

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

CITY OF GARFIELD HEIGHTS, OHIO

Monday, September 14, 2015

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:00 p.m. by Council President Joseph Suster.

INVOCATION BY: Councilman Matt Burke

PRESIDENT SUSTER: Roll call please.

ROLL CALL: **PRESENT:** Council Members Dudley, Marincic, Nenadovich, Glenn, Suster, Burke, Vaughn

READING AND DISPOSAL OF MINUTES:

PRESIDENT SUSTER: On the reading and disposal of the Minutes of August 10, 2015.

CLMN BURKE: Mr. Chairman, I'd like to make a motion that we accept the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council for the City of Garfield Heights, Monday August 10th, 2015 as written.

PRESIDENT SUSTER: On the motion made by Mr. Burke, all those in favor signify by saying Yea. All opposed?

AYES: Burke, Dudley, Marincic, Nenadovich, Glenn, Suster, Vaughn

That passes with 7 Yes votes.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS TO COUNCIL: None.

LEGISLATION OUT OF COMMITTEE: None.

REPORTS OF THE MAYOR AND DIRECTORS:

PRESIDENT SUSTER: Mayor, do you have a report for us this evening?

MAYOR VIC COLLOVA: Yes, Mr. Chairman, thank you. I have some notifications I would like to read today for Council. The first one is a project that is coming into Garfield Heights called Rebuilding Together. I will read the letter.

I think you are probably familiar with our organization, but just in case, Rebuilding Together is a non-profit year round program that helps repair and rehabilitate the homes of low income elderly, disabled and Veteran homeowners. We do not construct new homes. We work with existing houses using volunteers from all walks of life and all faiths together to help eligible recipients remain warm, safe and dry in their homes. We have a project coming up in Garfield and Maple Heights on October 10th. We will be providing home modifications. For example, installing grab bars, hand rails and wheelchair ramps

for approximately 20 to 25 homeowners in the area. The project will begin in the morning around 8:00 a.m. and continue through the afternoon. Lunch will be provided for all volunteers. We are looking for groups and individuals who are interested in volunteering on that day. I wanted to reach out to see if you had any suggestions. We are still looking for homeowners to serve on that day also.+

So Council, if you know of anyone that is disabled or in need of this help, please contact Pat Salemi here at the Civic Center and if you know any volunteers that would like to help rehabilitate these homes I would appreciate it if you contact Pat Salemi.

The next notification I have is Garfield Heights CERT Team has been around for quite some time and they have gotten many recognition letters. We have received another one. I want to thank CERT. I want to read the letter for the record. This was sent to Chief Nemetz.

The phenomenal success at Hillcrest Hospital participating in the NEO Heroes Full Scale Exercise is a reflection of the expertise of the Garfield Heights CERT Team to provide real volunteers as actors wearing realistic makeup. I'd like to personally thank you for your recent contribution of time to the NEO Heroes Full Scale Exercise. This event would not have been a success without your team's involvement. Because of your support we were able to provide a realistic response to trauma victims that arrived for this exercise. These exercises were a resounding success but we couldn't have that without you. Hillcrest Hospital appreciates your gift of time and energy and enthusiastic support. We would like to take this opportunity and say a heartfelt thank you. We look forward to working with you again soon.+

For those members that are on CERT Team, once again thank you. The city really is proud of what you guys do for us. You really give us a great positive image and I thank the entire CERT Team and everyone involved.

The next program we have is a very interesting program. We have a young man; he's actually sitting with us today, Dante. Stand up for a second so everybody can see you? Dante wrote me this letter about a project that he wanted to partake in and I think it's a great idea. The letter reads

Hello Mr. Mayor,

I am Dante Williams, the young man who spoke to you at the last football game. Also a creator of Walk the Park. Our next walk will be September 20th. We will begin meeting on the site of the Nature Center at 5:30 p.m. The actual walk will begin around 6:10 p.m. I'm going to try and get news stations to attend this event. It would be nice to get our city on the news for something positive. Let's get us out of the negative spotlight for once. I hope for you and all of the Council Members to be in attendance, including the Chief and Law Director. (That wasn't in the letter but I thought I would add that.) Maybe spread the word to all our wonderful city employees for me. I hope to get a fairly large crowd to this event. Thank you for the interest in my cause.+

This young man is trying to make walking Garfield Park a safe place to go, to enjoy being with neighbors, to reach out to the community, tell other people from the community to bring all sides of the community together for a walk at the park. Dante, I think this is a great idea. I think you and I wish we had more of our young people that thought the same. We will certainly get this out and we hope you have a successful event. I will be there in my car following right behind.

I want to talk a little bit about the city resurfacing projects. As you know we are about to complete the 40 city streets. Two processes have been down there. The process of fog seal which is the third step of that program. When you consider those 40 streets and additional 11 streets that are being done by the County this year and next year in the Phase 1, Phase 2. When you talk about the Turney Road Resurfacing Project we have completed the waterline. Next year we will see a brand new resurfacing of Turney Road which I think is really going to change things for Garfield Heights. I'm real excited about that. Those are some great things that are happening in the city, happening throughout the city. We have been able when you talk about McCracken Road, Granger Road, Rockside Road and the 40 streets and Turney Road these are some great accomplishments, we're not going to stop there. We're now trying to look at ways to bring funding in for Warner Road Hill, which is in bad need of repair. I don't know how soon we're going to be able to get it because unfortunately that project is quite an expensive project. That road is a substantial length. We're looking at different ways. Pat Salemi and our Engineer Dave Krock have been working very hard to get that done. I actually had a Caucus Meeting today where one of our Council people, Nancy Marincic, praised our Engineer for the great job he's done and I said hold back the praise. We'd wait to see if he gets Warner Road done and give him all the praise in the world. He's done a great job on all these programs. Thanks to Council and the Engineer and the entire Administration we have been able to do some good things for the city.

With that said, let me get into tonight's legislation. Ordinance 35. We're applying for Phase 3 construction project funding. Dave Krock will get into that in his report. Ordinance 36-2015. We're applying for Granger Hill Rockfall Project funding. This is a \$1 million project. The city's end is \$100,000.00. We're looking at ways to be able to come up with that \$100,000.00 because that's a much needed project. Ordinance 37 is an ordinance created for Housing Code and this is particularly to be sure all residents are treated equally in buying or renting homes in Garfield Heights. Ordinance 38-2015 is allowing privacy fences. There's been a lot of discussion both on Council and in the residents on privacy. We have done our research. Many of the communities have changed their ordinances to allow privacy fences. There are some restrictions that need to be done. Garfield Heights is in the minority of communities that don't allow the privacy fences. Our residents are asking for it. I don't think it's a bad idea as long as it's done properly and within our restrictions. So I'm asking that Council take a look at doing something with these privacy fences. Ordinance 39. Our administrative employees because of some of the financial difficulties we've had in the past and are projected in the future have once again gone without a raise this year. In lieu of that I have asked Council to allow to me to let each employee have one additional personal day off this year. It certainly doesn't make up for a two or three percent increase but at least we're showing our appreciation because they're doing a great job and when you go without a raise it's not an easy thing to do. That's Ordinance 39. Ordinance 40 is the same thing as we just talked about for the patrolmen, sergeants and jailers who also forego raises and did not receive a raise this year. Basically what we're saying is for those people that work for the city that did not receive raises last year through their Union contract, etc. we are asking that you approve an additional day off. If they did receive a raise and some part-time people did, they will not be entitled to this day off.

Resolutions 21 and 22 are requests to re-appoint Trudy Bordonaro and Colleen Korpowski to the Land Reutilization Program. Resolution 23 is to appoint Jen Seither in the Land Reutilization Program. The first two re-appointees have been with us for some time now and are doing a good job. This is not an easy task. There's a lot that goes into this. The Finance Department puts a lot of work into this and along with Noreen Kuban who heads it up and we have recently finished the last session down at the County. We have to replace one person because Jen

Seither works here and because she is familiar with things that go on about this Land Bank we are asking that you appoint Jen Seither. They only meet once or twice a year. It's not a paid position. It's not a position that gets any praise but it's a well needed position. With that, Mr. Chairman, you have my report.

PRESIDENT SUSTER: Thank you, Mayor. Are there any questions of the Mayor on his report?

MAYOR VIC COLLOVA: Mr. Chairman, I'm sorry I forgot one report. I apologize for that. Vince Liotta would not be happy with me if I didn't report this. Court Community Service has given me their report. I want to share that with all of you. Court Community Service does a great job for the City of Garfield Heights. It's a program put together by the County, adapted by the City of Garfield Heights bringing in some of the offenders in the County to pay off their sentences. We bring them in for Court Community Service. They worked last from May to July. The report reads they worked 51.5 days. They were on 316 sites. They worked 1,526 man hours. They filled 153 bags of trash, three tires. They filled 28 cubic yards of trash in the dumpster. They worked an average of six sites per day. This group has really been doing an outstanding job.

They are also going to be here for the winter this year. These are some of the things that we have in store for them to work through the winter months. Prior to the cold weather hitting we're going to paint the benches at memorial, replace pickets on fence at Donovan Park, clean the top of the catch basins, clean Granger Road under the 480 bridge, clean curbs on Turney Road from Garfield Blvd. to the high school on both sides, clean outside rear rails at the Justice Center, clean the tennis courts, clean Forestdale top of the hill to Broadway, clean curbs at Turney and Antenucci, clean 480 bridge the bridge that goes over 480 on Turney Road, litter pick up as needed throughout the entire city. So when you see something that needs to be addressed let us know. Paint fences at the pool, paint fences at Donovan Park and shovel snow as needed. They are going to be working throughout the winter. This group does a great job. It's headed up by Vince Liotta. He does an excellent job and I wanted to report this because I'm very proud to see what they've done for the city. Now Mr. Chairman, you have my report.

PRESIDENT SUSTER: Thank you, Mayor. Are there any questions of the Mayor on his report?

CLWN MARINCIC: Mayor, could you repeat the date of the park walk again?

MAYOR VIC COLLOVA: I sure can. September 20th. They are going to meet at the Nature Center at 5:30. The walk will begin at 6:10 p.m.

CLWN MARINCIC: Thank you.

MAYOR VIC COLLOVA: You're welcome.

PRESIDENT SUSTER: Are there any other questions of the Mayor on his report? There being none, we'll move on to our Law Director Tim Riley. Tim, do you have a report for us this evening?

LAW DIRECTOR TIM RILEY: Thank you, Mr. President. I do not have a report, but Noreen she's ill today so she asked me to make her report real quick. She wanted to let everybody know that the CDBG public hearing will be this Wednesday, September 16th at 6:00 p.m. If you can't attend you can forward any ideas you may have for the grant to Noreen Kuban or the Mayor's office.

Also September is Save our House Month. The Cuyahoga County Court of Common Pleas is holding an event at the Civic Center on September 21st at 8:00 p.m. to assist homeowners who are in foreclosure or at risk of foreclosure. The homeowners will receive referrals to agencies that can assist them in the foreclosure issues.

The last is that the Harvest Festival will be held on Saturday October 24th from noon to 4:00 p.m. Thank you.

PRESIDENT SUSTER: Thank you, Mr. Riley. Are there any questions of Mr. Riley on Mrs. Kuban's report?

CLMN DUDLEY: Did you say six or eight p.m.? For the Save a Home?

LAW DIRECTOR TIM RILEY: Eight o'clock.

CLMN DUDLEY: What time?

LAW DIRECTOR TIM RILEY: Eight o'clock.

CLMN DUDLEY: Six to 8 p.m., right?

LAW DIRECTOR TIM RILEY: It is six to eight o'clock. I'm sorry.

CLMN DUDLEY: All right. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

PRESIDENT SUSTER: Are there any other questions of Mr. Riley on Ms. Kuban's report? There being none, we'll move on to Acting Police Chief Bob Byrne. Do you have a report for us this evening?

ACTING POLICE CHIEF ROBERT BYRNE: Yes, Mr. Chairman, thank you. Three quick things. On the 21st of August our department held an OVI Checkpoint on Broadway at Forestdale. That resulted in the arrests of eight offenders.

I wanted to thank the people in our community who during last week provided food and other treats to the Police Department to commemorate 911. In particular I'd like to thank St. John Lutheran Church who every year since 911 has provided lunch for the safety forces in Garfield Heights. The lunch is great; the support they show us is awesome.

Last but not least the week of the 28th all the schools in Garfield Heights will be practicing evacuation drills. I don't have all the times yet but I think most of them are in the morning so if you see large groups of kids out they will be with teachers and school staff. With that, Sir, you have my report.

PRESIDENT SUSTER: Thank you, Chief. Are there any questions of Chief Byrne on his report? There being none we'll move on to Service Director Tim McLaughlin. Tim, do you have a report for us this evening?

SERVICE DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR TIM McLAUGHLIN: Thank you, Mr. President, I have no report tonight.

PRESIDENT SUSTER: Parks and Recreation Director Bob Dobies, do you have a report for us this evening?

PARKS AND RECREATION DIRECTOR BOB DOBIES: Mr. President, Council Members, good evening. You know you can count on me. I do have a short one today. I extended my time last evening I believe. We opened the ice season September 12th, this past Saturday. We were in the full swing of things for the up coming hockey and figure skating season. We entertained our residents with our Annual Celebrate Skate Day Sunday September 13th. Over 150 participants enjoyed a free day of skating.

Registration for Muni hockey and figure skating is in progress. Saturday September 26th will be our free trial orientation day for the hockey program from 11:15 to 12:15 p.m. This is an introductory program to see if your child enjoys the ice. This is for those who have never skated before or those who need a refresher.

Soccer practice season will begin the Saturday September 19th. We will still take registrations but it is limited. We filled the teams basically the full complement so if you are interested I would show up this week. Actually we are having the draft meeting tomorrow.

As I announced last meeting the work on Donovan baseball fields is being completed this week. We upgraded the field out there and I can tell you that it's quite a difference in what they used to be. I am sure this will be welcome for the next summer's baseball/softball. It will be appreciated by everybody.

I got this hot press release that I have to announce. I don't know if anybody was at the football game a couple weeks ago when we played Holy Name? It says

Garfield 46
Holy Name 14+

I thought that would be pertinent. If I didn't announce it it might have cost me my job.

CLMN VAUGHN: I am glad you did. Let me remind you guys. I think you guys had 46 penalties in that game.

PARKS AND RECREATION DIRECTOR BOB DOBIES: Thank you. That concludes my report.

CLMN VAUGHN: Yeah, I thought so.

PRESIDENT SUSTER: Thank you. Are there any questions of Mr. Dobies on his report? Are there any questions of Mr. Dobies on his report? There being none we will move on to City Engineer Dave Krock. Do you have a report for us this evening, Dave?

CITY ENGINEER DAVID KROCK: I do, thank you, Mr. President. If there are any questions on the construction I can answer them, but you do have a report there that goes over those.

I want to talk about Ordinance 35 and Ordinance 36 this evening. Ordinance 35 is what we are calling a Multi-street Reconstruction Phase 3. That's just what it sounds like. We are currently working on Phase 1 and Phase 2 is in design. So this would be Phase 3. This would involve the following streets for new water lines and street repaving: Maplerow, Hillside, Alexander, Andover, Cumberland, Chester and Woodward. Those are seven streets. Just over 9,000 feet of

length. Over \$3 million in costs. This would be at no cost to the city, just like the prior two. That's going in and that will be a Public Works funded project if we get it.

The second one, Ordinance 36, is the Granger Hill project, the rock fall issue we have there. If you recall a couple years ago we did sort of an interim project where we took care of the worst of the rocks that were hanging down. But ODOT's already committed over \$1 million to this project. The city's portion would be \$100,000.00 and we are going to request that \$100,000.00 from the Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) so we're hoping again to do this project at no cost to the city. It stands a pretty good chance, but there will be competitive scoring as well so we'll see how we do on that. An important project and we hope we get it funded. With that, that's my report.

PRESIDENT SUSTER: Thank you, Mr. Krock. Are there any questions of Mr. Krock on his report?

CLMN GLENN: Dave when this project if it goes gets on the board will it correct the water problem we have on Granger Hill?

CITY ENGINEER DAVID KROCK: Yes, this project will deal both with the rock issue, the drainage and it should also provide some room for pedestrians we hope up and down the hill because we seem to have a lot of people still traverse the hill.

CLMN GLENN: The water cascading off the rocks on to the street in the wintertime?

CITY ENGINEER DAVID KROCK: The water that's coming out of the rocks is going to continue coming out of the rocks. What we'll do is we'll do a better job by catching it before it gets to the road.

CLMN GLENN: OK. Thank you, Dave.

PRESIDENT SUSTER: OK. Thank you. Are there any other questions of Mr. Krock? There being none we'll move on to Finance Director, Barb Biro. Do you have any report for us this evening, Barb?

FINANCE DIRECTOR BARBARA BIRO: Thank you, Mr. President. I don't have anything to report this evening.

PRESIDENT SUSTER: OK. Thank you. Kathy's not here, Noreen's not here and Bill's not here.

SOCIAL SERVICES DIRECTOR KATHY RUSH-PARSSONS: Absent.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR NOREEN KUBAN: Absent.

BUILDING COMMISSIONER BILL WERVEY: Absent.

COMMENTS BY CITIZENS ON THE AGENDA:

PRESIDENT SUSTER: Moving right along we'll go into Comments by Citizens on tonight's agenda. Would the Clerk please read the rules?

CLERK: Comments shall be strictly limited to brief statements not to exceed five minutes with comments limited to legislation on the current evening agenda. No citizen shall speak more than once.

PRESIDENT SUSTER: Is there anyone that would like to make any comments?

Bob Halan, 12416 Oak Park Blvd. This is for Dave Krock. On the legislation number 36. That is primarily in district 7 most of that. Is that one of the reasons why the total connection of the Turney Road will be done? The Turney Road was done, but I thought that this would be tied in with that because that would be feeding off of the Turney Road. This is the waterworks, right?

CLMN VAUGHN: This has nothing to do with that.

MR. HALAN: That's what I wanted to know.

CITY ENGINEER DAVID KROCK: This is Granger Road Hill.

MR. HALAN: No. That's 35.

CLMN VAUGHN: No, that's 36.

MR. HALAN: I got the wrong number. 35.

CITY ENGINEER DAVID KROCK: Thirty five is a new funding application. We're going after seven more streets like we have done the prior two phases.

MR. HALAN: That's tying in with the Turney Road waterworks, correct?

CITY ENGINEER DAVID KROCK: Some of these streets do tie in with the new waterline on Turney Road. Correct.

MR. HALAN: OK. Thank you.

PRESIDENT SUSTER: Is there anyone else that would like to make a comment on tonight's agenda? There being none we'll move on to Committee Reports.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: None.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

PRESIDENT SUSTER: There being none we'll move on to Ordinances and Resolutions. We'll begin with Ordinance 35-2015. Would the Clerk please read the title?

ORDINANCE NO. 35-2015

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO DO ALL THINGS NECESSARY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND/OR LOCAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM(S), FOR THE MULTI-STREET RECONSTRUCTION & WATERLINE REPLACEMENT . PHASE 3 PROJECT, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO EXECUTING ANY AND ALL APPLICATIONS, AGREEMENTS AND /OR CONTRACTS AS MAY BE REQUIRED BY THE OPWC IN ORDER TO SECURE THE GRANT FUNDS REQUESTED,

PER THE ATTACHED FACT SHEET AND OPWC APPLICATION AS PREPARED BY CITY ENGINEER DAVID KROCK.

Moved by BURKE to CONSIDER BY TITLE:

AYES: Burke, Vaughn, Dudley, Marincic, Nenadovich, Glenn, Suster

Motion to SUSPEND THREE READING RULE:

AYES: Burke, Vaughn, Dudley, Marincic, Nenadovich, Glenn, Suster

Motion to WAIVE RULE 24:

AYES: Burke, Vaughn, Dudley, Marincic, Nenadovich, Glenn, Suster

PRESIDENT SUSTER: On its adoption, beginning with Clmn Burke.

VOTE ON ADOPTION:

AYES: Burke, Vaughn, Dudley, Marincic, Nenadovich, Glenn, Suster

PRESIDENT SUSTER: Ordinance 35-2015 passes with 7 Yes votes.

ORDINANCE NO. 36-2015

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO DO ALL THINGS NECESSARY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND/OR LOCAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM(S), FOR THE GRANGER HILL ROCKFALL PROJECT, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO EXECUTING ANY AND ALL APPLICATIONS, AGREEMENTS AND /OR CONTRACTS AS MAY BE REQUIRED BY THE OPWC IN ORDER TO SECURE THE GRANT FUNDS REQUESTED, PER THE ATTACHED FACT SHEET AND OPWC APPLICATION AS PREPARED BY CITY ENGINEER DAVID KROCK.

Moved by MARINCIC to CONSIDER BY TITLE:

AYES: Marincic, Nenadovich, Glenn, Suster, Burke, Vaughn, Dudley

Motion to SUSPEND THREE READING RULE:

AYES: Marincic, Nenadovich, Glenn, Suster, Burke, Vaughn, Dudley

Motion to WAIVE RULE 24:

AYES: Marincic, Nenadovich, Glenn, Suster, Burke, Vaughn, Dudley

PRESIDENT SUSTER: On its adoption, beginning with Clwn Marincic.

VOTE ON ADOPTION:

AYES: Marincic, Nenadovich, Glenn, Suster, Burke, Vaughn, Dudley

PRESIDENT SUSTER: Ordinance 36-2015 passes with 7 Yes votes.

ORDINANCE NO. 37-2015

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE CREATING GARFIELD HEIGHTS CODIFIED ORDINANCE CHAPTER 771: FAIR HOUSING CODE.

Moved by MARINCIC to CONSIDER BY TITLE:

AYES: Marincic, Nenadovich, Glenn, Suster, Burke, Vaughn, Dudley

Motion to SUSPEND THREE READING RULE:

AYES: Marincic, Nenadovich, Glenn, Suster, Burke, Vaughn, Dudley

PRESIDENT SUSTER: On its adoption, beginning with Clwn Marincic.

VOTE ON ADOPTION:

AYES: Marincic, Nenadovich, Glenn, Suster, Burke, Vaughn, Dudley

PRESIDENT SUSTER: Ordinance 37-2015 passes with 7 Yes votes.

ORDINANCE NO. 38-2015

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AMENDING GARFIELD HEIGHTS CODIFIED ORDINANCE SECTION 1155.02 IN RELATION TO THE CONSTRUCTION OF FENCES.

Moved by NENADOVICH to CONSIDER BY TITLE:

AYES: Nenadovich, Glenn, Suster, Burke, Vaughn, Dudley, Marincic

Motion to PLACE IN LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE:

AYES: Nenadovich, Glenn, Suster, Burke, Vaughn, Dudley, Marincic

PRESIDENT SUSTER: Ordinance 38-2015 will be placed into the Legislative Committee with 7 Yes votes.

ORDINANCE NO. 39-2015

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE GRANTING ALL FULL-TIME AND PERMANENT PART-TIME ADMINISTRATIVE EMPLOYEES ONE (1) ADDITIONAL PERSONAL DAY TO BE USED WITHIN THE 2015 CALENDAR YEAR.

Moved by BURKE to CONSIDER BY TITLE:

AYES: Burke, Vaughn, Dudley, Marincic, Nenadovich, Glenn, Suster

Motion to SUSPEND THREE READING RULE:

AYES: Burke, Vaughn, Dudley, Marincic, Nenadovich, Glenn, Suster

Motion to WAIVE RULE 24:

AYES: Burke, Vaughn, Dudley, Marincic, Nenadovich, Glenn, Suster

PRESIDENT SUSTER: On its adoption, beginning with Clmn Burke.

VOTE ON ADOPTION:

CLMN DUDLEY: Before I vote, just like the Mayor had mentioned in the Mayor's report that the reason why this day is being given is because these individuals did not receive no pay raise this year. That's why they being given that day instead of normal amount they would have had was 2% so it's not like both were given at the same time. I vote Yes.

CLWN MARINCIC: Before I vote, I'd just like to say this is a small gesture, but I hope our employees understand that we're doing this from our heart showing that we appreciate all their work in lieu of a pay increase and I happily vote Yes.

CLMN NENADOVICH: I ditto Nancy and Vic's remarks and vote Yes.

CLMN GLENN: Before I vote, I'd like to make a little commentary here. These employees deserve the one day off. It's a little compensation. But my major concern is down the road. I'm more interested in conserving jobs than a small raise. That being said our city is forecast we're going to have to tighten up our belt the next couple of years and that I say vote Yes.

PRESIDENT SUSTER: I, too, would like to echo what Councilperson Marincic said and Clmn Nenadovich and I vote Yes.

AYES: Burke, Vaughn, Dudley, Marincic, Nenadovich, Glenn, Suster

PRESIDENT SUSTER: Ordinance 39-2015 passes with 7 Yes votes.

ORDINANCE NO. 40-2015

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE GRANTING ALL UNION MEMBERS OF OPBA (PATROLMEN), FOP - LODGE 67 SERGEANTS & ABOVE, FOP - JAILERS/RECORDS CLERKS, AND FIREFIGHTERS LOCAL 340, I.A.F.F., ONE (1) ADDITIONAL PERSONAL DAY TO BE USED WITHIN THE 2015 CALENDAR YEAR.

Moved by MARINCIC to CONSIDER BY TITLE:

AYES: Marincic, Nenadovich, Glenn, Suster, Burke, Vaughn, Dudley

Motion to SUSPEND THREE READING RULE:

AYES: Marincic, Nenadovich, Glenn, Suster, Burke, Vaughn, Dudley

PRESIDENT SUSTER: On its adoption, beginning with Clwn Marincic.

VOTE ON ADOPTION:

CLWN MARINCIC: Before I vote, I'd just like to say that this ordinance is the same as the one before this Ordinance 39 only this one covers our Union employees. The only Union that is not included in it is ASCME and that's because their Union negotiations have begun this year. I vote Yes.

AYES: Marincic, Nenadovich, Glenn, Suster, Burke, Vaughn, Dudley

PRESIDENT SUSTER: Ordinance 40-2015 passes with 7 Yes votes.

RESOLUTION NO. 20-2015

AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2015 AS SAVE OUR HOMES MONTH.

Moved by VAUGHN to CONSIDER BY TITLE:

AYES: Vaughn, Dudley, Marincic, Nenadovich, Glenn, Suster, Burke

Motion to SUSPEND THREE READING RULE:

AYES: Vaughn, Dudley, Marincic, Nenadovich, Glenn, Suster, Burke

PRESIDENT SUSTER: On its adoption, beginning with Clmn Vaughn.

VOTE ON ADOPTION:

AYES: Vaughn, Dudley, Marincic, Nenadovich, Glenn, Suster, Burke

PRESIDENT SUSTER: Resolution 20-2015 passes with 7 Yes votes.

RESOLUTION NO. 21-2015

AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION RATIFYING AN RE-APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR OF TRUDY BORDONARO AS A MEMBER OF THE LAND REUTILIZATION PROGRAM OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD HEIGHTS, OHIO, FOR THE TERM EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2014 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2017.

Moved by BURKE to CONSIDER BY TITLE:

AYES: Burke, Vaughn, Dudley, Marincic, Nenadovich, Glenn, Suster

Motion to SUSPEND THREE READING RULE:

AYES: Burke, Vaughn, Dudley, Marincic, Nenadovich, Glenn, Suster

PRESIDENT SUSTER: On its adoption, beginning with Clmn Burke.
VOTE ON ADOPTION:
AYES: Burke, Vaughn, Dudley, Marincic, Nenadovich, Glenn, Suster

PRESIDENT SUSTER: Resolution 21-2015 passes with 7 Yes votes.

RESOLUTION NO. 22-2015

AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION RATIFYING AN REAPPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR OF COLLEEN KORPOWSKI AS A MEMBER OF THE LAND REUTILIZATION PROGRAM OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD HEIGHTS, OHIO, FOR THE TERM EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2014 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2017.

Moved by MARINCIC to CONSIDER BY TITLE:

AYES: Marincic, Nenadovich, Glenn, Suster, Burke, Vaughn, Dudley

Motion to SUSPEND THREE READING RULE:

AYES: Marincic, Nenadovich, Glenn, Suster, Burke, Vaughn, Dudley

PRESIDENT SUSTER: On its adoption, beginning with Clwn Marincic.

VOTE ON ADOPTION:

CLWN MARINCIC: Before I vote, for those in the audience who don't understand what the two before this, this one and the one after this are they are our Land Reutilization Program. It's what comes of all the empty lots once our city acquires them. These people are not paid and they work very hard and I'm grateful to have them on this committee and I vote Yes.

AYES: Marincic, Nenadovich, Glenn, Suster, Burke, Vaughn, Dudley

PRESIDENT SUSTER: Resolution 22-2015 passes with 7 Yes votes.

RESOLUTION NO. 23-2015

AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION BY THE MAYOR APPOINTING JENNIFER SEITHER AS A MEMBER OF THE LAND REUTILIZATION PROGRAM OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD HEIGHTS, OHIO, FOR THE TERM EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2014 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2017.

Moved by BURKE to CONSIDER BY TITLE:

AYES: Burke, Vaughn, Dudley, Marincic, Nenadovich, Glenn, Suster

Motion to SUSPEND THREE READING RULE:

AYES: Burke, Vaughn, Dudley, Marincic, Nenadovich, Glenn, Suster

PRESIDENT SUSTER: On its adoption, beginning with Clmn Burke.

VOTE ON ADOPTION:

AYES: Burke, Vaughn, Dudley, Marincic, Nenadovich, Glenn, Suster

PRESIDENT SUSTER: Resolution 23-2015 passes with 7 Yes votes.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS BY CITIZENS

PRESIDENT SUSTER: Next we will move on to Comments by Citizens. Would the Clerk please read the rules?

CLERK: Comments shall be restricted to any problem a citizen has which has previously been submitted to his/her Councilperson or to the city hall department directly involved. If submission of a problem to a city hall department or a Councilperson is made and there is a lack of service

rendered in this regard, the problem may then be presented during Comments from Citizens at a future meeting. It is the intention of this rule that no request of a first nature is presented on the floor at this time. Comments shall be limited to five minutes. No citizen shall be heard more than once.

PRESIDENT SUSTER: Is there anyone that would like to make a comment this evening?

Norman Wells, 4804 East 88th Street. On the night of August 29th the Gateway Bar at the corner of 90th and Garfield Blvd. held their Bike Night. I believe this is the 4th or 5th year they've done it. Every year you get more and more bikes there. Every year it gets more and more crowded. Every year there's more and more people carrying beer containers up and down the street. There's motorcycles racing up and down the street. It takes some people 10 . 15 minutes to get from East 84th to East 94th because of tied up traffic. I talked to the Police Chief about it. I gave him a video that my son took of what was going on and the noise factor. My son's a geologist out in Texas. He's worked on oil rigs. He says the noise that night at our house was louder than being right on an oil rig. There's something has to be done, OK? I mean we called six times about the noise. Three were cars illegally parked on the street and a police officer came up and said don't worry about it. How can it be all right? I'm starting to get upset and I shouldn't be because something has to be done with this problem. In your neighborhood across the street from how would you feel about it? All of you. Would you like it? This is a residential community. Something like this should not be allowed in a residential community. If they want to do it at Quaker State or somewhere where they got plenty of room and they're not bothering 60, 70, 80 people if not more, something has to be done. I invite all of you to come and sit in my front yard and you watch what goes on. My son went across the street and took pictures of the cars that were illegally parked on 88th. One gentleman told him if you take pictures I'd punch you out. There's a threat right there. My son has every right to take pictures. I believe it's under that first Amendment that he has that right. He wasn't bothering anybody or disturbing anybody. What's going to happen one of these days? They had 300 to 400 bikes if not more there. I didn't count them. I like motorcycles. I don't mind people riding them. That's not my complaint. It's just too many, too much. 10 o'clock we have a noise ordinance in the city, OK? Radios are blaring 10:30/11:00. Music is going over here. They are urinating on buildings around the area, etc. How much do I have to put up with to stay a resident of the city? I'm tired of it. Like I said if you decide to let this go on next year please come down to my house and sit in my front yard. I'll supply chairs for you and drinks for you (pop, etc.) I don't want you drinking out in public. Come down and see what it's like. It's ridiculous.

MAYOR VIC COLLOVA: Actually Sir, I've heard about this. It was brought to my attention by the Councilman and the Chief. I know it's a once a year thing. It's not every week but that one night a year has got to be horrific. I don't know that we can stop him from doing it. What we need to do is we need to make sure the police are there ticketing and we need to make sure if there's loud noises it has to stop. That we have to do, but I don't know that we can tell them they're not allowed to have a party there. That would be up to the Law Department. I don't think we can do that, but we should monitor what's going on there, I agree with you.

MR. WELLS: They even set up blockades on the Boulevard blocking one lane on each side of the road for just their bikes. Now is that legal? Can you do that? Because in my opinion you should not be able to do that.

ACTING POLICE CHIEF ROBERT BYRNE: In that area of the Boulevard it is legal to park and the video you provided me I did see an illegally parked vehicle no doubt about it. The loud music. In that video you caught the loud music and you also caught a police car driving by. I

know who it was and I talked to the officer about it. The music was not coming from the bar. There was a passenger in the vehicle and in our patrol car and he went like this and the minute he did it the second he did it the music went down. I asked him why he didn't take an enforcement action. You know how crowded the Convenient lot was, correct?

MR. WELLS: Correct.

ACTING POLICE CHIEF ROBERT BYRNE: He said, Chief, I had no idea which car it was coming from. So those are practical things that we have to consider. Like the Mayor said I'm not sure if you can tell a business person you can't do this or you can't do that. We can enforce it. The parking enforcement. We probably could have done a better job. Maybe we should have been down there more often. But noise ordinances are not always the easiest thing to enforce, as silly as that sounds. Like the Mayor said, this is a once a year thing. This guy has always been pretty decent so did we probably give him some leeway? Yeah we probably did. Sir, if you had a graduation party next week and we got a call to your house because of parking, loud music, etc. If you had a relatively good history at your house we'd probably afford you that same leeway. We try to be fair with everybody involved.

MR. WELLS: I understand, but come to my house next year and watch it. I understand it's just once a night but that one night a year is enough and it's one night a year that they do the bike thing. Now when Cleveland plays Pittsburgh last year they brought a couple busloads of people from Pittsburgh into the bar. OK?

CLWN MARINCIC: I have a question Mr. Chairman.

PRESIDENT SUSTER: Wait. Are you finished?

MR. WELLS: Yeah.

CLWN MARINCIC: For our Law Director. Tim and maybe the Police Chief knows this? With a crowd this large, legally they should have auxiliary there? Should they not?

ACTING POLICE CHIEF ROBERT BYRNE: I don't know that there's anything that requires them to do that. Keep in mind the people are not all inside. A lot of this is going on outside.

CLWN MARINCIC: But they're there for the bike rally the organization is holding in the area so to me it requires an auxiliary. Our party centers have to have them.

LAW DIRECTOR TIM RILEY: It depends on what it's set up as. If it's just a bar with an excessive amount of people they just got to follow the laws as far as noise and parking like everybody else would. So I don't know if they fall under that requirement. I could check on that and see.

CLWN MARINCIC: Could you?

LAW DIRECTOR TIM RILEY: Yes.

PRESIDENT SUSTER: Mr. Riley, isn't there also an ordinance that I would imagine somewhere in there for as many people as are allowed to be inside that building? Occupancy?

LAW DIRECTOR TIM RILEY: Yes there would be an occupancy number that the Fire Department could enforce.

PRESIDENT SUSTER: OK.

MR. WELLS: Thank you very much.

CLWN MARINCIC: Thank you.

Diane Wells, 4804 East 88th Street. The wife. My concern for Bike Night is the amount of people. Granted it's the bar that's doing it but they are down blocks away from that building. Like you said the Convenient parking lot was full, the daycare next to us was full with cars, people walking around with beer. It's unsafe. My biggest fear that night is a fight. If something happens that whole area is going to be destroyed. If somebody starts a fist fight or something who's going to protect me and my property? That is my biggest fear that night. It should be confined to area A and not spread out to areas A through Z. There's no call that that amount of people should be doing it. We observed people urinating on the Convenience store. This is not one big night a year. It's a big deal but it affects us. It affects this area. If we don't like it, if we got a petition together and had everybody sign it that we could, would that do anything?

MAYOR VIC COLLOVA: Let me say that it wouldn't do anything if they weren't breaking the law. We can't tell people whether they can come to a bar or not. But I guess if they're doing things- if they're urinating on walls, etc. they need to be arrested. It needs to be stopped. If we could anticipate. I don't know if we could tell the bar that they're not allowed to have Bike Night. If we can then as Council we'd sit down and look at it and talk about it. We can't break the law because we don't like it. We got to make sure we follow the law too. We have to police what they're doing better. I agree with you there. But you're asking me to go in there and tell that bar tomorrow they can't have it anymore. I don't know that we legally can do that. That's all I'm saying.

MRS. WELLS: This is the 4th or 5th year. Last year when we complained about it to Councilmen, etc. they go oh, it's one night. In two weeks they'd forget about it. But that one night comes around once a year and I don't think that we should have to since we're paying taxes and we live in Garfield we should not have to put up. It's an overflow. It's not in a box. It's outside the box- way outside the box and there should be no reason. You can't limit it. There no way to limit a parking lot, streets, etc. There's just no way and there should be something done. Granted he's a nice guy and I like him. I know him. But it's not a small thing. It blossoms.

MAYOR VIC COLLOVA: I don't even know the guy personally. I wouldn't know him if he was sitting here today. If they're breaking the law we should stop it. We will look into it, but I can honestly tell you that we can't break the law because we're not happy with something. We have to follow the law as much as he does. We will check into that and see what we can do and if the residents are unhappy and the law says we're allowed to stop it, we'd talk about it.

MRS. WELLS: We're talking about getting a petition together and having the neighborhoods and see if people would sign it, but why would we do it if it's not going to do anything?

MAYOR VIC COLLOVA: Again, if you sign a petition that legally puts us in a bad position should we do it because a lot of people signed it? We have to follow the law and we will, but let us see what the law allows us to do. If you'd like to get a petition signed, fine, by all means do it. But that petition if we're not allowed to do something that petition's not going to make a

difference. OK? I'm not trying to argue with you. I'm just saying I understand your problem. We will certainly try to address it and see what we could do to stop him and we'll go from there. OK?

MRS. WELLS: OK. Thank you.

PRESIDENT SUSTER: One moment, Diane. Mr. Glenn.

CLMN GLENN: I'd like to make a comment mainly because one you live in my Ward, but the Bike Rally is going every year and it probably will continue to grow next year. Part of the rally's part of their purpose of having a bike rally is they come down and show their bikes just like a car show. They show off their bikes. Everybody comes around and looks at the bikes the newest things and the upgrades in bikes to make the bikes look nice. It draws a big crowd and this is only going to get bigger. I would like to think that maybe the city might be able to buy a property or area where they can continue to have their bike rally and continue to grow but at a safer location that doesn't interfere with the residents. That's all I have to say. Thank you, Diane.

Bob Halan, 12416 Oak Park Blvd. To answer that, I'd give you the solution. Very simple. It's like a block party. You have to have a permit. Something that large should be controlled technically by the city under a block party permit. You can have jurisdiction over that and control it.

MAYOR VIC COLLOVA: See that, Bob. I didn't even need the Law Department. I had you. If you're right we're going to stop but we're going to let the Law Department make the final decision. I appreciate your comments.

MR. HALAN: That should solve it.

PRESIDENT SUSTER: Is there anyone else that would like to make any comments this evening?

Betty McNeer, 13615 Cranwood Park. I've lived here 38 years. Two and a half years ago I had a family move in. They Section 8. It's been nothing but torment to put it lightly from Day I have stressed what it means to be a good neighbor. I'm a licensed child care provider and the State, County, areas, organizations, agencies is in and out of my place constantly. I'm constantly asking them to stop using my property as a trash can, etc. Like I woke up yesterday and I had a Pamper on the tree lawn. I'm jumping ahead. First incident they have a young child there. Well he's no longer young. She goes under the title that every time I say something to her about her child you know he's special. We all special. Maybe a year ago he came out and egged my car twice so when the police officer came out and tried to talk to her she got real crazy and it turned into a situation where she was threatening me what she was going to do. We were crazy and we were ganging up on her and we don't understand. We have a problem when you pulling the barbecue pit to the front porch. That type mentality. So on or about August 14th within the last couple of weeks, last year when I bought a car, one year anniversary I go outside to move my car on August 14th, keyed it. So I called the police, same officer that came out with the egging my car twice, he said oh my goodness 13611. He stopped. He already knew. He said what should we do? I said oh bother. Mom isn't home. She's one of those moms that float in and out although she has underage children that a child that recently turned 14 or 15, you got this special needs child plus one that's four. They are shutting down the neighborhood where we can't even go out because they called in your friends because we're the bad guys. Like this family we were taking pictures. We're doing videos. We try to talk to her. She's calling me everything but Nana because that's what everybody calls me. She went outside last week and ripped this off the house and threw it at my car. Section 8. Now my neighbor had gone out and

tried to talk to the landlord. Of course he goes crazy and crazy on me too. I have a permit where I came up he cracked my sidewalk and said Section 8 came in to do the driveway. It's still cracked. I still have the paperwork verifying that I came here for him to do my apron. It's still cracked. So when she come crying to him what did he do? Be that type. So that's what I'm going through. Where there's no peace. I can't park my car where I need to park. Can't keep my yard clean because she throws nails and whatever they feel like doing they're doing.

So my question is me as a taxpayer, because everyday when I work I'm taking care of these people. I could be on Section 8. Some of us are landowners are not as good as some Section 8 people so it's no put down to them. But my concern is what can I do living in my house where I can't come outside because of her calling me everything but my name where you feel threatened where somebody is there telling you she going to whip me.

Now I want to put up a fence because we have a common drive. I heard you said you got something about fences. We got a common drive. What good that going to do me if you say OK Ms. McNeer you can put this fence up and you got somebody over here that's pulling it down? The police come out to talk to the mom. We're trapped. The whole street of Cranwood is trapped.

MAYOR VIC COLLOVA: Betty, let me say this. First off, believe me I feel you and it's not just you. This is happening much too often in this city. We have people moving into the city today that have no regard for anything- neighbors, people, city, police, etc. I wish that I had an answer because believe me I want to get rid of them because they make the entire city bad. They bring property values down. They make us the negative talk on the news channels. I wish there was something I could do. The only thing I can say is if we, believe me, if the police know he's doing it and can prove it.

MS. MCNEER: We have videos.

MAYOR VIC COLLOVA: If you have videos that he's in the act we will arrest him. We will charge her. We will do whatever we can because I agree with you that is ridiculous and you shouldn't have to live through that. The hard part, because believe me, this happens, that you're not alone. This happens because we can't prove it. In the middle of the night they come out and they do some damage. You know it's them, but it can't be proved. That's our biggest problem. But I can tell you that if you got proof then.

MS. MCNEER: I have a whole string of my driveway where she's sending her children out to call us bad names. You know you got a mother in the house that is also taking care of the elderly because she's a home health aide (STA) whatever her profession is, God love her, but who does that? What mother does that when I say can I talk to you about your children and you tell me f--- you and you go back in the house?

MAYOR VIC COLLOVA: Like I said I can't believe what goes on. I'm going to tell you a story that I couldn't believe what happened here in the city. We had a gentleman rent his house to a couple and he told them what a nice neighborhood it was, how great it was. They moved in. They brought (it's sort of comical but you'd hate to be in that position) they brought the first load of furniture in to their house. They then left to go back to the old house and came back with the second load. The first load was gone. They knew it was the neighbor. We all knew it was the neighbor. We were able to prove that and a couple of them kids and I'm not going to give any names are serving time for that right now. But the key is we got to be able to prove it. You're right it's happening much too often. Chief, I know you want to comment on this.

ACTING POLICE CHIEF ROBERT BYRNE: Ma'am, just to be clear, 13611 Cranwood Drive?

MS. MCNEER: Cranwood Park.

ACTING POLICE CHIEF ROBERT BYRNE: Cranwood Park, OK. And 13611 is the subject's house?

MS. MCNEER: Yeah. I live at 13615. We share a common drive, but their goal was to shut Cranwood down. We have an instance and then I'd go sit down. There's another lady up at the other end of the street her name is Betty Hodge. I'm Betty McNeer. Everybody calls me Nana. They all know. When they came in what's your name? I told them my government name and this is what my clients call me. Nana. So some way somehow oh we understand she's the snitch. So they got their little group. They go up the street and she's on the corner hillside. Confronts this woman and tells her, asks her initially who are you. What's your name? She tells them. Oh, so you're the snitch. So she's telling them to move, move, move. So they started having a fight amongst themselves. She tries to break it up. Did you call the police and it got real crazy.

ACTING POLICE CHIEF ROBERT BYRNE: Care these all juveniles under the age of 18?

MS. MCNEER: Yes. Right under the age of 11. That's on a good day. The little girl that lives next door calls her a snitch so she comes down and she says Betty, you know what? I just had something. Oh that's where the kids live. They live next door to you. She said I think they have us confused. All they heard was Betty and supposedly got it from the police but it was a lie. They went down to confront her. Two days later they come back again and what they do is we have pictures of that as well. They come in and block your driveway.

PRESIDENT SUSTER: Excuse me, Ma'am, but your time is up.

MS. MCNEER: I know. I said I was going to sit down.

CLMN DUDLEY: Mr. Chairman, I wanted to mention I know Betty for many years, but the home they talk about, Chief, that's the one I said I want to submit a letter to but I have printer problems. I have called the police personally on these kids while the kids were there. It doesn't bother me. I call. I don't want you to think nobody's been at the house. I talked to this mother. You can't tell her nothing about her children. Her kids were laying in the middle of the street. I asked the girl to move off the street to let the cars go by. When I tried to tell the mother she thought everybody was messing with her children. When she's gone these are the same children I was over visiting Ms. Whitmore one day and I had to call the police because they got down on Forestdale and Cranwood Blvd. and blocked the traffic. I asked them to move. This has been an ongoing problem. We got a home like that that was on Alvin. I got out of bed several nights at one o'clock in the morning (make it quick, Mr. Chairman) and I walked around with pajamas on me because this home was behind me on Alvin. Last time I went to the home I called the police both times. I knocked on the door and I told them the police would be here in a minute. I reminded the police that they had been there several times. God bless it. They took them to Court one day and she got like 30 days and the other one got ten. It became so quiet at the house that I had to look out my back door to make sure these people are still alive. I understand because I had to get out of my bed but I talked to Chief and my printer's broken so I apologize for that. I'm asking that we declare this home a nuisance. I've been to this home four or five times watching these individuals.

MAYOR VIC COLLOVA: Clmn, actually Betty, you did say it was a Section 8? Well the thing of it is Section 8 has some pretty stringent rules about what they have to do. Idl turn this address in to the Building Department tomorrow. If there are police reports, plenty of nuisance reports on this house, we can have them removed through Section 8. So wedl do that tomorrow.

PRESIDENT SUSTER: Excuse me, Maam.

MS. MCNEER: He said something and I can answer that right now.

MAYOR VIC COLLOVA: If somebody would allow you to speak from Council?

CLWN MARINCIC: Mr. Chairman, I would like to make a motion to allow another minute.

PRESIDENT SUSTER: On the motion by Mrs. Marincic to let the young lady continue for another minute. All those in favor say Yea. All opposed.

AYES: Marincic, Nenadovich, Glenn, Suster, Burke, Vaughn, Dudley

Yu have one more minute.

MS. MCNEER: Yesterday out of the clear blue they have not cleaned up their back yard in 2.5 years. They went outside yesterday to clean the back because I paid Mrs. Lyons son to do my landscaping. That's all I wanted to say. The same trash that's been out there since January 1st is still out there. They just cleaned up. Section 8. Whoever the people are, they come out, walked down the driveway usually whoever the owner is there to meet them if they need paint he checked off and he leaves. Thank you so much.

PRESIDENT SUSTER: Thank you. You're welcome.

Tommy Lyons, 13619 Cranwood Park Blvd. I can vouch for Nana. We've had problems with the children gathering in front of our houses at night on bicycles blocking traffic and this is about 15 boys between say eight and 14. Cars would have to stop for them because they would refuse to get out of the street. I have a picture of this house that we're speaking about. I have a picture of the infant sitting in the middle of the street by himself. OK? As far as the housing department is concerned the garage door has been broken for about two years. It's leaning. There are skunks in that garage. The trash can is always laying on its side. Garbage is all around the can. As far as those kids are concerned, one young man told me one night, he says one day they were all gathered in front of my house and her house. I told them to get away from my house. I was taking pictures. He says you can't take my picture. I'm going to call the cops on you. I said call them because I live at 13618. He continued to be smart. As I was photographing him he had these saggy pants down below his behind. He covered up his had with his shirt. I told him if he covered up his behind like he covered up his had he'd be in better shape. I'm not one who's going to take any stuff. So I keep them away from my house but we have to stay on guard continuously because these kids, who do not live on Cranwood Park, by the way, most of them are on Hillside or over on the other side are continuously making noise. If it weren't for Betty and myself and one other neighbor across the street we're out there taking pictures and we are called the three B's of the neighborhood. Yes. I mean capital B, OK? Because I'm going to take your picture. One boy said why are you taking pictures? If anything happens to my house or my car your picture will be the one I'd be turning in. My son was out there about two weeks ago. He had cut the lawn, it was night time. He got a man that helps him. He was standing by his trailer talking. This young guy I guess believes on the other side of Alvin, he comes through the

woods. My son I saw him watching. I was sitting on the porch. This young man walks through the woods right past my hedges, goes behind the hedges, picks up one of my lamps out of the yard and goes to walk off. My son called him. I don't know why he called him because I could see. He told him he needed light to go through the woods.

PRESIDENT SUSTER: Go buy one.

MS. LYONS: My son told him don't mess with my mama's house. My son does not live with me. He said that's my mama's house. He took the light away from him. Things like this we are dealing with. If it weren't for us we wouldn't be able to live there. I been there since 1971 so I been there a long time. I'm not going to let a kid run me out of my house. We're having trouble with this other family; I have pictures of her son acting the fool outside. I have pictures of that baby sitting in the middle of the road and that mama leaves every night about 8:30 going to work and these kids are alone.

PRESIDENT SUSTER: What time does she get back?

MS. LYONS: No time. I sat out there sometimes until 1:00 or 2:00 so she must be working the very late shift. Those kids are home alone. We were told recently to call 696. I'm reporting this lady to them. When they first moved before my time's up the baby was about a year old. The school bus had stopped and the kids had gotten off the bus. Nana runs out and the baby was out in the middle of the street. Nana runs after the baby and grabs the baby. The mama says I'm so sick of you damn people around here being so nosy. I said I hope the kid never runs out in the street while I'm sitting on the porch. That's all I got to say.

MAYOR VIC COLLOVA: Ms. Lyons, let me say this before you go. As far as that house goes I'm going to do what I can to take care of that but are you calling the police when these kids are up and down the street?

MS. LYONS: We called the police numerous times. We're known.

MAYOR VIC COLLOVA: Ms. Lyons, let me ask you a question. When the police get there are the kids still there?

MS. LYONS: The police found Nana's car. This is the same house that I came to. She just has a different car. He knew us because he had to come to that place before.

MAYOR VIC COLLOVA: Right, but when you are talking about the kids that are in the street blocking the traffic?

MS. LYONS: 13611 that's where they live. The kids live on Hillside and Beechgrove. Over in that area. Most of them. Some come from Alvin.

MAYOR VIC COLLOVA: They're congregating. Call the police immediately. Let's get them there and try to keep pushing on them. That's all we can do.

MS. LYONS: We were told to call the police and now with the new dispatcher system we have problems with that.

CLMN NENADOVICH: Mr. Chairman, time.

MS. LYONS: That's the only thing. They told us the dispatching system sometimes gets things mixed up.

MAYOR VIC COLLOVA: Thank you.

PRESIDENT SUSTER: Is there anyone else that would like to make a comment this evening? I know you talked to the Mayor about this.

Dante Williams, 5163 East 114th Street. I can vouch for those two. The problem is a lot of the renters that come into Garfield. They don't care about the city as much as a lot of the homeowners do. We been there 30 plus years and now they have these renters coming in who haven't been there a year and they are getting their cars egged. It's ridiculous of how it is because we used to rent in Garfield before we bought our house and down the street there is a known drug house. The people came out drunk. We've had people stumbling in our yard. We had to call the police a couple times because the renters simply don't care about the community. A lot of it is Section 8, not to put anybody down because I could be in that place too, but I feel as if we should have some type of stricter guidelines as far as renters go because they're bringing in the kids who are throwing rocks at the buses. It happened after the last football game. It's them going around destroying our community. Like these people now, she's scared to go outside of her house because of these children and it's sad that we have the parents that don't care. I feel as if we should be doing something as far as kind of weeding out the parents who don't care, weeding out the bad kids. I know it's hard for the police. That's something big to enforce, but there has to be at least something we can do as far as if the cops have been called on this house this many times we should at least be able to kick them out or do something because all they're doing is destroying our community.

PRESIDENT SUSTER: As the Mayor has said he'll take care of it tomorrow.

MR. WILLIAMS: That's all. Thank you.

PRESIDENT SUSTER: Thank you. Is there anyone else that would like to make a comment? There being none.

CLWN MARINCIC: Mr. Chairman. Didn't you want to make a comment? One of the residents that live in my Ward?

Dawn Kalo, 13001 Garland Avenue. There's been a horrible smell that's been reported last week coming out of the field. It smells like paint poison and when it was humid last week we couldn't walk out of the house. You couldn't breathe. It was like you were in a paint chamber. Very bad. I think a serviceman came up last week, spoke to him. It comes and goes. It's really bad at night and there is a garbage dump. We live at the dead end. There's a garbage dump that's been there for 40 - 50 years. It's a horrible odor and it's only hitting two or three houses. When the serviceman came up I was at work but they talked to him and they didn't smell anything. At night you get a whiff of it. I don't know if there's something opened up in that dump down there?

ACTING POLICE CHIEF ROBERT BYRNE: Ma'am, the gentleman from the Service Department spoke to me. One of the guys went out there at night. He thought it was like a plastic smell and thought it might have been from Automated Packaging.

MS. KALO: This has been going on for two or three weeks. It was really bad when it was humid. If the Service Department will have to go up there there's people throwing tires, crap from the street over the hill. It looks crappy down there. I don't know if somebody threw something in there?

MAYOR VIC COLLOVA: That may be. That dump has been closed for 50 . 60 years if not longer. I doubt it was that. I don't know for sure but let's see if we can't figure it out and get somebody down there.

MS. KALO: You might not get it during the day. I've opened the front door and closed it because it smelled so bad. There's people that got health problems on my street. Some think it's the train.

MAYOR VIC COLLOVA: The police officer smelled something.

ACTING POLICE CHIEF ROBERT BYRNE: Yes, he smelled a faint odor and I know Mr. Wervey was going to go check with Automated to see if they changed something or something else was going on but if you open your door some night and you smell it that strong, give us a call.

MS. KALO: Who do we call? The police?

ACTING POLICE CHIEF ROBERT BYRNE: You can call us. We'll come out.

MS. KALO: Can I ask one more question? In regards to rental properties how often are they inspected?

PRESIDENT SUSTER: From what I understand it's once a year.

ACTING POLICE CHIEF ROBERT BYRNE: There are a lot that are not getting done.

CLWN MARINCIC: Mr. Chairman, the exteriors are inspected yearly and the interior is inspected.

MS. KALO: As a drive by they inspect it?

CLWN MARINCIC: I don't know. Exteriors are inspected yearly and.

MS. KALO: We have a lot of neighbors that are renters and the yards are atrocious in the back. Washing machines in the back yard.

PRESIDENT SUSTER: Have you been calling the Building Department?

MS. KALO: I was giving them time to throw the garbage out, but no, I haven't because one of the neighbors is my friend next door so I really don't want to get them in any trouble. I called them. I took pictures.

PRESIDENT SUSTER: Of your friends?

MS. KALO: No. The neighbors. I did. They're friends and I've known them a long time. Anyway they come once in while and they take care of it but when you have to live next door to

something like that it's horrible. We had neighbors like that on Garland years ago. I think the Police Department remembers it? The kids were out in the street in the middle of the night. We were almost running them over.

MAYOR VIC COLLOVA: Ma'am, if you call my office and give me the address nobody will know you called.

MS. KALO: I don't care if they know me.

MAYOR VIC COLLOVA: You said it was your friend?

MS. KALO: The point was they're getting lazy.

MAYOR VIC COLLOVA: Give me a call. Give me the address and we'll just say it was reported.

MS. KALO: A lot of people put their homes up for rent and they don't report them to the city.

MAYOR VIC COLLOVA: That is a problem that goes on. It's hard to keep track of. We have people that move out. We don't even know they moved out.

MS. KALO: I understand that.

MAYOR VIC COLLOVA: We've had occasions people moved in we don't even know they moved in. If you give us that address we will definitely cite them. We are citing houses now where we met with the Court, with the Prosecutors; we are turning in more houses now than we have because we're trying to put a stop to this. It's going to cause a ruckus but this can't go on any longer. It can't. We probably turned in in the last month and a half probably 60 homes to the Court for them to be cited and go to Court so we're going to continue to do that so as long as you call it, believe me, we'll cite them and they'll think it came from the inspection. All right?

MS. KALO: OK. Thank you.

PRESIDENT SUSTER: Thank you. Is there anyone else?

Donald Talon, 13005 Garland Avenue. I want to elaborate more on the paint smell. Like you said call somebody? It's futile because it comes and goes. It smells like a paint booth in a car shop. Started about 2.5 weeks ago. Seems worse late at night. I use a whole-house window air conditioner and it comes through the air conditioner so I had to switch it to circling the air in the house which it still pulls some air from outside. My concern is the fact that now that the weather's getting nice, opening the windows, I'm a light sleeper and I stay up late. I go out sometimes to take the dogs out there in the morning and it's out there but it's in the house too. It's always when it's still and it's coming from Broadway that direction. Where all those factories are.

MAYOR VIC COLLOVA: Don, it's not a gas smell, is it?

MR. TALON: It's not a gas smell. I know what gas smells like. Smells like paint or ether. It's very distinct. When it comes you smell it and it could go away within five minutes. If the wind's blowing East you don't smell it. If my flag's blowing I don't smell it. When my flag's still it feels like it rises up the hill. That ravine's deep.

ACTING POLICE CHIEF ROBERT BYRNE: When it's that strong like she said she's got to close her door, call us. You might have to call us two or three times, but we'll be aware of the problem and one time we'll get lucky and be able to track it down and figure out what it is.

MR. TALON: The other night I looked up like EPNN and I thought if they have sensors, etc.

PRESIDENT SUSTER: Thank you. Is there anyone else that has anything to say this evening?

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:

PRESIDENT SUSTER: There being none we'll move on to Miscellaneous Business beginning with Clmn Burke.

CLMN BURKE: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I just wanted to remind everybody that I'm having my Community Awareness Meeting on Wednesday this week. We're starting back after the season. It will be at 7 p.m. right here at the Civic Center. This month we're going to welcome Acting Chief Robert Byrne and some folks from CERT to come in and talk about the program, etc.

Mr. Williams, I like what you're doing. I apologize for missing your last walk. I was serving my time in the dunk tank here at our city celebration, but I will be at the next one. I would also like to invite you to come to my meeting on Wednesday and talk about what you're trying to put together. I think it's a great idea. I would also like to put you in contact with a few other residents that have gotten a hold of me about some other programs that they're kind of like to start volunteer groups up in the neighborhood. So I think it's a great idea. It helps to bring the community together.

Other than that I am very appreciative of the streets that are getting done in our Wards, in our city and I just have asked the residents of my Ward to be patient with the system. I've gotten some phone calls about why did they put the loose gravel in? Everything's a process so let's just wait till it's all done and see how it goes from there. Other than that, that's all I have. Thank you.

PRESIDENT SUSTER: OK. Thank you. Clmn Vaughn.

CLMN VAUGHN: Thank you. Mayor, you look nice in green tonight. I just thought I'd let you know that. I would like to talk a little bit real quickly about.

MAYOR VIC COLLOVA: Holy Name lost.

CLMN VAUGHN: A lot of the people from Holy Name came in with all the bad negativity, very concerned and I have to say that 99.9% of the comments I received were all favorable. Everybody was treated well--teams, players, the parents--everything looked really well and I thank you for that. I really enjoyed walking over and collecting the 50/50 at the end of the night, you know, and my wife and I had a very interesting argument on the way home, you know. She's a Garfield grad. I'm a Holy Name grad. She goes, "Tom, what you going to do with the hundred and some dollars?" I said, "I'm sending it out to Holy Name." She said, "No, you're not. You're sending it to Garfield." So it went back and forth. So we compromised and it went to St. Jude's Hospital. So that was our compromise on that. Everybody had a good time. I do believe we're playing again next year, aren't we, Bob? I believe we are. And that time they'll be coming over to Normandy, our home field. So we look forward to that.

My Block Watch will be Thursday the 24th at 7 p.m. at St. Monica's Pavilion. Judge Nicastro will be coming. Mr. Williams, I also would like to invite you to come and talk and maybe you can get my good friend Bob Raffle to join you on your walk. I will be there on Sunday. I'm looking forward to it. Maybe my wife will be there too. I think what you're doing is great. I've been following it on Facebook and some of the social media sites.

My next topic is probably going to either you're going to love it or you're going to hate it but it's something that I think needs to be said. I would like everybody to please take time in the next week or two to thank a policeman or a fireman. There's a lot of stuff going on not just to this community but all across our country right now and these people need to be thanked. They want to go home at the end of the night to the family too. They're giving their lives they're putting their lives on the line for our community. They don't make great millions of dollars to do it. It's a career that they've chosen and I respect them for that. But I really think right now with everything that's going on we all need to take a few moments out to say thank you. Chief, I say thank you. That's all I have for tonight.

PRESIDENT SUSTER: OK. Clmn Dudley.

CLMN DUDLEY: Next time you and the Mrs. debate about the money, just call me up. I'll clear your minds and take it off your hands.

First of all I want to thank the ladies for coming out here tonight. Actually they are from the Cranwood Park Blvd. Club, which meets the second Tuesday bi-monthly. They met this month so I believe the next meeting is in the month of November at 7 p.m. they actually meet at. That's why I put emphasis that the time is good to belong to some of the clubs in your Wards so when you have to come down here you don't feel alone. Some people kind of feel nervous coming by themselves, but you could see they brought a club out with them. That's a good sign of support and they do a great job, like I said, in the Ward 1 community, etc. They are good organizations. They been together for a long time so I thank them for coming out tonight. There's also too the Ward Club which meets the 4th Tuesday and they will be meeting that 4th Tuesday this month also at 7 p.m. That's a great organization also.

What I want to say also; people take the garbage cans in. Don't leave your garbage cans out on garbage day and you leave them two or three days. You got to drive by your garbage can in order to pull in to your driveway. I stopped by several houses because it was getting ridiculous now. It's part of your responsibility to take your cans in so eventually you won't be cited.

Second thing let's respect the curfew. Be responsible for your children. Remember the commercial that come on saying do you know where your children are? They don't show that commercial no more. TV runs 24/7 and so do some of the children in the community. You need to be responsible and be safe. All the things happening to the young ladies. Get your daughters in the house. When it gets dark get them around the house. Let's stop from hanging on the corners and walking in the street. You have to stay off the street for your safety. One thing I see is people walking the street texting. But somebody driving the car and ain't looking at the same time. I didn't ask you to get off the street. It's just a matter that I care about your safety especially when you're walking your babies in a stroller in the street. That's going a little too far. You have to stop that for your safety as well as your babies. I appreciate everybody involved, the Mayor, children, etc. Kind of feeling it on the home that we have. I want to mention if you're in a home that. I grew up in a neighborhood (that's a true story that I told you that this mom and dad served about 30 days in jail). She went to Court first and she was walking and talking a lot

of smack, but she went to jail, she didn't go home. Her neighbor didn't go home for half a month. This really happened and they been the best neighbors you can count on right now. You don't want to be a part of that; you don't want to be in the bin, incarcerated, etc. You moved your family to a better community so you want better things for your child. Stop allowing your children to bring the same people you tried to get them away from. You are coming into a new neighborhood and destroying.

Last thing here. If you got a Senior do like I do sometimes. If you're young enough, try to help your Senior cut their grass, try to help them trim their bushes, have your son do like my sons Isaiah and Elijah and some of the other young men in the neighborhood. Cut the grass for them twice a month while you're cutting your grass. It don't cost you nothing extra. So with that I tell everybody to continue to be safe and watch the kids when they getting on and off the buses, etc. Have a good weekend and a safe weekend. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

Last thing I want to just say everybody like I said backup my colleague down there, Tom, prior to 911. I worked security for 20 years and I remember the times I called police officers on domestics down on Wade Park Apartments--a rough place to work. But when they come down and some of the doors they went into you don't have a clue what's waiting for you on the other side, but they went in those doors anyway and you didn't know if they was coming out. With that I always keep them in my prayers and I tell you there's some good guys they come to my house and I appreciate hem. I love them and everything they do and I keep them in my prayers all the time-- the safety forces. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

PRESIDENT SUSTER: OK. Mrs. Marincic.

CLWN MARINCIC: I say a prayer every morning for our safety forces and I will continue to. Thank you for everything you do.

I actually have a few things tonight. Mr. McLaughlin, are we doing the leaf pick up this year?

SERVICE DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR TIM McLAUGHLIN: I really don't want to, but yes. It's the same as usual.

CLWN MARINCIC: Starts about the 1st week of October?

SERVICE DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR TIM McLAUGHLIN: It depends when they fall. I don't have enough guys to be driving around the streets if they don't have leaves on them so it will depend on how they fall. It lasts about six weeks sometime into October/November. Hopefully we'll get through the city two or three times. Rake the leaves and put them on your lawn, not in the streets. Same thing as usual.

CLWN MARINCIC: The individual we appointed to the Land Reutilization, Jennifer Seither, isn't she your secretary?

SERVICE DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR TIM McLAUGHLIN: Yes.

CLWN MARINCIC: She's going to get a big head because of this. Be ready.

SERVICE DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR TIM McLAUGHLIN: I'll go stand on her a little bit.

CLWN MARINCIC: Regarding the aroma that they're smelling on Garland. I've had experiences back when Garfield Alloy was there and I remember even contacting the Board of Health and the EPA. From the way they're describing this I am guessing that there is either a new business on Chaincraft that is painting cars or somebody in the area after they come home from work at night is painting cars out of their garage. So I don't know if this helps at all, Mayor, but that's what I would be looking for.

Tommy Lyons, it was so nice to see you here tonight. I haven't seen you in ages.

The last thing I want to do is wish everybody a Happy Fall because it's right around the corner now. That's all I have.

PRESIDENT SUSTER: OK. Thank you. Clmn Nenadovich.

CLMN NENADOVICH: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Over in Ward 3 if you drive down Warner Road Hill (I know that's a risk) they are starting to work again on the bike trail and pedestrian bridge over to Bocci Park. They're working on that rather heavily, which connects the Ohio Valley Bike Trail that will be coming up Warner Road. I walked the path the other day. There is a switchback that takes you into the woods back on Warner Road Hill. It's coming along nicely. So when that opens up, please feel free to use it because it's a beautiful sight when you're walking back in that valley.

Also, Bob, great job on those ball diamonds. I took a look. They're so trimmed and neat and manicured. They look like a professional baseball field. Great job.

If anybody wants to see pictures of kids walked in strollers in streets I got a whole bunch of them from my neighborhood so it's not unique.

Other than that remember the Vets. Keep everybody, the Veterans, any public servants that put their life on the line; keep them in your prayers. Mr. Chairman, that's all I have.

PRESIDENT SUSTER: OK. Thank you. Mr. Glenn.

CLMN GLENN: Thank you, Mr. President. I've been walking through the neighborhood talking to the residents. For the most part things are going pretty good. Lawns look good. Streets are getting repaved. Residents are happy about that. They're also happy about future projects. East 85th, East 88th, the rockslide so we're all going to do that. Saying that, thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT SUSTER: OK. Next summer is over so the Summer Sessions are over. Our next meeting will be September 28th here in the Council Chambers.

You had heard the Mayor talk about CERT. At this time I would like to take an opportunity to point out some people here in the audience that belong to CERT. I've been in it for 10 years. Mr. Mays, if you'd stand up? Wendy Walters, would you stand up? Diane and Norm Wells, will you stand up? Mary, you were in it for a while, weren't you? Mary was in it for a while. Believe me these different things that they go about and do and even participating with what went on at Hillcrest Hospital there's a lot of time put into it. You get there at 5:30 a.m., Wendy? You stay there all day and every drill, as the Mayor had said, we go on, Garfield Heights is always pointed out for doing a great job. In fact they always call Sheila Roman who runs the program they call her a lot of times to ask her different questions in what they should be doing. I missed Mr. Nenadovich who was a member of CERT for a number of years. Actually CERT was started

in 2005 by a former Fire Chief--I think his name was Collova? in 2005 so you know we ought to thank Tony for being the instigator of this program because there is a lot of good people in it and they do a lot of good things for the city.

I was going to ask Mr. Dudley to come over and cut my grass tomorrow seeing as how he wants to cut grass for the elderly. That's all I have this evening. I want to thank everybody that came tonight for the meeting.

CLMN BURKE: I would like to make a motion that we adjourn.

PRESIDENT SUSTER: On the motion made by Mr. Burke to adjourn, all those in favor signify by saying Yea. All those opposed? Meeting adjourned.

AYES: Burke, Vaughn, Dudley, Nenadovich, Marincic, Glenn, Suster

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:40 p.m.

APPROVED:

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

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President of Council

Barbara Molin
Clerk of Council