

**MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING**  
**June 9, 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 Anyabwile, Dressel, Hahn, Paul, Petrella, Timmons, & Villamagna.

Also present; City Manager Jim Mavromatis, Law Director Costa Mastros, Police Chief Bill McCafferty, Fire Chief Carlo Capaldi, Urban Projects Director Chris Petrossi, Parks and Recreation Director Lori Fetherolf, & Linda Harris from the Herald Star.

**APPROVAL/CORRECTION OF MINUTES**

Minutes were approved by Mrs. Hahn for June 2, 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. 2020-32 – BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**Messrs. Paul, Dressel, Timmons**

**A RESOLUTION ADOPTING AMENDMENTS TO THE CITY OF STEUBENVILLE’S F.Y. 2019 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN PROVIDING FOR THE USE OF CDBG-CV CARES ACT FUNDS.**

Mayor Barilla – “You’ve heard the reading of Resolution No. 2020-32. If there is anyone wanting to speak on Resolution No. 2020-32 please state your name.”

Mr. Villamagna made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2020-32 by roll call. Second by Mr. Paul. Roll Call. All ayes. So moved Resolution No. 2020-32 is duly adopted declared Mayor Barilla.

**NO. 2020-33 – BY THE PLANNING COMMITTEE**

**Messrs. Villamagna, Hahn, Petrella**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER AND URBAN PROJECTS DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE A SUBRECIPIENT GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE URBAN MISSION MINISTRIES, INC. FOR THE USE OF CDBG-CV CARES ACT FUNDS FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF THE ROOF AND RELATED IMPROVEMENTS AT THE DORMITORY HOMELESS SHELTER LOCATED AT 142 N. 6<sup>TH</sup> STREET, STEUBENVILLE, OHIO.**

Mayor Barilla – “You’ve heard the reading of Resolution No. 2020-33. If there is anyone wanting to speak on Resolution No. 2020-33 please state your name.”

Mr. Villamagna made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2020-33 by roll call. Second by Mr. Timmons. Roll Call. All ayes. So moved Resolution No. 2020-33 is duly adopted declared Mayor Barilla.

**NO. 2020-34 – BY THE PLANNING COMMITTEE**

**Messrs. Villamagna, Hahn, Petrella**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER AND URBAN PROJECTS DIRECTOR TO ADVERTISE FOR PROPOSALS FROM QUALIFIED SERVICE OFFERORS FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION AND OPERATION OF A MICROENTERPRISE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AND RELATED SERVICES, AUTHORIZING ENTERING INTO CONTRACT BASED ON COST AND QUALIFICATIONS, AND AUTHORIZING PAYMENT THEREFORE.**

Mayor Barilla – “You’ve heard the reading of Resolution No. 2020-34. If there is anyone wanting to speak on Resolution No. 2020-34 please state your name.”

Mrs. Hahn – “I just had one question; I wasn’t quite clear is all of this going to be managed by Chris Petrossi’s office and then people who want to have businesses will come to him to get small grants from this (inaudible). Is there a different entity who’s going to be managing this?”

Chris Petrossi – “What we’re proposing; what this resolution will do will enable us to advertise for consulting services for a consultant to assist us with the administration of the Microenterprise Assistance program. Through that program which a high definition assist businesses with five or fewer employees existing or proposed businesses; technical assistance is provided to assist with growing their business.”

Mrs. Hahn – “Thank you.”

Mrs. Anyabwile – “So if there like a limit of funds that the businesses get?”

Chris Petrossi – “The businesses won’t actually get funds there will be no actual dollars. It will be technical

assistance that will be provided in the form of training, advisor assistance, mentoring those types of activities.”

Mr. Dressel – “Just to clarify this is what Paramount presented to us more or less right?”

Chris Petrossi – “In part it is. They also proposed a mainstream program that isn’t part of this and we also have added some additional things that we’re requesting that a consultant to administer this program providing including design assistance as well as linkages with continuum of care services.”

Mr. Dressel – “Okay so it’s like that. Thank you.”

Chris Petrossi – “its similar yes.”

Mrs. Anyabwile – “I still don’t understand. Is that grant money that’s coming to the city and then the city trains people for their businesses?”

Chris Petrossi – “That’s correct.”

Mr. Dressel – “There’s not a specific grant though is there?”

Chris Petrossi – “No there’s no specific grant or dollars to businesses no. It’s all training, technical assistance, and mentoring as well as design assistance and linkage with continuum of care services.”

Mr. Petrella – “I think for clarity care sake is it CDBG funds or is there a grant associated with it?”

Chris Petrossi – “The project is being paid for with the CDBG-CV Cares Act Funds. So the source of the funds for the activity is grant funds. There was no actual grant of dollars to businesses. What the grant funds will pay for will be the training, the technical assistance, the mentoring and then the linkages with other services.”

Mrs. Anyabwile – “So when you actually go out and recruit these small businesses and is there some kind of tracking device that we know you know what businesses are being targeted?”

Chris Petrossi – “Yes part of the program would be marking the program and recruitment of individuals existing the proposed that would be operating these microenterprises.”

Mr. Villamagna – “It’s basically gears towards minorities and low income people who can’t do this on their own without some help from these people. Would that be a correct statement?”

Chris Petrossi – “Yes because we’re using CDBG funds for this any beneficiaries or anyone that would take advantage of the program would have to income qualify as a lower or moderate income household.”

Mr. Villamagna – “So this isn’t for a business that’s running a multi-million dollar business already. This is for minorities and low income basically is what it’s for.”

Chris Petrossi – “Yes you would have to meet HUDs income guidelines in order to qualify.”

Mrs. Anyabwile – “So it’s to start a business or to grow your business?”

Chris Petrossi – “That’s correct.”

Mrs. Anyabwile – “And city employees are going to be the mentors in helping these businesses grow?”

Chris Petrossi – “No. The mentors could be for example if you need legal assistance you would be linked with an attorney to provide that legal assistance and act as a mentor for that part of it. So if you needed accounting assistance you’d be linked with an accountant. So city employees would not do that other experts in those fields would be the mentors.”

Mrs. Anyabwile – “But the city would be the ones who are advertising these services for these small business correct?”

Chris Petrossi – “Yes the city would be administering the program. There will be small businesses; individuals will be recruited to participate in the program. Once they qualify then the training and technical assistance will be provided.”

Mrs. Anyabwile – “How long is the program supposed to last?”

Chris Petrossi – “Approximately one year.”

Mrs. Anyabwile – “Will we get reports throughout the year to find out who’s using the services?”

Chris Petrossi – “We’ll get monthly reports.”

Mayor Barilla – “Okay I’m going to end the discussion on this.”

Mr. Villamagna made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2020-34 by roll call. Second by Mr. Timmons. Roll Call. All ayes. So moved Resolution No. 2020-34 is duly adopted declared Mayor Barilla.

**NO. 2020-35 – BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE – 1<sup>st</sup> reading**

**Messrs. Paul, Dressel, Timmons**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE EXISTING TABLE OF ORDINANCE (ORDINANCE 2019-96) AS IT RELATES TO THE WATER DEPARTMENT ONLY.**

**NO. 2020-36 – BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**Messrs. Paul, Dressel, Timmons**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2019-96, THE EXISTING TABLE OF ORGANIZATION OF THE CITY OF STEUBENVILLE REGARDING THE POLICE DEPARTMENT ONLY AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Mayor Barilla – “You’ve heard the reading of Ordinance No. 2020-36. If there is anyone wishing to speak on Ordinance No. 2020-36 please state your name.”

Mr. Paul called question. Roll Call. All ayes. So moved Ordinance No. 2020-36 is duly adopted declared Mayor Barilla. This ordinance will go into effect upon the Mayor’s signature.

**REPORT OF COMMITTEES**

Mrs. Anyabwile – “Yes you’re Honor I have a couple of things. For the Pride Committee as of this weekend we’re organizing a lot clean up on Terrace Ave. Some people have already come out in support and already started to clean up so Saturday we will have volunteers in their neighborhoods go through on Terrace and then also on Rosswell we’re going to do the same thing up there including the back alleys that are just horrendous. So those are a couple things and while talking to residents in different areas a lot of them don’t realize the free trash pickup that they are entitled to twice a year. I know they’ve been announcing it. A lot of people still don’t know; a matter of fact some people are even storing things in their garage waiting for a pickup. So you know as I’m going through the neighborhoods announcing the trash pickup for Saturday; well you know the clean up the neighborhood on the flier I put the information where they can call. So I’m requesting if we can at least put you know the announcement on the water bills giving the information and the extension for who to call for the trash pickup that they get two times a year and I know it’s going to take more than one time because even advertisers say it takes a total of at least nine times for a name of a product for a person here for them to you know it get into their memories. So can we get an announcement on the water bill you know at least a few months so people will realize that that service is available? Thank you.”

Mr. Dressel – No Report

Mrs. Hahn – “Okay I’ve got a couple of things here so our next Parks and Recreation Board meeting will be this coming Wednesday. We will meet in Council Chambers at 7:00 p.m. Jim did you have any guidance on whether or not you want people to wear masks or how that is being handle?”

Mr. Mavromatis – “Well right now we’re still under the guidelines on a certain amount of people that can come in so that will be regulated and they should have masks when coming in.”

Mrs. Hahn – “Okay and there won’t be a lot of room for the public.”

Mr. Mavromatis – “That’s correct.”

Mrs. Hahn – “But is it possible; will you have a phone number for any board members that need to call in instead of participate live or also our parks and recreation committee which would be Craig Petrella, Eric Timmons, and myself.”

Mr. Mavromatis – “Well for you two it’s the same number you called tonight and Lori will make sure that the people that aren’t coming in will have the number.”

Mrs. Hahn – “Okay great and then I wanted to remind people; it would be wonderful if we were able to pull off having our free fishing day like we’ve done in the past. I haven’t heard yet about that but the State of Ohio has declared Father’s Day weekend which is June 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> as two days that in the State of Ohio you are not required to have a fishing permit to fish. So just want to remind people this could be a great time to bring your family, sons, nephews, grandsons to the marina to fish and you don’t have to worry about a permit so June 20 and 21 are the days that are free in the State of Ohio. Also the next Friends of the Marina will be meeting in the basement of Froehlich’s Restaurant on Thursday June 18<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 and we’re still working out the details of Friends of Beatty Park. We’ll hope to have that date and time very soon. That’s all.”

Mr. Paul – “Good evening you’re Honor I have two items. One is kind of like a response to what Mrs. Anyabwile said a little bit ago the JB Green Team this weekend; there is a household hazardous waste collection; they do this every year; it’s on June 13<sup>th</sup> and it’s out by the old Sears building lot. What you can get rid of at this time is like household cleaners, acid based chemicals, lawn and garden chemicals, pool chemicals, aerosols, roof and driveway sealers, lightbulbs with mercury, acid and (inaudible) batteries, automotive fluids like motor oil, antifreeze, things such as gas; gasoline, kerosene, tanks and (all inaudible) solvents. This is what they will not pickup no commercial business waste, pcps, transformers or capacitors, no compressed gas, no explosive ammunition, no appliances, televisions, computers, anything of that nature. You have to have a proof of residency it’s from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Saturday at our Fort Steuben Mall at the old Sears building and you’ll have to get in line. You can also bring propane cylinders; there’s a list. What I can do; I can send it back to Karly because I can’t remember how long ago I received this from her but it’s always good to have this. You can take batteries, old fire extinguishers, pesticides and it’s this Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and you just get in line and you don’t even have to get out of your car. You just drive through the line. It can get kind of extensive at times. Another thing under the finance committee I don’t know if Judge Mascio is on the phone but I know that he had asked; I think a lot of us received; I know all of us received something he was asking about a mental health course. I’m going to bring up an ordinance and it’s an ordinance amending Ordinance No. 2019-96 of the existing table of organization in the City of Steubenville regarding the Municipal Court Department only and what Judge wants to do is he’s going to try and have a mental health court if you recall; maybe Costa you can help me with this. Can you speak on this Costa?”

Mr. Mastros – “Yes sir I can. I think it was last Thursday I sent out an email to all of you; Mr. Mavromatis, Mr. Lewis, and myself received an email from Judge Mascio; he has applied to the Ohio Supreme Court to be certified as a mental health court and it has been approved; it has also been approved for some grant money to run (all inaudible) I guess that has been approved as well. However part of the process of being certified as a mental health court it has to create the position of mental health coordinator and it has to be created not only to coordinate the court but also to be certified as a mental health court. The salary will be \$38,000 a year plus benefits. He wants to fill this position in the very next year. He said an emergency ordinance was not necessary but he wants to do it sooner than later so we would need to amend the TO just to create that position of mental health coordinator; that salary will be paid from the grant that he received that has been approved for. He’s also making another application for the salary in 2021 and I thought Judge Mascio was going to be on the call if you all would like I really wouldn’t have any problem next week (all inaudible) to explain it a little bit better but this is kind of a new trend that the Ohio Supreme Court is trying to do and I know from my own experience that this would be kind of welcomed. I’ve had a few clients that are legitimate mental health issues and so it’s very hard

to deal with them in the criminal court system but this will at least help address those issues from a different task if you will; not totally criminal court but also get people services that they need so that's the basis of the request and the (inaudible) of what he's trying to do."

Mr. Paul – "And if I'm not mistaken Mr. Mastros isn't he going to; the magistrate that we have right now is going to retire at the end of the year and the Judge said the magistrate will not be filled so part of that (all inaudible) will be filled with that magistrate's salary. Is that correct?"

Mr. Mastros – "That is correct. So the magistrate position at the end of the year or maybe even sooner from what I understand but definitely by the end of the year on the next TO when we do one at the end of the year that position will be removed from the TO and that salary I believe is about \$13,000. I'm not sure if there are any health benefits with that so there's obviously (all inaudible) benefit with that so that's 14% of the \$13,000 so that will free up money as well. It would be later on after the grant money might run out after 2021. He's pretty confident in getting the 2021 grant money but nothing is guarantee but yes you are correct Mr. Paul. So that position will leave the new TO which will be at the end of the year like we always do and that money will be freed up as well."

Mr. Paul – "Thank you sir. That's all I have."

Mr. Petrella – No Report

Mr. Timmons – "Yes just a couple things. Jim I had sent you an email about 1242 Oak Grove and then the house to the west of that I know I believe Mrs. Hahn was up there as well but I did get a citizen complaint about those two locations and the backyard is really bad at 1242 Oak Grove and then the one next to it when I was up there I couldn't even find an address on the building but the door is wide open anybody can go in there so there's a concern there for safety reasons. So if you could look at that one and then I don't think I emailed you on this one yet but the lot next to 1217 Oregon is also in bad shape so if you could take a look at those and let me know I'd appreciate it. And then just a follow up on Asantewa's; about the pickup I also received a lot of people still asking if we're still going to have spring and fall pickups and I was just looking on our city website and I don't see it anywhere on there. I think it would be beneficial to put that on the sanitation page at least what is the process; what number do they call; there are definitely still some questions and a lot of people don't know about it. Just a suggestion but thank you. That's all I have."

Mr. Villamagna – No Report

## **REPORT OF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS**

Mr. Mavromatis – "Thank you Mayor. I just wanted to bring up and clarify so Council is aware we plan on opening the City Building on June 22, 2020. I've just been notified by a vendor that we'll finally be receiving thermometers that we've been requesting for the past month so we will need that when we open our building based on the recommendations from the State of Ohio; the Health Department. June 23<sup>rd</sup> will be the Council Meeting and we will follow the mandated requirements that the State requires. As of right now if we did open it we're still under the ten person rule which we'll have to follow. That will be lifted but they will require facemasks being contained in one room but we do have the six foot separation; we'll be able to set up for Council when they come back. Mr. Dressel the three items that you sent me here you asked about body cameras and when. Right now the people that have body cameras are our detectives in narcotics and our regular detectives division. They are plain clothes operation. Our Police vehicles are equipped with the VICs system and the VIC system is operated when the red lights are turned on or when the officer manually turns it on so it does record. Any recording that's going on between the traffic stop or the contact with the individual. We need additional funding which I am looking for; they are costly; the body cameras and also the storage requirement that the State mandates when you have body cameras but right now we've been able to accomplish what we've need with the VICs camera. You asked about the choke holds, knees, legs, necks; we currently have a department policy of the use of non-deadly force and deadly force both of these policies were written back in November of 13 and approved by the Department of Justice and these are the policies that we are following. What I'm going to look at here because it should of either if it isn't this week, next week, the Department of Justice is looking on sending out a new standard for Police Departments and I'd like to address this when those come out and then we'll go from there and Council will be briefed on them. On our Police test we ended up with seven candidates with the final test being given and the processing here. Our Civil Service Commission sets the standards that's with the input from the Chief of Police and or City Manager if necessary and we currently have good candidates on that list. One of them for sure does not have his certification by the State which appears again based on COVID-19 the next closets date will be August the 18<sup>th</sup> or 19<sup>th</sup> of this year. We currently have three openings. One is going to be hired Friday and this is the notification to all of Council at 2:00 p.m. this Friday in Council Chambers Patrolman Lulla will be promoted to Sargent Lulla and then we will have a new Police Officer on board that day to fill that vacancy. We're looking at all the candidates; we do have a minority which is an excellent candidate on there but again as I said earlier this particular candidate does not have the Police Certification. We hire this person who goes to the academy we do not have that person available for at least six months and we also haven't heard yet from the State which is the Ohio State Academy they normally; when I say fund these positions the only thing they don't fund is the salary we pay that but they pay for the food, the lodging while they are there at the training center so it's a little too early to tell what we'll be able to do. A lot of our training of our officers we've tried to send them to naturally have been postpone because of the coronavirus and things are starting to loosen up now so again we're staying on top of that. Mr. Dressel are those the three issues you had in mind there?"

Mr. Dressel – “Yeah I guess what I wanted to clarify was that our application for the Police Department are opened to anyone who meets the requirements. Everyone is given the same series of tests and does everybody have to go to the Police Academy or have some other kind of experience?”

Mr. Mavromatis – “If they are already certified by the State of Ohio they do not. You have in some cases we’ve had applicants that have gone to EGCC, taken the state exam and passed and correct me Chief it’s good for one year if you haven’t been hired. You have one year to get hired.”

Chief McCafferty – “(All inaudible)”

Mr. Mavromatis – “So if they pass the certification test at EGCC they have one year to get hired but again we have several of our applicants are on other departments; they are certified so it’s a matter of being with their training officer when they come on board but what it gives you; they’re a certified officers; they have arrest powers; it actually gives you in a lot of cases a two man police unit even though the one is with a training officer so that is beneficial at the time there.”

Mr. Dressel – “Okay thank you.”

Mr. Mavromatis – “You’re welcome Mr. Dressel. Sunday we had a protest here that started at 5:00 ended around 7:30; we had absolutely no issues with the protestors what so ever. The only issues that came up there were two or three speeders that came up and down Market St. and if we should have protestors again what we will do is have a couple cars with radar to monitor this traffic. My concern was for the safety of the protestors. We had barriers available if needed but due to the number they can stay on the sidewalks on both the north and south of Market St. so again no issues what so ever; very peaceful and they expressed the concerns that they had. I have who is also here tonight to speak to Council is I have Lori Fetherolf that she would like to brief Council on some issues with the Parks and Rec. I will keep Council apprised as these things change with our requirements on opening business, holding meetings, so you’re held up to date but I’ll be very candid with all of you they change some times from week to week or day to day but we’ll keep you apprised of that. That’s all I have for this evening.”

Mrs. Anyabwile – “And what are the number of COVID cases do you have that for this week?”

Mr. Mavromatis – “I didn’t get that for the day. I glanced this morning on the news Columbiana County; our cases are 68 in Jefferson County right now; our biggest issues are the northern county Columbiana and our southern county Belmont because we’re between both of those.”

Mrs. Hahn – “I have one quick question because (all inaudible) can I go ahead and ask now or do we want to come back to it?”

Mr. Mavromatis – “Go ahead Mrs. Hahn.”

Mrs. Hahn – “So since driving up and down LaBelle and Pleasant Heights there are so many violations having to do with the overgrowth. I mean there are places where the bushes are beyond eight feet tall and the house that Eric mentioned the door has been broken open for a long time the hinges are just rusted. There are people who are working so hard on their property and this is not right and I know we’ll not be able to address it well from a distance but when we get back together we have got to take this seriously and in the mean time I want the forms that we’ve talked about created so that our Police Officers and our garbage collectors will have those forms (all inaudible) because we need those doing code enforcements to really follow through and we can make it easy for the Police Officers they don’t even have to hunt; (all inaudible) they’ll have a whole list of people though and very quickly note the violation. It is becoming a health hazard; the bushes and the grass are so tall that there are animals in there; there are animals in the house because the house is opened. It’s not secured and it’s going to be a challenge to the safety and wellbeing (all inaudible) where any person could just (inaudible) that house and any activity that’s not legal and then (all inaudible) today the dumpster; that dumpster has been full of (all inaudible) demolition on Pennsylvania Ave. and McDowell; they filled that dumpster months ago why have they not hauled that away? And how are we going to follow through on that? (All inaudible) demo until they haul that away.”

Mr. Mavromatis – “Well Chris can control that part on the dumpster. Just so you’re aware and other Council is aware we do get a tremendous of help from our community service but due to the COVID-19 and the restrictions that have been placed on them working together because I’ve talked with our Code Enforcement Officer and what you sent me Mrs. Hahn and what Mr. Timmons has sent me he is aware of those locations. Now just the one that you talked about here he has moved that to the top. As soon as we can get this manpower here. That’s been part of the biggest problem. Then the amount of rain that has come down but when you have that loss of manpower because of the restrictions that have been placed on our community service people that’s where a lot of the issue (inaudible) and when we get that manpower back yes it’s going to be playing catch up all over the city. But I wanted you to know that everything that was sent to me.”

Mrs. Hahn – “Well some of the people who have lived in that Pennsylvania area you know really suffered through years of the one (inaudible) dilapidated house and finally that one came down by the time it came down the one next to it was missing a wall and it took us another two and a half years to get that demolished. We’ve really waited a long time to have something that looks; it’s just grass and I really feel bad that it’s completely over grown; the grass is more than two feet tall and then this dumpster has sat there forever. But the people who live around that area deserve better. So thank you I’m glad that’s being moved.”

Mr. Mavromatis – “And to all of Council I appreciate when you sent me the pictures and the locations because it makes it easier to get to our Code Enforcement on anything whatever the case may be and Mr. Villamagna I have the photo that we discussed earlier and I will talk with Mr. Dolak and what we need to take care of that. Thank you.”

Lori Fetherolf – “Okay so just a quick update on the parks situation of things being opened and closed so playground are due to open tomorrow. I have been in contact with the Health Department because the State

guidelines are once again very confusing; mainly on how we have to clean and how often we have to clean them. So I've been in contact with the Health Department I just have to run it by our Law Director to make sure we can do this. Their suggestion was you put a sign up that says use at your own risk; please wipe it down; list some of the guidelines those kind of things. Basketball is still off limits; no basketball, no volleyball, no football obviously so the basketball rims cannot go up yet. Splash pad I have to contact the person at the Health Department that in charge of pools only because our splash pad has no chlorine in the water and so I want to make sure that meets the guidelines. Shelters and the MLK Center will be discussed at tomorrow night's Parks and Rec Board meeting so that we can get some guidelines on; we can come to a decision when the MLK Center can open. What I was told today on a conference call was things change every day; tentatively it was supposed to be all of the contact sports were supposed to be able to be played as of July 1<sup>st</sup> but I was told today that that probably will change as pressure comes from various organizations and companies so it's kind of a fluid thing right now what we're dealing with but I just kind of want to update people because there's a million questions going on; do we rent shelters? Do we not rent shelters? Those kind of things so the Park Board will be discussing that and making recommendations tomorrow night. Thanks."

Mr. Mastro – "One thing Mr. Mayor. So you all will be receiving after the meeting and I apologize that I couldn't get to it sooner but that's okay. This is a huge time crunch. So you're going to get an email from me regarding the Cares Act Funding that is going to be administered by the State of Ohio; some of you may have received an email from the Ohio Municipal League so the State of Ohio (all inaudible) 310 which is the legislation that provided distribution system for these Cares Act Funds for local government with population below 500,000 it's almost done. In order for municipalities like ours to receive distribution we will have to pass a resolution and that resolution will state that we are going to follow the federal guidelines on eligible expenses and we'll be required to register the contact information and/or what's called a (inaudible) number with the State of Ohio grant office. Then we'll also have to register through the Ohio Office of Budget Management Grant Portal so I will email that to everybody tonight as a sample resolution to be sunshine next week and we'll be looking at it; I'll get with Mr. Lewis and we'll look at the eligible expenses (all inaudible) of how the funds are supposed to be met; how it's supposed to be spent and what are recording obligations are regarding that and then we will get back to you as well. You know I think we should pass it just in case we want to do this it's money from the State of Ohio I believe (all inaudible) we will square this away; this isn't a loan or anything like that this is basically just grant money to help with our income tax sufficiency that we actually (all inaudible). SO you will all get an email tonight regarding that and hopefully by next week as well we'll have more information for you but we'll have information for you before you pass it and that's all I have Mr. Mayor."

## MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS

Mayor Barilla – "Alright we'll move onto miscellaneous reports this evening and signing in this evening is Mrs. Anyabwile.

Mrs. Anyabwile – "Yes thank you sir. A couple of things first I want to apologize for my ignorance last week when you had salaries listed for positions and you had the yearly salary and the hourly salary and after the decimal point I think you had expanded it 4 – 6 places and I wasn't aware that's how salaries looked because I've never seen it like that. As I said I'm still learning you know as my ignorance as I've been learning everything but I will ask questions of what I don't understand. The second thing is I've been at least to tow of the protests that have been going because of the murder situation of Mr. Floyd. I've been to protest throughout my life and I just want to say that to most people, people want respect, people want to be treated fairly and people want to be heard and you know when people aren't heard people get upset and I think that the communication lines aren't open that that just fuels more. But when people actually listen to each other and find out you know how things could be improved I think you see you know more community and during the protest here in Steubenville they have been very peaceful and people are listening and I think that's a good thing. So having said that I want to when we get back together face to face that we revisit; I don't know if it was a law or if it was a request ordinance of people having to sign up four days in advance to be heard at City Council. We're supposed to be the ears and the voice of the people and if something happens between Friday and Tuesday people don't even have a chance to express themselves and I'm not saying people bum rush at the last five minutes you know right before the meeting to sign up because they may be angry. I'm saying maybe 5:00 Tuesday would be the deadline that they could call in you know and want to be on the community form because I think people if you stifle what's on people's minds you know that just instead of (inaudible) maybe the fury that's going on but if people get the chance to be hear and responded too I think that helps the line of communication. Thank you very much."

Mr. Petrella – "Yes you're Honor. On the hazardous pickup I just want to make the comment there will be a photo ID that you have to present in order to drop that off so make sure that everybody is aware of that and some weeks back I mentioned about the trash pickup and because I had it done at my house and they dropped off a dumpster for me and it was very nice and I think the way the sanitation department is handling it is very good because you can quantify how much bulk pickup is being done and to see what that cost is costing us for those two free pickups. Third item is weeds and litter again I mean I went down on Murphy's field on the corner of State and Cedar that entrance is almost completely blocked because of weeds and litter and there's a house that sits right there on the corner which is abandoned; the doors are kicked in and open. I agree with Kimberly and Eric I think once we get back into City Council whatever committee such as Councilman Paul said last week whatever committee it is we need to sit down and address these issues; define limits and whatever we can

do to start to make our city presentable so we could attract people to our city and also Anyabwile said tonight about being respectful is it disrespectful for people that have to live next to these places. I've gotten several calls from neighbors that you know it's appalling they have to live next to these places and I asked what we can do in the courts; how can we do it. We're talking about the prosecutor I think that you know yes we can't force things to sale but we got to figure out ways on how we can dispose of some of these vacant lots. In January and February I asked for a list to be done and ready to go April the 1<sup>st</sup>. I'm not talking about a little old lady who can't afford to cut her own grass maybe we can get her some help there. I'm talking about people who have abandoned their property; absentee landlords; people we cannot find and haven't been able to find for years. I talked to Mrs. Hahn earlier today and she's reviewing some documents the Judge gave her on eminent domain about some of this stuff. We have to address this problem more and more overwhelming each day. Costa if there's anything you can add or help I would greatly appreciate and if we have to bring in the to see what the prosecutor can do for us I'd like to have some input there also. (All inaudible) the real estate so on and so forth. That's about it for tonight."

**PUBLIC FORUM**

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

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CLERK OF COUNCIL

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