

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH CANTON

REGULAR

Meeting

DAYTON LEGAL BLANK, INC., FORM NO. 10148

Held

Monday, July 11

7:00 p.m.

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CALL TO ORDER:

1. The council meeting was called to order Monday, July 11, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. by President of Council Jon Snyder.

OPENING PRAYER:

2. The opening prayer was delivered by Rev. Mel Lindberg, Retired UMC Minister.
3. All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

4. The following members of Council responded to roll call: Cerreta, Davies, DeOrio, Foltz, Kiesling, Peters, Snyder. Also present were: Mayor Held, Director of Administration Grimes, Director of Law Nilges, Director of Finance Alger, Superintendent of Streets & Utilities Chufar and Clerk of Kalpac. City Engineer Benekos was not present for the meeting.

5. Consideration

Council Meeting Minutes – June 27, 2011
Special Council Meeting Minutes – July 5, 2011

Mr. Snyder: May I have a motion and a second to approve, as presented, the council meeting minutes of June 27, 2011, and special council meeting minutes of July 5, 2011?

Mr. DeOrio moved and Mrs. Kiesling seconded to approve the council meeting minutes for June 27, 2011 and the special council meeting minutes of July 5, 2011, as submitted. All members present voting:

Yes: Davies, DeOrio, Foltz, Kiesling, Peters, Snyder, Cerreta.

No: 0

6. Committee Minutes

Mr. Snyder: May I have a motion and a second to approve, as presented, the following Executive Session and Committee Report minutes? Executive Session for Finance & Property held the 27th of June 2011; Executive Session for Personnel & Safety; Committee Report minutes for Community & Economic Development, Finance & Property, Ordinance, Rules & Claims all held the 5th of July 2011.

Mr. DeOrio moved and Mr. Davies seconded to approve the executive session and committee report minutes, as submitted. All members present voting:

Yes: DeOrio, Foltz, Kiesling, Peters, Snyder, Cerreta, Davies.

No: 0

Executive Session for Finance & Property Committee: Please refer to the minutes on file in the Council Office of the Executive Session for Finance & Property meeting held June 27, 2011.

Executive Session for Personnel & Safety: Please refer to the minutes on file in the Council office of the Executive Session for Personnel & Safety meeting held July 5, 2011

Community & Economic Development Committee: Please refer to the minutes on file in the Council Office of the Community & Economic Development Committee meeting held July 5, 2011.

Finance & Property Committee: Please refer to the minutes on file in the Council Office of the Finance & Property Committee meeting held July 5, 2011.

Ordinance, Rules & Claims Committee: Please refer to the minutes on file in the Council office of the Ordinance, Rules & Claims Committee meeting held July 5, 2011.

Mr. Snyder: Prior to the recognition of visitors, the Mayor has asked if he may have leave to introduce our newest sergeant of the police department.

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Mayor Held: Thank you. (Inaudible) I just wanted to take an opportunity to introduce to all of our residents here today and also to our City Council our next sergeant of the police department; this is Ron Mizner. Ron is a Hoover grad. He has his wife Teresa and his three children in the back, Matt and Kylie and Rick, and also exchange student. If you wouldn't mind standing, all of you. And what we did here earlier this evening is we swore in Ron. Ron is a Hoover grad and in 1985 he began in the Explorer's Program in North Canton and then from there he went to a dispatcher, served as a dispatcher and while serving as a dispatcher began serving as an auxiliary police officer so he was working at no cost in the evening for the City. And then shortly after that he became a police officer and that was in 1994. Correct?

Sergeant Mizner: Yes.

Mayor Held: OK. And then during that time while he was buried raising his kids he was also going to school and he has a degree in Political Science.

Sergeant Mizner: Yes.

Mayor Held: So, you know, really when you look at the city of North Canton and the service that we provide to our residents which we know is excellent service, it's really due to the patrolmen that we have and also the leadership that we have and with Ron's experience he clearly understands the city of North Canton. He has a great understanding of public service because his grandfather was the mayor of North Canton; Mayor Strausser, and his uncle is a lieutenant here in our police department; Lieutenant Stan Strausser. And his mother...is your mom around here?

Sergeant Mizner: She's downstairs.

Mayor Held: They're still having a party down in the police department. (Laughter) So we had to pull him out (laughter) but and his mother Verna works for the county and his sister also works for the county so he really has a strong history of public service and I think that's really what sets Ron apart is just his lifelong experience in North Canton and the commitment that he made to improving himself, his education, and I know that the dispatchers love having a sergeant that also served as a dispatcher because he has an understanding of where they're coming from and so we welcome Ron (applause).

Sergeant Mizner: Thank you very. I appreciate the opportunity.

Mayor Held: Yea. I know you'll do a fantastic job. And then we have our first sergeant to be sworn in just a little while ago, Frank Kemp. I know that you all remember Frank, and Frank welcomed Ron aboard but he said that the first thing that he has to do is get a sergeant's haircut (laughter, inaudible). That's right. In due time. But, again, Teresa, congratulations to you and also your children, and we welcome you. What was nice about the event tonight, this evening is that Ron had a lot of his neighbors that were here that were supportive which is really nice so, Ron, congratulations.

Sergeant Mizner: Thank you again.

Mayor Held: OK. Thank you, Mr. President.

Mr. Snyder: Thank you, Mayor. At this time the Council will recognize any visitors wishing to speak to it. Please step forward to the podium and state your name and address for the record.
Mr. Osborne.

7. Recognition of Visitors

Mr. Osborne: Let me pull this back here just a little bit here. My name is Chuck Osborne, 307 Fairview Street SE, North Canton, Ohio. In the year 2010, 92% of all municipal ordinances adopted by North Canton City Council were passed as emergency legislation. I suspect most North Canton residents would be dismayed to know that municipal emergencies are a common occurrence at City Hall. The adoption of municipal ordinances as emergencies is not a new phenomenon by North Canton City Council. As a former councilmember, I question the need to repeatedly adopt legislation using emergency measures. This practice, I believe, has increased and does not serve the citizens of the community. For residents who are unfamiliar with the legislative process, the North Canton City Charter states that, and I quote, "every ordinance shall be fully and distinctly read at three different regular council meetings unless council votes to suspend this rule." Without a suspension of this rule the normal legislative process spans six weeks. After the third reading and passage by City Council the ordinance is then available for the signature of the Mayor. The ordinance becomes law thirty days after passage on Council with or without the signature of the Mayor. The City's charter requires the affirmative vote of at least six members of council to suspend the rule requiring three readings and allows adoption of the ordinance with just one reading. The suspension of the rule requiring three readings is generally coupled with passage of an ordinance on an emergency which allows the ordinance to become

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effective immediately upon approval and signature of the Mayor. Emergency passage of the ordinance also requires the affirmative vote of at least six members of council and is considered an action that, and I quote from the charter, "is necessary for the immediate preservation of public peace, health or safety." North Canton City Council adopted a total of 105 municipal ordinances in 2010. Ninety-six of those ordinances were adopted as emergencies necessary for the immediate preservation of public peace, health or safety of North Canton citizens. Seventy-six percent of those ordinances (80 out of 105) were adopted with just one reading. Would citizens have been able to learn of and make comments on proposed legislation before passage with a single reading? I suspect not. Enacting laws at any level of government as emergency legislation as routinely as North Canton City Council has done for years diminishes the very definition of an emergency. The greatest impact to the citizenry is the fact that ordinances passed as an emergency preclude a citizen referendum of that ordinance. A referendum is a practice of referring measures proposed or passed by a legislative body to the vote of the electorate for approval or rejection. It is there for a purpose. It is one of the many checks and balances that are built into our process of government. A referendum protects the public from overzealous legislators and is allowed in 24 states. The adoption rate of 92% of all North Canton City ordinances, each as an "emergency" is beyond sloppy. It tells the citizens of North Canton that its leaders cannot be bothered with democracy and the law. I hope North Canton's elected officials will work harder to represent its citizens in the future and not trample their rights simply for expediency and convenience. Thank you. I do have a spreadsheet, Mr. Snyder. I heard that, you know, I understand that you haven't had a chance maybe to examine this. It doesn't require any interpretation. All you have to do is count, and I'll leave this with Gail.

Mr. Snyder: I appreciate it. Council, any comment? Anyone else wishing to speak before the Council? Mr. Strohmenger.

Mr. Strohmenger: Mayor Held and President Snyder, members of Council, members of Administration, I am Bill Strohmenger, 4433 Greenmeadow Avenue NW, but I come here tonight as the chairman of the North Canton Chamber of Commerce. A number of months ago, I had numerous meetings with our Mayor about the Master City Plan and the progress of getting it going and he was gracious enough to ask me, since I seem to have an interest in it, whether I would chair it. And I felt it was quite an honor to do that and what I'd like to do tonight is to tell you a little bit about the process we're going to go through but also, and this is for the general public, I'm gonna have flyers out here and I would like the press also to pick up a flyer but the big part about this whole City Planning Master Plan is to get public input. This is going to be our plan and we want to make sure that we have enough representation from the people in this community so I'm going to announce the first public session which will be held on July 21, at the North Canton Civic Center on West Maple Street from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. I'll give you a little bit of background. I mentioned that in the summer of 2010, the Mayor asked me to chair this committee and at the same time there was a contract because we had money put aside by Council for the Cleveland Urban Design Collaborative which is part of Kent State University, and they're going to provide technical support and they have been working on gathering enough information, background, etc., so they have actually done quite a lot of work. Well, part of the plan was to form two groups; a working group and I'll mention who this is. Councilwoman Kiesling, Administrator Grimes, Economic Development Director Bowles, Chamber President Doug Lane and myself. Our whole purpose was to get it going, get it off the ground and to form a steering committee of community leaders and we have done that also, and I'm going to mention their names to you tonight. Sandy Lang from the North Canton Library, Jeff Barber from Barber Architect, Dan DeHoff from DeHoff Development, Dan Suvak from Walsh University, Steve Anderson from Finney Pharmacy, Dan Tullius from Tullius Design, Rod A. Covey from Covey-Odell, Randal Smith from Westfield Bank and the five of us that are on the working committee. The planning process will consist of three steps. First is understanding the City's problems, priorities and goals. Second step is identifying alternative solutions to address these issues, and the third is to develop a plan that has, and this is the key, widespread community support. The working group has met twice and the working committee is there to fine tune the process and to make sure that our friends up at the Kent State are on track and they hear things that are important from this community. Our plan is for the Steering Community to meet a total of three times to review the progress and we've already met once, and to keep us on track and to make sure that they also have public input, and to be the host of the three public meetings that we are going to have. I can also tell you that the collaborative, the Cleveland Urban Design Collaborative has received enough information on previous efforts for planning including North Canton. Excuse me. So they have a pretty good background on the information that has been done prior to our meeting tonight. We believe the process will take seven to eight months totally and it is a very comprehensive plan. Again, we're going to have information going out to the public under a number of venues but we are asking again our friends from the press to please take a flyer and to give us some publicity for it, if you wouldn't mind. Thank you for nodding. Appreciate that, Jim. But we do want to have an incredible number of people to show up and again, the audience tonight, please, if you can its 6:30 to about 9:30 on July 21. Tell your neighbors, tell your friends. We plan on having a good meeting. The next public meeting will be September 20, and then November 16. And to show you how the spirit of this, Walsh University has donated the Barrett Center to us for those two evenings and they will again be at 6:30. So hopefully we'll have ample enough input from the public, from the steering

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committee, from people that are interested in this community whether they be homeowners, business owners, etc. So again, I wanted to announce tonight and I will have the flyers available for you to take if it's alright, President Snyder.

Mr. Snyder: Please.

Mr. Strohmenger: Can I put those out? And again thank you, Council and Administration for allowing me to be here tonight. Thank you.

Mr. Snyder: Thank you, Mr. Strohmenger. Anyone else wishing to speak before the Council this evening?

Mr. Cowie: Hi, my name is Rod Cowie, 1908 34th Street NW in Canton. I own 1549 East Maple which is next to the property that you guys talked about earlier. I have four kids so I was a little late for the annexing meeting so sorry. I have a brand new one out there so, three days old there with my wife. But, so I just wanted to state that I own the property to the direct east of the property that you guys talked about earlier this evening. I did a great deal of research prior to buying that property. I looked at, I talked to people here in the City and made sure that I wasn't wasting my money. My goal is to build a beautiful home there. I have Jack Hawk. I don't know if you know him. He's an architect in Canton. He has designed the ultimate house for me sitting there. It's an interesting piece of property. It's got black soil in the back. I'm a hard-core, I'm in the garden-center business so a hard-core gardener. We have big plans for it. I've also talked a little bit to the City about possibly annexing it. But I do, I've just started to look into those things. I just hope that as you guys consider what you're going to do with the property that you have next to me is that you keep in mind my residential, the residential zoning of my property and consider that buffer that's between the two. I realize when I bought it it was squeezed there between Walsh and the ball diamonds. I'm just concerned that it's going to get squeezed more and then pretty soon...I'm on hold now, right now to build the house just because I've got cold feet because of the fact that it's so squeezed and now we're talking about, you know, you obviously can do a parking lot, you can do whatever you want with it so...within reason, you know, within what the zoning allows you so I am concerned and I am on hold but, you know, I do kind of feel like it would be great for me and great for the community to put something in there that's going to be a beautiful home that would just benefit the area but I don't want to do it if I'm gonna have a parking lot up against my property so if you'd keep me in mind and let me know what the plans are, I'd really appreciate it.

Mr. Snyder: I think, sir, if I'm not mistaken and I don't have a copy of the P&I and Zoning but it does require 400 feet between your property line and any addition that would be added to a flat surface so if it was a parking lot there'd still have to have 400 feet between you and...it's either 3 or 400 feet.

Mr. Cowie: Is there 400 feet now between the current parking lot and...

Mr. Snyder: I don't know but to put something in there it does require P&I. P&I allows a lot of conditional things to be placed into it.

Mr. Cowie: Okay.

Mr. Snyder: But I don't think, and I would defer to Mr. Foltz, I think the only thing that is really going to happen is a spill-off lot for when there's more traffic there than what our surface lot.

Mr. Cowie: Oh yea, yea.

Mr. Snyder: And that's basically what it's designed for, and I don't even think we've thought about hard surfacing it at all. It's going to be grass.

Mr. Foltz: No, not at this point. We're just happy to get it in the City...

Mr. Snyder: Yea.

Mrs. Kiesling: Right.

Mr. Cowie: OK, alright.

Mr. Snyder: There's no plans for it.

Mr. Foltz: Control.

Mr. Cowie: And there is discussion of lights going in the ball diamond or at least in the, into the little-league field, one set?

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Mrs. Kiesling: Field #8, the one way back by the walking trail.

Mr. Cowie: OK.

Mrs. Kiesling: Way back.

Mr. Cowie: Alright. But on the east side of all the diamonds. I don't know which one that is but back and right there off the parking lot?

Mrs. Kiesling: Correct.

Mr. Cowie: OK. Alright.

Mrs. Kiesling: Correct.

Mr. Snyder: And you will be advised of any attempts to do anything with it.

Mrs. Kiesling: Right.

Mr. Snyder: Which I don't know that again, the Mayor might and I don't know of anything going, happening. We're really not, and pardon my expression "flush" to go putting things in.

Mr. Cowie: So I shouldn't ask you if you want to buy it off me, right? (Laughter) Cause it would be a nice, I've done a lot of improvements.

Mr. Foltz: We'll always accept donations.

Mr. Snyder: We would, trust me, I would think that they would consider you and consult you prior to doing anything. It's only good business.

Mrs. Kiesling: Yea, we bought that property to protect our wellhead.

Cowie: Yea, I know. Well, and I have some of the wellhead goes onto my property. The perimeter of the wellhead there is the inability for me to do anything back there in the back but other than plant some stuff so alright, well thank you.

Mr. Snyder: We'd love to have you in the city, incidentally.

Mrs. Kiesling: Yea.

Mr. Snyder: Love to have you. Great water. Great police protection. Great government. (Laughter)

Mr. Cowie: Well I've already got the water and I've already got the schools. That's why we bought it but there's a few other things lacking so. But thank you.

Mayor Held: OK. Thank.

Mr. Snyder: Mr. Peters would be your representative so you might get him on your speed dial (laughter).

Mr. Cowie: I actually know quite a few people here so. This guy right here.

Mr. Snyder: We appreciate your comments. Thank you. Ma'am, please step forward and state your name and address for the record.

Mrs. Harper: My name is Helen Harper and I live on Weber Avenue, and I want to tell you all what a wonderful parade we had and if none of you went to see the parade, believe me, you missed, you just missed a lot. The residents here should be proud of all the people. The ability that, it was such a well thought-out parade. I think it was the best parade that we've ever had and I think, did it last over an hour?

Mayor Held: Yes, it was a fairly long parade because I, I think it was the longest parade we've ever had to my knowledge.

Mrs. Harper: Yea, I saw the Mayor there with his red shirt. (Laughter)

Mayor Held: Yea, that's right.

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Mrs. Harper: But believe me, and the fireworks, wow! They were different this year and I think we owe a big thank you to all the volunteers and the City workers. Oh, by the way, I'm a good salesman for North Canton.

Inaudible

Mrs. Harper: I've lived here for 51 years. I should know. Thanks. Next year you'd better get to that parade. Why go out of town?

Mayor Held: Yes. Thank you, Mrs. Harper. Thank you.

Mr. Snyder: Thank you for your comments, Madame. Anyone else wishing to speak before the Council? Alright, seeing none we'll move to...we need a motion and a second to **read, by title only, the third reading** of Ordinance No. 68-11.

OLD BUSINESS:

- 8. Mr. DeOrio moved and Mr. Davies seconded to **read, by title only, third reading** of Ordinance No. 68-11. All members present voting:
Yes: Foltz, Kiesling, Peters, Snyder, Cerreta, Davies, DeOrio.
No: 0

Ordinance No. 68-11 – 3rd Reading – Community & Economic Development

An ordinance authorizing the Mayor of the City of North Canton to enter into Industrial and Commercial Occupancy Grant Agreements for Project Omega, and specifically with Suarez Corporation Industries; LT Enterprises of Ohio, LLC; and Patriot Enterprises of Ohio, LLC and repealing Ordinance No. 53-11 and any and all legislation inconsistent herewith.

Mr. Snyder: Chairman Kiesling?

Mrs. Kiesling: It's pretty self explanatory. Any questions?

Mr. Peters moved and Mrs. Kiesling seconded to **adopt the third reading** of Ordinance No. 68-11. All members present voting:
Yes: Kiesling, Peters, Snyder, Cerreta, Davies, DeOrio, Foltz.
No: 0

NEW BUSINESS:

- 9. Mr. Snyder: Thank you. Prior to reading this Ordinance, I will state this does have an emergency clause in it and it's in there for a reason. We, the Committee redrafted the Mayor's budget for 2011. We reduced line items on several items. This particular line item this money is being transferred to was for emergency equipment to operate different buildings and different situations that arise in the City. That money has been exhausted and there is no money in that fund. Hence there is an emergency to pay existing and contemplated bills, and I will review Mr. Osborne's statement that 92% of our ordinances are passed on emergency and see if not some of them could have been done the other way, which I respect and I understand. However we must be timely in getting our things into the Clerk's office. We must be timely in our requests because when we bump up against a time line, hence the emergency comes. And I'm sure probably of the 92%, 80% of them were for transfers of money or money for projects that could have probably been thought out so I promise you that we will look at that. But my apologies to the Council on this matter. My apologies to the citizenry but we will not be in session for some seven weeks and it is necessary to transfer this money so consequently it'll be asked to be placed on an emergency. So with that being said, may I have a motion to **read by title only, second reading** of Ordinance No. 69-11.

Mrs. Kiesling: First reading.

Mr. DeOrio: First reading, yea.

Mr. Snyder: First reading, excuse me.

Mr. DeOrio moved and Mrs. Kiesling seconded to **read by title only, first reading** of Ordinance No 69-11. All members present voting:
Yes: Peters, Snyder, Cerreta, Davies, DeOrio, Foltz, Kiesling.
No: 0

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Ordinance No. 69-11 – 1st Reading – Finance & Property

An ordinance authorizing the supplemental appropriation of funds of the City of North Canton, Ohio, to be appropriated from the unappropriated resources of the General Fund to the Account in the amount of \$5,000 for the current expenses during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2011, and declaring the same to be an emergency.

Mr. Snyder: Again, the purpose of that as we pointed out was to take care of some pending invoices and some pending things that arise as an emergency that need Superintendent Chufar's attention and he has the money to pay for that. That's the purpose of that. Any questions of the Council? If not, I'll entertain a motion to **adopt the first reading** of Ordinance No. 69-11.

Mr. Foltz moved and Mrs. Kiesling seconded to **adopt the first reading** of Ordinance No. 69-11. All members present voting:

Yes: Snyder, Cerreta, Davies, DeOrio, Foltz, Kiesling, Peters.

No: 0

Mr. Snyder: May I have a motion to **suspend the rules of council** requiring three readings?

Mr. DeOrio moved and Mr. Peters seconded to **suspend the rules** for Ordinance No. 69-11. All members present voting:

Yes: Cerreta, Davies, DeOrio, Foltz, Kiesling, Peters, Snyder.

No: 0

Mr. Snyder: May I have a motion to **adopt under the suspension of the rules** as an emergency does exist for Ordinance No. 69-11.

Mr. DeOrio moved and Mrs. Kiesling seconded to **adopt under suspension of the rules** Ordinance No. 69-11. All members present voting:

Yes: Davies, DeOrio, Foltz, Kiesling, Peters, Snyder, Cerreta.

No: 0

10. Mr. Snyder: Thank you. May I have a motion and a second to **amend the agenda** to include Ordinance No. 70-11, and **waive the rules of Council** requiring that committee minutes be typed and signed prior to the reading.

Mr. DeOrio moved and Mrs. Kiesling seconded to **amend the agenda** to include Ordinance No. 70-11, and to **waive the rules of council** requiring a committee report. All members present voting:

Yes: DeOrio, Foltz, Kiesling, Peters, Snyder, Cerreta, Davies.

No: 0

Mr. Snyder: May I have a motion to **read by title only, first reading** of Ordinance No. 70-11.

Mrs. Kiesling moved and Mr. Cerreta seconded to **read by title only, first reading** of Ordinance No. 70-11. All members present voting:

Yes: Foltz, Kiesling, Peters, Snyder, Cerreta, Davies, DeOrio.

No: 0

Ordinance No. 70-11

An ordinance establishing the zoning classification of P&I, Park and Institutions, as specified by Ordinance No. 50-03, of the Codified Ordinances of the City of North Canton, for the premises known as the Luzio Annexation, containing 5.417 acres of land, more or less, annexed by Ordinance No. 105-10.

Mr. Snyder: Chairman Kiesling.

Mrs. Kiesling: Yes, this is the property we spoke about in our public hearing tonight just east of the ball fields and we're going to zone it P&I. Questions? We'll give it its first reading and obviously finish it up when we come back. I motion we adopt.

Mrs. Kiesling moved and Mr. Cerreta seconded to **adopt the first reading** of Ordinance No. 70-11. All members present voting:

Yes: Kiesling, Peters, Snyder, Cerreta, Davies, DeOrio, Foltz.

No: 0

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Mr. Snyder: I need a motion and a second to **schedule a special meeting** for August 22, 2011, when we return, following the Committee of the Whole meeting. The purpose of the meeting would be to consider the Alternative Tax Budget. By revised code we are required to have to the auditor of the county our alternate tax budget for the inside village and to do this it has to be filed by the 31st of August and rather than have you come to attend a meeting while you are on your vacation we will ask that you come in and we will have the meeting immediately following the Council of the Whole on the 22nd.

Mr. Foltz moved and Mrs. Kiesling seconded to **schedule a special meeting** for August 22, 2011, immediately following the Committee of the Whole meeting. All members present voting:

Yes: Peters, Snyder, Cerreta, Davies, DeOrio, Foltz, Kiesling.

No: 0

REPORTS:

Mr. Snyder: Thank you. Direct of Law.

Mr. Nilges: No report.

Mr. Snyder: Director of Finance.

Mrs. Alger: No report.

Mr. Snyder: Director of Administration.

Mr. Grimes: Just a couple things. Just to let you know we are looking at Dogwood Shelter. We are getting some bids in on that, how we want that to look and everything. We will present that to you once we get some of that down. Mr. Chufar is out getting some of those things right now. Across the street you'll notice that they are working around the memorial over there. They're finishing up phase I. They're going into phase II. We're also looking at that for our part of maybe fixing up the drainage. I'm looking at maybe \$7-10,000 for that. Again, I'll keep you apprised of that. We gotta get the appraisal on that. The committee itself, I think has spent or will have by the end probably at least \$117,000 on that. They've been keeping us apprised off what they're doing over there so we've been over there checking and, you know, seeing a few things over there. And the third thing is in your neighborhoods you should notice that your hydrants are starting to get looking nicer and getting painted, getting tested. We did gear up. Earlier this year we had a couple problems with hydrants so we have started a hydrant maintenance program. They've got out, they've got several hundred of them already done. We test them. They've been, the people doing that have been trained by the fire department to do that. We're painting them at the same time, lubing them, also marking them, tagging them and so we know where they're at and what we've done with them but we've got a lot of hydrants out there but we're systematically now going around and making sure that those things work so that's what we've been doing, Council President.

Mr. Snyder: Good. That's encouraging. Thank you, Director. Mr. Mayor.

Mayor Held: Yes, I would like to thank everybody for the July 4th parade and also the fireworks. It really was, I think it had to be the biggest parade that the city has had because it did take well over an hour, I think, for all the vehicles and the participants to get through, and also if you notice, the Main Street; if you look at the pavement a little bit closer you'll see that it's much different than any of the other pavement that we've had in the past as it's made with rubber, recycled rubber and so hopefully there will be much longer life to this pavement and you can visibly see a difference when you look at it compared to most of the other pavements we've put down. It's a little bit more extensive to put down but I think that the racers ran a little bit faster on this pavement than they have in the past. Although it didn't help my time very much so (laughter). But we had, it was a nice parade. It was a nice road race and it was, we did break a record too, and I think this was the 34th annual and we had over 2,400 participants in the City and so we do appreciate everybody's participation in it, and I'd also like to thank our managers in the city. They came in and managed the road barricades so there was no, it minimized the cost to the City. And thank you all for participating. That's all.

Mr. Snyder: Thank you, Mayor, we do appreciate that. Madame Clerk.

Mrs. Kalpac: No report.

REPORTS – COUNCIL:

Mr. Snyder: Mr. Peters.

Mr. Peters: No report, sir.

Mr. Snyder: Mr. Davies.

Mr. Davies: No report.

Mr. Snyder: Mr. Cerreta.

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Mr. Cerreta: No report. I just want, Jim's not here, I want to kudos to him for getting, you know, everything just came into place and that Main Street looked terrific for the parade and from now on. It just is, we didn't say enough to it and he's not here. I want to say kudos to that. And, Bill, I wanted to mention that I hope you will come to that. I think it's a wonderful proactive thing to get this master plan going for North Canton so I hope that the media does pick it up and that people come to this thing. This will be real good for us. No other report.

Mr. Snyder: Thank you, sir. Mr. DeOrio.

Mr. DeOrio: Yes. On a personal note, it's that time of the year where everybody wants to know what everybody is doing regarding the Fall elections and I just wanted to make all of my colleagues aware and Administration and anybody else who is interested that I will not be seeking reelection as a Councilman at Large in North Canton, and no, I am not seeking any other office in North Canton but I just wanted you to all be aware of that as you go through your Summer plans that if you're aware of other people who are running to encourage them cause it looks to be like a kind of a wide-open field. Thank you.

Mr. Snyder: Thank you, sir. Mrs. Kiesling.
Mrs. Kiesling: No report.

Mr. Snyder: Mr. Foltz.

Mr. Foltz: Just to follow up with Administration. We did cut down the trees at Dogwood or are we still working on that?

Mr. Grimes: Yes, sir, we did. Yes, sir.

Mr. Foltz: OK. There might be another one to look at so I'll keep you apprised of that. OK?

Mr. Grimes: OK.

Mr. Foltz: Alright. Thank you.

Mr. Snyder: Again, to reiterate what Mr. Cerreta said, I'm glad to see that the master plan is finally launched. I know it was the, the Mayor has worked on that since his first election some five or six years ago and I'm glad to see Mrs. Kiesling on that committee and that will enhance accumulatively everything and hopefully encapsulate what the City hopes to do going forward so that's great, Bill, and you have the full support of the Council, I'm sure as you know. We've been there from one and we'll continue to be. And on a personal note, I am sorry to see that Mr. DeOrio will not be running. He has been a good confidant of mine since he's been elected to Council and I hope that he continues to participate. His heart is in the City and you'll be sorely missed, Mr. DeOrio. I want you to know that.

Mr. DeOrio: Thank you for your kind words.

Mr. Snyder: I mean that.

Mr. DeOrio: I know.

Mr. Snyder: Any...

Mr. Foltz: President Snyder, we will make sure we consider Pat DeOrio for any special committees (inaudible).

Mr. Snyder: Absolutely. Anything that requires many hours (laughter) or a lot of tedious work.

Mr. Foltz: A man of his talents especially financial cannot just walk away without being involved.

Mrs. Kiesling: Exactly.

Mr. Snyder: That's right. Something that takes several hours worth of work.

Mr. Foltz: (Inaudible) long meetings.

Mr. DeOrio: (Inaudible) man you are. (Laughter)

Mr. Foltz: Also appreciate your years of service, Pat so...

Mr. Snyder: We'll find someplace for you. Absolutely. Anything else to come before this body? If not, we will not be back until the 22nd of August. We have a little sabbatical coming up as usual. I

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hope that we can now hear. And for you that cannot attend the balloon launch just look up there and we'll put a globe on it. It kind of looks like that but it seems to be working so hopefully when we do return we'll have the screen and we'll be able to broadcast.

Mr. Foltz: Let's find out. Mrs. Burnett, can you hear us?

Mrs. Burnett: Very well. (Laughter)

Mr. Foltz: Alright, solved the problem.

Mr. Snyder: Good.

Mr. Foltz: Solved the problem finally. Ten years. Thank you. Alright.

Mrs. Burnett: Thank you.

Mr. Snyder: You're welcome.

Mr. Foltz: Thank you.

Mr. Snyder: Seeing no other, I'll entertain a motion to adjourn.

ADJOURN:

Mr. Foltz: Motion to adjourn.

Mrs. Kiesling: Second.

Mr. Foltz moved and Mrs. Kiesling seconded to adjourn the council meeting. All members present voting:

Yes: Snyder, Cerreta, Davies, DeOrio, Foltz, Kiesling, Peters.

No: 0

The meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

ATTEST:

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CLERK OF COUNCIL

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PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

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