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Regular Meeting of Council

CHRISTOPHER L. BIRO
DAVID M. FIEBIG
JENNIFER SOMMERS GREER
CHRISTOPHER HALLUM
JANET R. MAJKA

Minutes of June 9, 2016

<u>Policy No. 2</u>: All Council Meetings shall be recorded by audio recording device and will be held in perpetuity and shall be part of the official records and minutes. Written minutes of Council shall be shortened wherever possible.

The Regular Council Meeting was held on Thursday, June 9, 2016 at 7:00pm in the Willoughby Hills Council Chamber. President Fellows presided.

Members Present: Councilman Christopher Hallum, Councilwoman Janet R. Majka, Vice President John Plecnik, Councilman Christopher L. Biro, President Nancy E. Fellows, David M. Fiebig

Vice President Plecnik moved to excuse Councilwoman Jennifer Sommers Greer. Councilman Biro seconded. **YEAS:** Unanimous.

Others Present: Mayor Robert M. Weger, Law Director Thomas G. Lobe, Finance Director Frank Brichacek, City Engineer Pietro A. DiFranco, Clerk of Council Victoria Ann Savage

DISPOSITION OF THE JOURNAL

President Fellows: The next order of business is the Disposition of the Journal, Regular Council Meeting Minutes for May 26, 2016.

Councilman Fiebig moved to accept the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of May 26, 2016. Councilman Biro seconded.

Roll Call: YEAS: Hallum, Majka, Plecnik, Biro, Fellows, Fiebig

With six affirmative votes, motion passed.

COMMUNICATIONS

President Fellows: Concerning Correspondence, Notifications, Meeting Minutes and On File, I am not going to ask the Clerk to read as this will allow more time for business this evening and they will be listed in the Journal as they are presented on this evening's agenda. The next order of business would be our Mayor's Report.

CORRESPONDENCE

Interoffice Memo from Mayor Robert M. Weger to Council President, Council Clerk, Members dated May 25, 2016 re: Building Commissioner Fred Wyss (Emailed: May 25, 2016)

<u>Email</u>: Gloria Majeski to Council Clerk dated May 27, 2016 re: Public Records Request for Audio Tape of Regular Council Meeting of May 26, 2016 and Rules and Legislation Committee Meeting Minutes of March 10, 2014

Written request from resident Gloria Majeski to Council Clerk dated May 26, 206 re: Public Records Request for complete copy of the Rules Meeting on March 10, 2014

Letter from President Fellows to Ed McKenna dated June 1, 2016 re: Council Appointment to the CCA Noise Abatement Council (Sent via regular mail and emailed to eemckenna@oh.rr.com)

City Engineer's Report dated June 2, 2016 (Emailed: June 2, 2016)

<u>Email</u>: Denise Edwards to Council Office dated June 3, 2016 re: Rate Changes Summarized; <u>Attachments</u>: Interoffice Memo to Council President, Council Clerk and Members, dated June 3, 2016 re: Community Center and Campbell Park Rate Changes Summarized; WH Community Center Room Rental Recommended Rates effective 2016; WH Community Center Room Rental Rates, effective 1-1-13

<u>Email</u>: Denise Edwards to Council Office, Mayor, Finance Director, Recreation Commission Members and Members of Council dated June 3, 2016 re: September 11th Memorial Service and Picnic Waiver Request – Interoffice Memo

Email: Frank Brichacek to Members and Council Office dated June 3, 2016 re: Fund 280

<u>Email</u>: City Engineer to Members of Council, Council Office, Mayor, Mayor's Assistant, Law Director, Finance Director, Street Superintendent, Assistant City Engineer, dated June 3, 2016 re: Traffic Signal Bishop & White PID 92024; CUY-175-12.35 – Legislation

Mayor's Court Monthly Statement to City Council of Fines and Other Monies Received or Collected for the Month ended May 31, 2014 (Emailed: June 4, 2016)

Email: Nancy E. Fellows to Willoughby Hills Recreation Department, Recreation Commission Members, Road Superintendent, Mayor, dated June 6, 2016 re: Rental Increase Request

Email: Nancy E. Fellows to Members of Council, Council Office, cc'd to Mayor and Ed McKenna dated June 6, 2016 re: Nosie Abatement Council

WH Community Rentals for May 2016 (Emailed: June 7, 2016)

<u>Email</u>: Gloria Majeski to Council President, Council Clerk, Members of Council cc'd to Law Director, Mayor, Christopher Collins, Frank Brichacek, Fred Wyss dated June 7, 2016 re: Mayor's Veto to Council; <u>Attachment</u>: Letter directed to President of Council, Council Clerk and Members of Council cc'd to Finance Director, Law Director, Police Chief and Building Commissioner

<u>Email</u>: John Plecnik to Gloria Majeski, Members of Council cc'd to Law Director, Mayor Christopher Collins, Frank Brichacek, Fred Wyss dated June 7, 2016 re: Mayor's Veto to Council

NOTIFICATIONS

Income Tax Board of Review Meeting of June 22, 2016 (Emailed: June 4, 2016)

Recreation Committee of Council Meeting of June 2, 2016 (Emailed: May 26, 2016)

Rules and Legislation Committee Meeting of June 6, 2016 (Emailed: May 30, 2016)

Planning & Zoning Commission and Architectural Board of Review Meeting of June 2, 2016 (Emailed: June 2, 2016)

Recreation Commission Meeting of June 8, 2016 (Emailed: June 3, 2016)

Planning & Zoning Committee of Council Meeting of June 14, 2016 (Emailed: June 7, 2016)

MINUTES

Recreation Committee of Council Meeting Minutes of June 2, 2016 (Emailed: June 4, 2016)

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS & COMMUNICATIONS

MAYOR WEGER: I've been informed by the Cuyahoga County Airport that an email will be forthcoming which indicates the Secret Service which indicates that the Cuyahoga County Airport will be under temporary flight restrictions during the week of RNC. The Cuyahoga County Airport is suspending all Noise Abatement restrictions during this time because of traffic needs for immediate turnout. As soon as I receive the written communication I will be posting it on our website and notifying the residents in the area so that they can be aware of the inconvenience. The Noise Abatement Council Meeting of July 14th has been cancelled due to the RNC but the next meeting is set for October 14th.

My veto letter for Ordinance No. 2016-25 is available on the City website outlining my reasons for the veto decision. I encourage residents to read this for a clear understanding and acknowledge my continued support for our part-time Police Officers as well as other hard working individuals of our safety forces and administration.

PEP Insurance made a site visit at the City Hall Complex today and two days ago. They will prepare an executive report to present to Council and myself at a later date, probably next week sometime.

Thanks to Larry O'Donnell for all the hard work that he did at the Memorial Day Ceremony.

Upcoming events, the Shred Day is this Saturday, 9 to Noon. Lake County United Way Day of Caring is Wednesday, June 22 beginning at 9am and please contact Gloria, my office assistant...my Executive Assistant to volunteer. And the Willoughby Hills Day at Classic Park is Sunday, July 3rd at 1:00pm.

If you noticed the last couple of days, it's been hard maybe to reach City Hall it's because our phone system failed. We have purchased a new phone system which utilizes the same telephones but our phone system that we have that's nine years old, that is...the company went out of business and the parts are relatively unavailable to fix so we purchased a new one. And the air conditioner in the IT room where this is housed was...also took a failure and that's going to be fixed Saturday. In the meantime, we have a temporary air conditioner in there and its cooling it down. But tomorrow the phone system should be correct.

I am presenting to Council a new Ordinance 2016 for a 3% pay increase for all salaried and non-union employees, including the Council Clerk. If Council deems necessary, I would appreciate waving the 3 Day...the 2 Day Notification Rule and passing this ordinance tonight. Thank you.

President Fellows: Thank you, Mr. Mayor are there any questions for the Mayor this evening? Seeing none, the next order of business is our Law Director's Report, Mr. Lobe.

LAW DIRECTOR LOBE: Just one preliminary matter and our legal luck was running out a little bit with the insurance. Our last claim was the box up on Chardon Road which I don't know if it will be covered. I'm working on it with the Police Chief to see if there's even going to be any insurance which I predicted last time that I didn't think that there would be and I don't think it now based upon all the factors enumerated but we also have a new claim that we just will be forwarding involving a little incident a police car running over a foot and that's being forwarded to our new insurance carrier so we'll see how they react to that which is something that is unfortunate but it happens. Just so you know, you might be hearing about it as we go forward. That's it, nothing further.

President Fellows: Thank you Tom, any questions for the Law Director this evening? Seeing none, our Finance Director's Report, Mr. Brichacek.

FINANCE DIRECTOR BRICHACEK: A couple of matters. I received a notification from Lorraine Fende the Lake County Treasurer that two delinquent tax sales have occurred which will result in the City receiving appropriately \$20,000 in delinquent property taxes. It's not a lot but every little bit helps.

The approximate cost of the phone system failure and the compressor failure will be between twenty to twenty-one thousand dollars and I believe that we will be able to absorb that from the Building Maintenance budget.

And the local share of the Route 91 Paving Project was transferred to the Lake County Engineer's Office this week so that project should helpfully be on track.

And finally, at the next Council Meeting, I will be introducing as an ordinance, the 2017 Tax Budget and that should be posted most likely next week.

President Fellows: Okay, thank you Frank. Any questions for our Finance Director this evening?

Councilman Fiebig: Mr. Brichacek, doesn't that have to be passed by June 30th, the tax budget?

Finance Director Brichacek: No the tax budget has to be adopted by Council no later than July 15th.

Councilman Fiebig: July 15th.

Finance Director Brichacek: And filed with the County Commission by no later than July 20th.

President Fellows: Thank you. And next is our Engineer, Mr. DiFranco.

CITY ENGINEER DI FRANCO: Thank you Madame President. I just wanted to discuss the intersection of Bishop and White Road briefly. We've been discussing with ODOT the possibility of installing a permanent signal there as an upgrade to the temporary signal that they're planning to install as part of a bridge rehab project in Richmond Heights. The City would be responsible for the full cost of the upgrade which is estimated to be about \$50,000. A couple of years ago we did a traffic study at that intersection in response to several complaints of delays. But the traffic study found that delays were only occurring in morning and afternoon rush hours and they have appeared to have to stopped since we did the study. So based on the lack of complaints and the cost of the signal we decided not to proceed with the permanent study and that concludes my report.

President Fellows: Thank you, Pete any questions for the Engineer this evening?

Councilman Fiebig: Pete, wasn't that cost about a hundred and ten, Mayor wasn't it about a hundred and ten to put a signal in there permanently?

City Engineer Di Franco: That would have been the City's cost initially but the upgrade cost to go from temporary to permanent by ODOT was only around fifty.

Councilman Fiebig: Are we saving...for example, if we did go ahead with it, is there significant enough savings, I'm I hearing \$60,000 dollars we would save because we are already spending fifty?

City Engineer Di Franco: No, we're not spending anything ODOT is responsible for all the costs associated with the temporary signal. But if the City elects to upgrade to a permanent signal we would be responsible for the fully upgrade cost of fifty thousand.

Councilman Fiebig: But that's better than one-ten instead of us doing this on our own at some point.

City Engineer Di Franco: Correct, however, the recommendation of the study said that the delays were only occurring for a short time in the morning and afternoon.

Councilman Fiebig: Rush hour around that can be difficult, do you know how many accidents that we've had in that intersection, Mayor?

Mayor Weger: No, I can find out from our study.

Councilman Fiebig: What's the date that you have to know this if we did consider it and wanted to move forward with putting a light there. I know there have been some residents that have expressed interest having a light there but again, it's the cost benefit analysis that we would have to do and at this time, if we already have some infrastructure there, would there be significant savings over doing it say five years from now. Maybe we should consider doing it.

City Engineer Di Franco: ODOT would need official legislation from Council by October 7th.

Councilman Fiebig: Okay, all right thank you. I would that under advisement.

Vice President Plecnik: One follow-up question. I believe one of the reasons why we're a little bit hesitant to put up the stoplight is because there are on-going costs. Could you remind us what the maintenance of that stoplight would be on an annual basis, roughly?

City Engineer Di Franco: I wouldn't have any idea what the cost would be but obviously the electricity cost as well as any maintenance costs for repairs, replacement of lights, things like that.

Vice President Plecnik: Would that be significant on an annual basis?

City Engineer Di Franco: Honestly, I have no idea.

Councilman Fiebig: Now, they're all LED's. With LED lights though, that's the point that I was going to make, it's probably significant savings of electricity.

City Engineer Di Franco: Probably minimal, right.

President Fellows: Anyone else? Thank you Pete.

COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL

President Fellows: So our next order of business is our Committee Reports. I believe the first one, I want to mention Councilman Hallum has called a Planning and Zoning Committee of Council for next Tuesday, June 14th, correct at 6:00pm.

Law Director Lobe: Mr. Hallum, I can't make it because I'll be with the BZA at the same time, just so you know, okay. I'm not slighting you, I'm just not showing up.

President Fellows: Thank you. So the Recreation Committee of Council had a meeting last Thursday night with many of the Members of the Recreation Commission there and Councilwoman Majka is going to read Councilwoman Greer's minutes this evening, thank you Jan.

RECREATION COMMITTEE

Councilwoman Majka: Thank you. Okay so this is a report respectfully submitted by Councilwoman Sommers Greer whose is the Chair of the Recreation Committee of Council.

Meeting called order at 6:40pm on June 2, 2016

Present: Committee Members Chair Jennifer Sommers Greer, Janet Majka, and Chris Biro

Also Present: Council President Nancy Fellows, Mayor Robert Weger

Jennifer Greer opened the meeting, explaining that the primary reason for the meeting was to discuss Council declaring a public purpose and allocating funds for a picnic proposed by the Recreation Commission.

Denise Edwards, Recreation Coordinator, explained that the Recreation Commission wants to take the \$5,500 to \$6,000 earned from pancake breakfast and craft show to fund a picnic on September 11, 2016. The picnic is estimated to cost between \$2,500 and \$3,000. Denise asked Frank Brichacek to leave the proceeds in the 280 fund to use for the picnic and what is left over will be transferred to the 460 fund. The picnic will be held at the Willoughby Hills VFW. The agenda for the picnic will be a memorial service from 11-12, 12-2 there will be a swing band, 2:30-6 Lynn Hallum's brother will DJ. 1-6pm there will be family style games with prizes and inflatables, including a 52-foot obstacle course. Denise also stated that they want a Corn Fest feel so they will

sell ears of corn. The Browns game will be playing in the bar. The VFW will provide food and will serve alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks. Denise also emphasized that she does not want this to be a festival and that we need to teach kids to respect first responders.

It was discussed that Council would need to approve the public purpose as advised by Tom Lobe. Council would also need to approve the expenditure since it was not included in the 2016 Budget as approved. Chris Biro asked why this picnic would need to be approved when the pancake breakfasts do not. Mayor Weger indicated that the difference is that the pancake breakfast is held on City property while this picnic would be on private property but funded with public money.

Councilwoman Greer expressed two concerns that September 11th is a solemn day and Touch a Truck is five days later. Denise indicated that this wouldn't interfere with Touch a Truck. Councilwoman Majka said this sounds a lot like a festival even though you are calling it a picnic. She wanted to know how the rec commission would advertise it. Steve Tretinik of the VFW said that they have a Lutheran Minister as a member and he will give a solemn benediction and rightful salute. He believes it's a good way to set the tone. He does not believe it's a good idea to call it another Corn Fest. Councilwoman Majka said that she likes the idea of having it at the VFW. She wants to make sure if the rec commission is spending that much money on an event that it is successful. Denise said that the date came about because the rec commission wanted to have a festival and by the time they looked for dates the only date available at the Community Center was September 11, 2016. They decided that they would have it on September 11 but there wouldn't be rides like a carnival. Recreation Commission member Lynn Hallum said we should use the picnic to build a sense of community. Recreation Commission member Sandy Grubiss said that Willoughby Hills does not have a sense of community. She only knows her neighbors because she makes an effort.

A representative from the VFW asked if they would be required to have some type of service. Denise said yes, the service is important. She also said that the VFW would sell food as a fundraiser and WAGS for Warriors would be there as well. The rec commission wanted food trucks but they did not have Council approval on time. There may be other fundraisers at the picnic but it has not been decided yet.

Councilman Biro asked if the safety forces would be involved. Denise said they plan on asking them and that they would receive a food voucher. They VFW rep asked if we could have a fire engine there. Lynn Hallum said that the Rec Commission does a lot for kids but not a lot for families.

Councilman Biro liked how the picnic is a celebration of life. Chair Jennifer Greer asked if this will be a conflict with other long standing 9/11 events, she believed there are events in Mentor and Painesville. Denise said we only want to target people from Willoughby Hills. Kyle Overmyer of the Recreation Department said we don't want people from Mentor and Painesville to come to the picnic.

Public Portion was opened at 7:05pm.

Dale Fellows spoke and said he is involved in the 9/11 event in Painesville and it is a very different event as they place flags for all of the lives lost but the times will likely overlap. He stated that he believes there is a memorial event on 9/11 in Willoughby as well. Mr. Fellows was concerned that mass at St. Noel in on Sundays at 11, the exact time the picnic is scheduled to start. Denise responded that Mr. Fellows finished by agreeing that bringing community together is positive but he expressed concern that 9/11 is not the solemn day that you want to do it.

Council President Nancy Fellows inquired whether the rec commission would want to keep this event on 9/11 every year. Kyle said the commission does want to keep the event on 9/11 every year. Council President Fellows asked how they would have all of those activities as 9/11 does not fall on a weekend every year. Kyle said it would be at night. Denise said they do not know if the event would continue to a be a celebration of life or if it would just become an annual picnic held on a weekend. Denise indicated that the commission just wanted approval for this year to see how it goes.

Public Portion closed at 7:28pm.

The committee decided that this proposal should be considered by Council and be put on first reading at the 6/9/2016 meeting. Denise requested that Council pass the ordinance on first reading Council President Fellows noted that Frank Brichacek needs to manage the finances. Denise offered to work with Frank to get the appropriations prepared.

New Business

Denise discussed the proposed rental increases that are on third reading on 6/9/2016. Denise explained that the proposed changes are attached to the legislation before Council. Denise compared our rental rates to other cities and Willoughby Hills is still very reasonably priced. Jennifer Greer said that we should consider the profitability of the Community Center as a whole including staffing and maintenance and not just look at rental income. Increasing the deposit will make sure that people do not use the current low deposit as a cleaning fee. Denise said the current \$100 deposit does not even come close to repairing things in the kitchen or cleaning extreme messes. Wickliffe also rents their pavilions but they do it in 3 hour blocks while Willoughby Hills rents in daily blocks. If we rented in 3 hour blocks we would have to pay maintenance staff to clean up and prepare for the next event rather than just open the pavilion. The Committee agreed that these modest increases should be passed and if the increased deposits negatively affect rental income we can reevaluate.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:38pm.

President Fellows: Thank you Councilwoman Majka. Are there any questions for...Councilman Biro is there anything that you might want to add to this as you were in attendance as well?

Councilman Biro: Just that there was support both ways for you know for having both advents on a specific day. And I personally I believe that you know it is a solemn occasion and we had assurance that would be the case and but I also...as I commented, it is also a celebration of life you know and we need to continue on and enjoy our freedom per say. So the initial part is solemn. So those are my thoughts on that.

President Fellows: Thank you. Any questions?

Councilman Fiebig: I have one. Chris was there any, there was just reference to the Touch-A-Truck event which is a great family event, it's well attended. Was there discussion of just moving this event and the picnic atmosphere bring the community together to make Touch-A-Truck a little bit of a larger event?

Councilman Biro: Well the discussion, you know Touch-A-Truck, it's my feeling that it was the sense that Touch-A-Truck was to be segregated, it was a separate event.

Councilman Febig: It seems to me, a final follow-up comment, it would seem to make sense as a community. Because the community doesn't see it as a separate event, they just see it as an event. They don't know, well the Fire Department is behind that or the Recreation Commission is behind this or they just look at it as a community event and you'll holding one 5-6 days away from this well attended community event where helicopters fly here and the whole City see it and I just don't understand why we're not working together on that and make it one event that's become an annual event here and it's pretty well attended and I know kids love it, why we're...if the emphasis is to bring out the community and if they have children and bounce houses and DJs and things like that why not do it on the same day so that is where my quandary is on that. I don't understand

why we're having two events within a week of each other that are almost competing with eyeballs, ears, and feet

Councilman Biro: We're going to get a chance to hear from Recreation on what their thoughts are on that. So you know regardless, it's Recreation event and let's see what their thoughts are on that.

Councilman Hallum: I would like to speak forward to that. I can tell you that as someone who has younger kids that go to Touch-A-Truck by the time that we've done with the Touch-A-Truck part they're exhausted. They just want to go home and go to sleep. So if you remember we did that one time when we kind of connected Corn Fest with Touch-A-Truck and it was not very successful, the other part because that's what happened to the kids, they were exhausted families took their kids home and when that happens that's pretty much of the day. So I think the feeling was let's leave that, that way so families can do the Truck-A-Truck and then let's have another separate event where it's about community, talking, sitting down and having conversations as opposed to standing in line for the kids to touch trucks and get in vehicles and that kind of stuff so that's been my experience personally with kids and with other friends at the bars that have kids saying the same thing.

President Fellows: Thank you and during Public Portion, Denise if you would like to come forward, you are very welcomed to do so.

RULES AND LEGISLATION

The next committee report would be Rules and Legislation. So Rules and Legislation met Monday, June 6th we started at 6:30pm. Councilwoman Majka and myself were present and Vice President John Plecnik was teaching at Cleveland State so he couldn't attend. Also present were Councilmen Biro, Hallum and our Mayor.

Provided are the written minutes for the Rules and Legislation Committee meeting held on June 6, 2016:

First Order of Business was to discuss the Recreation Commission's desire to have a Memorial Service and Event at the VFW on 9/11. Recreation Coordinator Denise Edwards joined us as well as Recreation Committee members Dee Germano, Sandy Grubiss, Jeanne Kaston, and Jim Walsh.

Council President Fellows indicated that she whole heartedly supports a Memorial Event on 9/11 to recognize those that lost their lives in a Terrorist Attack and to recognize our First Responders at the VFW. She also supports a community event be it picnic or a festival, but not on 9/11.

Councilwoman Majka agrees with President Fellows, though since the VFW is on board with both venues then marketing should have 2 separate distinctions, be bracketed; the approach can make a difference on feelings of activity on this date. Also, in the future look not to have community festival on 9/11.

Councilman Biro – concurs with the VFW having both a Memorial Service and event on 9/11. This is also a "celebration of life" and is an event that can bring our community together.

Recreation Commission member Jim Walsh – since the Veterans support this event on 9/11, this should not be concern. This is also a "celebration of freedom".

Public Portion for 9/11 Event – 6:52 p.m.

Frank Cihula – asked that the liquor license at the VFW be checked for selling alcohol to participants at an event on their grounds.

Linda Fulton – Has concerns aligned with safety and parking on the VFW property. Asked why Campbell Park was not considered for the event – Rec. Commission indicated that it had not been considered. Linda also inquired if our Service Dept would be involved in set-up. – Rec. Commission stated no.

Dale Fellows – Stated he is very supportive of a Memorial Service on 9/11 and also a community event, but not necessarily the event that is described for 9/11 currently. Personal opinion concerning alcohol at community family events. While a swing band and DJ are being considered, what about Patriotic music? Good to involve our community at the VFW, as it brings awareness to this very important organization. Lastly, if the idea is to maximize turn out to the community event, might consider Labor Day weekend for the community event, but definitely do the 9/11 Memorial Service, since the first Browns game begins at 1 p.m. on this date.

Public Portion for 9/11 Event ended at 7:05 p.m.

President Fellows indicated from information distributed from the Finance Director, no Ordinance is necessary to appropriate funds, as the funds are available. However, a motion of Council will be needed to declare this event a public purpose. This portion of the meeting adjourned at 7:06 p.m. and a thank you to all that participated.

Legislation for the upcoming Council meeting of June 9, 2016.

Ordinance No. 2016-22 – 3rd Reading - An Ordinance amending Campbell Park and the Community Center's rental fees for both residents and non-residents. The Recreation Commission and Recreation Coordinator strongly recommend that the security deposit be raised due to repairs and replacement of property and also cleaning. (Meeting of the Recreation Committee of Council June 2, 2016). The Rules and Legislation Committee of Council recommends adopting the Ordinance and see what happens futuristically in terms of rentals; if the rates are too high and we lose renters, then the rates can be readjusted.

Ordinance No. 2016-26 – 3rd Reading - An Ordinance providing for a 3% increase in wages and benefits of part-time hourly members of the Fire Department. The Rules and Legislation Committee of Council recommends adopting this Ordinance.

Ordinance No. 2016-27 – 3rd Reading - An Ordinance fixing the compensation of the position of the Police Chief. The Rules and Legislation Committee of Council recommends adopting this Ordinance.

Ordinance No. 2016-29 – 2nd Reading - An Ordinance authorizing and directing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with the TowerCo for the lease of surplus city property located at 2454 River Road; at the Grange. The passing of this Ordinance is on the contingency that this project is reviewed and approved by the Planning & Zoning Commission of the City and there is a public hearing for said property since this site is located in a residential area. Because this is a time sensitive project the Rules and Legislation Committee of Council recommends that the 3 Reading Rule be waived and the Ordinance be adopted.

Ordinance No. 2016-30 – 2nd Reading – An Ordinance authorizing and directing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with the TowerCo for the lease of city property located at a vacant lot on West Miller Road. The passing of this Ordinance is on the contingency that this project is reviewed and approved by the Planning & Zoning Commission of the City. Because this is a time sensitive project the Rules and Legislation Committee of Council recommends that the 3 Reading Rule be waived and the Ordinance be adopted.

Ordinance No. 2016-34 – 1st Reading – An Ordinance to declare 8 light bars from Police cruisers as surplus equipment, each valuing ~\$300 or a total value of \$2400. The Rules and Legislation Committee of Council recommends waiving the 3 Reading Rule and adopting the Ordinance.

<u>Resolution No. 2016-9</u> – 1st Reading – A Resolution recognizing the Chagrin River Watershed Partners for their 20 years of dedication and knowledge to preserve our waterways. The Rules and Legislation Committee of Council recommends waiving the 3 Reading Rule and adopting the Ordinance.

Old Business

Status of: Ordinance No. 2016-25 – an Ordinance providing for a 3% increase in the wages and benefits of the part-time hourly members of the Police Department (including Dispatch). This Ordinance was adopted May 26, 2016 by the majority of Council; it has been vetoed by the Mayor.

Councilman Biro – Commented that this topic should be considered in a Council Committee of the Whole, as Mr. Plecnik "appears biased in not supporting raises for all".

Councilman Hallum – Agrees with Councilman Biro. "Our duty is to support consistency". "Here to represent citizens of the city; what is right for the city." "There was a different atmosphere in the past; working together. It is okay to have a difference of opinion, but this has broken down the last 3 years". "Mr. Plecnik voiced his opinion for a certain person in administration. At the end of the day we represent our residents. He (Mr. Plecnik) directed the PR Committee to separate out (the part-time police and dispatchers, part-time fire fighters, Chief Police and Fire Chief), this was discriminatory. Salary caps have not been looked at. PR has met 4 times and has not done a study to compare salary "bands". "Why was there an Ordinance before a study?" "This is rushing things thorough". "Needed to have salaries adjusted before action was made".

Councilwoman Majka – to Councilman Hallum, "you are singling out a person that is not here to defend himself".

President Fellows - For clarification: Concerning Ordinance No. 2016-20 - It was stated to me on May 26, 2016, that the 4 Ordinances that were derived from this Ordinance were not reviewed in committee, specifically Rules. I had indicated that they had been in Personnel Relations and was told that that was not true – so I went back to review minutes and this is what was found. The FIRST READING of Ordinance No. 2016-20 was April 28, 2016. There was not a Rules meeting announced for April 25th because there were no new agenda items to be reviewed (concerning Ordinance 2016-20, no recommendation brought forward from PR yet). The first time that Rules had an opportunity to review this request and subsequent recommendations from Personnel Relations to divide the Ordinance was May 9, 2016. From the Personnel Relations Committee of Council (meeting prior to Rules) on Monday, May 9th – (see PR minutes from May 9th) ... Also, to note: the Council member that stated that this or these Ordinances were not reviewed in committee was at the Rules and PR Committee meetings of May 9, 2016 and even spoke at Public Portion at the PR Committee Meeting. To summarize, The FIRST READING was April 28th, 2016, it was reviewed in Rules on May 9, 2016, the SECOND READING was May 12th and then Tabled as the Mayor had already unilaterally given 3% raises to Administrative individuals where the increase did not fall out of the higher end of the range that was adopted in 2014. When reviewing Ordinance 2016-20 on May 9th, members of the Personnel Relations Committee voted on and recommended that the ordinance be separated into 4 distinct Ordinances 2016- 25, 2016-26, 2016-27, 2016-28 - part-time police & dispatchers, part-time fire, the Police Chief and the Fire Chief respectively. While the individual 4 ordinances had not been reviewed in Rules or PR, they were identical in substance (3% wage increase); only that the positions were identified so they could be addressed and voted on separately instead of compensation for all non-union City employees. These four ordinances were created after the Mayor had unilaterally given raises.

Councilwoman Majka stated that the Personnel Relations committee "has not completed their work". She believes that they are reviewing positions, responsibilities, and salaries to determine whether they need to be adjusted in terms of or the "purpose of salary caps".

Mayor – asked to put all the Ordinances back together, putting the steps back in for the Police Chief and Fire Chief

Other Business

On April 28, 2016, <u>Resolution 2016-7</u> was adopted recognizing the City's Public Safety Dispatchers for their dedicated service to the City of Willoughby Hills.

Once the <u>Resolution 2016-9</u> is passes recognizing the Chagrin River Watershed Partners on its 20th anniversary. It was recommended by the members of the Rules and Legislation Committee as well as the Councilmen presented, that representatives should be awarded the Resolutions in person.

It was recommended that there be a Motion of Council to honor Retired Chief Harmon with a Resolution for his dedicated years of service to the City of Willoughby Hills.

Public portion opened at 8:09p.m.

Frank Cihula – voiced his disagreement with doubling resident's fee to rent Campbell Park from \$25.00 to \$50.00. Also concerned with the cost that is cited on the Ordinance concerning the opening and closing of the park (\$120.00). Prefer to have the cost deleted from the Ordinance. A few grammatical errors need to be corrected

Linda Fulton – indicated that the PR committee has met 3 times not 4. As with any committee recommendation, what action Council decides is up to them? Initially, did not realize that there were individuals in administration that had received raises; therefore, moved forward to address the police and fire. Encouraged Council members to attend committee meetings, even if they are not a member of the committee. Lastly, concerned with electronics being used at the Council table, especially what I observe as "texting".

Dale Fellows – I understand that the PR committee was to review all positions, even those that were already given raises.

Concerning Councilman Biro's comment on disrespect – Mr. Fellows stated that he is appalled at the behavior from the administrative staff in the past both to Council members and to the public. In the private sector, individuals displaying this behavior would be fired. Individuals need to remember their role wherever they may be in or out of our community. Concerning discrimination – how is one discriminated against if they are at the top of their pay range? As an active resident in our community, I cannot ever remember when a mayor has given raises without Council's approval. Let the PR Committee work on salary caps whether it is good, bad, or indifferent. Look at the common dominator for why this dissention is occurring.

Chris Hallum stated, "the salaries need to be adjusted before any action was made".

Public portion closed at 8:26 p.m.

President Fellows thanked all that attended and appreciated everyone being candid.

COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

President Fellows: Are they any other Council Representative reports this evening?

Councilman Hallum: Madame President, I attended along with our Mayor the 20th Anniversary Reception and Meeting of the Chagrin River Watershed Partners on May 19th so that was last Thursday here at the Community Center. It was basically a program honoring the partners on 20 years of partnership. A lot of their founders and past presidents and many people were in attendance from the twenty years including Billie Kamis who did work with Willoughby Hills Council some years ago. It was a very nice event, we enjoyed ourselves. They had food and refreshments and it was done very nicely. There were representatives from NOPEC there that were

explaining options on our utility bills, made it a little more clear, if anybody needs information I have some contact information about that. Not too much in the way of current business just mostly a celebration of the twenty years. So it was very nice.

President Fellows: Thank you Councilwoman Majka. Are there any questions. This would probably jump to the end of the Council meeting but Councilman Fiebig did ask if a resolution could be prepared to honor the Chagrin River Watershed's 20th anniversary and I suggested to Vicki that would be a good idea from us so she will get that ready for the next Council meeting. Thank you Mr. Fiebig.

President Fellows: Thank you Councilman Hallum. Just a reminder so when we schedule meetings those meetings have to be scheduled seven days in advance of the meeting.

Our next item of business is Public Portion.

PUBLIC PORTION

Section 107.08 – Public Meetings of Municipal Bodies

(a) All meetings of any municipal body are declared to be public meetings open to the public at all times.

All meetings shall provide a reasonable opportunity to hear public opinion.

President Fellows opened Public Portion at 7:38pm.

Vi Rupena – **521 Pebblebrook Drive.** Is there any chance of having the run-off from Eddy Road be diverted down Eddy in lieu of going into my property which we try so diligently to keep so nice? The water runs down we have it covered with rocks and it isn't working right it should be diverted down Eddy instead of our yard.

President Fellows: We will come back to answer you after Public Portion. Do you have a phone number that we can get privately, okay?

Steve Tretinik - Trustee and Property Manager for the Willoughby Hills VFW. I've been working with Denise for the last several months on this celebration of 9-11. I'll give you thoughts of what we represent at the VFW. Our basic motto is "Duty, Honor, County". We do not vary from that. That's what we believe, that's how we serve, that's how we go one. And this was approached to us about a 9-11 celebration. I can think of a lot of holidays like Memorial Days where yes, I would be offended. I would be very offended on how it is handled in a lot of communities when I see a Memorial Day Sale. I didn't see everybody across the street at the Memorial Day Service, that offends me. But to honor 9-11, the people who gave up their lives as a result of a terrorist attack, the first responders who were doing their jobs to hold them in esteem is far, very far from being patronizing in anyway and if the VFW supports this, we will support this in a way that will pray full, respectful, we'll have a benediction, we will have our Honor Guard who we do so far this year we had 28 veteran's funerals in the National Cemetery be there for a rifle salute. And ves, I've lived in Willoughby Hills for 37 years I didn't know my neighbors. We didn't have functions here. Maybe we had a pancake breakfast and you had a Touch-A-Truck where I could bring my kid so when Denise approached us with this idea of holding an event where people could get together and celebrate life at the result of a terrible tragedy, yeah we're all in for that. I think that's notable and I think as a community we would support it. You know in a lot of communities back to my roots in Pennsylvania all of you would probably belong to a VFW and an Am Vets or an American Legion because that was always the part of the focus of community every eventful organization was and if you didn't have a membership you didn't really fit in the community. So I think what Denise is trying to do is to try to reestablish this for your community and have a focus from veterans which would be proud and open because that's why we served for all of you to be here right now and this is not rhetoric but we served so that you could have a meeting like this, I can talk and say what I want to say, no repercussions I paid my dues and I'm not

offended if the City wants to have a celebration of life at the VFW post and we would be very honored to work with the City to have it. Thank you.

Denise Edwards – Recreation Coordinator. I know that there are a couple of things that you have asked me to address well I would just like to give a few notes if I could. This is the fourth meeting within the past week that we've been asked to attend and now that all the members could make it this evening so I just wanted to say to everybody all members are residents that help to develop, oversee and maintain programs for the City, please keep in mind that they are residents you are voting this evening. We've been fortunate when in doubt the VFW has given us guidance and support. They have helped up set the tone for the day as Steve mentioned, they have been fabulous. When we started with the day we weren't sure that it was going to be appropriate or inappropriate and they really helped us to get through it, to decide that it's a picnic that is going to be for families to respect all, to make sure that our first responders here in the City are acknowledged we want their presents there. We want everybody to be involved. You know as far as outside events we're not sure what's going on. You know we want it to be a somber day as everybody keeps saying but at the same time I see across the street all the time funerals, especially somber days. Every time I ask what do you want me to put on the sign they say that they want it to be a celebration of their life. So again this is a celebration of life. We don't want the terrorists to win, we want everybody to be together as a community. Also, we promise as always to be respectful and always keep the City's reputation in mind as we do with all of our events. So I just wanted to make sure that I said that to you this evening. As far as the event goes, I try wanted to, I know that Jennifer took notes from the meetings but want to just clarify it being 9-11 in the future, we don't know this is the first time again this was the date that just came about that evening it was not Kyle that was going back and forth about the date it was myself and Steve was involved as well deciding even if we didn't do an event maybe we would do a memorial service and maybe we would have a picnic of some sort on a different day in the future. As the fifty-two-foot obstacle course is part of the two inflatables that we would be renting, it's not in addition to and there would be family games like three legged race going back to the old days you know the sack races, things like that and we would have prizes. And then one other thing on the prices the pavilions we did our comparison with Willowick, not Wickliffe. Were there any questions for me that I could help give some more information or insight? I'm sorry, Councilman Fiebig you had mentioned about Touch-A-Truck. This year we are getting very involved with Touch-A-Truck. From what I know and I've been here for 4 years in the past before I came, Recreation was kind of in charge of Touch-A-Truck, in some point the Fire Department took it over and yes Councilman Hallum mentioned it is one of those events that you're in line, you're consistently moving the kids want to see everything. We wanted this to be more of a relaxing day where we get back to just families in the community and everybody outside of the community is invited as well. I think the quote as far as people coming from Painesville and Mentor that might have been taken out of context. It's not that we don't care that they come or inviting everybody but more importantly the people of Willoughby Hills. Anything that I can answer for anybody?

Jenna Bing – 36951 Beech Hills Drive. I'm changing the subject matter a little. I try to come to as many meetings as I can, but I can't come to all of them. And I get really frustrated with the inability to see what happened in a timely way. So two weeks ago you had a meeting, the minutes get approved tonight and they'll get posted sometime in the next two weeks. So if something happened in that meeting, I don't have a way to come and respond to it. The only thing that I see is that it's the second reading of an ordinance. So I don't have a timely way to respond to what happened at the last meeting. So, I thought how do I do this and I asked about the minutes in the past before and I believe that I was told that the minutes that are approved are a transcript of the tape, of a digital tape that is made and I understand that I thought that I was told that the digital tape was the official minutes even though the others get approved, the written gets approved. So what I was wondering since it's digital in we're in the world of digital now and I've taped a lot of things that is usually sticking the tape in to the computer and can't that be uploaded as the temporary minutes or preliminary minutes and you can listen to the audio. I thought about trying to tape the meeting on the TV but my neighbor said that she tries to watch it and it's really difficult and it doesn't work real well sometimes and you don't hear everything, so I'm sure that the digital tape picks up everything. So I was wondering if there was a way to put in some temporary minutes

and then as soon as the ones that are approved, the written ones then just replace it or do something, it should be fairly easy you know electronically today to do that. So that's my suggestion so that people who can't make the meeting if they see something or hear something really quickly they can respond instead of being waiting behind and trying to catchup and make comments on what is going on in the Village. Okay, that's all.

Ron Tipton – Trustee of VFW Post 4358. September 11, 2001 was a tragedy a severe enough tragedy that we were attacked on our homeland. Let's fast-forward now, I've listened to the minutes, fourteen and a half years later the compliant about 9-11 now that I heard and can read was the fact that there was a Brown's game that day. Really, that's more important than celebration of life for 9-11? That disguises me. That's all.

Chris du Laney – 37960 Valley Brook Drive. I'm a new member of the Personnel Relations Committee. I'm here to talk about the 3% raise but more, more importantly I'm here to talk about the dysfunction of the way that the City is being run. I know that you are split in your groups of who supports what kinds of things and I find that's politics and it is very, very upsetting. Your job is to maximize the value of living in Willoughby Hills and that's the way that you should address things. I was...your group decided that you needed a Personnel Relations Committee to look at the expenditures on personnel because it's the largest item in the budget and that made sense to me. That's why I agreed to do it, my friend Peter Osenar asked me to do it, John Plecnik conveyed the message but it's not because of John it's because of Peter that I decided to do it. So we've had three meetings and we haven't gotten a lot done and that's disappointing. But when we heard at the last meeting that the Mayor had given 3% raises that came to a shock to everybody there. I don't pretend to know and understand the workings of the Council, I've only been to three meetings and I apologize for that. But I do know about how to administer personnel because I've done it for twenty years in very successful corporations and organizations for profit and not for profit. I understand how to do ranges; I could give lessons on...to anyone even including my...the esteemed Frank Brichacek who I have great respect for. But ranges are designed to set parameters, they are designed to reward people as they move up the pay ranges based on years of seniority and excellence of performance, that's what they're for. They should be changed on the basis of what Council wants and the Mayor want to accomplish within positions but that should be done deliberatively. I do know that giving across the board raises is a classic way not to incentivize excellent performance within any organization because if the least gets it for doing nothing those who work hardest find it harder to increase their motivation to do that. It has to come then from internally which is not to say that it doesn't, but it's the wrong way to go about it. Your job is to take the resources that are apparently dwelling as our revenues go down and use them as best you can to make it a good place to live and work. So you are responsible for my values and for everybody else's values in here. The fact that you have enough money to do...to give those raises doesn't mean that you should. If you did a public vote on that I'll bet anyone here any amount of money that they want to that it won't past because we want lower taxes and we want good roads and we want to be a good place to relocate businesses and people. I'm really asking all of you to stop the politics and start talking to one another and to start working together to say hey how can we spend the limited resources of the City; 3% raises is not the way to go. With great respect Mayor the argument that you made about the age discrimination doesn't cut it...it's just wrong. There's just no way that would carry when you are trying to give raises for the public groups. I urge you to pass the legislation, I urge you to forget who you are voting with or for and to pass the legislation and give the Mayor another chance to not veto it, but if he does, to go over...to pass it, you know what I mean...

President Fellows: Overrule.

Chris du Laney: The override, thank you for your time.

Tony Manfredi – **730 Pebblebrook Drive.** Let's all take a deep breath. Inhale and just relax and understand the responsibility that you were elected to do, okay. Each and every one of you look into yourself and say I'm I doing this for the betterment of the City or I'm I doing this on a personal basis? And I remind you I'm proud to be an American, I'm proud that I was born in the United States and you talk about your two children over there

you know what VFW stands for? Veterans of Foreign Wars. I spend twenty-four years in the military defending the right for each and every one of you up here to voice your opinions. And I want those opinions to be voiced with civility, with understanding and respect for us people who live in Willoughby Hills. That's all we ask of you. There's no discrimination, no basis or nothing in my heart against anyone of you and I know most all of you and I respect all of you. Now all I ask is that you respect us. Thank you.

Doris Dodge – 37881 Milan Drive. Willoughby Hills has the highest paid secretary in the County, if not the State now you want to award more. If anyone desires a raise, it should be our first responders our Police and Firemen. They put their lives on the line for us every single day. Frankly, Mr. Mayor and Council if I have an emergency in my home and if my life or property is in danger I am going to be calling 911 for Police and Fire I will not be calling the secretarial staff and I would like to have this reconsidered and maybe you would change your mind. Thank you.

President Fellows: Anyone else this evening for Public Portion? I will close Public Portion at 7:58pm.

The next order of business is legislation. I have just a few things that I would like to mention, I call them "Tips from Roberts", Robert's Rules. So at our last Council meeting two of our Council members were out of line, they were out of order and it will not be tolerated, it's not respectful, it's not professional. I learned a lot from the last Council meeting and from now on unless you are acknowledged by the President to speak you will be considered out of order.

Policy #7 of Council which we all need to be reminded of apparently states: "If any member of Council in attendance at a Council Meeting or Committee Meeting fails to obey and/or abide by the Chair's ruling when one is ruled out of order more than twice at any given meeting, that disruptive behavior shall be grounds for expulsion from the meeting for the remainder of the meeting. The Chair shall advise the member of the violation of this rule and the potential consequences after the second violation. A vote of Council without debate for the expulsion shall be in order". I don't think that I need to say more about that. The other thing that I want to speak to you is "calling the question". So it appears that we have gotten to the point where people say "call the question" and that means to stop debate. That is not how Robert's Rules works. If an individual wants to call the question to stop debate then we need a second and we need a motion of the entire Council with the majority to determine if we've going to stop debating or stop having a discussion or having a conservation. If the Council determines that we want to continue with the discussion, then we shall continue. Calling the question is not an authority from the individual that said that we're going to stop the discussion and we're straight to the motion. We haven't practiced that for a long time and I think the reason the we never really enforced it is because we had a Council here that was pretty amicable and let everybody speak when they wanted to and we respected each other and it was professional. One of the reasons that I ran for Council fourteen years ago was because of a lack of professionalism on this dais and I seem to be going backwards. So, I'm just saying.

All right, legislation.

Vice President Plecnik: Madame President, isn't it unfinished business first?

President Fellows: Yes, you are correct.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Vice President Plecnik: And along the lines of unfinished business Madame President, I intend to make a motion to override the Mayor's veto on the raise for our part-time police officers. Hearing from our residents, I couldn't agree more, it's time to respect the contribution that our part-time police have made. They haven't had a raise in two years nor have our part-time firefighters although there is legislation that we will be voting on tonight. In the Mayor's veto he accompanied it with a six-page letter much of which was directed towards me

and the Personnel Relations Committee, making a lot of allocations that we hadn't done our homework, that we hadn't looked at the positions in question, that we weren't prepared to make recommendations and as Chair of the Committee I feel obligated to defend its very hard work, I see in the crowd three members of the Personnel Relations Committee almost the entire committee is here today and these are volunteers, they are not being paid for their service. They were asked to step and serve Willoughby Hills to give us more insight as a Council and the right way to evaluate raises because as long as I have been involved both on the Recreation Commission and the Library Board of Trustees and this Council, I have observed that we have not examined raises, we've done across the board raises without examining are we really motivating our employees, are we rewarding our employees properly. And so this was the time to say that we are actually going to take some months to look at what is indeed appropriate and with these volunteer's help many of whom have been executives and presidents and lawyers to take that experience to guide Council and to make a recommendation that Council and the Mayor can choose to accept or reject but in the middle of our work the Mayor proposed an across the board raise and we were forced to respond to it and ultimately Council tabled that across the board raise recognizing the wisdom and evaluating each position before moving. But then we learned at another Personnel Relations Committee Meeting because our Police Chief came and joined us and told us that the Mayor had given raises to many employees with his administrative discretion so our committee has been forced to kind of play catch-up in response to the fact that the Mayor had chosen to give a 3% raise to everyone who was not already at the top of their pay scale who were not maxed out, we decided to pull out the part-time police and firefighters as well as their chiefs who are individuals who no member of Council would reasonably dispute are more than up for a raise at this point. We try to keep in general, we hope to keep our part-time police and fire equal to the unions, they have not had raises as the unions have and in respect to that we want to pull out that non-conversational set of positions so that Council could pass their raise and move forward. Not to ignore the other positions but to continue the hard work of the committee and evaluate them. We had a lot of statements that the committee had acted too quickly, that there wasn't time for Council to consider it, but it was the Mayor's action that forced the committee to respond and now again we hear the Mayor's proposed another 3% raise that no one I presume has read and he now wants us to not only suspend the 3-Reading Rule but the 2-Day Notification and pass an ordinance that incredibly important to this City and our budget without even reading it. I mean, we have a famous Speaker of the House that once said "Let's pass the bill first and understand it later". I say no to that type of legislation and I have to say again, the Personnel Relations Committee has done great home work. A couple of Council people at the last meetings, and I don't want to name-names because I'm not here to put anyone down or criticize has said that well you haven't done a compensation study on the Mayor's Executive Assistant, the Mayor's Personal Assistant. But that's not true, if you look in our binder for non-union employees, we actually did a compensation study which pulled the salaries and years of service for every Mayor's Assistant in surrounding cities and we found that the Mayor's Assistant is the highest paid out of all of them. And there's a previous study done by our previous Council President that indicated that the Mayor's Assistant was actually the highest paid for a City of our size in the State of Ohio. I'm not our previous Council President, I can't verify his numbers but when you take into account that this individual, this position is being paid \$65,000 year and Mayor's proposal is a \$2,000 raise and is saying that I will not allow, I will veto any raises for safety forces unless or until Council gives a \$2,000 raise to a \$65,000 secretary, by the way now makes more than the Mayor himself, I think that most of us, most residents would be very concerned with that. And I'm not saying that we're not going to continue to evaluate that position, I'm saying that we should pass the raise for the part-time police and fire and to alleged that my committee hasn't done their homework when you haven't even read their work or you would have known that we've done this study. To alleged that the committee is somehow engaged in an age discrimination by proposing raises to police and firefighters because they're largely young people and to also say that we should give...the Mayor also hinged this on giving a 3% raise to his Building Commission; just 2 weeks ago the Mayor just gave a formal reprimand to the Building Commission and yet he now wants to give him a 3% percent raise, I don't know a single executive, manager or employer that reprimands an employee and in 2 weeks later gives him a \$3,000 raise. I don't see that as good management. That's why Personnel Relations is here to put on the brakes. To look at the issues carefully and once again, I'm not here to single out any person, we're here to look at positions and the reality is that the Mayor's Assistant is clearly over paid based on our study and to ask for a \$2,000 raise and to hold hostage our

police and firefighters to give a \$2,000 raise to a personal assistant who make \$65,000 already that's just wrong Mayor. Thank you.

Councilman Hallum: While I don't disagree that our fire and safety forces are important to us, my concern is that you know, Mr. Plecnik and the Personnel Committee tasked themselves with really looking at all of the positions, looking at the pay scales and making sure and then advising us of such. To use the Mayor as an excuse as to why they, Mr. Plecnik as Chair of that group decided to put forth these ordinances, I think is ridiculous. There's no rush, they've even said it on the committee, there's no rush. You know, Mr. Du Laney even has said they haven't really accomplished a whole lot yet, they haven't had a chance to meet with these individuals to really make sure...maybe the job description isn't accurate for...Mr. Plecnik keeps talking about the Mayor's Executive Assistant perhaps her job description isn't accurate, maybe we need to review what she is doing and make sure that it is correct. But besides that, we need to make sure that all these positions are vetted, the pay scales are looked at and that Council has an opportunity to look at all that information, discuss it openly in front of the public before we vote on it. And to then write these four ordinances which were done immediately after a Personnel Committee Meeting and then immediately tried, Mr. Plecnik tried to waive the 3-Reading Rule which he, himself on numerous occasions, it's very important that we read this three times to give the community a chance to respond and give us their input and then try to pass it immediately, I think is irresponsible. I'm not saying that they don't deserve it, I'm not saying that we shouldn't do it but I do think that we need to make sure that we do what we intended to do which is just let the Personnel Committee do the job regardless of what the Mayor is, let's not use that as an escape goat, let's do our job. Let's do the reviews, let's get all the information and then let's make a decision. As opposed to using the Mayor as an escape goat and push this stuff through. I think that it's a mistake, thank you.

Vice President Plecnik: Madame President...

President Fellows: Councilman Fiebig was next. Did you want to...

Councilman Fiebig: No.

President Fellows: No, all right.

Vice President Plecnik: Madame President, given that we now have read the legislation three times, thoroughly debated it and heard the public's will I would make a motion to override the Mayor's veto of Ordinance No. 2016-25. Councilwoman Majka seconded.

Councilman Biro: Madame President, I also agree with Mr. Hallum. You know I appreciate our safety forces and I was Chairman of Safety and had many discussions with them and I truly believe that they're special individuals and so in no way do I think that they don't deserve that but the other point is that we...I also respect and cherish our non-union people, our administrative people who work very hard for this City and to exclude them in certain discussions is just to me not right. And Mr. Plecnik being admonished in a couple of meetings ago for being...a personal attack on one of these individuals, it's just doesn't sit well with me. I got a chance to talk to our Police Chief about this issue and he even...he was very open about it, he kind of agrees with me on it that the period should be there. We should include these other individuals. We budgeted for that, he seems to think, he supports the idea of including these individuals. So I support our safety forces but I really want to see substantive discussion from Personnel Relations and I want to see some inclusion into this matter. I think that the problem there is that and I think that I have mentioned this before, there is a bias with Personnel Relations with some individuals and I don't think that they can be fair and unbiased so for that reason I won't support the veto, the motion to override the veto and for the other two ordinances. Sorry.

Councilwoman Majka: Madame President, it's been stated on several occasions by myself and other people that Personnel Relations is not done yet, that was in the minutes that I had read or that were read earlier about Personnel Relations. Chris you had just said that they hadn't gotten, according to Mr. Du Laney, they hadn't

gotten a whole lot done yet so there is more work to be done, that's agreed on. These positions in question that had been termed "controversial" are controversial because we can see why they are controversial. People who are at the top of their salary, they're maxed out so those can be handled separately at another time, after the thorough investigation that you had just recommended. But in the meantime, people are waiting, part-time police and fire people that we all agree that we support are waiting for a raise and have been waiting for more than two years. So what is the big deal about passing these raising for these people?

Councilman Hallum: Madame President, maybe you didn't understand what I just said. What I said was I don't think that it is prudent, I think that it is irresponsible not allow them to investigate all of these positions, look at all the salary ranges for all of these positions and make sure...and do their investigation on all of these positions including the police and fire, all of them before we just put together an ordinance and past it. We've all said that it's not right for us putting stuff on and not going through the proper channels and looking at them and yes, police and fire are important but does that anything that comes up in police and fire should just blinkedly, blindly pass it without having it go through due process and making sure that we are doing the right thing, I don't think that makes sense to me Councilwoman Majka, I wouldn't...I can't imagine anybody up here being okay. After everything that we've been through on this Council in the last two to three years passing something that hasn't properly been vetted regardless of how important it is or how important these people are at the end of the day it's these people tax dollars and I think that it's important that we investigate and make sure that it's the right thing to do before we pass it without being vetted. Thank you.

Vice President Plecnik: Madame President, if I could say actions speak louder than words. We can all say that we support the Police, we support the Fire but I'm going to vote for the Police and I'm going to vote for the Fire. It's easy to say, it's harder to do, so I'm going to do. And beyond that we have vetted this legislation. We voted, I made a motion and I believe that Councilwoman Fellows voted for it as well several years ago to give a 2% raise to our part-time Police and Fire Fighters because we recognized even years that they needed a bump in pay to try to put them in equity with their respective unions because we really should try to do at lease rough justice and treat the part-timers the same as the full-timers because they put their lives on the line just like their counter-parts who are full time in the Police and Fire Departments and I think that any full-timer would say the same because many of them are part-timers in other departments and want to be treated fairly there too. So this is something that's been talked about for years and some people at this dais voted against that 2% raise then and those people apparently want to vote against the raise for the part Police and Fire again. You can say that you are in support of Police and Fire until you are blue in the face but actions speak louder than words. This legislation was recommended to us by the Personnel Relations Committee, was recommended to us by Rules and Legislation; has been debated in Rules and Legislation and has gone through three readings. After years of discussion on similar ordinances and work the reality of it is these raises are being held hostage for some employees who I think there is some bias involved. But I can say that none of these employees are my campaign supporters or campaign managers so I'm not the one who might be bias at this dais the reality is if there is any bias it's against the part-time Police and Fire Fighters who are being used to justify raises for others. No one wants to talk about certain people individually because they know it is a more difficult debate. They want to group them in with the Police and Fire Fighters for the truth is their jobs and responsibilities are very different and their pay scales are very different so once again I'm voting for Police and Fire, I don't just support you, I vote for you. Thank you.

Councilman Hallum: Madame President. I'm going to respond to that because he's right two years ago that did not pass because once again there was no study, there was talk about that we needed to do a study, I think that Mar. Plecnik might have been the one to have said that, and that was two years ago, almost two and a half years ago, he's now responsible for doing that and I was actually very hopefully that was actually going to occur, it has not occurred and instead he's just putting theses ordinances up there for us to pass un vetted and you know it doesn't make sense to me. He says he's actions more than words but he hasn't showed any actions towards vetting this stuff. Instead he seems more political, I'm for Police and Fire, I'm going to vote for them no matter what because I support them but not really going to do the homework to make sure that we are really

spending your dollars right. I think that is irresponsible and incorrect and that I think the last time he proposed the 2% they were once again just segmenting off and looking at just a segment of our Administration and our non-salary, our salary, non-union people and they did it right in the middle of the Council Meeting without having any chance for us to discuss it. I mean it was a surprises this is what we are going to do which again is irresponsible for us to vote on something that wasn't well vetted. Thank you.

President Fellows: So many of you have heard me share this story before. Six years ago this Administration came to Council asking them to approve a tax increase for our residents to be put on the ballot. I wasn't in approval of it. I felt that the Administration needed to look a little deeper to see where they could decrease some of their expenses. There was a very large sign put on Chardon Road not too far from my street with a burning house. The inference was that if you don't pass this tax increase, I won't have enough Police or Fire to come to your house when you call and you need us. That was the market strategy. I wasn't for it, I decided to put it on...vote to put it on the ballot although the Mayor had said in the Willoughby News-Herald that I wasn't going to do that and he did that before it even happened and our residents voted for it because it was for Police and Fire. It was for safety forces. I'm pretty naive sometimes when it comes to finances in our City and I'm trying to learn more and more and Mr. Brichacek has been helping me. And I was naïve to think that when the City gave the Police Department a budget that once the taxes went up they would get more on top of their budget. May be so that we could get more police cars, or may be more full time Policemen so that we would have more boots on the street, that didn't happen. Because the money that came out of the General Fund for the Police's budget was decreased and the tax money was put in place and their budget was very slightly higher even though our residents voted to increase their taxes. The Mayor has told me that he is very proud of our part-time Policemen. Do you realize that they bring in about a million dollars a year in revenue ticketing on 271? Yet we can't give them a 3% raise, they haven't had a raise in over a year and a half when Administrative individuals have had raises and we've been told by Administrative individuals that secretaries are equal to Police and Fire who put their lives on the line every day for us. We can talk about surveys until we're blue in the face. Years ago when we did our contracts for our Police and Fire and I asked this question when we started to determine what kind of increases our non-union people would get, I was told that they're going to get the same so that we would have fair and equitable increases across the board. That doesn't happen anymore. The Police have one contract with increases 2% this year, 1% that year, 1% another year. The Fire have a totally different contract with increases and to be fair they've negotiated for other things so they didn't what high increases. A couple of years ago, the Mayor decided that he would give increases to Administration based on the Consumer Product Index which is how Council gets their raises or not. So our increases for all of our people are all over the board now and there's no equity in it at all. I asked the Mayor why he didn't use the CPI this year because it's in the negative. We increase taxes for our safety forces that's where our tax dollars are going. I have a responsibility for the health, welfare and the safety of this community and I took an oath to do that and I will support them in passing these ordinances because they deserve it. Thank you.

I have a motion on the table from Vice President Plecnik to over-ride the Mayor's veto on <u>Ordinance No. 2016-25</u> to increase the raises by 3% of the part-time Police and Dispatchers and it was seconded by Councilwoman Majka.

Law Director Lobe: Madame Chair.

President Fellows: Do you have a legal opinion, Mr. Lobe?

Law Director Lobe: Just a cautionary one. It takes five affirmative votes to over-ride it.

President Fellows: We understand that.

Law Director Lobe: Just making sure.

Roll Call: YEAS: Majka, Plecnik, Fellows, Fiebig

NAYS: Hallum, Biro

Motion fails.

LEGISLATION

Ordinance No. 2016-22 - THIRD READING

An ordinance amending Part Nine – Streets, Utilities & Public Services, Title Five – Other Public Services, Chapter 941 – Use of Public Property, Section 941.05 – Campbell Park and Campbell Park Field, sub-section (c); Section 941.07 – Willoughby Hills Community Center, sub-section (g) and (h) of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Willoughby Hills and repealing conflicting legislation.

Councilman Biro moved for passage. Councilwoman Majka seconded.

Councilman Plecnik: Madame President, if I could just say two years ago when I was Chair of the Rec Committee we did a review of the fees and the Recreation Commission was incredibly helpful in reviewing it. Although I have personally reviewed the fees and they appear to be reasonable to me I am really relaying on the Rec Commission's wisdom here, as I think that we all are. So hopefully we'll continue to carefully monitor through the Rec Department whether or not our usage goes up or down based on these fees but I'm inclined to trust the Recreation Commission's recommendation on this and move forward, hopefully it results in more revenue for the City.

Roll Call: YEAS: Hallum, Majka, Plecnik, Biro, Fellows

NAYS: Fiebig

With four affirmative votes, motion passed.

Ordinance No. 2016-26 - THIRD READING

An ordinance providing for the wages and benefits of the part-time hourly members of the Fire Department of the City of Willoughby Hills; repealing conflicting legislation and declaring an emergency.

Vice President Plecnik moved for passage. Councilwoman Majka seconded.

Councilman Hallum: Madame President, I would just like to ask Council to please just table these and let's have the discussion and make sure that it is the right thing to do before we just pass these. There really hasn't been proper research, study and vetting of these. I'm just not comfortable until we've done that. That's what John...that's what Mr. Plecnik had set out to do, I think that he should do it, I really do and I think that the Personnel Committee has a right to finish their job before we just do this. So I can't support them knowing that we haven't done what we said that we were going to do prior to doing this.

Vice President Plecnik: Madame President, two things; once again actions speak louder than words and I don't just support you I vote for you Fire Fighters and I'm going to vote for you tonight and second I'd really love to hear from Councilman Hallum or Councilman Biro what their problem is with giving a 3% raise to the part-time Police and Fire. Saying that it's not vetted or there hasn't been enough discussion is pretty easy to say but let's be substantive, what problem do you have in giving them a 3% raise? What research have you done that shows that this is wrong or too much or that they don't deserve it. I want to put it back on you because you are the ones voting no on the Fire Fighters so you tell us what your actually substantive reason is. Thank you.

Councilman Hallum: I would be happy to. I would just like you to do what you said you were going to do John. I would like you to hold the meetings, I would like you to do the study, do the research, do the homework before you write an ordinance. That's what I would like you to do. You talk about it all the time; you've been talking about it for the last two and a half years about all these things that you were going to do and you haven't done it. You just wrote an ordinance. You can't just do the homework that you said that you were going to do

and then bring the ordinance and let us talk about it? Instead of just throwing it at us and trying to waive it and pass it through and say your actions more than words. Let's take it back on yourself, look in the mirror, let's see some action, let's do some homework. That's what you're supposed to be doing is doing your homework first. You haven't done it. Your homework is doing this ordinance and then sitting there and using some political speech to try to show your support for Fire and Police, why I think that it is ridiculous that's my personal opinion about it, thank you.

Vice President Plecnik: Madame President, I think that the word ridiculous is unfortunate I think that we would want a more civilize discussion than that but put that to the side. Once again Councilman Hallum has not given you a single reason why he is not voting for this legislation other than he says it needs to be vetted more. Let me say that in the two enormous binders of research that our Personnel Relations Committee has compiled with the help of our Council Clerk that we have worked on and read both in and out of committee we find that a 3% raise for the Police and Fire is roughly equitant to what the unions have received over the same period given that they have not received a raise in two years and by the way that's not my opinion that was stated to us by Mayor Weger himself. So, I'm sorry Mr. Hallum but we have done our homework, you're voting no for your own reasons but apparently you choose not to share them. Thank you.

Councilman Hallum: Madame President I am sharing them and the fact that you compiled all this paperwork from the past and read it is one thing but what you're supposed to be doing is looking at new...is reviewing what is in today and doing a study with today, not just looking at the past. We can't just be look at the past and that's it without looking at what's going on now and do that study and you probably should have some professionals come in and do it; honestly, I don't think that Mr. du Laney is quite comfortable with this at all based on the comments that he has made. And I think that he would actually like to have a chance to look at it a little more further and he has actually said there's no hurry. So your own committee seems to be in agreement that maybe there's no hurry.

Vice President Plecnik: Madame President, of course Mr. du Laney agrees that we should spend more time looking at positions. However, he has just asked us in Public Portion, and I think that we should listen when someone speaks, to pass this legislation tonight. So while I'm sure he agrees we need to continue to look at all the issues and we have to revisit raises each and every year Mr. Hallum, he also believes that now is the time to give rough equivalence to our non-union police and fire fighters as their full-time counterparts have. Again, I've not heard a single substantive reason from anyone why they don't support this legislation, they simply say that we've not done enough. And frankly the Personnel Relations Committee has done more in six months than it's done in the past two years. I was a member of the Personnel Relations Committee in the first session of Council two years ago when I joined Council and we've done more in six months than that committee, in my view, did in two years in terms of compiling information on all the employees and no the past isn't everything but we're talking about the past these are the current contracts that were negotiated between the City and the unions based on market rates and what the market and the arbitrators would bear. There's a reason why those rates were set, unless you alleging that our City and our Police and Fire Departments are completely incompetent in their negotiations which I'm not here to do. I'm not going to belabor a dead horse, I'm not going to respond to Mr. Hallum again, I'll just say one more time actions speak louder than words, I'm going to not just say I support the Police and Fire, I'm going to vote for our Fire Fighters. Thank you.

President Fellows: Mr. Hallum, would you like to respond?

Councilman Hallum: No, I'm done with him, I'm sorry.

President Fellows: All right we have a motion on the floor from Vice President Plecnik and a second from Councilwoman Majka to adopt <u>Ordinance No. 2016-26</u>.

Roll call: YEAS: Majka, Plecnik, Fellows, Fiebig

NAYS: Hallum, Biro With four affirmative votes, motion passed.

President Fellows: Ordinance No. 2016-26 has been adopted.

Law Director Lobe: Without the emergency.

President Fellows: Without the emergency.

Law Director Lobe: The exact same thing, it passes but as a matter of law, it passes but without the emergency tag which is provided by case law, so it passes without the emergency tag so it goes into effect within thirty days depending whenever the Mayor signs it, as a matter of law.

Ordinance No. 2016-27 – THIRD READING

An ordinance fixing the compensation for the position of Police Chief; repealing conflicting legislation and declaring an emergency.

Vice President Plecnik moved for passage. Councilwoman Majka seconded.

Roll call: YEAS: Majka, Plecnik, Fellows, Fiebig

NAYS: Hallum, Biro

With four affirmative votes, motion passed.

President Fellows: The motion passes to adopt <u>Ordinance No. 2016-27</u> without declaring an emergency since we did not have five votes. I finally got it Tom.

Ordinance No. 2016-29 is on second reading, this has a time sensitive nature to it as I reported in my Rules and Legislation Committee and to waive the 3 readings we need five votes. What are the wishes of Council?

Ordinance No. 2016-29 - SECOND READING

An ordinance authorizing and directing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with TOWERCO for the lease of certain surplus City property located at 2454 River road and declaring an emergency.

Councilman Biro moved to suspended the 3-Reading Rule. Vice President Plecnik seconded.

Vice President Plecnik: This has been discussed very exhaustedly in our Finance Committee Meetings, there is substantial financial benefit to this City assuming that Planning and Zoning is able to work for an amicable way in putting the towers in, hopefully utilizing in the residential area by the grange a camouflaged tree type tower. I think that this will be great for the City and it will also give us a modest improvement to our budget, I think this has been thoroughly vetted and I am very much in support of passing it tonight.

Law Director Lobe: Can I make a comment on just one thing? Just because something has even a proposed location here on a stretch does not mean that they have to do it so don't rely upon that rather rely upon the terms of the contract, fair enough?

Vice President Plecnik: Fair enough.

Law Director Lobe: Because that location will be dependent upon planning, entrances, driveways, a multitude of things. So I see some diagrams here that I want you to vote on the concept and the numbers rather than on where the diagram is and make sure that...because if it comes up I may rule that you made it contingent on that. I want to make that clear for everybody voting.

Roll call: YEAS: Hallum, Majka, Plecnik, Biro, Fellows

NAYS: Fiebig

Motion passed.

Councilman Biro moved for passage. Vice President Plecnik seconded.

Roll call: YEAS: Hallum, Majka, Plecnik, Biro, Fellows, Fiebig

Motion passed.

Ordinance No. 2016-30 - SECOND READING

An ordinance authorizing and directing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with TOWERCO for the lease of certain surplus City property a vacant lot located on West Miller Road and declaring an emergency.

Councilman Biro moved to suspended the 3-Reading Rule. Councilwoman Majka seconded.

Vice President Plecnik: If I could just say, 2016-30 and 2016-29 are really interrelated you wouldn't pass one without the other; we've been negotiating with TOWERCO simultaneously if I am correct that's what the Administration has been doing and for the same reasons I support 29, I support 30.

Roll call: YEAS: Hallum, Majka, Plecnik, Biro, Fellows

NAYS: Fiebig

Motion passed.

Councilman Biro moved for passage. Vice President Plecnik seconded.

Roll call: YEAS: Hallum, Majka, Plecnik, Biro, Fellows, Fiebig

Motion passed.

Ordinance No. 2016-34

An ordinance to declare City vehicle(s) and/or equipment as surplus property and granting authorization to sell said surplus vehicle(s) and equipment on the open market, jupon such terms and at such prices as are deemed most advantageous to the City of Willoughby Hills and declaring an emergency.

Councilman Biro moved to suspended the 3-Reading Rule. Councilwoman Majka seconded.

Roll call: YEAS: Hallum, Majka, Plecnik, Biro, Fellows, Fiebig

Motion passed.

Councilman Biro moved for passage. Vice President Plecnik seconded.

Roll call: YEAS: Hallum, Majka, Plecnik, Biro, Fellows, Fiebig

Motion passed.

Resolution No. 2016-9

A resolution recognizing Chagrin River Watershed partners on its 20th anniversary.

Councilman Biro moved to suspended the 3-Reading Rule. Councilwoman Majka seconded.

Roll call: YEAS: Hallum, Majka, Plecnik, Biro, Fellows, Fiebig

Motion passed.

Councilman Biro moved for passage. Councilwoman Majka seconded.

Roll call: YEAS: Hallum, Majka, Plecnik, Biro, Fellows, Fiebig

Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

Councilman Biro moved to declare a public purpose for the following Recreation Commission events: one is a 9/11 Memorial Service remembering those that perished during a Terrorist Attack on September 11, 2001 and to honor our first responders that protect us daily; and the second is a community event to be held during the month of September 2016 encouraging the Recreation Commission to consider a date other than September 11th. It's my understanding that it's just a recommendation and they can do what they want.

Councilwoman Majka seconded.

Councilman Fiebig: I did have one follow up question to Denise Edwards that there was mentioned in the minutes that there Lynn Hallum's brother would be a DJ at this event, was that to be paid?

Denise Edwards: Ah, yes and there is nothing that has been completely settled as of yet on that. We've talked with a couple of DJs, price wise so far he was the cheapest. We have not proceeded with anything financially as far as planning goes or putting anything in place. That was all just part of the notes with our meeting with Jennifer on the committee.

Councilman Fiebig: What was the amount?

Denise Edwards: \$150.00 for three hours.

Councilman Fiebig: Thank you.

Denise Edwards: Your welcome.

Councilman Fiebig: A question follow-up with our Law Director. Can as Council, can we vote to have funds expended to a relative of a sitting Council member or a member of the body that makes recommendations?

Law Director Lobe: I don't want to get into a formal...but the answer is that you can...(Microphone not on)

Councilman Fiebig: Sir I can't hear you.

Law Director Lobe: It is permissible especially now since it's been put out there you can decide whether to vote for it or not vote for it but based upon that, the legality of it is no, it is legal. Thank you.

President Fellows: I might suggest that in voting on your DJ that Mrs. Hallum abstain from voting on her brother being the DJ.

Vice President Plecnik: If I could just clarify, I don't believe that we are voting to hire a DJ today, I believe that would be selected by the Administration and/or the Rec Department and/or the Rec Commission and so it's a separate question whether we declare a public purpose or whether we're hiring a relative of a Councilperson, am I correct in that understanding?

Law Director Lobe: Correct.

President Fellows: We're only voting for this, only what's on paper.

Councilman Fiebig: My understanding was that we could vote for to hold a service at the non-public property event but that the other details of that would be something that would be separate because I am in favor of having a Memorial Service at the VFW but because of the considerations that I had expressed earlier in the meeting to those who were here for another City event to be you know almost in the same week that I think it's not a prudent use of our resources and also the tone of the day being somber, it being respectful and geared toward our first responders, I just...some of the things that I've read in the memo and some of the conversations that I've heard about bounce houses and DJs and a swing band and it doesn't sit well with me, so on that I'm conflicted as to voting yes that we want this portion of it but I don't feel comfortable with that portion of it. So I don't exactly know what to do on that matter because I thought perhaps we were going to break that out separately. Thank you.

Councilwoman Majka: I would just like to respond to Mr. Fiebig. I was present at Recreation Committee and Commissions, spend quite a bit of time hearing the explanations and giving input and as sitting in for Councilwoman Greer last night at the meeting and also attending the regular Recreation Committee Meeting it was just our recommendations that Madame President Fellows felt as well as myself, made to Denise and the other Members. So Council was not charged with administrating the event as such we were just offering our suggestions and we came to the conclusion that we do whole heartedly support their event, we made our concerns known, we made our suggestions but we left the motion open-ended as to the date, as to the locations so they can make their decisions and they then would be responsible for that event based on the decisions that they make. Thank you.

Councilman Plecnik: If I could just say in voting yes for this I'm going to trust our VFW to honor September 11th the same way they've honored Veteran's Day and Memorial Ceremonies that I appreciate every year and I'm grateful that they came out to share their thoughts with us so I'll be voting yes tonight. Thank you.

Councilman Fiebig: As a final thought, thank you for your comments on that as I'm making up my mind but I do see Council's responsibility to appropriate funds so therefore since the Administration has come to Council to ask for these funds I'm going to ask the Administration...haven't you? Isn't that correct? I'm I wrong?

President Fellows: Councilman Fiebig, we've vetted this in committee and I read in my minutes...

Councilman Fiebig: \$25000

President Fellows: President Fellows indicated from information distributed from the Finance Director and I believe that information went to all Council Members, no ordinance is necessary to appropriate funds and I'm paraphrasing, as the funds are available. So the only thing that came before Council was to have a motion of public purpose.

Councilman Fiebig: Okay, all right, fine. Thank you, thank you. Well again I wanted to express not only my opinion but I did talk to a few people in the City and this is the feedback that I got from them is that 9/11 is a special kind of an event, it's not...when I mentioned a bounce-house and that sort of thing I think that they reeled at that, so I just want...I'm sharing as I'm supposed to, the response that I got from the community, the people that I've talked with so I'll vote for it then and I'll trust the judgment of people and I wanted to be sure that I expressed my concerns and that of the residents that I've talked with today and over the last few days.

Roll call: YEAS: Hallum, Majka, Plecnik, Biro, Fellows, Fiebig Motion passed.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

None.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE COMMUNITY

Law Director Lobe: This is not for the good of the community, I should have done this in unfinished business, but the women from Pebblebrook, I didn't catch her name, Mary...

Council Clerk: Vi.

Law Director Lobe: If you could just...before we leave if you could just give me your name and number and you might get lucky because tomorrow morning, I, the Engineer, the Building Department and the Representative of a building down Chardon Road are looking at things and we're dragging out Pete, our Engineer who knows about water, possibly in the morning so if you could meet with me and Pete before you leave tonight, okay. Thank you.

President Fellows: Before we adjourn, the Mayor had given us an ordinance, a replacement ordinance for 2016-20. This will be placed in committee so that we can fully review it and see if we need any studies before moving forward.

Councilman Fiebig: Wanted to remind the community that there's a Red Cross Blood Drive this Sunday from 9am to 1pm at St. Noel's, across the street. You can register at redcrossblood.org and we encourage you to donate blood if you can. Thank you.

Vice President Plecnik: If I could just share Cleveland City Hall will be celebrating the 25th Anniversary of Slovenian Independence this Friday, so hail Slovenia.

Law Director Lobe: I'll give a clarification to that clarification, the true date is June 25th.

Vice President Plecnik: True enough.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Councilman Biro to adjourn. Councilman Fiebig seconded.

YEAS: Unanimous.

The Regular Council Meeting of June 9, 2016 was adjourned at 8:51pm.

APPROVED

Date

Nancy E. Fellows

President of Council

ATTEST

Victoria Ann Savage, CM

Clerk of Council