to pass it by roll call as an emergency tonight so we can get it over with.”

Mr. Mastros – “So we’ll need two votes; one to take it off the table and one to vote on it.”

Mr. Dressel – “Okay.”

Mr. Villamagna Second the motion. Roll Call. Four (4) ayes. One (1) abstain.

Mrs. Haley – “Then it won’t do it.”

Mr. DiLoreto – “I have a question. I thought we were going to abolish the tree commission?”

Mr. Dressel – “We are. That’s what we’re about to do.”

Mr. DiLoreto – “That’s what we’re about to do?”

Mr. Dressel – “Yes.”

Mayor Barilla – “So do we have enough for that or no?”

Mr. Dressel – “(All inaudible)”

All inaudible chatter in background.

Mr. Mavromatis – “Mayor?”

Mrs. Hahn – “I was told Council members are not approved to abstain.”

Mr. Mastros – “I never heard of that.”

Mr. Petrella – “If I can’t abstain I’ll vote no since I don’t have the ordinance.”

Mr. Mastros – “Okay we can deal with this next week (inaudible)...”

Mr. Dressel – “Yeah let’s do it next week that’s fine.”

Mr. DiLoreto – “(Inaudible)”

Mr. Mastros – “That’s fair.”

Mr. DiLoreto – “The trees aren’t going away.”

Mr. Mastros – “Yeah that’s fine the trees aren’t going away.”

Mr. Dressel – “I amend my motion to put it on next week’s agenda.”

Mr. Mastros – “That’s fine.”

Mr. Dressel – “Okay.”

Mr. Villamagna second the amended motion. Roll Call. All ayes. So moved motion carried declared Mayor Barilla.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEES

Mr. Villamagna – No Report

Mr. DiLoreto – “No I just want to thank; I just want to thank Mr. Scurti and Dr. Florak for selling that mill down there; it’s a step in the right direction. I just hope they keep on going further south and take Weirton Steel (all inaudible) someday we’re going to need it; some of that (inaudible) in my ward. Thank you.”

Mr. Dressel – No Report

Mrs. Hahn – “Yes. Tomorrow night is the Parks and Recreation Board meeting and it will be at the clubhouse at Belleview Park at 7:00. Also the; we had a plumber come and figure out that there are no broken pipes for the baby pool so I have a board (inaudible) I would like to pass around. If anybody is interested in volunteering as soon as we’re able to have and there’s something that has to happen with the pump; we want to scrub it out and get it painted and get it in use for the summer so I figure it’s a great asset all by itself; many of us; we have really little children use the baby pool and it could increase the adult population (all inaudible) so can I hand this to somebody. Thank you Bob.”

Mr. Villamagna – “You want that for the audience?”

Mrs. Hahn – “Yeah. I really appreciate anybody willing to help volunteering. Thank you. That’s all.”

Mayor Barilla – “The water is still out?”

Mrs. Hahn – “I don’t know if water is in it at the moment (all inaudible).”

Lori Fetherolf – “It was drained and then as it rains it stays in there so.”

Mrs. Hahn – “Yeah. But it’s a pump problem not a pipe problem which will be an easier fix.”

Mr. Petrella – No Report

## REPORT OF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS

Mr. Mavromatis – “One thing I would like to report; this has come up before about other vendors that have been picking up garbage in the City. They require that they have permits; we had our first meeting with one of the vendors on some places that they have business set up that does not fall under our ordinance guidance. So we’re going to start focusing on this and bringing this back; the ones that don’t meet what our ordinance calls for; for our City people can (inaudible) these up. This goes back as we found out to a problem probably several years maybe 10 years ago where a form was given that a resident can fill out not wanting our refuse picked up here by the City and they’re releasing the City and going to a private vendor. Well they can do that if they meet certain things under our ordinance and we found out that there are several small companies that don’t meet the standards and we’re working on that now. So we’re trying to get a number starting with this one company and we have a least 2 other companies that we have to deal with so Council will know this is a matter of revenue from us that we’re trying to pull back here and then the (inaudible) have been let go and we’ll go from there. And that’s all I had ready to report for tonight.”

Mr. Villamagna – “Mayor. I got a couple questions. Jim; you didn’t; do we have an update on that salvage yard offense down there?”

Mr. Mavromatis – “I haven’t heard anything more back from the Fire Department.”

Mr. Villamagna – “Could you?”

Mr. Mavromatis – “Yeah I can check on that.”

Mr. Villamagna – “And has there been any more progress on the water trough?”

Mr. Mavromatis – “Yes I talked to Mr. Baird today; he just came back; it is completely overgrown and I told him I’ll need everything cut out of there so it can be examined to see what we can and can’t do so that was...”

Mr. Villamagna – “Could you give that; Mr. Gerber a call and let him know that.”

Mr. Mavromatis – “Yes I will.”

Mayor Barilla – “Mr. Villamagna is this under miscellaneous or is this...”

Mr. Villamagna – “No; no (all inaudible) department head. And if a; I don’t know; Mr. Murphy is here and Dave I have something for them to when you call.”

Mayor Barilla – “Okay.”

Mr. Mastros – No report

## MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS

Mr. Villamagna – “Thank you Mayor. Dave; Karly needs a new screen; another screen for her office.”

Dave Lewis – “Okay”

Mr. Villamagna – “What do we have to do to; put a purchase order in or?”

Dave Lewis – “I’ll take care of it.”

Mr. Villamagna – “Thanks.”

Dave Lewis – “No problem.”

Mr. Villamagna – “Get with Karly and find out (inaudible) because I don’t know anything about a computer screen.”

Dave Lewis – “Yeah we’ll send the IT guys over.”

Mr. Villamagna – “Okay thank you very much. And for Chuck; the street openings.”

Chuck Murphy – “Yes.”

Mr. Villamagna – “Where are we at with the street openings?”

Chuck Murphy – “As far as the street openings are concern it actually gotten some numbers to deal with those because the staff is simply; just we; we don’t have the manpower; we were out on another water line break today as an example; we’ll be back out on the same break tomorrow because of the condition of the line and the fact that they’re going to have to cut out a piece; they couldn’t continue the work mainly because the fact that the water tower is too low; it’ll put everybody else in jeopardy.”

Mr. Villamagna - “Can we get some (all inaudible).”

Chuck Murphy – “I did go ahead and I did one today and I’m going to be working on you know trying (all inaudible).”

Mr. Villamagna – “My next question is I guess for you and Jim. We went to the 4 day garbage collection on the 5<sup>th</sup> day would those guys be able to help in with some of those street openings until they get some of the cost (all inaudible).”

Mr. Mavromatis – “The answer...”

Mr. Villamagna – “I know they’re not going to be able to do all of it but there’s a lot (all inaudible).”

Mr. Mavromatis – “No. The answer would be yes (all inaudible) means be pull front; so it would have to come out of his account and that’s if they have the time to do it. Because right now the Fridays like this particular last Friday it was catch up because it was the 4<sup>th</sup> of July.”

Unknown – “(All inaudible)”

Mr. Mavromatis – “That was catching that; the maintenance of the vehicles and all that. So the short answer is yes; it’s a matter of what cost we can pull it out of.”

Mr. Villamagna – “Because we went to that 4 day garbage collection for the purpose of getting these guys to do other stuff on Friday. I want to make sure that.”

Mr. Mavromatis – “And they are but here’s the thing that Council needs to be aware of; if we take sanitation and put them on anything on the streets; which can be done; that’s going to come out of the general fund; which wasn’t budgeted is that correct? Dave? The way it has been explained to me.”

Dave Lewis – “The general fund or the water fund.”

Mr. Mavromatis – “No we’re talking about the sanitation people being pulled to do street deals like pot holes?”

Mr. DiLoreto – “(All inaudible)”

Dave Lewis – “(Inaudible) street openings.”

Mr. Villamagna – “(All inaudible) in there; they’ve dug down with water lines.”

Mr. Mavromatis – “Where the water line’s been broke; he has over 80 different breaks that he’s dealt with; they put down the cement and with plastic underneath it so it can be easily brought up before the asphalt’s put down there; he’s got X amount of people. He’s got 80 of them around the city that are like that; some been a year and a half. The roads can be driven on it’s just it’s not (inaudible) is what it is. But the bottom line is if we bring people over either from the streets and or sanitation they can do it; what center do you bill that out of?”

Dave Lewis – “It’s been billed (all inaudible) is what I’m telling you. He (inaudible) even doing it out of water money right?”

Chuck Murphy – “Yes.”

Dave Lewis – “Okay so probably continue to do it out of water fund. (All inaudible) street department use to close off those holes.”

Mr. Mavromatis – “Right.”

Dave Lewis – “So I guess you can make the argument either way but I would go with the water fund since that’s how you’ve been doing it.”

Mr. Mavromatis – “But the other thing is Mr. Villamagna when you do that then you drop other services in the streets and or sanitation and you’re pulling them on something else.”

Mr. Villamagna – “Well but we went to the 4 day garbage collection so we could take them from sanitation.”

Mr. Mavromatis – “And; and they are using them to do some of the things under the streets; the 6 extra people which we only have 5 out of the 6 that are authorized so that’s all we could hire. I mean they couldn’t pass the backgrounds or the drug test...”

Mr. Villamagna – “(All inaudible) for who?”

Mr. Mavromatis – “This is for streets; M & R.”

Mr. Villamagna – “Right. Well sanitation; the guys in the M & R department there’s 2 different departments.”

Mr. Mavromatis – “They are. That’s correct.”

Mr. Villamagna – “Okay so.”

Mr. Mavromatis – “When they come out of sanitation then they go in; that’s where they have to be paid out of.”

Mr. Villamagna – “Right.”

Mr. Mavromatis – “It doesn’t matter if it hasn’t been budgeted the money...”

Mr. Villamagna – “Well I think we all understood that when we did it but if; let’s put the scenario that we’re going to hire a contractor to do so we’re still going to have to; that money is going to come out of the general fund or that money is going to come out of the water fund. Which one?”

Mr. Mavromatis – “Water fund. If it has so Bob is already working on it.”

Mr. Villamagna – “So it’s (inaudible) well it’s a little bit narrower if we do it; it’s not going to be as much money so; but we can’t; we can’t say that we’re; we don’t have the manpower or we have to get it done one way or the other whatever we do but we did go to the 4 day garbage collection under the pretense that we were going to take those guys out of that; on the 5<sup>th</sup> day have them work in the parks and do other jobs that; for the pot holes so that’s what we got to do.”

Mr. Mavromatis – “(Inaudible)”

Mr. Villamagna – “I mean (inaudible) and a; you want to comment on something?”

Mrs. Hahn – “I just had one other follow up question. Jim in my understanding also was that with the garbage pickup there would only be one person required to be on the truck as the driver and one to make sure that the carts were; were correctly positioned and the other day I did see two people assisting so there were still 3 on the trucks but that (inaudible) the new trucks and the new carts were also supposed to free up one of those three people every day.”

Mr. Mavromatis – “Our side loaders it would free up that individual there on that particular truck. On the rear end loaders they’re still running three because they go to each side of the street; they load two at a time there; there’s two hook ups on the rear end there so that means you got going on both sides of the streets bringing cans over; load them in and taking them back and moving down the street; somebody has to drive the truck so that’s three per those on the rear end loader. On the side loader; the way it was designed was you have one driver that’s manipulating the whole thing; the problem we’re still going through here in which delays pickups a lot is we’re only putting one driver based on either injured, sick, whatever; he’s got to get out of his truck to get the

cans and put them in the proper spot; when they are too close together the arms can't pick them up so he does one or two things either you just let it go or you have to stop the truck, get out, line it up so it can be picked up. I've followed them a lot; several times again it's the people the citizens adapting to the new way our garbage is being picked up and we still have issues with that. But to answer your question yes that truck was designed for (inaudible) person; the driver that controls everything; that was the ultimate goal and to put other people on other trucks as we needed so that's where it's at."

Mrs. Hahn – "Okay."

Mr. Mavromatis – "And I'm going to have Mr. Baird here next week to go over this Friday thing so."

Mr. Villamagna – "Okay."

Mr. Mavromatis – "I'll also have a clear understanding..."

Mr. Villamagna – "If you could use this information for me also too. I need; I wanted; I want to see the routes; because how many do you we have? 4;5;6;7;8 whatever we have and specify where the side arm is and where the rear loader is; because I would like to see the thing but we have; that's why we all voted for that; them packers and everything was to get; get them out of there and we got street holes that are open for a year and a half and we got; we have to do something about it and that picking up dumpsters on Friday that's what they did all the time anyways so there's actually the way it's running now there is no; there's still a 5 day garbage collection. Okay so if you can get me the; and could we get maybe with Judge Mascio for community service; there's weeds growing over those Police cars; the tires are completely engulfed in weeds out there; (inaudible); we're making other people cut their grass and that parking lots; sad. And last is for Dave Lewis; Dave did the guy that I hooked you up with to discuss the 2% formula from the contractor; did he ever get ahold of you? Did you ever touch base?"

Dave Lewis – "I never heard from him. I don't; I didn't hear a message or anything. I was off last week but I didn't hear from him."

Mr. Villamagna – "Okay because I couldn't remember if I gave you his number to call or I gave..."

Dave Lewis – "I thought you said he; he was going to contact me."

Mr. Villamagna – "Okay. (All Inaudible)"

Dave Lewis – "(All inaudible) contact him."

Mr. Villamagna – "Okay then I'll double check that also and I'll get you the number; I'll send you; I'll text you his number."

Dave Lewis – "That works. Okay."

Mr. Villamagna – "Thank you very much Mayor."

## PUBLIC FORUM

Mayor Barilla – "We'll now move on to Public Forum and signing in this evening is Mr. Mascio. Would you please come forward and state your name and address."

John Mascio – "567 Braybarton Blvd. I've been following some of the projected jobs to be done this year especially a lot of the street paving and everything but in reading the reports in the paper (inaudible) stories on television; I didn't hear anything about crack sealing any of the streets and I've asked about this for three years; we're not doing crack sealing. You're talking about infrastructure, fixing water and sewer lines, those streets are part of the infrastructure and we are hundreds of thousands of them done; hundreds of thousands of dollars from state and I think federal money for Sunset Blvd. got a million dollars for John Scott Highway; I don't know how much we got for Lovers Lane; but we're letting them go we aren't doing anything about them; Sunset Blvd. the seams are starting to separate; there's places where there's holes; all of you people have a responsibility to (inaudible) to maintain those streets and Mike Dolak will tell you it's the cheapest way to maintain your streets because you're doing so many of them. (All inaudible) they are going to be worse than they are now and now is an opportunity to prevent them from going bad and I think you got to sit down and take the time to do it; however you have to do it because it's cheaper to go ahead and seal them than it is to have to go ahead and repave them. If you don't have the money to do that but I think we can at least (inaudible) and starting doing the crack sealing and it's (inaudible) decision fixing something and does nothing to make (inaudible); Johnson Road the main road to the hospital is in dire need of repair; from Central Ave. going up the hill there are two very huge pot holes; they've been there for over two months that I know of; you either have to go towards the curb or left of center to miss this pot hole and they are deep. Why they haven't been taken care of is beyond me. We have enough people that drive those streets sanitation works, police cruisers, fire people, and everybody; nobody reports that we have two bad pot holes; nobody in the street department knows this? That's terrible and if you want to have a perfect example of how we've been dealing with it go look at St. Charles Drive; that was (inaudible) completely rebuilt; what 10-12 years ago for over \$300,000; hasn't been touched since; there's pot holes in it; the lanes are separating; you almost have to drive down the middle of the street to avoid hitting the holes and the cracks and everything that are in there. You got an obligation to take of those streets; it isn't being done and I think every one of you needs to go ahead and take a look at where we are what we're; Jim three years in a row; two years in a row you said yes we're going to crack seal; we haven't done it; in April I asked you said yes; we're in the middle of July almost nothing has been done and nothing is on the table to get it done and I think it needs to be done. Now Bob Baird isn't here; why he doesn't do it and put it on this agenda I don't know but I think you got to do something about it. I wanted to talk about your street openings but I think you discussed long enough; (all inaudible) on that

(all inaudible). That's all I have to say but I think you got to get something done; taking care of these streets and maintaining their life expectancies better than we've been doing. Thank you."

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

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

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