

MINUTES FROM COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF NORTH CANTON
MONDAY, JUNE 11, 2018

1. Call to Order

VICE COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOLTZ: Okay, I'd like to call to order the Council Meeting Monday, June 11, 2018, 7:37 p.m.

2. Opening Prayer - Reverend Rich Holmes, Northminster Presbyterian Church gave the opening prayer.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Roll Call

VICE COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS: Clerk, please call the roll.

Roll call found the following Council members in attendance: Cerreta, Foltz, Fonte, Kiesling, Revoldt and Werren.

Thus having 6 in attendance.

COUNCILMAN REVOLDT: Motion to excuse Member Peters.

COUNCILMAN CERRETA: Second.

Roll call vote of 6 yes to excuse Council President Peters.

Also present: Mayor Held, Director DeOrio, Law Director Fox, Engineer Graham and Finance Director Brown.

5. Consideration

VICE COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOLTZ: Thank you. For your consideration may I have a motion and a second to approve as presented:

Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes: May 7, 2018 & May 21, 2018

Council Meeting Minutes: May 14, 2018

Executive Session Minutes: May 14, 2018

Special Council Meeting Minutes: June 4, 2018

Mayor's Court Receipts: May 2018

COUNCILMAN REVOLDT: Motion to approve as presented.

COUNCILWOMAN WERREN: Second.

Unanimous voice vote of 6 to approve the above minutes and reports.

6. Recognition of Visitors:

VICE COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOLTZ: Thank you. Visitors, before you come up and speak to us, we welcome all your comments. Please be professional, timely. And know that once you sit down, there will be no other disturbances from the audience. We want your respect, we also, you know, respect you. So, it's a two way street. So let's have a good public speaks portion. Knowing that we're here after the meeting to discuss anything you want to that's on your mind or on the agenda. With that, I'll open up to anybody that wants to address Council and the Administration.

MELANIE J ROLL: (read from a prepared statement) 308 Portage Street, North Canton. So many topics, so little time. First is the timing right for North Canton City income tax increase? While I understand the wisdom of having all safety forces in the same location. Wasn't there a recent upgrade to the City fire station? Second, tax incentives. Before embarking on reestablishing a CRA, why not evaluate those properties given tax incentives in the past? Currently, there are two properties through TIRC. LMD Properties and Insight Realty LMD. The DeHoff property is 50% exemption for 12 years. Insight Realty is a 50% exemption for 15 years. As both properties are 50% exemptions, the North Canton City Schools received no input on these tax incentives. And they lost revenue. There are three residential properties. 331 Harmon – 100% for 15 years. 307 Fairview – 100% for 10 years on remodeling, which is now been off the books, because the 10 years have lapsed. And of course, North Ridge – 100% for 12 years. And the schools lost revenue on all these properties as well. Is it any wonder the school district is leery of city government? Third, the schools and the city are intertwined. Each needs the other to thrive. And it is my belief if the schools begin to fail, the city will follow. It is also my believe that is Council's responsibility to see the school district receives all property tax income that voters choose to direct to the school district. The war between the schools and the city that began in 2016 now has escalated. There's a fight for dollars. I echo Superintendent Wendorf's statement to you, "use City money for economic development." The children's hospital complex is a good model. Fourth, the housing stock. Instead of giving tax incentives to a few owner occupied dwellings, its pass time to enforce the exterior housing code. Concentrate on revitalizing

neighborhoods by prodding homeowners to comply with existing code. And hire an additional nuisance inspector to help with an overall plan to regularly canvas the City for violations. Fifth, rental registration. This program allows City inspectors to verify the safety of rental units. Plus address other maintenance issues. This program could be vital, a vital component of revitalizing the City's housing stock. In closing, use the children's hospital complex as a model to add jobs. Improve the housing stock with code enforcement. Partner with the schools. They are the City's strongest tool for economic development. If you continue to fight with the schools, we're all going to lose. Thank you.

COUNCILMAN FONTE: Thank you.

VICE COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOLTZ: Thank you. Anybody else like to address Council?

CHUCK OSBORNE: (read from a prepared statement) 307 Fairview Street SE, North Canton, Ohio. Mr. Foltz, I'd like to pick up on what you said about civility up here. If you will muzzle your pit bull here, we wouldn't have these problems. I'm all done with that.

VICE COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOLTZ: Please stick to an issue to talk about. And not direct to any person.

CHUCK OSBORNE: Maintain control of the meeting, and there's no reason for Mr. Fox to respond.

VICE COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOLTZ: Would you just have your comments on an issue?

CHUCK OSBORNE: Citizens are not asking for legal opinions. All right, with that said. I was very unnerved last week after hearing Mr. DeOrio say he had met with the schools and they said "no, CRA residential abatements." Unbelievably, you embark on discussion CRA residential abatements. Why? I agree with Mrs. Roll. And I've said it before at school board meetings and here. The schools are your strongest economic driver of this community. Spouses of two councilmembers here are employed with the schools. And you guys are going to continue to give away school revenue and then you're going to scratch your head and say "oh my wife just got her pink slip today." They can't afford to pay her, and you're going to scratch your head and say "I wonder why that happened." Please support the schools. Now, as far as some of the reports on the income tax. Everybody seems to be proud as peach up here to say "we have kept our income tax at 1.5 since 1971. I think you ought to be ashamed. You have denied resources to maintain streets, facilities. And you've denied yourself this. Here we are 20 years later, and just now discussing this again? Mayor Held, I supported you years ago. Right after you were first elected as mayor. You wanted to have an income tax increase. This council for some reason didn't want to do that. Here we are 12 years later, and finally realizing "oh my god, we need more revenue in order to provide these services." I have to commend Chief Bacon, the police department, they have made due with little or nothing to provide the best in services. And that's what we've got. This is all because you thought it was great to have a low income tax rate. And what does, what is that getting you? We have no place to lure businesses to this community, anyway. We're a bedroom community. Where are you going to entice somebody to with these low rates? There's no place to put them. And when you had an opportunity down here with OMNI Orthopedics, you didn't even want to annex 75 jobs. So, there is no logic up here. And it just blew my mind to see people who have no idea what they're doing, picking and choosing on that CRA. "Well let's change this here, and let's change that there." It kind of remind me of a 10 year old setting in the cockpit of an airplane. Wanting to just monkey with this switch, and that control, and this and that. With no idea what you're doing. Mr. Foltz, I also agree with you earlier when you said we probably had a better opportunity back when Hoover was downsizing, to get an income tax increase. I think it's going to be an uphill battle for you. Even though its, I fully support it. I will vote for it. But I think you're going to have an uphill battle now. Mr. Revoldt, splitting the revenue for this project between property and income is not the way to go. You're putting the burden on senior citizens. On fixed income. So, that's kind of, and I do like your schedule for coming up here. There's no reason to rush into a first reading next week. You're going to need to fully explain this, let the press put this out there. So again, I applaud you for a good decision on that. And I don't need any rebuts from Mr. Fox. Thank you.

VICE COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOLTZ: Thank you for your comments. Anybody else like to address Council?

EMIL GREJARSSON: 10988 Sagebrush Avenue NE, Uniontown, Ohio. An associate pastor at Holy Cross Lutheran Cross. Just wanted to do a couple things real quick here. First, thank you again for your service. I was listening to the radio last week, and they were talking about Lebron James had this thing on the bottom of his shoe. He had written on the back, it's called the arena. And there's a long Teddy Roosevelt quote that kind of goes with it. I won't read it for you tonight. But basically the bottom line is that you may win, you may lose. You may make great decisions. You may not make the greatest decision. You might look back and wish you did something different. But if you're in the arena, you're doing something most people aren't. And so Lebron James, they got swept, and it wasn't fun. But they were on the court. They had the opportunity to play. So I just encourage you to keep doing the best you can. If you need anything, I'm here to help you. We are praying for you. And that's actually the one reason why I did come here initially. Didn't realize all the discussion that I'd be coming to here tonight. But I am now taking care of scheduling the invocations, the prayers, the opening prayers. Pastor Diana Thompson is unable to continue to do that. And so I raised my hand and said "hey, I'll do that." But I need your help and the help of the community, all of those that are going to be listening to this, to let me know of the pastors, rabbis, religious leaders in the faith community that would be willing to come here and help open up these meetings. Because clearly there's a lot of tough topics. There's a lot of confusion sometimes. There's things that have come up that we didn't necessarily expect. And tough decisions that need to be made. And I think that that moment at the beginning is helpful in centering all of us to make sure we're treating each other with respect. And making sure that we remember what our collective interest is. And that we're in this together. So if you have any names, anyone you want to suggest that I can reach out to with your information, pastor.gretarsson@gmail.com. Just send me an email and I will

make sure to get in touch with anyone that's got any thoughts on a prayer, or a reflective thoughts. Anything that they'd like to do to contribute to help set the tone for each meeting. Thank you.

VICE COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOLTZ: Thank you. Miriam?

MIRIAM BAUGHMAN: 320 Weber Avenue. I sat here tonight and listened to all the justification and reasons for why you want your new building. I sat through every school informational meeting at the different schools. I heard the same reasons. New buildings, consolidate the buildings, they'll be more cost effective, and the utilities will be less. Schools are not set up for technology. Technology is the new way to teach. The middle school has Band Aids all over their heating and cooling system. The systems are so old, you can't find new parts. And what did the residents say? The residents said in all the meetings "North Canton's education is great in the old buildings. You don't need new buildings." Stephanie, you said go look at the other communities, how far behind we are in the safety forces buildings. That's what Superintendent Wendorf said. Go look at the buildings. Look at Jackson's school buildings. Look at Canton City, they have all new grade schools. Louisville has a newer high school, junior high, and a big new castle of a grade school. North Canton's schools have the oldest school buildings in Stark County. So look at any building for your safety forces, and compare it with Greentown School. Which has to be 100 years old. Thank you.

VICE COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOLTZ: Thank you. Anybody else want to address council?

STEVE WILDER: 1210 Glen Abbey Avenue NE, North Canton, Ohio. I come before the Council tonight with some good news. Regarding our North Canton Community Energy Savers Program. And I just wanted to give you an update on where we are in our progress for that. During the April 2nd Council Meeting, members of Council voiced support for this program. And tonight I just want to give you a progress report from the, for the North Canton Community Energy Savers Program. Our background on this, on Monday, April 16th I was invited by Director of Administration Patrick DeOrio. We met, he discussed this investment opportunity for our community proposed by AEP Ohio. And after our discussion, I said this is a go for us. I agreed to chair this project for the City of North Canton. So during the month of April through May, we had weekly meetings, and I'll get we, who we are shortly, with AEP support program and staff. With their marketing team and also with our community team members supporting and promoting this program. I want to make you aware of who our team members are. First of all, Mayor David Held, Patrick DeOrio, Director of Administration, Justine Avery, our administrative assistant, and from our community partners, we have Doug Lane, president of the North Canton Area Chamber of Commerce, and from our North Canton Public Library, we have a green team. And real quickly, those are Christina Wyrick, community relations manager, Carrie Burrick, our outreach services manager, Jamie Mackris, our children's department head, and Nancy Myers, our patron of services manager. We also have about five AEP project consultants and advisors working with us on this project. And also about four members from the AEP marketing team. As we go forward in promotion of this energy savers program. On May 29th, we signed a program an implementation plan with the City. And we signed off that, and it is progress. Now I want to make you aware of what program goals are, and we confirm these as our participation goal is 400 points. Part of the AEP Ohio program is they have certain levels that we can work towards in securing a grant for our city. We chose the middle of the road. And the middle of the road qualifies us that if we can 400 points through our community in support of the program, we would qualify for a \$30,000 grant. And that grant we decided to promote and apply it to the renovation of our Dogwood Park project. We want to have better lighting there for our residents and citizens. So, that's going to go towards the upgrades of Dogwood Park, especially with the LED efficiency lighting. Our timeline, we started counting participations actually May 15th. With the official kickoff. But June 1st through September 30th, I gave us a four month window to push this program. And I think we can do that within our months. Our printing location is right here locally, all our printing materials are coming through Repros, right here at 607 South Main Street, North Canton. And on the website, not only here in the City, but at AEPOhio.com, all you have to do is look for the North Canton Community Energy Saving Program. And that will get you to where we want you to go. Put it that way. Some of our marketing initiatives quickly, we had over 550 members of the North Canton Chamber of Commerce. They received a flyer in their newsletter, went out to the members. Our North Canton energy savers program called Start Saving Energy and Money Today. Our water bill inserts that will go out in July will have an insert in there identifying our project for them to participate in. Our website is also available through the City, the chamber and the library. We have links to this project on those. And also we are involved in various community events involving a number of things. For example, the North Canton Library, we had a kickoff there. We reached over 1,200 people in providing information to participate in our program. Our area chamber of commerce, of course, will have something at Main Street Festival. And we'll be down there the whole weekend to introduce this program to our residents and citizens and visitors. And of course, any of our North Canton citywide events. We'll also be over at the 720 Market on July 14th to help promote this program. All I'm asking from Council is your support in contacting any of your constituents, or whoever you meet within our city. Because this only applies to AEP Ohio customers. I want to make that clear. And that's basically within our city limits. And I apologize for going over, but I wanted to give you a quick update. In front of you, may I be indulged for a couple extra minutes?

VICE COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOLTZ: Sure.

STEVE WILDER: In front of you, I just gave you a handout. That's our initial flyer that went out. We have one that says North Canton Energy Savings Program. We also had one for the library. And we had one that was dovetailed for the chamber. The first page talks about our program, our goals. If we only reach 50% of our goal, AEP Ohio will provide us a sustainable roadmap for the next three years. As a recommendation of how we can become better efficient with our lighting and our services here. If we reach our 100% of our goal, then we will not only get this sustainability roadmap, but we'll also qualify for that \$30,000 grant. The second page was just some the energy efficient programs. And the main one that I want you to focus on, is I think

what will really help our residents is just simply a home energy profile. That's where you go to our website, and take 10 minutes to fill out an energy profile. And it helps give you a ballpark on the speed dial there, as to what your cost is, and what some of your cost savings could be. Depending on whether you have installation in your home, basement, the windows, what kind of electricity, gas that you're using. Things like that. And for all of you, on the third page, is a step by step process of how to take you through that website. It's very, very simple. So if you haven't gone online and do that yet. I have done it. It's very simple. Make sure that you remember, there is no campaign code. When you get to a little section. Just continue on, and when you get to the bottom, our last page, fill in your information. But make sure you put the little checkmark there, and you'll get a safety kit or an energy efficient kit. If you're electric, you get four lightbulbs, you get a nightlight, and you get a new showerhead, okay. For reducing our costs there. Or water usage, let's put it that way. And a new swivel nozzle, and also an aerator. If you're gas, you only get the lightbulbs. So about all the other stuff. You might get a nightlight, I don't know.

DIRECTOR DEORIO: And all of those things are provided by AEP, is that correct?

STEVE WILDER: Yes, AEP Ohio provides all of those. And that takes about six to eight weeks, but hopefully you'll get a little box in the mail with those things. Thanking you for simply completing a profile. That information is safe, it's protected. And it's not going to be used for anything other than supporting us. So, our goal is to get those 400 credits. Now if it's a multi-family, we have to have five units and we'll get bonus points for that. But that has to be, those apartments have to be metered. They just can't be one meter for I guess four apartments. Something like that, or five. But I'll be around, I can try to answer any questions for you. But I just wanted to give you a quick update, that we are up and running. And we're going. And we've been logging in information. Mark?

COUNCILMAN CERRETA: First of all, thank you for chairing this is very important to us.

STEVE WILDER: You're welcome.

COUNCILMAN CERRETA: I actually went on this morning, Cathie reminded me yesterday at the picnic. So I went on this morning, it took three or four minutes. It was very short. So, one of my question is, can my wife then go on and do the same thing, she lives in the same household. Do we get a point for that?

STEVE WILDER: No, one point. You did it.

COUNCILMAN CERRETA: All right, that's what I thought.

STEVE WILDER: Yes, I thought about that too. But AEP Ohio representative said "No Steve, it's just one per household."

VICE COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOLTZ: Thank you, Chief. And really this wasn't more of a public speaks, you were presenting a program that we're all involved with. So, that's why you're granted the latitude to talk about this great program. That hopefully we can all be involved with. So, thank you for that.

STEVE WILDER: Thank you. I'll stick around for any other comments. All right, thank you folks.

VICE COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOLTZ: Anybody else like to address council? We're going to limit our comments here till the end of the meeting. Thank you, Mayor. Anybody else want to address Council? Okay, seeing none, we'll go to new business. Mary Beth, are you ready?

COUNCIL CLERK BAILEY: Yes.

VICE COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOLTZ: Okay, do I have a motion to read by title only the first reading of Ordinance No. 46 – 2018?

COUNCILMAN REVOLDT: So moved.

COUNCILWOMAN KIESLING: Second.

Unanimous voice vote of 6 to read by title only the first reading of Ordinance No. 46 - 2018.

7. New Business

8. Ordinance No. 46 - 2018

Personnel and Safety Committee

An ordinance authorizing the Mayor of the City of North Canton, Ohio, to enter into a successor collective bargaining agreement between the City and the Ohio Patrolmen's Benevolent Association, Dispatch and Lead Dispatcher, regarding State Employment Relations Board ("SERB") Case No. 2017-MED-10-1312, and declaring the same to be an emergency.

VICE COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOLTZ: Okay, thank you. We'll have our law director address this, please.

LAW DIRECTOR FOX: Yes sir, this is one of two collective bargaining agreements that we're asking the authority, the Mayor to enter into these agreements. The first one, involves the City and the Dispatch and Lead Dispatcher union. And just like the one

after that for the Patrol Officers. These were part of the collective bargaining process. The first one ended a little bit earlier, because both the union and the City accepted the Fact Finder's report and recommendation. The key provisions that were acquired in each of these, is to remove the Sunday overtime. That was automatic. And ban the medical marijuana provision that we added to our drug testing article. So, each of these are on emergency provisions right now, we have five, we can still have one reading. It won't pass on emergency. But we can still count it as a reading. So I ask Council to pass this measure permitting the Mayor to enter into the bargaining agreement with Dispatchers.

VICE COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOLTZ: Thank you. Any comments from Council? Seeing none, do I have a motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 46 – 2018?

COUNCILMAN REVOLDT: So moved.

COUNCILMAN CERRETA: Second.

Unanimous voice vote of 6 yes to adopt the first reading of Ordinance No. 46 - 2018.

VICE COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOLTZ: Thank you. Do I have a motion to suspend the rules for three readings for Ordinance No. 46 – 2018?

COUNCILWOMAN KIESLING: So moved.

COUNCILMAN CERRETA: Second.

Unanimous voice vote of 6 yes to suspend the rules for three readings for Ordinance No. 46 – 2018.

VICE COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOLTZ: Do I have a motion then to approve under suspension of the rules for Ordinance No. 46 – 2018.

COUNCILWOMAN KIESLING: So moved.

COUNCILMAN REVOLDT: Second.

Unanimous voice vote of 6 yes to adopt under suspension of the rules Ordinance No. 46 – 2018

ORDINANCE NO. 46 - 2018 WAS PASSED BY A ROLL CALL VOTE OF 6 YES.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS: All right, thank you. May I have a motion and second to read by title only, the first reading of Ordinance No. 47 - 2018.

COUNCILMAN REVOLDT: So moved.

COUNCILWOMAN KIESLING: Second.

Unanimous voice vote of 6 to read by title only the third reading of Ordinance No. 47 - 2018.

9. Ordinance No. 47 - 2018

Personnel and Safety Committee

An ordinance authorizing the Mayor of the City of North Canton, Ohio, to enter into a successor collective bargaining agreement between the City and the Ohio Patrolmen's Benevolent Association, Patrol Officers, regarding State Employment Relations Board ("SERB") Case No. 2017-MED-10-1313, and declaring the same to be an emergency.

VICE COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOLTZ: Just a point of clarification, Member Werren had to leave the meeting, so we're approving with 5, at this point. Okay, thank you. Any other comments from our Law Director on this?

COUNCILWOMAN KIESLING: Oh yeah, we just did do that on emergency.

LAW DIRECTOR FOX: It won't pass as an emergency it will simply as a reading.

COUNCILMAN REVOLDT: You cannot have an emergency clause and vote it.

LAW DIRECTOR FOX: Correct, it doesn't pass with 5. It's just a simple reading.

COUNCILMAN REVOLDT: Then you've got to have an amendment to strip out the emergency clause.

VICE COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOLTZ: We have to go back to 46 then.

COUNCILMAN REVOLDT: You will. I'm going to make a motion to reconsider Ordinance No. 46 – 2018.

COUNCILWOMAN KIESLING: Second.

Unanimous voice vote of 5 to reconsider Ordinance No. 46 – 2018.

COUNCILMAN REVOLDT: I would like to make a motion for item 8, Ordinance No. 46 – 2018 that it be amended to strike the emergency clause.

COUNCILWOMAN KIESLING: Second.

Unanimous voice vote of 5 yes to remove the emergency clause from Ordinance No. 46 – 2018.

COUNCILMAN REVOLDT: I move that we adopt the first reading of Ordinance No. 46 – 2018.

COUNCILWOMAN KIESLING: Second.

Unanimous voice vote of 5 yes to adopt the first reading of Ordinance No. 46 – 2018

***ORDINANCE NO. 46 – 2018 WAS GIVEN FIRST READING.

VICE COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOLTZ: Point of clarification. Is this something that needs done quicker than two weeks from tonight?

LAW DIRECTOR FOX: No, two weeks from tonight is fine.

VICE COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOLTZ: Sufficient for both?

LAW DIRECTOR FOX: Yes, sir.

VICE COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOLTZ: Okay, now let's go to Ordinance No 47 – 2018. We read the first reading.

COUNCILMAN REVOLDT: You need to adopt the first reading. I'd like to have a motion to adopt the first reading of Ordinance No. 46 – 2018.

COUNCIL CLERK BAILEY: For Ordinance No. 47 – 2018?

COUNCILMAN REVOLDT: 46 – 2018.

VICE COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOLTZ: I think we did, but we're going to do it again. But we're going to do it again. We'll do it twice.

Unanimous voice vote of 5 yes to adopt the first reading of Ordinance No. 46 – 2018

***ORDINANCE NO. 46 – 2018 WAS GIVEN FIRST READING.

VICE COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOLTZ: Thank you. Now, point of clarification, we just read Ordinance No. 47 – 2018, do we have to adjust our motions there.

COUNCILMAN REVOLDT: Yeah, I think you can read it and then amend it.

VICE COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOLTZ: We'll just pass first reading. Okay, do I have a motion to read by title only the first reading of Ordinance No. 47 – 2018?

COUNCILMAN REVOLDT: So moved.

COUNCILWOMAN KIESLING: Second.

Unanimous voice vote of 5 to read by title only the third reading of Ordinance No. 47 - 2018.

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VICE COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOLTZ: Okay, we'll go back to our Law Director if there's any additional comment.

LAW DIRECTOR FOX: No, sir. This simply is similar collective bargaining agreement. The same time period for three years. This

is for the Patrol Officers. And again, the two key areas for this bargaining agreement is the removal of the Sunday overtime. And this is banning the medical marijuana. And what's unique on this one, just for point of information, is that this actually went to conciliation. So it's the conciliator's award, it's an order for us to enter into this agreement. So, as we have done with the prior one, we're simply asking to adopt the first reading of 47 – 2018.

VICE COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOLTZ: Okay, is there a motion to adopt the first reading of 47 – 2018?

COUNCILWOMAN KIESLING: So moved.

COUNCILMAN CERRETA: Second.

Unanimous voice vote of 5 yes to adopt the first reading of Ordinance No. 47 – 2018.

ORDINANCE NO. 47 – 2018 WAS GIVEN FIRST READING

10. Reports – Council

VICE COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOLTZ: Thank you, Member Revoldt for the clarification on the emergency clause. Okay, that said. Reports of Council, Member Fonte.

COUNCILMAN FONTE: Thanks to everybody who spoke. And I also wanted to say thanks Steve, for stepping up on the energy savings program. You know, this is just a quick thought for me, just knowing how people are. Is to get the team together with iPads during the 720 and the parade, not the parade, but the festival and so forth. And then just sign them up right on the spot. So, I don't know if you're planning on doing that, but I would recommend that. Okay, that's all I have. Thank you.

VICE COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOLTZ: Okay, Member Kiesling?

COUNCILWOMAN KIESLING: I have no report, other than to say that Stephanie did have to leave for a work commitment. She was driving to Charleston tonight.

VICE COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOLTZ: Thank you for that clarification. Okay, Member Revoldt?

COUNCILMAN REVOLDT: No report.

VICE COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOLTZ: Member Cerreta.

COUNCILMAN CERRETA: Couple things. First of all, good discussion tonight. That's the way it should be. Picnic had a great picnic, I want to thank Laura and her crew who put that together yesterday. That, I don't know when the last one was. But I thought it was a very good turnout, especially for the first one. I hope it just grows and grows. That's the kind, you need that little collaboration between the, outside of work sometimes. So, thank you for doing that. I'll just give you guys a quick update on the Gold Star. I know you're tired of hearing that. But you'll hear from me till the end. Pucci poured the actual pad, you saw the pictures I sent on Friday. I got to help him. I wanted to put my fingerprints in it, but he wouldn't let me. I put my initials and the date all that stuff. Brian Hill has been working with us very closely, just today, he removed the water fountain over to the side. We've got the flags ordered. We had an issue there where we didn't have the poles, and his diligence on that, it looks like we're going to get those poles. Pucci will probably pour them this week. I cannot stress enough the amount of donations that have been put into this. And the people that have come forward, the overtime, that they've paid their people to do this kind of thing. So, we want to make sure that when we see those folks to thank them, you know, over and over again. And there will be a list of those as we come out at the end here with that. But it's coming along pretty good, and we're looking forward to that July 7th deadline. And the extravaganza.

VICE COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOLTZ: And thanks for your hard work on this too, Mark. And appreciate the time you've put into this, to be able to address Council.

COUNCILMAN CERRETA: And I can't stress Dr. Novelli... .

COUNCILMAN REVOLDT: Could we, and this is a question for the administration. Could we have a temporary sign created that acknowledges the donors to this? That would be placed there and left for a period of time after the dedication.

COUNCILMAN CERRETA: Great idea.

MAYOR HELD: And have it permanent.

COUNCILMAN CERRETA: Well yeah, I mean there's something already I think they're putting into place, but... .

VICE COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOLTZ: And the other point too is, we know what's going on because you've kept everybody up to date. But maybe just future site of, a real quick, and thank you for our current donation companies, or people. The people who come here and enjoy a beautiful scenery that don't live will see what's going on. So, that's great. Because we're less than a month away for the dedication. So that's good stuff. Thank you. My comments, Melanie, thank you for your comments on

housing, exterior housing code. Its' near and dear to me, as you know, and Miriam. I think we need to get there, we don't want to penalize our landlord people, but we also want to know that, you know, they're bringing their places up to code too. And this is a great community to live in, just make sure you're upholding your end of the bargain. You know, what you're doing with your housing and your renters. That's all we're asking. So, thank you for that. Our law director?

11. Reports

LAW DIRECTOR FOX: No report.

VICE COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOLTZ: Finance Director.

FINANCE DIRECTOR BROWN: Thank you to Mark for his nice comments about the picnic. We had over 70 people between employees and families there yesterday, even despite the kind of rough weather. It held out just long enough. My only other item is, some of you may remember, several years ago the State Treasurer's Department had the Open Checkbook website and program that they did. North Canton participates in that. I updated that today for our 2017 data. We usually wait until our auditors have been in and kind of given us a pass on their first pass through. So that data is out there is anybody wants to look at every transaction we had in 2017. It's at Open Checkbook through the State Treasurer. Thank you.

VICE COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOLTZ: Thank you. Director of Administration?

DIRECTOR DEORIO: Thank you, Mr. President. Just a couple items. I wanted to make sure that I thank our local news media for their coverage of the opening of our portico. They were there at the beginning, they were here at the end. I think they were an important part to make that happen. We started to see some of the benefits of that. The North Canton Public Library held their first of three summer concert series here last week. It will also be on the first Thursday in July and in August. This one was a New Orleans creole, Cajun kind of theme. For their first time having it in the evening, they had a food truck out front of City Hall. There was a lot of people here. We brought up chairs from the civic center. We put them out for them to use for their enjoyment. And there's just been a great amount of feedback from that. I think this is the first of many things to come. So, I want to thank the Council for their support in making this project a reality. So, I think you'll appreciate all the comments that you're getting from the committee. And from the residents. We had a wrap up meeting for our Memorial Day Parade. This is a thing that I started taking over as Administrator. I think it's important that after we have events that we put the players in the room, and have an open frank discussion about what went right, went wrong. So that we can make it better. So I want to thank Cathie Farina for putting that together. In regards to the Memorial Day, we got a lot of good feedback from it. I think the folks from the Lions Club were astounded that anybody even asked them to come in and talk about how to make it better. And we had the representative from the school there as well. And it was a great effort. Just so you know, in case your residents are giving you questions. There is going to be a second attempt at reseeding the Hoover front lawn. This time they're going to bring in some topsoil over there. So you may start to see that activity again here shortly. But I wanted to let everybody know that's underway. According to the developer over there. Kudos to Chief Wilder for his effort in leading this. They have been out at the summer concerts series. I think they were signing people up on the spot, with the library committee that got their little iPads. And they have a schedule for numerous events that they're going to be. And not just through the summer, but into the fall until this concludes. Finally, code enforcement. Code enforcement is very important to the City. And we have taken steps to make this an even better process. I want to thank the Mayor for the opportunity to put together some ideas that I was able to share with him and authorize us to move forward. We hired an additional nuisance inspector, starts Monday. The Mayor agreed that to provide more support to that department we're moving that department here to City Hall. So, Mr. Johnson, the new employee, myself, the law director will be part of a team that does a number of things. The first thing is, that we need to streamline the process. It's extremely cumbersome. And we need to identify specific steps along the way that we can meet, so that we are able to move this from start to finish. And I think the past we've had a lot of things starting, but not enough finishing. The second part would be to educate. We have to educate the community on what it means to be a member of North Canton. And what responsibilities, or expectations there are, as it relates to the housing code. I don't believe that we've done a sufficient job of that in the past. So that's going to be something that you'll see a difference as we move forward. And then it's actually to move forward. You know, once you've streamlined it, and we've got it moving, you know, if that process involves sending it down to Canton Municipal Court for prosecution, then by god that's where it's going to go. Because we can't let these things linger for years, and years and years. The residents deserve some relief. So, I appreciate your comments earlier. And you'll be seeing a lot of activity on that. That concludes my report.

VICE COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOLTZ: Thank you. Just a follow you. I love when you said educate. Because one of my biggest peeves is when somebody moves out, or someone cleans out their garage or somebody does something significant, they haul the trash out and they set it out whatever day they feel they can do it. And it sits there for three or four days. That's just not the way we should handle things. And even if we have to put something in the, I know you probably have some ideas about how to educate. But if we have to put something in the water bill, you know, to me to look at somebody's debris for all weekend. And we've all seen it. I think we have to be more responsive how we handle that. And educate. I think is a warning, and then get written up. I mean, there's reason to do this. You know, put mattresses out, or clean out your garage and leave it on the curb. We've got to have a way to address that with whoever's the landlord or whoever's in charge of that property. There's residents that do it. So let's see if we can get a handle on that. But thank you for your comments.

DIRECTOR DEORIO: Well, and to address that. I'd certainly like to thank all the councilmembers who come by, stop in see me, and call me. Because, you know, there is constant dialogue between the seven of you and myself, the mayor. And one of the up shots to that was from Councilman Revoldt. That perhaps the next addition of our newsletter focus on that educational

component in addition to things that we can electronically. But that's a very important piece. I know from the newsletter that we did last, that a lot of people rely on that as one of their significant pieces of information. It's not just the social media crowd or the internet crowd. That print media is a big component to that. So thank you for the idea. And that's something that we're going to pursue.

VICE COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOLTZ: That's good, thank you. Mayor?

MAYOR HELD: Yes, okay, you know one of the programs that we started here. And it actually started with Patrick and also our finance department. Is the wellness program. And I'm really proud of the work that we've done so far with that. Because when you think of it our employees, many of our employees that provide service to the residents, there's a strong physical component. So when you look at our police department, our fire, our EMS, our first responders. I mean, their physical health and being in that optimum physical health is a matter of life and death. You know, when we have police officers that are chasing somebody down, you can't have somebody that's out of shape and overweight. You know, we need people that are in top physical condition. For their own safety, and particularly for the safety of our community. And so, and we've seen the impact of that. So we've had, for example, some our police officers like John Hemrick, he's going to the impulse boot camp training, he's down 30 pounds. You know, he's one of our more senior police officers. So, you know, you figure when you're 30 pounds lighter. And he said he had a period where he was running, chasing somebody down, he felt good. Because he's in shape. So that wellness program is really, it's really making a difference. I mean it's really, really important. And so Laura, I'm glad that you started it. And Patrick, that you got it going. And with that, we're looking at every single department and every service that we provide in the city. And so we looked at the IT. You know, we were so far behind in the IT. We've revamped all of our information technology in the City. We're in the process of completing that. Because we were probably like 15 years behind. It's because we were more in a reactive mode, because we didn't have the revenue coming through. Now, we're stable. So with the safety, and then also that leads me to the AEP. So, with the surveys, Chief Wilder, I'm glad your back. This is really a nice opportunity to get some grant money for the city. But this really is about AEP reducing their demand. Because there's so much demand placed on AEP, they have to reduce it. So, we've got to get the LED lights. And this whole process is a pilot program to see how they can best do that. So, we know that we're going to be a great example for that. And then the next thing is, when we look at the assessment. When we were looking at the operational assessment, and not only is the operations, but it's also the financial end. So, with Laura and Patrick looking at every department, that's really what brought about the safety building. That's what brought about the portico. Because it wasn't about the aesthetics, it was really about the future of the building. Because it was deteriorating. And at the same time it does look beautiful too. When you look at the safety, when we're talking about this upcoming levy. We're looking at, I would call it like our vision for 2040. You know, for the year 2040 we have to look at where we need to be in the next 20 years. And that's really what this about. We have to get away from being in a reactive mode. And we have to move into a proactive mode. Because the people in our community expect, we have that tradition of excellence. They have come to expect the best in service. And we've been doing really, really well. But it's now to the point where we have to take it to the next level. Just from a compliance standpoint. From an efficiency standpoint. It's not about nice buildings. It's not about whether it's a new building, or an old building. If we have an old building that can service those needs, and optimize our services in the future, we'll use an old building. It's not about aesthetics. It's all about cost efficiency and effectiveness of the operation. And so Patrick, and our finance director Laura, and Tim, and our engineer, we appreciate the work you're doing. And Council too. Council has been incredibly supportive in all the reviews that we're having. So, after we had parade, I mean we're even reviewing the effectiveness of our parades now. I mean that's important. And you have our Councilmembers, Mark, you're sitting in that meeting. Daryl, Marcia, on the economic development meetings. Dominic on our zoning. And, and Doug Foltz on the enforcement of the zoning code. I mean there is so many different components that our city has to look at in order to be in that position of excellence in the next 20 years. So, I appreciate the work everybody is doing, because you can't, you simply cannot do it by yourself. There's just too much. But you know together, working together we'll be able to do it. So, that's all I have.

VICE COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOLTZ: Thank you, Mayor. Rob, our Engineer?

ENGINEER GRAHAM: Thank you, sir. Well, we've been pretty busy. If you haven't noticed. I'll start with our paving program. We've probably two-thirds of the way there. We got three more done last week. Working away at the Eastwood's tennis courts. The weather set us a back there. That's going well. Big one is Everhard Road repaving. All those catch basins are done out there, and the county hopes to have that done for us by Hall of Fame. Which would be really good. Let's see, Batchel Street, preconstruction meeting on that tomorrow. So we'll see some activity up there. We open our South Main repaving bids, those are opened Friday. So we'll get that in yet this summer. And West Maple, we had that bid opening, for right out here. Back on May 25th. And we had that estimated around \$500,000.00. We had three bidders, and our low was actually \$335,000.00. So, good report there. And so many small things, we've been working on, that's coming along.

COUNCILMAN FONTE: When you get those low bids, and there's that excess allocation. I mean that's in street fund, can't we just add a few more streets on. Or curb and gutters. You know, I mean do we have to wait till next year? Can't we just, while they're out there working... .

ENGINEER GRAHAM: With West Maple, that one gets a little tricky, because we have our grants that fund that. And maybe we can stretch things to do a little more here and there. But we can't go too crazy when we have those grants.

COUNCILMAN FONTE: Well, you know, my goal is to get it caught up, and then it's easier to maintain. We could use the maintenance program more. You know, once we get a good... I mean it's looking way better than it used it.

ENGINEER GRAHAM: And we're kind of thinking about that. We've got a couple other projects in the hopper from a water standpoint. You know, Dressler Road waterline is finishing up. We're starting on Whipple portion of the waterline replacement tomorrow actually. And once we see where we are, if we have enough monies, we're going to do Eastbury, for sure this year. And then possibly Elmworth. So some discussions we've had, you know, Laura and I have had. And then also on the roadway side and those funds, you know, I've got a lot dancing in my mind. I kind of want to get through this first and second wave to see where we are. But yeah, we're thinking about that. So, we're doing a lot.

COUNCILMAN FONTE: Hey, thanks for being on it.

VICE COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOLTZ: Rob, there's no better sell than the more you're hearing construction equipment that you know is paving. You can hear it, especially in May versus September, October. So, you know, it's a great sound at 6:30 in the morning.

ENGINEER GRAHAM: I like going to bed without looking at that thermometer. I do not like to pave in October worried about weather.

MAYOR HELD: You know, if I could just also clarify, what our engineer is really talking about. Because Dominic, I was saying the same thing. You know, can't we get a few more extra roads paved with some of the extra money. But really what it comes down to, is if the street has to have the waterline and the sewer line replaced, and then we put that layer of pavement over it. Then really we haven't done... .

COUNCILMAN CERRETA: How about some sidewalks being fixed with some extra stuff?

COUNCILMAN FONTE: I say that's something we need to work on next year.

COUNCILMAN CERRETA: That's a huge need in our community.

DIRECTOR DEORIO: Add to your comment, and to the others, I mean, you want to keep this in mind. Is what you've seen with what Rob's done, by putting these projects out to bid early, we're getting the best pricing in the spring? And you know, when I served on the other side of that board, we weren't doing that. It didn't happen. But now we've got an engineer that can make that happen. So we're getting that best pricing. So when you say "you know, if there are funds leftover and we come to August, can we do that?" But you won't get that pricing. It's the pricing that person has available to squeeze that thing in at that time. And we might get more bang for the buck if we schedule that for the next spring, and be able to roll the funds over and do it that way. Same with the sidewalks. I'm sure the cement contractors would love to see us put together a bid package to go around and do some that stuff. Which is something that we had contemplated doing, but I think we'll get our best pricing in that.

COUNCILMAN CERRETA: Absolutely.

COUNCILMAN FONTE: Okay, that sounds good. So whatever it takes to get the job done. I'm all for it.

VICE COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOLTZ: All right, anything else Rob?

ENGINEER GRAHAM: No sir. .

VICE COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOLTZ: Okay. Mary Beth?

COUNCIL CLERK BAILEY: No report.

12. Final Call for New Business:

VICE COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOLTZ: Okay, final call for new business from Council?

13. May and June Meeting Schedule

Monday, June 18, 2018 - to be determined

Monday, June 25, 2018 - to be determined

Monday, July 2, 2018 - no meeting

Monday, July 9, 2018 - no meeting

Monday, July 16, 2018 - no meeting

Monday, July 23, 2018 - Committee of the Whole meeting

Monday, July 30, 2018 - Council meeting

14. Adjourn:

VICE COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOLTZ: If not I'll look for a motion to adjourn.

COUNCILMAN REVOLDT: Motion to adjourn.

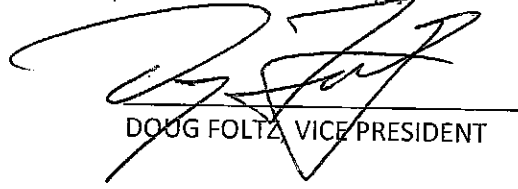
COUNCILWOMAN KIESLING: Second.

Unanimous voice vote of 5 to adjourn.

VICE COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOLTZ: Okay, we are adjourned.

[Let the record reflect Charles Osborne set up a tripod and appeared to videotape the Council meeting.]


MARY BETH BAILEY, CLERK OF COUNCIL


DOUG FOLTZ, VICE PRESIDENT