

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING
July 7, 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 members 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, Sanitation Supervisor Bob Baird, Linda Harris from the Herald Star, & WTOV9.

APPROVAL/CORRECTION OF MINUTES

Minutes were approved by Mrs. Hahn for June 30, 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. 2020-39 – BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE – 2nd reading

Messrs. Paul, Dressel, Timmons

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES WITHOUT A PURCHASE ORDER OVER \$3,000.00 PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 5705.41.

NO. 2020-40 – BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE – 2nd reading

Messrs. Paul, Dressel, Timmons

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT FOR THE RENEWAL OF PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES WITH THE JEFFERSON COUNTY GENERAL HEALTH DISTRICT.

NO. 2020-42 – BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Messrs. Paul, Dressel, Timmons

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUNDING UNDER THE CORONAVIRUS AIDE, RELIEF AND ECONOMIC SECURITY (CARES) ACT AND OHIO SENATE BILL NO. 310, AFFIRMING THE EXPENDITURES OF SAID FUNDS BY THE CITY’S FINANCE DIRECTOR TO ESTABLISH MULTIPLE CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUNDS, IF NECESSARY, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mayor Barilla – “You’ve just heard the reading of Ordinance No. 2020-42. If there is anyone wishing to speak on Ordinance No. 2020-42 please step forward and state your name and address.”

Mr. Paul called question. Roll Call. All ayes. So moved Ordinance No. 2020-42 is duly adopted declared Mayor Barilla. The ordinance will go into effect upon the Mayor’s signature.

NO. 2020-43 – BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Messrs. Paul, Dressel, Timmons

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER AND FIRE CHIEF TO ENTER INTO A PURCHASE AGREEMENT TO PURCHASE TWO (2) 2021 FRONTLINE AMBULANCES ON A FORD E350 CHASSIS AND EQUIPMENT FOR EACH AMBULANCE FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$343,519.00, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mayor Barilla – “You’ve just heard the reading of Ordinance No. 2020-43. If there is anyone wishing to speak on Ordinance No. 2020-43 please step forward and state your name and address.”

Mr. Petrella – “These are lease to own correct?”

Mr. Mavromatis – “Yes. The only different Mr. Petrella if for some reason we can get a grant that pays for these then (all inaudible). But the reason we have these now these are in stock and it’ll take another six months to get a vehicle if we don’t get these ones.”

Mr. Petrella – “Okay.”

Mr. Paul – “And our first payment will not be until we sign a contract. So say we sign it August 31st we pay August 31, 2021. We have a year.”

Mr. Mavromatis – “That’s correct.”

Mr. Mastros – “You’re Honor I know there’s something; my assistant wrote this and in the emergency clause I think we have to amend section two to include the basis of the emergency and time is of the essence because we have to buy these things. We have to get these things now or we do lose them so I’m going to ask Council to make a motion to amend section two to include in the emergency language time is of the essence to be able to purchase the ambulances currently to take advantage of this situation. I’ll put that in the proper language but we need to add time is of the essence in this matter.”

Mr. Paul made a motion to amend Section 2 of Ordinance No. 2020-43 and to include time is of the essence for the ambulances and the equipment. Second by Mr. Timmons. Roll Call. All ayes. So moved motion granted declared Mayor Barilla.

Mr. Paul called question. Roll Call. All ayes. So moved Ordinance No. 2020-43 is duly adopted declared Mayor Barilla. The ordinance will go into effect upon the Mayor’s signature.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

Mr. Petrella – No Report

Mr. Timmons – No Report

Mr. Villamagna – “Yes Mayor under Planning there are a considerable decrease in building permits for commercial. They went from 384 last year down to 308 in the same time frame but we went up from 547 residential to 586 because a lot of these places that were under construction they stopped construction when all this happened because they wanted to go home and be in there home state in case something happened and they got sick. They wanted to be home which I understand. So that’s why the commercial ones went down but the residential ones did go up a bit so that’s good. That’s all.”

Mrs. Anyabwile – “Yes a couple of things you’re Honor. For the pride committee we did do another clean up in south end the alley between Oakmont and Rosswell because people have a lot of trash and stuff back there. A couple of residence stated that they have ordered dumpsters to come so that they can put you know you know those unwanted articles in which is good. Like they said they didn’t know so when you know I passed out fliers up and down the street there that really helped with people making those calls. I will be planning another one in the south end in the next couple of weeks so look for that. And I wanted to ask the question about I believe 741 Rosswell it’s been in two emails that’s been an abandoned property for like five years now and I wanted to know if the city has made any moves on you know rectifying this property. I’m sorry it’s 821 Rosswell.

Mr. Mavromatis – “821 instead of 741 is that correct?”

Mrs. Anyabwile – “There was two of them I believe. It was in two emails.”

Mr. Dressel – “741 is on Oakmont and it’s vacant too.”

Mrs. Anyabwile – “So there’s two of them 741 Oakmont and 821 Rosswell. They’ve been in the emails. Both of them are in ward 1.”

Mr. Dressel – “Can I add something to that? A person had asked me about 741 Oakmont and I understand that the owner is in a nursing home in town and I told them they should contact Chris he has some information and because they want to buy it and fix it up and live there and they actually do have the means so it may end up taking care of itself.”

Mrs. Anyabwile – “Okay thank you. That’s all I have.”

Mr. Dressel – No Report

Mrs. Hahn – “A few things here. The MLK Center opened yesterday and Lori had put guidelines online and she said the children and the adults who came were very respectful of that everything seem to run very smoothly so that’s great to have that facility reopened. The two adult fitness units have gone in now at Belleview Park and at Jim Wood Park and they’re operational. Tomorrow at 7:00 p.m. in this chamber there will be the next Parks and Recreation Board meeting and for everyone to know Principal Gorman is going to make a presentation on the dugouts and how little league may be able to work with the city to take care of the dugout situation in Belleview Park. Flora Martin is going to present what has happened at Beatty Park and what is on the horizon and some of the things that they need assistance with so both of those presentations will be part of the Parks and Recreation Board meeting for tomorrow night. July 15th which is a week from Thursday is the next Friends of the Marina Meeting at Froehlich’s downstairs at 4:30 and then the following week July 22nd is the next Friends of Beatty Park meeting at 7:00p p.m. at the clubhouse.”

Mr. Paul – No Report

REPORT OF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS

Mr. Mavromatis – “This week we opened our building up; we have our walkway that we’ve guided out there with a sign posted upon entering our building you must wear a mask. If they do not have a mask we will provide a mask and again we’ll get them any assistance that they need here. So far that has worked out well in the last few days. I will tell you several of the main stores here in town have helped us immensely on obtaining supplies that we need to keep our facilities cleaned so that supply chain has worked out pretty good. What I want to address Council with tonight is based on a text message I received and I did some research on this quite in depth about it and I wanted to bring to the attention of Council. I hope this will answer the questions that came and had to deal with our Police Department and just to put you in the right frame where this all starts back

on January 24, 2003 that is when William McCafferty was promoted to Chief of the Steubenville Police Department while still under a consent decree by the Department of Justice and basically what that is the United States Department of Justice comes in reviews everything about the Police Department; looks at all the policies that are in place. If they are not sufficient then additional ones are placed at that time and at that time policies were in place. March 4, 2005 Chief McCafferty was still head of our Police Department here and still is they came out of the consent decree with all the policies being set in place. Now with everything that has been going on in the news I've dug in our reports and we have what we call a use of force report and that covers approximately 14 different items under use of force and it can be a variety of things but it's dilative on the necessity what is used at that time and the individuals that they are dealing with and it can be as simple as a command presence giving a direction all the way up into they may have to use their firearm. Now I had the Chief run these following statistics for me just so you can have an idea of where we're at. For 2019 we had a total of 69 use of force forms completed out of 1,430 arrests. Now just to give you an idea if they have to chase down an individual that they are going to arrest that is a use of force and a report has to be filled out. So what we had it's called a takedown we had 23 last year and that was the highest of the number and some of them wouldn't even have any reports on them. Now some of the things that came in and on everybody is doing I need your reaction. I could relate to this because this is what I was taught back when I was a young policeman at 22 years old and it's called a carotid choke hold; you're trained in that; you know how to apply it and it's an effective measure on a combative prisoner. There is no record from that date that Chief McCafferty has taken control of this department of that use of force ever being used and our records were looked back and there would be a record made of that and that's just one of 14 things; pointing a firearm; shots fired call; got a description of the vehicle stopped; subjects are in the car; I mean you're not going to walk up there with your gun in your holster. You're already out of the ballgame if you do that. Anytime that gun is drawn and pointed a use of force report is made."

Mr. Villamagna – "Jim it's mandatory that that report has to be done."

Mr. Mavromatis – "Yes it is. These things that I'm discussing these are mandatory reports that are made and they are reviewed by a supervisor and if something is not done according to the policy then it's dealt with. But just for 19 joint lock; these are take down methods of how you grab someone; twist their wrist and take them down; Taser seven times; striking or kicking; striking with a baton six times; K-9 bite we had two bites last year. We just finished a litigation on one of them which was in our favor. There's was nothing done wrong by the officer, the dog, or this department. OZ spray; pepper spray we had one; pressure point one for a total of 69 out of 1,430 arrests. That's a 4.4% of that whole amount of arrests there. This year where we're at today to June 30, 2020 twelve takedowns again chasing people tackling them and subduing them a report is made on that. Pointing a firearm seven times; joint lock five; striking four; Taser three; baton one; pressure point one for a total of 33. Total arrests we have this year so far is 503 again with the virus and everything that has been going on these are arrests that had to be made. They could not where you could write a ticket and send them on their way. So I wanted to give at least these numbers to the Council and to our citizens. Now I will tell you this because of the background that I have I've been out numerous times to watch our officers when many of the times they didn't know I was there I watched how they conducted themselves with the individuals that they were talking too; very professional; no issues whatsoever. I just recently watched one in Kroger parking lot subject bumming money; watched how he handled it; very professional; took the information that he needed and the subject left the area. Now again we handle complaints here seriously. If I get a complaint and it comes to be me directly it is forward to the Chief and he does the investigation based on the level that's involved and I get an answer back. A lot of times what is required if a citizen wants to make a complaint they can come in make the complaint; write it out and sign the document and it will be thoroughly investigated. A lot of times when they're told to do that they will not show up. Sometimes you'll have subjects that have been arrested that want to make a complaint the angle is very simple trying to get a lower sentence reduced. Those games are played all the time but I can tell you here this is the largest department in this county; I've been all over this country and four and a half years that I've been here this is one of the finest departments and if we have a problem we will deal with it. It will not be put underneath the carpet. It will be looked into. SO I wanted to reassure that I ask Council and I've asked this several times before when you have complaints please give them to me I want to talk to the person. It has nothing to do with Council it's me asking the questions I need to ask and making sure that he or she gets the service that they need. That's the most important thing because the unknowns is what causes a lot of frustration and I've talked to numerous people in the four and a half years that I've been here they did not understand how Police Officers operate. When they pull up to a scene the first thing they have to do is get control of the scene and get everybody in order there then deal with the problem there and that's what these officers do. Some people come have way in it some are at the beginning and some don't come until the tail end and they don't know all the facts under there. All I can do is ask them. This I will advise we have VICS this is the recording devices that are in our police cruisers the officers can control it from their belt but what we don't have is our body cameras and I have asked the Police Chief to get me bids from at least two companies where we get these purchased and I recommend that we do that because in today's world and I have seen this and I can take you right back to last Thursday two females; juveniles in a fight; worst language I've heard in a long time out of those two. If our officers would've had the bodycams it would've have been there live in Technicolor. We don't have that ability so this is why because it does two things it protects the individuals that are being arrested and it protects our officers. That's the bottom line and I will tell you this those body cameras have protected officers more than it's ever hurt them and I will also tell you this based on the actions of the officers up in Minneapolis I have found no one that could ever agree the conduct that was done there. I'm telling you this based on my personal experiences and talking with other officers. Policemen are

human. That's what they are. There's good ones and there's bad ones but I will tell you this the majority of your policemen across this country are good officers and they are dealing in some trying times here and it's extremely hard; we've advertised for police positions here the applications have been small and that's sad but you can't blame them. When they look at the publicity of what's on TV FOX news, local news you wonder is this a job I really want to do. Well I'll tell you this we have some of the finest officers of this department here and that's a credit to your command staff, to the support of Council over the years to get them the equipment that they've needed and the thing that I see right now and I'll bring this up to all of you until we get the numbers for you we want to get those bodycams because it will protect our people more then it will ever hurt them. I hope this answers what's on the mind of some of you because believe me it doesn't hurt my feelings if you have a complaint I will investigate it. But I will tell you right now we have some great officers on this department and that's what I wanted to address Council about tonight and Mayor that's all I have for tonight."

Mrs. Anyabwile – "I have a question. You mentioned kicking can an officer kick a suspect?"

Mr. Mavromatis – "The question was would an officer kick a suspect? Your gun comes out of your holster it's a matter of life and death because you've got two people going for a gun. I expect that officer to use whatever means he needs to stop that individual from getting that gun. You don't just walk up and kick a suspect. This is again you have to justify why you did the action you did and that's why that's classified as a use of force. Does that answer what you needed mam?"

Mrs. Anyabwile – "So once a suspect is down on the ground they would not kick."

Mr. Mavromatis – "No. There would be no reason too. Unless he pulled a gun out and that was the quickest response he had was to kick it out of his hand. But no there's no reason to do that. Now if a subject was kicked that's going to have to be documented and why you did that and the supervisor will review that."

Mr. Mastro – No Report

MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS

Mayor Barilla – "Signing in under miscellaneous this evening we have Mr. Petrella signing in first."

Mr. Petrella – "Yes you're Honor. Jim answered most of it. Bob Villamagna was on the force during the time of the consent decree. I was on Council at the time of the consent decree. There was a lot of things put into place at that time; that's when training was done I think that Steubenville was 30 years earlier than the rest of the world is catching up to us now. We had it and we made sure that everything was in place. There was checks in balances negotiated in that consent decree. There was a internal affairs negotiated in that consent decree; extra training and at that time Council and subsequent Councils after that has supported our emergency services whether it be fire whether it be police and what they need. I don't think any Council has ever turned down a legitimate request that either fire or police came to them and I'm very proud of what has occurred just like he said I was down there (all inaudible) with Mr. Mavromatis I witnessed the altercation and they conducted themselves in a very professional manner. It was done very quickly so that's my first topic. My second topic I'd like to have whatever department or whatever committee handles what we have to do with bug infestation I guess you would call it on how we want to handle that. Also I would like to have whatever committee handles the weeds and I know you've been working on that Mr. Mastro so I would like to get that put to bed because people have the right to live without something making things worse. Slums next to them you know and we need to take care of it; figure out a way to take care of it and I hope the appropriate committee can work with our Law Director to come up with those solutions. That's all I have for tonight."

Mr. Villamagna – "Yes Mayor thank you. I'm still a law enforcement officer for the Jefferson County Sheriff's Department and I've gone to groups that have videos from dash cams and all this stuff and I found it interesting. I just watched a woman police officer get the living daylights when; I thought about it when Asantewa said about getting kicked; I seen this woman on the ground getting kicked in the head until she was totally unconscious in front of a suspect's little girl who said daddy please stop; please stop doing what you're doing and she was unconscious and has brain damage as a result to this. So I got a letter here and it's written by Kathleen Diaz she's with Police 1 and her opening statement in this letter is: If you recruit well, conduct thorough background checks and train constantly, you can have a human with a kind heart and good ethics but you can't have perfection. It's time for the American public to decide what we want from law enforcement. Warriors? Counselors? Guardians? Priests? Social workers? Magicians? Do we want the cheapest cops possible? Or, do we want well-trained and well-screened cops who are equipped with every tool needed for every possible eventuality? Or do we want the beat cop from granddaddy's hometown, with nothing but a smile, a wheel gun and one set of cuffs? Really, we want it all. Admit it, we do – and we want it all without paying for any of it. Every officer needs to be an empathetic, well-spoken, SEAL-trained ninja, with double majors in psychology and social work, who considers the job a calling, and has no bills to pay, no nerves to fray, and enforces the law completely objectively while also using discretion at all times, unless it's going to result in arresting – or not arresting – the wrong person at the wrong time, for the wrong thing, in the opinion of every member of the public. If that person existed, he wouldn't work for you. So we've got to deal with what exists, and what exists are human beings. Human beings are fallible, and their bodies are frail. Their brains play tricks on them when they're under stress, and then keep them from sleeping by replaying the stressor on an endless loop later,

trying to find ways to "fix" whatever went wrong. Humans come in varieties, not exactly like dog breeds, but close enough that the analogy works: If you need a bite dog, you don't start with a Golden Retriever. Possibly, you can teach the Golden Retriever to bite on command, if you're persistent enough, and mean enough, but in the process, you'll ruin everything that made him a Golden to begin with. Now translate that back to people. Warriors, soldiers and Great War generals like Patton may live for the fight but they don't always play well with others after the battle. They can be harsh. They can use bad language in settings where you wish they were polite. They find humor in ugly, dark places that just frighten the rest of society. They're not always...nice. If you want only a cuddly, soft, empathetic officer whose first response is always a soft answer and compassion, you can have that. She'll never embarrass her chief at Coffee with a Cop. He'll present well on camera every time and remind you of someone's grandfather. He'll be the perfect SRO until there's an active shooter at your kid's school. Suddenly, society insists on the warrior. They want the demon Malinois, 55 pounds of rawhide, spring steel and gator teeth, driving into the gunfire and doing anything it takes - *anything* - to keep the children safe. And once the threat is gone, society wants the Malinois to morph back into the therapy dog. They want the warrior gone, the counselor returned, the off switch thrown. That's not how it works. And it's not fair. I tell you now: the unicorn doesn't exist. You can't have it. What you can have is a human being. If you recruit well, conduct thorough background checks and train constantly, you can have a human with a kind heart and good ethics who is willing to fight hard, be uncomfortable and even get hurt for you. You can have a human who tries. You can have someone who struggles, who fails, who gets better with time and experience and who has setbacks. But you can't have perfection. In fact, you can break perfectly good humans by insisting they be something they can't be things no one can be. Decide now that as long as cops get recruited from the human race, they're going to be exactly human, with everything that means. The rest of society is also human, after all. Maybe it's time we decide what we want from the rest of us, too. And I want to go back to that recruit well because recently you've come under fire about the stringent policies that we have for bringing people onto this police department which I could not serve on the police department today with the policies that are in place here. That's why we only have five people. That's why we only have four because it's not easy to get on to our police department. If it was easy to get on our police department you'd be firing guys every day. You agree with me Jim? Because I know you got a law enforcement background and I don't want to say it because I don't want to embarrass him. We had a six month officer here that ran into gun fire and followed into it and I was totally; and I don't want to say his name because I don't want to embarrass him but we got some of the best young officers that I ever saw. Now I got one more thing that I want to read to you. 15 things cops wish the public knew about policing. 1. Use of force is not pretty. We do we kick people, we bite them, we scratch them, we throw them on the ground, we drag them by their hair and it happens. It's just the way it is. People have been conditioned by TV to believe that a properly trained police officer of any size can take down a person of superior size and strength, quickly, almost effortlessly, without the use of weapons, and without any injury to either party. This is not true. Few cops are expert martial artists. The defensive tactics training they receive is fairly perfunctory. Struggles often result in injured joints, lacerations, concussions and other injuries to both parties. There is lots of cursing and screaming involved. The cops usually win, but only because they can get enough cops on the scene to overwhelm the adversary. 2. Most cops never shoot anyone. Very few cops will fire their side arms outside of the pistol range at some time in their career (more if the cop works in a rural area where having to "dispatch" wounded animals is common). Some might go months without taking the gun out of the holster. 3. Cops will go to extremes to avoid shooting people. My personal experience is that, about once a month, I would encounter a situation where I would have been legally justified in shooting someone. I did that only once, so all the other times, I found some other way of resolving the situation. Casual research tells me my experience is not unique. Most cops have ample opportunities to shoot people, but they choose not to do so. And I was trying to compile a list and I could come up with 12 that I know of for sure in 26 years that I was perfectly justify in killing a suspect and didn't do it. 4. The people at the top often don't have a lot of practical experience. There are exceptions, but most cops who become chiefs, sheriffs, or other high-ranking officers spend most of their career paving the path to promotion. They spend a brief time as working cops, then transfer to a non-enforcement job, where they stay until they get their first promotion. They never truly understand the job,

and the cops they oversee don't identify with the brass, or the brass with the cops. Now we're fortunate that we have a street policeman here who I don't know if anybody else will remember but I remember when he was laying on the ground up on University Blvd. with his head smashed open with a concrete brick. 5. PTSD is real and common place. A cop may have a bad time after he's involved in a shooting, but the traumatic incident could just as well be a nasty car crash, a fight, or a rescue that didn't end well. Anyone who can say truthfully that they are never bothered by such things is probably a sociopath. Cops who seek mental health treatment are often viewed suspiciously by their superiors. Those guys didn't spend enough time on the street to experience anything that bothered them, and they believe that anyone who is bothered is probably unstable when you have to go through that and you know there's a stigmatism with them. It's just the way it is. 7. There aren't all that many bigots. There are some, of course – in a cohort of close to a million people, some of them will be biased. You can get fired for expressing those feelings, so they tend not to last long. Most cops don't especially care what color you are, what religion you practice, what country your ancestors came from, how much money you have, or what your sexual orientation is. Cops see every kind of person, often at the worst moments of their lives that's when they see them. The Mayor mentioned the firemen are always; when they go on call they're heroes. They're going on every call that's good. When policemen go on calls 50% of the people they're going to go to are going to be wrong so some people are going to like them and some people aren't. There are children that are laying there dead; somebody molested their kids; they're in bad situations. They do have a strong bias against jerks, so don't be one of those. 8. Some of our brothers and sisters they embarrass us. With the possible exception of field training officers, cops don't have a lot of input to who gets hired and who is retained on their agency. Everyone knows somebody who is reckless, immature, lazy, dishonest, or just dumb. When these people are allowed to keep being cops, it's usually because they are politically connected, and reporting them for a transgression will almost always backfire on you. And I'm proud to say that's not the case here. Again thank you. You're my favorite police encounter story is not unique. When someone knows you're a police officer they automatically they want to talk to you about traffic stops and shoplifting and my cousin did this. All social events are like that and it's a little bit hard to go to social events when all these questions are being fired at them and most of them are stupid questions. They don't even make sense but they want to talk to a police officer. 10. There are very few universal rules or policies. I have lost count of how many questions I have seen on Quora along the lines of, "How much over the speed limit can I go before I'll get stopped?" and, "What do I say to get out of getting a ticket?" There's no rules that say any of this stuff. It's just a lot of officer's discretion and a lot of it depends on how you act when you get pulled over. 12. Being a cop is harder than you think. Some agencies have to collect over 100 applications to get one person they can hire. Some of those hires won't make it through the police academy and we've had that here several times. They didn't make it through the academy. Some who do won't complete field training. We've had that here. About half of new hires leave law enforcement within five years. Mainly because of anti-police sentiment, it's more difficult to recruit new cops than ever before. 13. Television does not represent law enforcement. Most of what most people know about cops is from watching television. This is why people believe that every arrest must be immediately followed by a Miranda warning, that there is a team of FBI agents show up on the scene and they investigate everything and finger prints are taken and an executive jet flies in with other major crime investigators. That's not it. The detectives they follow it up; officers on the call has to go to another call. They turn it over to the detectives. 14. Quit telling your children we'll arrest them if they're not good. That's a sad thing. In my day I was walking in front of Downtown Bakery and I'll never forget a little kid in the stroller I bent over and I go hi sweetheart how you doing? She goes I don't like cops. I said why don't you like cops? My mommy and daddy told me that I'm not to like cops. And I said to her to get even if mommy and daddy ever yell at you you call me I'll come and get them. And she liked that. She had a grin on her face. 15. And I don't mean this sarcastically but nobody in this room understands police work except those police officers and me and Jim Mavromatis. This applies even if your father, mother, sibling, or next-door-neighbor was a cop. Until you have actually done the job for a few years, you will never understand what it's actually like. When you're fighting for your life which I did, he did, and I know other officers did and I know that Jim did because he was on the Phoenix PD and plus the DEA. When you're on the ground and you're trying to hold onto a pistol and you're trying to fight a couple people and

they're kicking you and biting you and pulling you and trying to get your gun off of you and you only have one hand left; you will do; you will kick them; you will bite them; you will scratch them; you will spit you will do whatever you can do and that's why I say people don't think that's what I'm telling you it's not a very pretty scene but that's how it is. So in the United States of America they're throwing (inaudible) cocktails at police cars. It's a gorilla war going on because you don't know who the enemy is here. I'm giving this nice speech about the police right? So I leave here and I have a big fight with my wife and that triggers something in me and that irritates me so the police pull me over and the officer says oh that's Villamagna he's pro police; he's a retired policeman and they walk up and I shoot one of them; they got to be prepared for that. In your mind you're always doing that every time. We need to support these guys. We need to stand behind them. And if they're wrong it's going to come out and if they have these faults and qualities that lead them to not being police work then so be it they shouldn't be here. The good officers that are here and there's two in this room now social distancing. My hats off to you. Be careful. Pay attention and this Council is going to support you. So thank you and that's all I got to say."

Mrs. Hahn – "Yes I just had a couple brief comments. I really appreciate what you've read Bob and I think it expresses so much that needs to be said and I really want to encourage us to be praying for the safety of our police officers and their families. I also (all inaudible) something for work and I don't wonder whether he'll walk back in the door. There is just a vilification going on in our country against the police officers and it means all the (inaudible) that you presented Bob and that you presented Jim but we really need to stand with these people who are willing to care for our community the way that they are. So I really want to encourage people to pray for their safety and also to let them know how grateful you are for their service. And secondly I really want to thank you Jim and the Mayor for the ways in which we were able to have a little bit more normal life last week. To be able to get out to the concert; to be able to have the fireworks when so many have cancelled around the country and then First Friday it was toned down; there were just a few hundred they think maybe up to 300 hundred were there which they had (all inaudible) to Jim but I'm just so grateful that people had a chance to come out if they wanted too to be able to enjoy those (inaudible) opportunities and I think Steubenville is a great example of small town America. I'm just very grateful."

Mr. Timmons – "You know I just want to; you know I thank Bob for reading that you know and Kimberly/ You know and I want to say to that I definitely support the police and I think some of the points that you made Bob; their main purpose is going home to their families at night and I would never want to take anything and I think Jim brought up a good point you know if somebody takes your gun from you; you know you're going to do everything you can to go home at night and I just want to say thanks and I agree I'm definitely behind them all the way and it's been something in the back of my mind (all inaudible) and you know I do thank them for what they do for us."

PUBLIC FORUM

Mayor Barilla – "We'll now move onto Public Forum and signing in this evening we have Mr. Lee Porter. Mr. Porter would you please step forward and state your name and address."

Lee Porter – "My name is Lee Porter and I live on the 100 block of Efts Lane. I want to talk about Efts Lane. First I'm going to mention some of the contractors out there and the job they did. The James White Construction Company out of Weirton from the very first day this job took about a year with waterlines and everything. From the very first day until about two weeks ago they finally finished up which totaled a year. That company for the Councilmen, the Manager they went far beyond what they were supposed to do. They gave you people a wonderful job out there. Their work ethic, the company, the employees, you couldn't ask for anything better they were there at 7:00 in the morning until 7:00 at night. They did an excellent job out there. The next company I want to mention is Fort Steuben Plumbing they also had the same work ethic. They were responsible for putting in the new water task in the new line. Some places they had to dig your yard up other places they had to tear up the concrete. You didn't have to wait for three or four days; the next day they were there; the topsoil was put in everything was done immediately. Excellent job from them too. The next company I want to mention is the Erie Construction Company they came in there 7:00 three weeks ago in the morning and they put up a whole new guardrail in by noon. Excellent job. So this Council you have a person out there that I'm going to mention I have this under personnel your City Engineer you gentlemen, our manager should be very pleased. He conducts himself; he's right there on the front line; anybody has a question or anything he talks to them and his mannerism and so forth. At the time we had the Sunset Blvd. Lovers Lane project going on he was going back and forth. I

mean as soon as they seen him or the car they would stop and talk to him so gentlemen I got to tell you; you really got a man there Mr. Dolak he's excellent. Also I can't forget this guy Mr. Villamagna I remember when Mr. Villamagna first ran for public office and there's two things on his agenda that he was very (inaudible) and he did this in the Villamagna way as I call it; sometimes it's forceful but for the one thing was Efts Lane it was a disaster out there. I wish maybe sometime you would drive out they did a beautiful job. Bob I want to thank you for your persistence on this. The people out there appreciate it and it has turned out wonderful out there. I also I want to thank Council as a whole for voting for the grant money for Efts Lane it's very appreciative; I appreciate that and anybody who was involved in that to work through but your engineer I'm going to tell you that man (all inaudible). Thank you Mayor."

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

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MAYOR