

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING
May 19, 2020

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

Present were Council persons Petrella, Timmons, Villamagna, Anyabwile, Dressel, Hahn, & Paul.

Also present; City Manager Jim Mavromatis, Law Director Costa Mastros, Police Chief Bill McCafferty, Fire Chief Carlo Capaldi, Finance Director Dave Lewis, Utility Director Chuck Murphy, Water Superintendent Jim Jenkins, Sanitation Director Bob Baird, Parks and Recreation Director Lori Fetherolf, Linda Harris from the Herald Star, & WTOV9.

APPROVAL/CORRECTION OF MINUTES

Minutes were approved by Mrs. Hahn for May 12, 2020. Second by Mr. Timmons. Roll Call. All ayes. 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. 2020-28 – BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE – 1st reading

Messrs. Paul, Dressel, Timmons

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CODIFIED SECTION 145.08 OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE (TRAVEL EXPENSES).

NO. 2020-29 – BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE – 1st reading

Messrs. Paul, Dressel, Timmons

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE CITY OF STEUBENVILLE’S RELOCATION POLICY.

NO. 2020-30 – BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE – 1st reading

Messrs. Paul, Dressel, Timmons

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A WRITTEN INTERNAL CONTROL POLICY FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT TRUST FUND ACCOUNTS FOR THE STEUBENVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT.

NO. 2020-31 – BY COUNCIL AS A WHOLE – 1st reading

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING SECTION 145.04 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF STEUBENVILLE.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

Mr. Petrella – No Report

Mr. Timmons – “Yes one thing I would like to report I know Scott’s going to be talking about some other utilities issues but what I did want to bring up the other day I guess we had some hydrant flushing over on Columbia and I got no less than five calls from different citizens. One person was upset that they signed up for notifications from the city and they didn’t receive any you know one lady said she had her clothes ruined; that she didn’t hear about it on the news or anything like that so I didn’t know if there was something we could do in the future to notify everybody or when we know that kind of testing is going to happen and that’s all I have tonight right now.”

Jim Jenkins – “Eric the other day we weren’t really flushing hydrants. What we did was we were installing pressure loggers for the west end water project and also the phase two project to calibrate our hydraulic model that Arcadis is doing. When we did install that pressure logger at Fairmont and Broadway we ran into a bad hydrant and the hydrant was leaking really badly which caused the dirty water in the area. Initially the work that we were doing wasn’t going to cause any dirty water but when that hydrant failed that’s what caused the dirty water in the area which we flushed. To the notifications; the notifications we’ve been dealing with this since I’ve been back we put out press releases for any pertinent information and work that’s being done with the water system. Unfortunately our notification system goes through 911 through Code Red without being a broad emergency nature press release they do not send out the notifications. However I am meeting with it’s called Alert Media tomorrow they’re a company that sends out multiple ways of notifications that people would be

able to sign up and get text messages or emails or phone calls to their phone so I'm looking into companies that way. What the cost would be if there is associated cost but we're trying to get those notifications to where we might be able to divide it into pressure zones per say instead of notifying the entire city we just notify the affected area. Those meetings are upcoming and I'll update Council as those progress."

Mr. Timmons – "Okay that's for clarifying that I do appreciate it. You know as usual I had a little bit of bad information there so I do appreciate that update. Thank you."

Mr. Mavromatis – "Mr. Timmons based on your question you had last week in regards to Estelle and Oxford I talked to the business owner that pays for the service for that 4 x 4 and I advised him that it would have to be moved and to advise the contractor that has that. In the event that it is not moved then the city will move it and the company will have to claim their 4 x 4 so he advised that he would look for a new location on his property where they can put that."

Mr. Timmons – "Thank you very much for that."

Mr. Villamagna – "Yes Mayor thank you. One thing I want to bring up tonight and I've had several calls on it. I waited until I got a few more; I've brought it up before these signs; there's signs everywhere roofing companies, construction companies, fortune tellers they got every sign you can think of all over the right of ways and everything. When these guys are out riding around maybe can we have them pick up them signs up like they us too because it is getting a little bit out of control there. There the entrance to Efts Lane; there's a couple down there by Braybarton I've seen several of them and it just looks tacky and it's illegal. They're not allowed to have them so if we can have the guys when they're riding around when they see them they can grab them and pick them up I would appreciate it very much."

Mrs. Anyabwile – No Report

Mr. Dressel – "Okay well I guess we can cover it now if it's okay with Jim since two things already been covered. We had asked to have water, sewer, and sanitation to provide us just a short update on anything they would like to update everybody on and then those two questions that were answered that Eric had as well but that's done already so Mr. Mavromatis how did you want to go about having them do their update."

Mr. Mavromatis – "I have Mr. Jenkins here I will start with him first on the water. Then I will go to Mr. Baird on the sanitation and then Mr. Murphy on wastewater."

Jim Jenkins – "Currently we are still working on phase 1 and phase 2 of the valve and waterline replacement project. What's remaining in phase 1 we have 39 total valves that need to be asset; 16 of those are non-critical; 23 are critical. Once those are asset they will be put into order of replacement or repair of what they need if they don't need anything of course they'll be in good status. Phase 2 as you know waterlines have been replaced and are in service on Efts Lane, Wilshire Blvd., Starkdale, Braybarton Circle, 300 block of Braybarton, 3100 block of Whitehaven, and the 300 block of Linduff Ave. Efts Lane has been paved completely there's still a couple items that need to be knocked off of that with manholes raised and such. Starkdale has been paved. Braybarton area has been paved. Still left to be paved is Whitehaven Blvd. and Linduff and Wilshire along with those projects we've been working with the CDBG paving project as well. Seven hydrants were paid out of the CDBG funds from Adams St. to Cardinal for replacement. Those have been replaced. City crews replaced four hydrants on their own that were not able to be paid out of those funds but were still within the project so we'll replace those as well. The west end water tower project that's moving forward with preliminary engineering. Right now with those pressure loggers we put in the system we're trying to calibrate the hydraulic model for the distribution system. We have decided that it needs to be a 400,000 gallon tank in the west end and we're also looking at a pump station downtown; a booster pump station downtown where we will be able to have a secondary feed to the west end in the event that we had a major line break on our pumping line on Sunset Blvd. we would still be able to pump to the west end. As it stands right now that project is at five million dollars. We are looking at many possible funding sources. One is the ARC Grant from OMEGA we just recently got the project on the Cares Act List that's also through OMEGA and we're also on the EPA's funding list for 2021. Also with what the Water Department has been doing we're still finding leaks; we're still doing leak detection and stopping leaks just to figure we're all pretty proud of in the Water Department. In comparison to 2019 to 2020 so far in our distribution system through four months of production we're down 73 million gallons of production. So we have saved 73 million gallons of water in the first four months of this year compared to last year. So we're pretty proud of that and we're still working on that and if anybody has any questions I can address those."

Mr. Dressel – "That's an amazing amount of water."

Mrs. Hahn – "Are you still doing a comparison of building what would be a fourth water tower in the city on the west end giving us two water tower or also comparing it with just taking the current water tower out of play with the system of smaller tanks. Are you comparing the two? Has the decision been made when you'll bring something to Council for us to actually make a choice between the two?"

Jim Jenkins – "Currently we are not. After speaking with the engineering for Arcadis and myself and our operator Bob Dish we are not looking at a comparison. We think this is the only valuable option. We may cut something from this project if we don't want to spend it. I will not endorse nor will our operator of record endorse an emergency bladder system that will only last a half hour on our west end system. If there's a major break that will not carry our west end residents. It will not have a water supply and we'll end up in something similar to 2018 but will probably be much worse since we have more critical users on the west end system."

Mrs. Hahn – "So this will be a fourth water tower then is that correct?"

Jim Jenkins – "This will be a fourth water tower that is correct. This will allow us to maintenance the other west end tower."

Mr. Dressel – "That was the original plan many years ago so we're just going back to that."

Jim Jenkins – “That’s correct.”

Bob Baird – “Before I speak on sanitation if I can I’d like to speak to Mr. Villamagna question regarding signs. I will ask our guys to kind of put in a little extra effort in that. Any signage; he is correct any signage that is in city right of way or city property is illegal and we remove it. We tend to only remove it when we’re there working doing other maintenance but I can have the guys go out and address that. We had an issue where a call today regarding the corner of Lovers Lane and I believe Coal Hill there was a landfill sign or opposition to the landfill sign out there so and there’s a line of sight issue I think with that one as well. So we do that and just so everyone knows what we do is we pull those signs, we bring them back to the public works garage and we hold them for 30 days and the owners of those signs are able to come and collect their property. Then if they fail to do so at some point we do throw it away. So I will ask them to take a look at the issues that are out there now. Regarding sanitation we have seen an increase in the amount of garbage out there. I think in some respect it’s due to the corona 19 issue with the stay at home orders and schools and businesses being closed there’s a lot more waste being generated at people’s homes. So what we’re seeing is that our tonnage is not really going down. In fact in the middle of last year the city decided to get out of the dumpster business and while we are not seeing that revenue; what revenue we did see from the dumpsters we’re not seeing a big decrease in our tonnage. Year to date comparing January 2019 through April of 19 comparing to this year we’re only seeing a couple hundred tons difference in the amount of waste that we’re handling. Secondly it kind of goes hand and hand with that we are seeing a lot of requests for bulk collection. We are running 30 collections a week and that number; Spring time has always been heavier than fall when we look at 2019 compared to this year we kind of adopted this new program that we’re doing now in the second half of last year so by the time we did what we did the spring bulk pick up had already occurred. So if I look at May through December of last year that’s an 8 month period we did 345 special pickups. This year January through May which is just about 4 ½ months we’ve already done 342 so we are looking at approximately 100% increase in the volume there. I have spoken with the Finance Director there’s a lot of things in play and there’s a lot of variables and there’s a lot that’s going on and it’s really too soon to tell. I don’t expect that to continue. I do believe that is part of the situation and once things kind of return to normal I think we’ll see that tonnage go down but I mentioned it to Council because as long as our rates support what we do we’re good and if they don’t then we have to either look at our rates or at our service. So right now we’re seeing a pretty significant increase in the amount of waste out there. Month to month 2019 to 2020 we’re not really seeing a significant decrease in the amount of garbage that we’re handling. So our account basis is basically the same but our tonnage is going up. What good piece of news the JMHA we had dumpsters at that property when we got out of the dumpster business and they went with a private company to provide that dumpster service from that point they recently came back to us; got rid of the private company and we just recently delivered 56 cans to their north end housing property and that now becomes 56 new accounts for residential curb side collection so that context is additional revenue that we’ve kind of recoup or gotten back. That’s good news. We’ve seen an increase I don’t have a number for you tonight I can get it to you; we have seen an increase in residents requesting an additional cans. As you’re aware the ordinance allows residents to have up to three and again I think it’s kind of tied to the corona 19 issue with that people at home are generating more waste and they are calling for additional cans and we are able to provide that and but talking with Dave Lewis it’s hard to nail things down because we’ve made some changes and then we had some circumstances develop where it’s hard to know for sure whether you know if the number are solid so I would like to keep Council apprised in the future as time goes by it’s something we should keep our eyes on. Again it’s just a question of our rates supporting the services we provide. Council is probably aware I think you talked about it last week we started using dumpsters for our special collections it’s going pretty well. Again that is an effort to put some frame work or guardrails or control on that. This is free. It’s additional service with no additional charge and we’ve had some issues out there with just incredible obsessive amounts of garbage. So if there’s any questions regarding that we can discuss that also going forward but that seems to be working well for the men. It seems to be working well for the residents and it gives us some limit or some control over what we’re doing for no cost. The other thing that the men is the men seem to like; I always say it shouldn’t be like the NFL where by the time you’re 35 you’re banged up and beat up and your career is over. This is very helpful to our employees. If an employee wants to do a career here and retire from the city they should be able too. This helps them quite a bit. If we keep an eye on the numbers and our revenue and expenditures are I think we’ll know more once things kind of return to normal. But we are seeing an increase in volume. We have not seen the saving we thought we would see. The Finance Director again could tell you what we anticipated when we got out of the dumpster business with the volumes that we’re seeing now due to the circumstances that we’re in we’re not seeing that. At this moment it looks like maybe half of what was projected so that’s all I really have at this time.”

Mr. Petrella – “Bob you know I used the dumpster last week and I like it a lot. Is there a way that we can quantify because we’re using the dumpsters now to get bulk pickup tonnage?”

Bob Baird – “Yes that’s one of the things that we’re trying to do and doing it this way if we dedicate and I should say if we isolate that waste and then as we go along I’ll be able to tell Council exactly how much waste we have collected as part of these free collections; there bulk pickups. So exactly right by isolating it by picking up separately but having it in a different truck and getting that truck to the landfill and having those tickets we can track exactly how much tonnage we’re picking up as part of that program.”

Mr. Petrella – “Okay thank you very much.”

Chuck Murphy – “As far as our wastewater projects are concerned just a quick update; Second aeration and (inaudible) project we have those; finishing up the 90% plans from our engineering firm and then trying to get the PTI check the (inaudible) check; the permit to install check (all inaudible) have to do that to be able to do

any construction; get that authorization with Ohio EPA being out that's proven difficult because there's nobody there to receive the checks but given the impression they're going to be back in the office June 9th give or take but once that occurs we'll be able to have everything submitted approved and move forward so we can get that project off the ground this year for construction. COVID-19 has definitely played a role clearly in regards to our building to get this project off the ground. We expected to have it March/April you're probably going to be looking more towards June/July timeframe as a guesstimate. Also looking at the weather improvement plan with (inaudible) monitoring that process is already moving forward. The monitors were installed in March so we expect to go ahead and do what we have to do (all inaudible) according to the agreement with Ohio EPA and which will be March of next year we'll be pulling the meters. So far the good news with all the wet weather we've had we've been getting some pretty good data so far that's going to help us in terms of our future planning and future projects some issues that we're going to have to deal with to be able to go ahead and have a good idea what they should look like to go ahead and meet our obligations. CSO 6 and 7 we have to have that on hold as you know waiting for the data to come back from the monitoring that I just spoke of. Once sufficient data is there to be able to properly tie those lines in and make sure that everything is going to function properly regarding the plan to that project then the actual design itself will proceed forward and then we're expecting about 3 to 6 months of monitoring data (all inaudible) to accomplish that depending upon the levels of what (all inaudible) to make sure we have sufficient data. CSO 3 we are moving forward in terms of getting the (all inaudible) and surveying done as a matter of fact they're expecting that to occur sometime late this week to sometime next so that they can get the data that they need to be in the actual design process in regards to that and you know it's been a wet year for us. A lot more rainy days this year near record as I understand from what I've seen on the news as far as number of days of rainfall."

Mr. Dressel – "I have one quick question is 6 and 7 the area that involves the railroad issue or is that a different one?"

Chuck Murphy – "No that's the same one."

Mr. Dressel – "Okay thank you."

Mrs. Hahn – "Alright so we had the Parks and Recreation Board meeting last week. There are a couple of things that we need to discuss on the outset I want to say this that Lori led the meeting and she recommended to the board that they not have council reopen the community pool and the information that she gave she had on good authority and she went through specific items that were of real concern primary was that pools wouldn't be allowed to be opened until July 1st. There would be great restrictions on what could be used at the pool; numbers would be greatly restricted etc. and so based on that information she asked the Parks and Recreation Board to join her in this recommendation that Council not open the pool this year but the very next day Governor DeWine changed course from what his advisors thought he would do and he said the community pools could open as early as May 26th and some of the information was very different then what Lori had been led to believe would be the requirements. So I'm hoping between Lori and me we can perfect what the concerns are. I would just say (all inaudible) as we consider this; this is a very important and valuable community resource. They are people certainly looking forward to it and there isn't a private pool for a number of people to go too. It is the only pool and we had three at one time in our city, down to two, we went down to one and many people do not have a private pool to go too and so we don't think of this in terms; we've never thought of it in terms of a money maker but a service to our people. So I don't know the best way to proceed you know maybe I can toss the ball to Lori to have her present her take on it and then I have some thoughts I want to share and then I want to throw it open for a conversation and the reason why we can't just present this theatrically we can certainly table an actual vote on it until next week but we need to provide some direction if we won't vote for sure to close it for the season tonight because there are certain commitments that Lori would need from us to at least proceed and see how much more information she can get by next week. So if this is okay I would like to ask Lori to go ahead and present her information. I'll share my thoughts and then we'll just go through the roster and see where people are."

Lori Fetherolf – "Thank you Kimberly. So I had Karly email out last night what I had discussed with Kimberly yesterday and Jim Mavromatis so I'm just going to kind of quickly go over some of it. Well we always subsidize this pool; that's just a given. I thought it was important that we throw this number out so that we can get a big picture of how much we're subsidizing when we are in a situation where I don't have my two extra guys and there's quite a bit of equipment that I'm not going to purchase this year because we don't have money. So that's why I thought it was important to put the budget together. I will say as you look at the budget under expense the one thing that's not included under utilities is water because we do not pay for water so that is also a given as well because that is a huge usage of water there. I budgeted this on a nine week season because it would take us three weeks to get the pool open largely in part because I have no staff right now. So it would require finding staff and they have to have physicals, background tests, drug test, training and all that so I would need three weeks to get the water in the pool, get it cleaned, get some equipment that we have not ordered yet that I would have to have in order to open you have to have chemical feeders and stuff like that. So that's why we need at least a three week window to do that. Now you go on to the guidelines and while yes some of the guidelines that I mentioned that our Park Board meeting have changed my big stickler is the 6 foot social distancing requirements. Our pool square footage of the pool itself not deck, not grass would allow 60 people in the water. While we can add more people into the pool I have a difficult time telling 80 people that can come in but only 60 can go into the water at a time. So that's one of my big sticking points. While yes chlorine kills the virus at least as far as they know it does not kill it on the deck because there's no water. It doesn't kill it on the handrails coming in and out of the pool. It doesn't kill it on the chairs that people are using or the playground or any of that kind of stuff so we would have to at least every two hours clean everything. If we use chairs they

would have to be cleaned when somebody leaves and that leaves a chair so the cleaning would have to be mandated and guidelines and oversight to an extreme. We would also hire somebody to as I call it be the social distancing police because that is not a guard's responsibility to make sure that somebody is social distancing over in the grass area. That is somebody else's job. Now whether that falls under the pool manager that could very well be. That could be something that they do but there needs to be a specific person that is entrusted to do that and only that. Staff would have to wear masks with the exception of lifeguards we could make a written; as long as it's written and if somebody requested why they were not wearing masks we can provide that as to why they're not. Obviously guards need to blow their whistle and yell at kids so they couldn't wear a mask. All of the other staff have too that includes concession staff who would have to wear gloves and a mask even if we provide every packaged food and this is for the safety of our staff. I want to make sure that our staff is not going to catch anything. I was on a conference call today and here is how it was put to me you have to assume that everybody that comes into your has this virus so that you're keeping your staff safe and everybody else safe. You do that as you clean. You do that as everything so again as it's on the deck or the people are walking around the deck there is no chlorine there so just keep that kind of in mind. We would provide barriers between my staff and a customer so for example around a guard chair there would be a marked 6 foot area that nobody could go in including other staff. So staff they would be in one chair and one chair only for their entire shift. We would provide that for the desk staff and for the concession staff. There would have to be a protocol that we would have to come up with so that if somebody were to say yes I caught this at your; or I have it; how we could trace that back because that is our responsibility to notify people that there has been a positive case from somebody that was at the pool. I kind of thrown out some with Costa; I've had some conversations into what is our responsibility for both minor staff and minor kids. We discussed yesterday that we would make it probably make it mandatory that they have to be with an adult when they come in. Which again I am not opposed to that at all but that would limit the number of people that we have come in because 99% of the people we have are kids that do not have adults. It's a drop off at the door and they come in for the day and they leave at the end of the day. They're there for the whole day. We would have no rentals; no afterhours rentals although he did come out today and say the group gathering of 10 (all inaudible). I really still feel the rentals would have to be a no just for various reasons. Again the chairs, tables, life jackets, toys that we have I would probably recommend that we not use those if we chose to open just because it's too much of a how do I know those are being cleaned on a continual basis. One of my biggest concerns is whatever the guidelines are we have to follow those. I do not want to end up in a situation where the health department gets a complaint and comes out and fines us or closes us because we didn't follow something as far as the guidelines go. So that's kind of where I'm at. I did have a discussion with our insurance company and they basically said to me that while it would be very difficult for somebody to prove that they caught the virus at the swimming pool are we willing to spend the money to defend ourselves and they will not cover it. So the insurance company is out. They are out of that. They will not cover it so it would be city money that would come into play to cover anything if somebody would say hey I caught this at your place. It's a long shot but you don't know and is that a chance we want to take in doing it so my recommendation stays the same because I'm looking out for the safety of my staff and the community both in this in a situation where right now our playgrounds are not open, our rec center is not open, a lot of stuff is not open so do we say yes we can go for pool but we can't do the other stuff in town. So that's kind of my take on things."

Mrs. Hahn – "Okay and I had a couple quick questions and then just want to offer my thoughts and open it up. So one question I had was how many family passes did you sell last year?"

Lori Fetherolf – "Family passes we sold six."

Mrs. Hahn – "Okay so when we said you didn't want to sell family passes because you didn't want to turn people away from the door if we only sold six last year and we even sold 10 this year if all ten families came when the pool open you wouldn't be sending anyone away. So I don't know it rules out all I meant was I don't think it rules out the possibility of family passes we just have to figure out what the parameters are. Likewise we could start with saying no rentals but continue to see what ends up happening because the current orders that are in place until July 1st and it could be after July 1st you know the number of people that could be there congregating may go up again. So rather than say no rentals say at this time; I mean it's just a suggestion but to say at this time we're not doing that. Isn't that staff when people come in to purchase concession aren't they behind counters?"

Lori Fetherolf – "They are behind a counter yes but their face is right there with your face. Similar to Lowe's so if I'm at Lowe's that staff person is behind that counter but I'm talking face to face with them. So we would just put a piece of plastic across that opening so that I could still hear them of course the opening at the bottom would still be there but you would not be having that face to face without a barrier in there."

Mrs. Hahn – "Okay because really with that counter you're coming pretty close to that 6 foot distancing and if they have a mask on and they have gloves on they're not susceptible to getting."

Lori Fetherolf – "The counter is only three feet wide. So if my staff at the entrance and some child comes in and lays his money on the counter that's only a three foot distance. So I'm just going by what it said which was to provide barriers and so again to me it's about the safety of my staff and I don't want one of my staff minors or not coming down with something. It's just like the rest of the city departments now you know what measures have we've taken to make sure that they're safe. I got to make sure the same thing with my pool staff."

Mrs. Hahn – "It seems to me that there; we could come up with creative solution like with the lounge chairs if all the lounge chairs were cleaned and stacked when people came in we could say you are welcome to have a lounge chair but you'll be responsible; you're going to take it and put it in place and then when you're done with it would you please bring it back to us and then just stack the used ones in a different place so that that

pool manager he or she had time would clean those and put them back on the stack of the clean ones. It seems to me there's a way to work this that doesn't have to rule out what makes it easier for adults to be at the pool. But I had one other question and then I'll turn it to the other Council members because I'm sure they have questions. When you figure it can be only 60 people in the pool I was thinking about this you know a lot of people come with children who are learning how to swim and because there's no distancing required for family members are we sure that we can only have 60 people in the pool if in fact you've got say a mom with a three year old or four year old and maybe a six year old that they would need a buffer around them but they would not have to have a six foot distance between so perhaps we can have more than 60 people in the pool."

Lori Fetherolf – "You are correct to that. That is correct my big however to that is how can I one day say okay; it becomes a thing where how can my staff manage this? How are they able to manage this? So if I say to them you can have 60 to 80 people; well if it's a family you can have this many if it's not a family you can have this many I would just rather say we can have this set amount and that is it and if that's 80 that's 80. But turning people away I'm going to tell you is going to be an issue. It's going to be an issue when we averaged 65 last year; I know we discussed yesterday about not having dollar days but if it's a hot summer you know me turning people away is going to be an issue and so again you are correct a family does not have to social distance but we don't have lane lines; we don't have the ability to (inaudible) off 6 foot sections of the pool so it makes it already a difficult job for a guard to make sure all those kids are not spitting, peeing in the pool, and they do this they throw snot at each other. It's going to be hard enough for them to do that on top of the social distancing in the pool without having to worry about oh those are family those are not family. So I fully understand what you're saying but that's just my take on that."

Mrs. Hahn – "Could we go through the roll call Jerry and just have each Council member weigh in and ask Lori questions?"

Mr. Petrella – "There's a few comments. Just taking in and reading about different areas. One I'm very concerned about the insurance and being sued and our insurance company is walking away from us and it'll have to come out of city costs. Because we do not know what we're going to be losing right now. How much of an increase will it cost the city to monitor the guidelines? Does anybody know that?"

Lori Fetherolf – "I would say in this budget I have prepared an expense line that is all the staff that I need so that is correct that is in there. What is not in here is any additional costs for us to mark the concrete for social distancing, barriers that people needed, masks, gloves, those things that we normally do not have. That is not figured in here. I think we figured yesterday it would probably be somewhere around \$1,500 to \$2,000 additional money to do that kind of stuff."

Mr. Petrella – "And I don't want to get into a discrimination situation where people are going to be claiming once we hit our limit that we're turning people away. We have to be sensitive to that. Having the pool opened only when all the other facilities are closed; I don't like that idea at all. Either everything should be opened or nothing should be opened. I mean what's the difference if people are playing basketball and people swimming or people playing softball and people swimming."

Mrs. Hahn – "Chlorine kills the virus."

Mr. Petrella – "But it does not kill the deck. It does not kill the hand rails and so on and so forth."

Mrs. Hahn – "But the sunlight itself does have an impact."

Mr. Petrella – "I understand but it has the effect on the same way of baseball fields and basketball courts. Any outside activity. That's my thoughts right now."

Mr. Timmons – "Yeah I just have one question. So Lori if you could just and I know you can't give me exact numbers but I just want on average in a normal year how much does it take to run the pool? Or what do we lose basically because we said we don't make money off this obviously. I'm just trying to figure out are we pleased to lose the same amount if we open up this year?"

Lori Fetherolf – "We typically lose between 37 and \$40,000 depending on a lot of things; how hot is it; if I needed new chemical controller; if I needed new equipment those kinds of things but that's roughly it. You're paper says 35 because we would be opening on June 20th. It would be three weeks from now it's either the 13th or the 20th so that cuts into; usually we're open 11 weeks I took two weeks off of there."

Mr. Timmons – "Okay thank you."

Mr. Villamagna – "Yes Mayor thank you. Lori a couple questions for you. In my understanding the Park Board voted to keep the pool closed this year is that correct?"

Lori Fetherolf – "That is correct although it was based on some guidelines I was given last week before the official guidelines came out. I have spoken to Ken Peterson who is the President and he was still in support of closing the pool."

Mr. Villamagna – "Okay and my next question is how many years do you got in pool management?"

Lori Fetherolf – "I've been doing this for 31 years."

Mr. Villamagna – "And if I understand correctly your recommendation is to keep it closed for the remainder of the year?"

Lori Fetherolf – "Yes. Not that I want too but I think it's in our best interest as a city."

Mr. Villamagna – "Now your staff is basically high school kids is that correct?"

Lori Fetherolf – "High school and college correct majority are high school yes."

Mr. Villamagna – "Most are young adults or high school kids okay. The lifeguards the only duty they are allowed to perform is lifeguard work that would be correct right?"

Lori Fetherolf – "When they are on the deck lifeguarding that is correct. All they are allowed to do is lifeguards so while; let's say I have an extra guard there they could be assigned to do let's say some cleaning they could be assigned to that. The however comes in with depending on how many people are there so if we're limiting it to

60 people that's three lifeguards. That's the most I would ever have on staff would be three because we don't typically have more than that except dollar days. So one could clean if we had enough people that I needed to have three guards on deck then it would not be somebody; that cleaning would be left open."

Mr. Villamagna – "I think that everybody everywhere has to assume that everybody has the virus. That's why we're wearing the masks and that's why we have things closed because we're assuming that people are coming to do business with the city or any establishment could possibly have this virus. If a child or an adult; anybody is drowning at the pool they have to be removed from the water and they're unconscious and the lifeguard performs CPR whatever has to be done correct?"

Lori Fetherolf – "Correct."

Mr. Villamagna – "So there's a possibility that they could be infected also if the other person is infected because they're going to have some physical contact mouth to mouth with these people."

Lori Fetherolf – "Correct and the conversations I've had with aquatic business in the last few weeks that's a huge concern in fact they've gone as far to say they recommend that you buy bag a bag valve mask which they said good luck finding one right now but that's what they suggested that you're not doing actual mouth to mouth resuscitation but that is correct. You still have to get in and physically remove somebody. You're correct."

Mr. Villamagna – "The chlorine we've heard a lot about the chlorine and they say it kills it. I'm just going to say that it probably does but that's in the water but the latter coming out of the pool, the deck, the concession area, and the bathrooms especially because there's already been complaints about the bathrooms from last year. We got to keep the bathrooms cleaned and I was up there a couple times last year and they looked clean to me but I also understand that they have to be cleaned better than now with this going on. Now the insurance part Mr. Petrella brought it up and that alone right there we are going to be responsible with our own money to represent us in a lawsuit and we know how much it costs just for the insurance with the police and other things that have happened; couple lawsuits that we have still with them but and this isn't about losing money as far as I'm concerned anyways. This isn't about losing money because I don't think the pool has ever made money. It's for the protection of our employees and also the protection of the people that are coming there. I do not want to be responsible for somebody bringing this home to somebody else. Now the insurance part really bothers me the most because I wouldn't drive my car without insurance and this isn't the end of the world but we are in a crisis with the insurance, your recommendation, the park board's recommendation and you said you talked to Ken Peterson after and I'm assuming they still have the same idea. Now the one person I would like to ask is Jim our City Manager if he has a recommendation to what he thinks should happen here."

Mr. Mavromatis – "Bob I've looked at everything. I've talked extensively with Lori. I've looked at the paperwork that the Governor has put out. I've look at the paperwork that the CDC has put out and when you look at these things none of them want to make a 100% decision on what to do. They're trying to push this down as far as they can and actually to the local level. I'm concerned because we're not dealing with adults here we're dealing with children and what's bad about that is it's difficult sometimes to keep children to follow the rules on what they are even though we may have an adult that brings them in the question is what adult? If they're 18 or older they're bringing them in. They are an adult by statue but who's related to who? We don't know that. They're not walking in with birth certificates. The requirements that the State and CDC have added are cost issues. I do agree that yes chlorine does kill the virus and that's as far as it goes but when you look at reality of what's going on the swimmers are urinating in the pool, spitting in the pool, blowing their nose and washing it in the pool then they're climbing out of the pool and they're using the guardrails. To be absolutely safe every time someone comes out of there and they go on touching the steel railings it really needs to be wiped down to be 100% safe and even that's not a guarantee. But looking at all these and even looking at what happens if we don't our pool open? It's not the end of the world. People can get a \$20.00 pool at Kmart and let them splash around on their properties if they want. My concern is the safety of these citizens in Steubenville and my employees and what sealed it for me without question when I got the answer back from our insurance company that sealed it right there. My recommendation is that pool does not open. I do not recommend to my Council nor to the City that we do something that we don't have protection from insurance coverage. Anybody that drives a car with no insurance is committing financial suicide doing that and I clearly do not want our city in that category. We as a city and I say this clearly what has gone on here in the last four years where we have traveled; where our department heads have taken us; what we've tried to accomplish with this city has been remarkable. This is something nobody not Council, not just department heads, not me could've predicted what we would be dealing with right today financially and we still don't have our numbers yet. We're still looking 30 to 90 days to see where we're going to be financially and the last thing that we need that would clearly break our backs is a lawsuit and I don't have to; I mean I have a Council who I rely upon and he knows as well as I do what chances are in a lawsuit. Sometimes it's not very good only because time is on their side money is not on ours and it's not worth the risk factory. I've consulted with other City Managers they're in the same boat. They don't want to open up either or the words have not come out yet but they're getting close to saying they're not going to open up. But again I can't comment on what they do I can only comment in the position I'm in here and what I see and my recommendation is that this pool does not open. I know with a lot of families that is a hardship but there will be other things that may open up. We got activities in Beatty Park. You have activities in Belleview Park that may be able to open up that keeps the social distancing and no contacting whatsoever that's the whole key those are the two things. I don't think there's anybody that disagrees that this virus is transmitted the majority of times by contact person to person and it doesn't have to be physical it has to be an area where they have been; they breathe their molecules come out from spitting, talking, whatever touching, and then it's picked up so to answer your question Mr. Villamagna my recommendation to Council after looking at

everything and I've been watching every day following the briefs from our Governor, nationally and I'll tell you right now it's just starting. People are coming out of their homes they don't know where to go, what they want to do all I know is they're going and the social distancing has gone out the window and you just watch any of the news clipping at the bars at the restaurants and that's a shame because it's not worth to roll the dice or to take a chance on that because we need somewhere to take our kids. I understand that I truly do. I have a grandchild that's want to come over here and go swimming and take lessons and I can't offer that to him but his safety is my concern and then it clearly states people in the community well if you take that at face value I have to follow that. My grandson is not from this community he's from another state so that rules that out completely. So again you asked me for my opinion and based on the data that I looked at, the risk factors involved, I have to protect this city financially and protect our citizens here so that's why I've given you my recommendation."

Mr. Villamagna – "Costa with the insurance problem and possibility of litigation; your opinion?"

Mr. Mastros – "I did talk to our broker our insurance carrier (all inaudible) again his issue was to trace it back would be really hard but you do catch a lawsuit more likely than not it's going to be excluded and we're not going to cover it. I have an issue with that. I have concerns with that. Even if the issue of where did you contract it from is an issue in a lawsuit; I still have concerns. I also have concerns to that if we do open it we can't be lack on following all the mandated guidelines and even during some of those that are recommended so we would have to make sure that we have all the protocols in place to make ourselves as bulletproof as we can knowing well that if we did catch a lawsuit more likely than not it's not going to be a covered event. So I do have concerns and if you notice there is no liability exemptions at the State level or Federal level yet for employer or municipality to (all inaudible) lawsuit due to the COVID issue. They've not had that yet. So I don't know if they'll ever pass it at the State level or Federal level but those are my concerns."

Mr. Villamagna – "Thanks Costa. After Jim and Costa and everybody my opinion is to just stay closed but Lori maybe you can come up with some alternatives like a; I (all inaudible) contacted me today and said about a hike club at Beatty Park or maybe offer tennis lessons one on one at the tennis courts something like in that nature or maybe have some tether ball type championship; limited number of people participating every day at the MLK Center. That's just some things for you to think about that could possibly take some boredom out of summer but I think we have to pay attention to what we're doing with our money and also the safety. This ain't about money as far as the pool we lose money every year that ain't no big deal because it's for the citizens but I also don't want to jeopardize them. That's my opinion thank you."

Mr. Mavromatis – "Something else I would've covered later but I'll cover it now since we're discussing this and it involves this I stay daily and talk with our Health Commissioner sometimes 2 or 3 times a day. I watch the statistical data and I will give it to Council so they know now; Columbia County is 453, Belmont is 343, and Jefferson is 61. The reason I keep bringing these three up is we're sandwiched between these two counties and there's zero control between the counties who goes but the important thing you need to know and this is factual people have left Jefferson County to go to a birthday party in another county and they came back here and we're eventually were positive. The reason I bring that up that's factual and this could happen with anybody coming to the swimming pool that's systematic at best and come there, it's transmitted. We know nothing about this we may not know anything for a week or two until systems break out with a kid down the road. This is just not worth the roll of the dice thinking that we'll be okay. Kids don't get this; kids do get it just not as prevalent as adults do and the statistical data is there to show that children have gotten it; children have also spread it. So again this isn't about fear or anything. This is about reality and what we have to deal with here and that's the only point I want to make to Council."

Mrs. Anyabwile – "Yes sir I've been listening and it's a lot of hard facts against opening the pool. I have a couple questions is it 6 feet distancing while they're in the pool also?"

Lori Fetherolf – "Yes it is."

Mrs. Anyabwile – "And they have to wear masks in the pool? Is that one of the qualifications?"

Lori Fetherolf – "Correct that has been taken out. It is strongly recommended that they wear their masks when they're not in the pool. That they wear them on deck and when they're in the grass area. They do not want them wearing them in the pool that has changed."

Mrs. Anyabwile – "Okay. You know it's kind of hard to get passed this insurance company not insuring because of the liability. That's really difficult and that's sad that we can't even get that insurance for this because I mean there could've been ways around them like the 60 person capacity; we could post signs or people could have limited swimming like you can only come for two hours. Once you're done you have to leave and let other people come in. Groups could've had when they come into the pool different colored arm bands for their group so if you have a group that's purple that means the group that's pink you could see that you're not allowed to be with that group. Which you make it easier for the person that's policing the 6 foot distancing that that would make it easier for them. Also you were saying you could only be open until the middle of August or the second week of August when in actuality we could even be open on the weekends past the middle of August because it's still hot, kids would still need something to do on the weekends and with the colleges may or may not be opening you'll probably have more of the teenagers staying here doing online and also you can have Franciscan who are here. You know they could've been part of the lifeguard crew and part of the policing system and part of the crew that's keeping the pool clean like every hour going through the water hose and the bleach mixture to go and spray down things. I've gone to pools where there weren't even tables and chairs people had their blankets on the ground you know and that was their place and by us having a grass area it makes it easier so you don't have to even worry about having equipment. Some pools don't even offer pool toys because of drowning factors so it's just like playing in a pool. So I mean there are a lot of ways to work

around attendance at the pool. It's the one thing that's very difficult to handle is that the insurance carrier will not insure the city if there were a lawsuit. That's one of my big concerns. As far as backyard pools the preteens and teenagers are not going to swim in a three foot radius pool. My job is I drive up and down the streets almost all day and I see three or four teens walking now looking for stuff to do. My biggest concern again is what are we going to do for the kids that don't have anything to do whose parents are not going to spend \$20.00 on a backyard pool who some kids are not going to get in a three foot pool anyway because they're just not. What are we going to offer the kids this summer? And that's my question."

Lori Fetherolf – "I can answer some of that. The majority of the people we have you're correct there are teens that come to the pool but if you really think about if we average 65 people last year; if it's 65 people a day how many teens that are in town that are not going to the pool? So Henry and I are looking at other activities that we're going to do. The biggest thing they want to do is play basketball. Right now that's not allowed but that's the biggest thing they want to do. If the hoops were up; if we were allowed to put them up they would not be wondering around town. They would be at every one of our courts playing but we're not allowed to do that right now."

Mrs. Anyabwile – "But unfortunately basketball is a contact sport. The way I've seen it played street basketball they are touching each other. They are sweating. They're touching the sweat; they're wiping their faces; they're doing everything so I can understand basketball being more of a liability than a pool."

Mr. Mastros – "Mayor if I may I just want to make sure that I clarify certain things on the insurance issue. So when I talked to him it was more probable than not that we would not be covered but in the email that I was forwarded from him it was the language that he used was it may or may not be covered depending on the specifics of the policy related to the exclusion language. But I will say this if there's a doubt they're going to (inaudible) on the side of it being excluded. So I just wanted to throw that out there just to make sure that everybody understands it's more probable than not thing and but it depends on the policy's specifics in the (inaudible) language from experience I will tell you if it can be excluded they're going to exclude it. So I just wanted to make sure that I was clear on that."

Mr. Dressel – "Okay I'll be brief. My unofficial pole basically pulled up half in favor and half not in favor of opening however they're not in favor of ones were more detailed and as far as I'm aware there's no insurance company in America covering any liability per any entity for COVID-19 so we shouldn't expect that for anything that we do no matter if it's a pool or a restaurant or an office. Pandemic (all inaudible) is in the exclusionary language so (all inaudible). But I wouldn't open it until we are cleared of it continuing to spread because someone is going to have it who shows up. That's it."

Mr. Paul – "I'm not going to be on here long. I'm just going to bring up that we got 16, 17, 18 year old kids; we're going to be trying to maintain this social distancing, cleaning the pool, cleaning the hand rails, put up signs, and I don't think; I'm not worried about what it's going to cost. I'm worried about the safety of the kids. One thing I was thinking of is if you have a family of 10 come in; you could have a family of 10 come in so now you have that's only 50 other people that can come in and so if the family of 10 spreads out in the pool what do we do? Do we tell half the people that are in the pool you have to get out because the family of 10 is there because they are a family? I'm not in favor of opening the pool this year. It's not a money issue. It's not insurance. You're putting a lot of responsibility on these kids to (inaudible) and maintain something and they don't even know if they're going to start school in the fall. So we're going to let kids come to the pool. They spit water on one another; I'm just not in favor of it and I'm done. Thank you."

Mr. Dressel – "Can someone make a motion to accept the recommendation from the park board?"

Mrs. Hahn – "What were you saying Scott?"

Mr. Dressel – "I think we need to make a motion to accept the recommendation of the board and just get it over with. Why drag it out?"

Mrs. Hahn – "Yeah well I'll just express my heart on it. I'm really disappointed this is where we think to need to be and I think we really need to find ways to assist Lori in thinking through the recreational needs of these kids and their parents. This has to do with the mental health of our people. We're talking a lot about the physical health and well-being of people but there's also a mental health of being cooped up in their homes and having reasonable measures where people can get out. It's not about having enough money to do all kinds of things because they are plenty of people who do not have spare cash. Most especially during a time where so many people are unsure about whether or not they're going to continue to have employment and so I think we'll need to find a way to help extend ourselves. Bob you had some suggestions. I have certainly given her some suggestions. I think Little League is trying to think through how they can have some kind of a season. We need to think about this and also I think we need to press the Governor reform to try to find a way because even the university has begun to have to limit the kinds of activities that they're offering. They're not even going to officially offer tennis lessons because of liability issues and there just has to be at some point some common sense to come into play where we're not God, we're never going to be able to control everything and everybody and we're going to need to find a way to live in the mist of this pandemic and not just shut down life. It really breaks my heart to not offer something that could give some refreshment and as Lori said the splash pad is not likely to be opened because they can't even add chlorine to that. So we're going to need some alternatives and I don't know what they are. I think this has been very helpful to hear people's comments and I feel like the insurance company is deciding it for us and I don't like that."

Mr. Timmons – "I would like to say and as we talked this loses money every year 37 to \$40,000 you know we're not going to open the pool. I still would like to see us take that money and I mean this is something that we give back to the citizens every year I would like to take 30,000 of it and put it back into the rec department somehow. I don't know I haven't thought about it yet. There has to be something to do that we can put this

money back in for next year to make it even better when the pool opens up. Whether if we can decide what to use it for I think we need to put that money back in. I just wanted to say that.”

Mr. Dressel – “We need to make sure we have the 30 so let’s wait a couple months.”

Mr. Timmons – “Yeah I mean but we already budgeted that aside so that was my thought.”

Mr. Dressel – “It may not be there.”

Mr. Timmons – “Okay.”

Mr. Dressel – “Do you understand?”

Mr. Timmons – “Yeah of course. I mean we’ll look at that but if it is there and you know I do think that that’s something to do. I did want to mention I did talk to the Little League Ted Gorman and they had a board meeting last night and they also; they’re going to start their season on the 26th. It’s going to run about 6 weeks. They’re going to be playing teams from (inaudible) Ohio and T-Ball unfortunately is going to be cancelled but they are looking to forward their season so that is one league that will be around and give the kids something to do. Thank you.”

Lori Fetherolf – “I did want to say Mr. Timmons that the Park Board was adamant that the pool not sit for a year that we take this opportunity that it’s closed to address some of the issues that we’ve had. So you’re right the bathrooms are an issue. They’re in the process of being painted so we’d take that time and do some things that we wouldn’t have the opportunity to do so deck work we got to do so I will say along the lines of what you were saying I agree. We agreed that somebody would still be spent; how much I don’t know but that we would spend some time upgrading the facility.”

Mr. Timmons – “Thank you I appreciate. I think it’s a great opportunity to do that especially if we’re not going to be spending that money. It should go back to those kids and the city.”

Mr. Paul – “I have one complaint that I received tonight. It’s about Murphy’s field I was sent pictures today; I drove over there; did we not put money into laser leveling that field?”

Lori Fetherolf – “Yes we did.”

Mr. Paul – “Okay the pictures I have are the grass is about as high as the pitcher’s mound which is probably I think a pitcher’s mound for that quality of field is probably (inaudible) to 10 inches high; the grass is as high as that. There was (all inaudible) around the home plate area and they were also sweeping out along the batter’s box; sweeping the water out of there. I know we had rain last night. An employee was over there I won’t say anything else and one of the; there was a parent over there because what I’m getting at is Steubenville High School is going to use that field because during the summer months they are allowed to have hands on with their kids non-contact sport. So baseball being one, softball, Big Red is going to use that Pleasant Heights field is what I’m getting at. The employee told this person who is going to help the individual coach this year for Big Red the employee said well I’m not going to work on this field until the 25th of May and the 26th is the day they’re allowed to start and they would have a 22 game schedule approved by the Governor that they can use this field in the month of June so I was hoping that we could work on that field sooner than the 25th. Would that be feasible?”

Lori Fetherolf – “Yes. So to answer part of your question if Big Red High School is using it they have not asked for permission to use it. Little League has or Pony League does has permission. It was on my schedule this week I’ve been meeting with them every morning 7:00 and giving them directions. We were going to cut and take care of that field today and it rained. But yes I told all the fields are to be ready by the 26th. Every one of them. I said you got until then to get them ready so I whole heartedly agree with you; I’ve talked to Ted Gorman about possible putting some weed killer because there’s a ton of dandelions. We have some concerns about kids on that field but the staff person that said that was out of line because that’s not the stance that I take on that. Those fields need to be ready.”

Mr. Paul – “Well we know that person was out of line. I just wanted to let you know what this person was told today. So I’m not micromanaging you in any way I just wanted to let you know I think we need to get the fields ready because that might be the only thing we can do this year athletically. Thank you Lori.”

Mrs. Hahn made a motion to accept the recommendation from Parks and Recreation Board and the Parks and Recreation Director on closing the pool for the year 2020. Second by Mr. Petrella. Roll Call. All ayes. So moved motion carried declared Mayor Barilla.

REPORT OF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS

Mr. Mavromatis – “The majority I wanted to address with Council tonight has been discussed. I’d like to bring this up it involves Mr. Villamagna’s ward and it deals with the shirt White Oaks. The city has been approached and it was approached to me; I’ve talked with some of the Council but I wanted to bring it to all of you we are currently having work done down on Efts Lane. James White is the contractor and there are subcontractors involved and this would be with the subcontractor with the city and a partnership with the nine residents that live on White Oaks. They would like to have that road paved while they are out there working. The equipment is out there which doesn’t mean if they did do it now they wouldn’t have to pay additional money to have it brought in. They wanted one to be partners with the city to do this which we have the money based on the job that was out there and they will come up with half of the bill which is approximately \$20,000 is the cost to pave White Oaks. With the neighbors the nine of them chipping in together for \$10,000 and the city would cover the other and it would also be at the supervision of the city to make sure that it is done probably. So I wanted to bring this before you just to let you know it’s a great partnership. I have to tell you I was extremely surprised

that all nine residents that reside there agreed to do this. Is there any questions by Council that you may have or you Mr. Villamagna since it's your ward or Kimberly Hahn as Councilwoman at Large?"

Mr. Villamagna – "Well Jim I like the idea. I appreciate the fact that they wanted to do it and I say if we can accept it I think we can accept it and I've always been open with when citizens want to come forward with their own money I think we can do it. Half and half sounds good to me for the amount of money that is involved. That's my opinion."

Mr. Dressel – "Do we need a motion to accept that?"

Mr. Mavromatis – "We don't need one to answer your question but if you feel to do one let's do it then. We have a record of it and again as your City Manager I'm open to any offers by citizens of the city that want to do things like this but most importantly that we control it and we supervise it to make sure that it meets all the standards that we need."

Mr. Petrella – "Let me ask a couple questions. Is White Oaks paved already?"

Mr. Mavromatis – "Yes."

Mr. Petrella – "So they're going to resurface it then?"

Mr. Mavromatis – "That is correct."

Mr. Petrella – "Okay. And when was it on the paving list?"

Mr. Mavromatis – "It wasn't on the paving list."

Mr. Petrella – "Where does it fall in that five year list?"

Mr. Mavromatis – "I'd have to check. I went out and looked at the rode it does need to be grinded and repaved. Again it's not the normal amount of paving we're doing out on Efts Lane because of the amount that's traveling. You have nine families that live back there; far less than what travels there on Efts Lane."

Mr. Villamagna – "Craig I can answer you a little bit. I talked to Mike White Oaks is an unimproved street and it wasn't on the list to do it because we have Dresden Ave earmark now for the next unimproved street and Canterbury. So White Oaks was not in the near future. We started with those unimproved streets and Dresden has been on there a long time and so has Canterbury so that was the two that we came up with. I think you were here when we did that I can't remember who was here and who wasn't."

Mr. Petrella – "Yes sir."

Mr. Mavromatis – "That's correct Mr. Villamagna."

Mr. Mavromatis – "It's not on the paving list because it's unimproved."

Mr. Petrella – "Oh okay. I just wanted to know what type of street it was and I don't want to short change somebody who was on the list. You know and I understand that it's unpaved and that we should do it. That's fine with me."

Mr. Villamagna – "Just to be clear Craig nobody is going to be short changed because everything that is on the list is going to be taken care of. This is just additional because they offered to pay. That's all."

Mr. Petrella – "Okay."

Mr. Dressel made a motion to accept the partnership between the City and the nine citizens on White Oaks to spilt the cost 50/50 and pave White Oaks. Second by Mr. Villamagna. Roll Call. All ayes. So moved motion carried declared Mayor Barilla.

Mr. Mavromatis – "Thank you Council and the spokesperson for that group was Mr. Bill Blake and I will let him know tomorrow the support that Council gave towards that and again to all of Council that please if you have any areas in your neighborhood and we're out there working some streets and they want to participate in something like this I'm open to any suggestions that we can help get additional paving in our city and make our dollars go a lot further. That's all I have for this evening Mayor."

Mr. Villamagna stated how pleased he was with the work that was done on Efts Lane, Starkdale, and the other surrounding streets in his ward. He spoke with Mike Dolak and there's still more work to do but everything looks great.

Mr. Mavromatis – "I have one other thing for Council which they may or may not be knowledgeable about this. This just happened today it affects Mr. Villamagna's ward. Construction on a telephone pole was being done at Lovers Lane and Bryden Road; a contractor that was there struck a gas line. The gas had to be shut off which effected approximately 360 some homes, businesses on Sinclair, the gas company has been working with their subcontractors; there was no immediate threats to anyone but the line was contained; it's been fixed but they still have to go to every individual home and reset the pilots for the gas lines. So they will be contacting the home owners that were involved but I wanted to let you know that. That came out around 4:00 today I believe so again so far everything is fine there and they are turning on the gas lines to the homes."

Mr. Villamagna – "Jim do we know the residential areas that are affected? Do we have an idea?"

Mr. Mavromatis – "Yeah if you got calls Bob what I'm going to do is forward you the email that I got but it's from Lovers Lane and Bryden Road South pretty much; all of country club and even my house was effected there on coal hill so it went that whole length. The gas issues on Sinclair; it effected some of the stores at the mall; the dialysis place and Villa Vista but again the line has been fixed. They immediately went to the homes there, the dialysis place; those first and then they'll start working their way out to all the individual customers there. So I just wanted to make sure that Council was aware because of the calls you may get. News 9 has been notified. That's all I have this evening Mayor."

Mr. Mastro – No Report

MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS

PUBLIC FORUM

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

ATTEST: _____
CLERK OF COUNCIL

APPROVED: _____
MAYOR