

MINUTES FROM COUNCIL MEETING  
CITY OF NORTH CANTON  
MONDAY, JANUARY 26, 2015

1. Call to Order

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** I'd like to call to order the Council Meeting Monday, January 26, 2015 at 7:00pm.

2. Opening Prayer – Councilman Cerreta.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Roll Call

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Clerk, will you please call the roll?

Roll call found the following council members in attendance: Cerreta, Foltz, Fonte, Griffith, Kiesling, Peters and Werren. Thus having 7 in attendance.

5. Consideration

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Okay, may I have a motion and a second to approve as presented:

Mayor's Court Receipts for December 2014  
Financial Statement – December 2014 Month End Report  
Special Committee of the Whole Minutes: November 24, 2014  
Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes: January 5, 2015 and January 19, 2015  
Council Meeting Minutes: January 12, 2015

**COUNCILMAN FOLTZ:** Motion to approve as presented.

**COUNCILMAN CERRETA:** Second.

Roll call vote of 6 yes, 1 abstain to approve the above reports. Griffith abstained.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Thank you very much. At this time if you wish to address to council please step forward state your name and address.

6. Recognition of Visitors

**CHUCK OSBORNE:** 307 Fairview Street SE, North Canton, Ohio. Last year was a pretty turbulent year in the City of North Canton. And I've gotten a little behind on my filing at home and my record keeping. So I'm finally catching it up. And in doing that I've discovered what I hope is an oversight by this council. There was a fairly momentous council meeting last year March 4<sup>th</sup> probably the first in this city's history where we had two presidents of council resign all in one night. We have no council minutes for that meeting. I have the agenda it's on the city's website under the agendas March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2014; you go to the minutes looking for the corresponding minutes for that meeting there are none. You check successive meetings to see a whether those minutes were ever even approved by this council just as you did here tonight. Because that's a historical record; court receipts, financial statements, committee of the whole minutes and council meeting minutes. So I'm hoping this is an oversight and I hope we can get this corrected quickly. I hope this is not by design because it was not a pleasant meeting for the City of North Canton. Mr. Martin Olson was here he's got some videos on his website. Actually he had two postings back to back cause it was not a good time for the city when a long standing president of council was forced out and the vice president at the time assumed the presidency and immediately made council aware that she no longer had the time to be president nor did she have the time to be vice president. So I, I guess I'll make a verbal request Mrs. Mary Beth I would like the minutes for that meeting if you can email them to me March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2014 and I further ask that they be posted on the city's website. Because it is a historical record and that's all I have. Thank you. And you Mr. Peters became council that night president. So it's important that we get that up there. Wouldn't you agree?

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Well certainly it wasn't by design it was clearly an oversight.

**CHUCK OSBORNE:** Well, I'm not going to throw stones here at the moment. Earlier today I did ask for the audio CD of that meeting and I'm hoping that hasn't been trashed. We're less than a year away. And I've been told by the former clerk of council that those audios they just don't delete them off the computer since they're all digitalized now. There's ample room to keep them on there collect them for decades as she's been told. So I was also told that the previous assistant clerk of council if that's really wasn't her title she was a part-timer but Gail Kalpak's recollection is Beth was working on them. So again it was a busy time period I'm just now catching up of last year was a very, very busy time and I hope this council can get to the bottom of that and get them transcribed and get them approved and posted on the city's website. Thank you.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Thank you. If there's anyone wishing to address council please step forward state your name and address. Okay, seeing none we will move on to old business. Number 8 is Ordinance No. 90 – 2014 we have a request from the finance and administration to put an emergency clause in this as they want to implement this and I believe there's some payroll issues. Mike or Karen, I'll let you address this if you could please.

**DIRECTOR GRIMES:** Yeah, we this is the third reading we've obviously vetted it pretty good we'd just like to start as soon as possible for the 2015 payroll because we are switching up some of those folks. And also I know finance hired a payroll manager and I'm just thinking might as well learn this way instead of two ways within the next month of calculating that. So that's what I'm asking you know if we can do it on emergency because we are on the third reading.

**COUNCILMAN FOLTZ:** So you basically save 30 days. Okay.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Tim?

**LAW DIRECTOR FOX:** Yeah, my understanding is the importance of it is you have two categories of part-time personnel that my understanding is they believe that the increases...

**CHUCK OSBORNE:** I'm sorry we can't hear you out here.

**LAW DIRECTOR FOX:** I'm speaking to them.

**CHUCK OSBORNE:** This is a public meeting.

**LAW DIRECTOR FOX:** I'm speaking to them. That the that they believe that the payroll was going to be increased at the beginning of the calendar year we're going to be a little bit behind it but if its passed as an emergency with the signature I believe this payroll that would go through to turn in today would at least have it only one cycle behind. If we don't it's going to be another 30 days.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Okay.

**COUNCILMAN GRIFFITH:** Are you looking for a motion to amend?

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Yes, motion to amend Ordinance No. 90 – 2014 to include an emergency clause.

**COUNCILMAN GRIFFITH:** So moved.

**COUNCILMAN CERRETA:** Second.

Roll call vote of 7 yes to amend Ordinance No. 90 – 2014 to include the emergency clause.

ORDINANCE NO. 90 – 2014 HAS BEEN AMENDED BY A ROLL CALL VOTE OF 7 YES.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Okay, and when she reads the title include that language in the title?

**LAW DIRECTOR FOX:** Right you want to include that because that way it's, it's clear in the title that you're indeed passing it on emergency and that you have the required number of votes which is 6.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Okay. Okay, with that I will ask for a motion and a second to read Ordinance No. 90 – 2014 as amended and as amended this will be the first reading as amended.

**COUNCILMAN GRIFFITH:** So moved.

**COUNCILMAN FOLTZ:** Second.

Roll call vote of 7 yes to read by title only the first reading of amended Ordinance No. 90 - 2014.

7. Old Business

8. Ordinance No. 90 – 2014 Personnel and Safety Committee

An ordinance amending Section 20, COMPENSATION of Chapter 155 Personnel Regulations of Part One-Administrative Code of the Codified Ordinances of the City of North Canton, to change the rates of compensation for the Fire Department Paid Part Time ("PPT") and Special Duty Personnel ("SDP"), and declaring the same to be an emergency.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Alright, thank you, I have no further comment on that if anyone else has anything if not may I have a motion and second to wait a minute I want to suspend...

**LAW DIRECTOR FOX:** You want to adopt the first reading as...

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** As amended I have a motion and a second to adopt the first reading as amended for Ordinance



**COUNCILWOMAN KIESLING:** Second.

Roll call vote of 7 yes to read by title only the second reading of Ordinance No. 3 - 2015.

10. Ordinance No. 3 – 2015 Street and Alley Committee

An ordinance authorizing the vacation of a portion of Alley No. 4, being a 14-foot alley between lots 829 and 735, running east from the east line of McKinley Avenue SE, to the east line of said lots, located within the corporation limits of the City of North Canton.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Thank you, Chairman Fonte?

**COUNCILMAN FONTE:** Okay, that was the one we had LaBarba and DiPietro show up and they spoke about it. It was vetted quite well and they would like to move forward with it we approved. This is the second reading and the standard we covered that in several meetings. Do I need to mention it again?

**LAW DIRECTOR FOX:** Unless you wish to.

**COUNCILMAN FONTE:** Well the standard is you know is there any issue for the city by giving up this piece of land which of course if you were here during the time when they spoke it was quite apparent that we were all in agreement with that. And there would be any detrimental effects the city and we will forego our responsibility to maintain and do anything with it at this time. So I move that we move forward with the second reading.

**COUNCILMAN CERRETA:** Second.

Roll call vote of 7 yes to adopt the second reading of Ordinance No. 3 – 2015.

ORDINANCE NO. 3 – 2015 WAS GIVEN SECOND READING.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Thank you. May I have a motion and a second to read by title only the second reading of Ordinance No. 5 – 2015?

**COUNCILMAN GRIFFITH:** So moved.

**COUNCILWOMAN KIESLING:** Second.

Roll call vote of 7 yes to read by title only the second reading of Ordinance No. 5 - 2015.

11. Ordinance No. 5 – 2015 Finance and Property Committee

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Administration of the City of North Canton to request quotes for insurance, including, but not limited to, general liability, personal injury liability, automobile, building and contents, equipment floater, crime, boiler and machinery, and firemen's errors and omissions insurance according to specifications on file in the office of the Director of Administration, and for the Mayor to be authorized, through the Board of Control, to enter into a contract(s) for the policy/policies.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Thank you, Chairman Griffith?

**COUNCILMAN GRIFFITH:** As we've discussed at length this is our annual renewal of all the liability insurance there weren't major issues here. So if there are no questions I move its adoption.

**COUNCILMAN FONTE:** I've got a question. When they sent it out for bid do we usually get multiple bids on this to see or who has the insurance right now?

**COUNCILMAN GRIFFITH:** I think Mike he said we do get multiple bids on this right?

**DIRECTOR GRIMES:** Yes, we generally get multiple bids on it. Sometimes we get some folks that aren't really up to city insurance but we put it out there and we try to get people interested in bidding with the city.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Okay, alright we have a motion is there a second?

**COUNCILMAN CERRETA:** Second.

Roll call vote of 7 yes to adopt the second reading of Ordinance No. 5 – 2015.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Alright, thank you, onto new business. May I have a motion and a second to read by title only the first reading of Ordinance No. 6 - 2015?

**COUNCILMAN CERRETA:** So moved.

**COUNCILWOMAN KIESLING:** Second.

Roll call vote of 7 yes to read by title only the first reading of Ordinance No. 6 – 2015.

12. New Business:

13. Ordinance No. 6 – 2015 Street and Alley Committee

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Administration of the City of North Canton to advertise and receive bids according to specifications now on file in the office of the Director of Administration, and authorizing the Mayor of the City of North Canton, through the Board of Control, to enter into a contract for the resurfacing, repaving, replacement, repair, and preventative maintenance of certain City streets, alleys, and parking lots, at a cost not to exceed \$760,000, and declaring the same to be an emergency.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Thank you, Chairman Fonte?

**COUNCILMAN FONTE:** Okay, so this is we're trying to get a jump on 2015 so we want to get our streets and alleys in. And we have \$760,000 that we're approving for 2015 and the goal is to have the by the end of April to have the quotes and hopefully award it to the most efficient bidder. And get a start by May and hopefully have it done before fall. Right, Mr. Benekos?

**ENGINEER BENEKOS:** Correct.

**COUNCILMAN FOLTZ:** I had questions.

**COUNCILMAN FONTE:** To me I think I'm excited about the jump on 2015 by 2014 so I say we move for the first reading and approve it a.s.a.p.

**COUNCILMAN FOLTZ:** Now the contract we have with our existing company are they ready to start?

**ENGINEER BENEKOS:** Yes, in fact...

**COUNCILMAN FOLTZ:** If March is a great month we might not seem like it now but if its 55 degrees and they can make their own asphalt are they ready...

**ENGINEER BENEKOS:** They can typically they do not gamble and open their asphalt plant till about the middle of April.

**COUNCILMAN FOLTZ:** Till middle of April?

**ENGINEER BENEKOS:** It's typical but if they open early they're ready to go.

**COUNCILMAN FOLTZ:** Okay.

**ENGINEER BENEKOS:** They're under contract in fact they have just submitted an invoice for replacement of some of the catch basins. So...

**COUNCILMAN FOLTZ:** Okay, well that's good news then.

**COUNCILMAN FONTE:** So we're looking for the second batch you know after they we want to the second batch of stuff.

**COUNCILMAN FOLTZ:** Okay.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Okay, there's a motion is there a second?

**COUNCILMAN FOLTZ:** Second.

Roll call vote of 7 yes to adopt the first reading of Ordinance No. 6 – 2015.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Thank you. May I have a motion and a second to suspend the rules of Council requiring a committee report and three readings for Ordinance No. 6 – 2015?

**COUNCILWOMAN WERREN:** So moved.

**COUNCILMAN FOLTZ:** Second.

Roll call vote of 7 yes to suspend the rules of Council requiring a committee report and three readings for Ordinance No. 6 - 2015.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Thank you. May I have a motion and a second to adopt under suspension of the rules for Ordinance No. 6 – 2015?

**COUNCILMAN FOLTZ:** So moved.

**COUNCILWOMAN WERREN:** Second.

Roll call vote of 7 yes to adopt under the suspension of the rules for Ordinance No. 6 – 2015.

ORDINANCE NO. 6 – 2015 WAS PASSED BY A ROLL CALL VOTE OF 7 YES.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Thank you. May I have a motion and a second to read by title only the first reading of Ordinance No. 7 – 2015?

**COUNCILMAN CERRETA:** So moved.

**COUNCILMAN GRIFFITH:** Second.

Roll call vote of 7 yes to read by title only the first reading of Ordinance No. 7 - 2015.

14. Ordinance No. 7 – 2015 Street and Alley Committee

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Administration of the City of North Canton to advertise and receive bids according to specifications now on file in the office of the Director of Administration, and authorizing the Mayor of the City of North Canton, through the Board of Control, to enter into a contract for the Woodside Avenue (East Maple to 7<sup>th</sup> Street) Improvements Project, at a total cost not to exceed \$500,000.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Thank you, Chairman Fonte?

**COUNCILMAN FONTE:** Okay, so what we're looking to do is replace curb and gutter and resurface the roads and it's a separate amount of money not tied to the other road funds. Is that correct Mr. Benekos?

**ENGINEER BENEKOS:** Is that correct.

**COUNCILMAN FONTE:** So the 760 is not related to the 500; so we're going to replace the road from East Maple on Woodside all the way to 7<sup>th</sup> Street including curb and gutter.

**ENGINEER BENEKOS:** Correct.

**COUNCILMAN FONTE:** So I move that we go forward with the first reading.

**COUNCILMAN CERRETA:** Second.

Roll call vote of 7 yes to adopt the first reading of Ordinance No. 7 – 2015.

ORDINANCE NO. 7 – 2015 WAS GIVEN FIRST READING.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Thank you. May I have a motion and a second to read by title only the first reading of Ordinance No. 8 – 2015?

**COUNCILMAN GRIFFITH:** So moved.

**COUNCILMAN CERRETA:** Second.

Roll call vote of 7 yes to read by title only the first reading of Ordinance No. 8 – 2015.

15. Ordinance No. 8 – 2015 Water, Sewer and Rubbish Committee

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Administration of the City of North Canton to advertise and receive bids according to specifications now on file in the office of the Director of Administration, and authorizing the Mayor of the City of North Canton, through the Board of Control, to enter into a contract for the Dogwood Avenue NE (7<sup>th</sup> Street to Holl Rd NE) Waterline Replacement Project, at a total cost not to exceed \$650,000.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Thank you, Chairman Cerreta?

**COUNCILMAN CERRETA:** Yes, we discussed this last week; this is one of three projects all of these are in the budget all of these are part of our plan to update our outdated waterlines. This one happens to be Dogwood Avenue (7<sup>th</sup> Street to Holl Rd) and it's just a water replacement project. So this is the first of three here I move to move forward with the first reading.

**COUNCILMAN FOLTZ:** Second.

Roll call vote of 7 yes to adopt the first reading of Ordinance No. 8 - 2015.

ORDINANCE NO. 8 – 2015 WAS GIVEN FIRST READING.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Thank you. May I have a motion and a second to read by title only the first reading of Ordinance No. 9 – 2015?

**COUNCILMAN GRIFFITH:** So moved.

**COUNCILMAN CERRETA:** Second.

Roll call vote of 7 yes to read by title the first reading of Ordinance No. 9 – 2015.

16. Ordinance No. 9 – 2015

Water, Sewer and Rubbish Committee

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Administration of the City of North Canton to advertise and receive bids according to specifications now on file in the office of the Director of Administration, and authorizing the Mayor of the City of North Canton, through the Board of Control, to enter into a contract for the Linwood Avenue SW (Glenwood to Chandler) Waterline Replacement Project, at a total cost not to exceed \$400,000.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Thank you, Chairman Cerreta?

**COUNCILMAN CERRETA:** Yes, again, this is part of the project this one's the Linwood Avenue goes from Glenwood all the way up Chandler to the to our city limits on top of that hill. If there's no questions, Dom?

**COUNCILMAN FONTE:** So since the roads are looking pretty rough I drove all through the town will the water department take care of the road that they destroyed putting the water pipes in make it nice so we don't have to pay for it?

**COUNCILMAN CERRETA:** Absolutely. This one here could be a little bit different because some of these are mostly in the grass hopefully not too much is in these are concrete roads. So it's a little bit different this particular one.

**COUNCILMAN FONTE:** So you have to get an easement to get it to run through their properties or is it already...

**COUNCILMAN CERRETA:** Well we did it last year was it one of those other roads that came down off the concrete Oakridge a lot of is in the grass but a lot of you know the roads are...

**COUNCILMAN FOLTZ:** It still in the right-of-way I think.

**ENGINEER BENEKOS:** Yeah, behind the curb there's still an area that is right-of-way and that's where we're in the process we may have to take some of the road or we may have to take the curb over. We're looking at but whatever we destroy we will replace in kind or better.

**COUNCILMAN FONTE:** Out of the water fund.

**ENGINEER BENEKOS:** Out of the water fund cause its nasty waterlines.

**COUNCILMAN CERRETA:** Good question. Any other questions? Then I move forward with the first reading of Ordinance No. 9 – 2015.

**COUNCILWOMAN KIESLING:** Second.

Roll call vote of 7 yes to adopt the first reading of Ordinance No. 9 – 2015.

ORDINANCE NO. 9 – 2015 WAS GIVEN FIRST READING.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Thank you. May I have a motion and a second to read by title only the first reading of Ordinance No. 10 – 2015?

**COUNCILMAN GRIFFITH:** So moved.

**COUNCILWOMAN KIESLING:** Second.

Roll call vote of 7 yes to read by title only the first reading of Ordinance No. 10 – 2015.

17. Ordinance No. 10 – 2015

Water, Sewer and Rubbish Committee

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Administration of the City of North Canton to advertise and receive bids according to specifications now on file in the office of the Director of Administration, and authorizing the Mayor of the City of North Canton, through the Board of Control, to enter into a contract for the State Street (Cleveland to Chalford) Waterline Extension Project, at a total cost not to exceed \$275,000.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Thank you, Chairman Cerreta?

**COUNCILMAN CERRETA:** Again, this one's a water extension so this one will take us out to we said where we wanted to be there some time ago this was in the plans. Is there a stop there is that what that was that we were going to extend it even further Jim?

**ENGINEER BENEKOS:** Right, we come up to State, State Street and it ends there and we want to connect it to Cleveland Avenue into the county system to provide a redundant feed into our system should we have any issues with our feed into that area.

**COUNCILMAN CERRETA:** It's not to exceed \$275,000. Any questions?

**COUNCILMAN FONTE:** No, that's for high pressure you have high pressure up there so that's a high pressure lines?

**ENGINEER BENEKOS:** Correct.

**COUNCILMAN FONTE:** So this is just a backup system.

**ENGINEER BENEKOS:** Correct.

**COUNCILMAN FONTE:** In essence, right?

**ENGINEER BENEKOS:** That is correct.

**COUNCILMAN FONTE:** No questions.

**COUNCILMAN CERRETA:** Good, then I make a motion to move forward with the first reading of Ordinance No. 10 – 2015.

**COUNCILMAN FOLTZ:** Second.

Roll call vote of 7 yes to adopt the first reading of Ordinance No. 10 – 2015.

ORDINANCE NO. 10 – 2015 WAS GIVEN FIRST READING.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Thank you. May I have a motion and a second to read by title only the first reading of Ordinance No. 11 – 2015?

**COUNCILMAN GRIFFITH:** So moved.

**COUNCILMAN CERRETA:** Second.

Roll call vote of 7 yes to read by title only the first reading of Ordinance No. 11 – 2015.

18. Ordinance No. 11 – 2015 Finance and Property Committee

An ordinance authorizing the Mayor of the City of North Canton, through the Board of Control, and pursuant to the Ohio Cooperative Purchase Act, to enter into an agreement with M-Tech Company for the purchase of a Cues system upgrade to the City's sanitary/storm sewer camera van, and declaring the same to be an emergency.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Thank you, Chairman Griffith?

**COUNCILMAN GRIFFITH:** Obviously this is what it says we need to do an upgrade. Mike, do you want to talk a little bit about what exactly this is. I know we talked a little bit about it during the budgeting process, but the sanitary camera upgrade?

**DIRECTOR GRIMES:** Yeah, that's a our truck, our truck is in fine shape we're just trying to refurbish everything inside all the computers, the camera, this one will be able to go through sanitary and storm sewer. We have to send that away get it refurbished and then bring it back that's why we're trying to do it now so we can have it ready to go in the springtime. Originally I told you I thought it was like \$83,000 I couldn't read my own notes its \$88,000 but it's under the \$100,000 threshold. We had Mr. Davis out plowing for quite a while I told him that if you did need him to come here he is able to come here and present anything to you on that. But that will help us get our, our sewers and the last I think the vehicle's a 2003 I think they're still using disk in some of those things that we need to upgrade.

**COUNCILMAN GRIFFITH:** And the upgrade will also allow for a reduction in the number of people who are required to use it is that right?

**DIRECTOR GRIMES:** I'm not sure it'll reduce the number of people because you have to have a certain you know what you feed the camera thru and make sure it's safe and that so usually it's a two person operation when they're doing that.

**COUNCILMAN GRIFFITH:** Any other questions? Alright, I would move its adoption.

**COUNCILMAN FOLTZ:** Second.

Roll call vote of 7 yes to adopt the first reading of Ordinance No. 11 – 2015

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Thank you. May I have a motion and a second to suspend the rules of council requiring a committee report and three readings for Ordinance No. 11 – 2015?

**COUNCILMAN GRIFFITH:** So moved.

**COUNCILWOMAN WERREN:** Second.

Roll call vote of 7 yes to suspend the rules requiring a committee report and three readings for Ordinance No. 11 – 2015.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Thank you. May I have a motion and a second to adopt under suspension of the rules Ordinance No. 11 – 2015?

**COUNCILMAN GRIFFITH:** So moved.

**COUNCILWOMAN KIESLING:** Second.

Roll call vote of 7 yes to adopt under suspension of the rules for Ordinance No. 11 – 2015.

ORDINANCE NO. 11 – 2015 WAS PASSED BY A ROLL CALL VOTE OF 7 YES.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Thank you. May I have a motion and a second to read by title only the first reading of Ordinance No. 12 – 2015?

**COUNCILMAN GRIFFITH:** So moved.

**COUNCILWOMAN KIESLING:** Second.

Roll call vote of 7 yes to read by title only the first reading of Ordinance No. 12 – 2015.

19. Ordinance No. 12 – 2015 Finance and Property Committee

An ordinance authorizing the Mayor of the City of North Canton to enter into a contract for professional auction services for the sale of equipment and miscellaneous items which are no longer required for municipal purposes and for the disposition of unclaimed property in the custody of the Police Department.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Thank you, Chairman Griffith?

**COUNCILMAN GRIFFITH:** A relatively self-explanatory our fine people find stuff and we don't to go have that go to waste so we'll create some economic benefit out of it. I'm sure extreme economic benefit no doubt. Mike, if you don't have any other comments I'll go ahead and move it for its adoption.

**COUNCILMAN FOLTZ:** Second.

Roll call vote of 7 yes to adopt the first reading of Ordinance No. 12 – 2015.

ORDINANCE NO. 12 – 2015 WAS GIVEN FIRST READING.

20. Reports – Council:

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Thank you. Reports Member Fonte?

**COUNCILMAN FONTE:** Okay, two things; just a reminder about the streets and alleys if we could get you know do a quick walk thru and get list over to Jim so we can get a jump on 2015. Or any potholes you see let us know. And the second thing I've been getting some comments on is the new street that they did on Maple by the Hoover building the caution lights that flash up in the sky at night when it's wet it's really is distracting it draws you up and you're not seeing the road. And I don't know if anybody's noticed that.

**COUNCILWOMAN WERREN:** I've noticed the lights but I haven't been distracted.

**COUNCILMAN FONTE:** They're flashing lights so just pay attention to it see what you think but I've been hearing three or four complaints about it that they feel it's unsafe. Thought maybe they should be brought down more at eye level instead of way up here.

**COUNCILMAN CERRETA:** On East Maple?

**COUNCILMAN FONTE:** Yeah, two blinking the flashing lights over the cross walks.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Especially if the pavement's wet.

**COUNCILMAN FONTE:** If the pavement's wet at night and the other thing is the lights that are white should be yellow the high pressure sodium so that they don't glare as much. So that again that's just some input I had from a few citizens.

**ENGINEER BENEKOS:** They're not high pressure sodium they're LED lights.

**COUNCILMAN FONTE:** Right, but they glare see the high pressure sodium they don't glare you and see like when its nighttime and its wet and the road's shiny you know those flashing lights and all the things going on it's just hard for a lot of people to see apparently. So just check it out you know for yourselves and I know they're LEDs for economics but the high pressure sodium they don't have the glare. If you notice the difference.

**COUNCILWOMAN WERREN:** I think you're right.

**COUNCILMAN FONTE:** Look at the parking lot and then look at the street and you can see the difference.

**DIRECTOR GRIMES:** Yeah, one of the things we talked about right the first time we noticed it was wet and everything is whether we want to get a little better reflective in the paint and that, that would because we do have the lanes going and we talked about that.

**COUNCILMAN FONTE:** That would do it. Yeah, the reflectors would be great but there's just so much going on there. I think it would just be wise to just look at it.

**DIRECTOR GRIMES:** Yeah, we noticed it.

**COUNCILMAN FONTE:** Yeah, it's a just a comment I've been hearing. That's it, thank you.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Member Werren?

**COUNCILWOMAN WERREN:** Nice job with the streets. I had numerous people comment to me yesterday again how the minute they got out of North Canton it was they could make their own paths you know Cleveland Avenue. We've had a lot of different street situations that seem to keep happening at nighttime and shutting down the schools. They said if everyone plowed like we did in North Canton I think we would have had school today. Because they kind of commented that there were a lot of back streets that weren't taken care of. Also I talked to Ben Wheeler at Y and they seem to be managing the parking I've been there a lot of different times and people are getting it I mean it's packed and you still have to go all the way back but its January it's their busiest month. But he seems they're getting it. So that was good.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Member Kiesling?

**COUNCILWOMAN KIESLING:** No report.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Member Griffith?

**COUNCILMAN GRIFFITH:** I have two minor things. Congrats to Karen on two items. First, the payroll hire great, glad to have a new person on board and I'm sure that many of the staff members including Karen are relieved to have that person on board as well. As well as the employees of the city as well who get paid? And the year-end numbers I thought also looked really good so we'll talk about that some more as we go through the year. But really, really solid and again we're thankful for that as well. So that's what I've got.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Member Cerreta?

**COUNCILMAN CERRETA:** No report.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Member Foltz?

**COUNCILMAN FOLTZ:** Yeah, I echo Stephanie's accolades to the street department, road department guys. I thought today was the best that I've seen all winter. It really with the timing whatever in my area where I leave to go to work it was exceptional. So I wanted to pass that onto them. That's it.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** That's it? Yeah, I wanted to mention that as well please pass that along to Mr. Davis and his crew. They did a great job today they really did. And I was all over the county today and it's not even close, it's not even close. So well done.

**COUNCILMAN FOLTZ:** I had a question. We had a retirement was it one or two people retired or what's the administration's game plan there are you looking to hire somebody or with Rich Rhodes.

**MAYOR HELD:** Yeah, you're talking about Stan Strausser and Rich Rhodes?

**COUNCILMAN FOLTZ:** Yeah.

**DIRECTOR GRIMES:** Yeah, Mr. Strausser, Lt. Strausser retired and we're going to ask to bring him before council probably next week and we just want to let you know that we want to present him with a resolution for his fine work over the years. Rich Rhodes obviously we already gave a resolution to and we've narrowed that list down to probably two people that we're looking to fulfill that job.

**COUNCILMAN FOLTZ:** Okay, because we're obviously one short on the plowing.

**DIRECTOR GRIMES:** One short on the plowing, we had more people show up today than we ever had because we also had a lot of the water crew there. One of the people we hired in the water department we also he was taught how to do the plowing and that so...

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Trial by fire today.

**DIRECTOR GRIMES:** We can always use more.

**COUNCILMAN FOLTZ:** It's good it paid off. Just to let you know that was a good decision.

21. Reports:

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Director of Law?

**LAW DIRECTOR FOX:** Echo the same thing with hearing positive comments from folks that I know around Stark County. They call and said yeah, I know when I reach North Canton and I know in our board of control meeting they're talking about some additional innovative ways to move the ice and salt with combinations of brines and solutions in a way that they'll treat the salt before it hits the streets to make it more effective. That's one of the things that the city certainly really does well. So just echo that. That's it.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Thank you. Director of Finance?

**FINANCE DIRECTOR ALGER:** Starting today residents will receive the post card for the notification of 1040s. So they're going to be on the website and they're already on the website they should be receiving these today or the next couple of days. All W2s have went out Friday and you should have received yours today. And the last thing was like you mentioned we do have a new payroll master and yes I'm thrilled I'm dancing, yes. She's wonderful I'll bring her in as well to introduce you guys.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Thank you. Director of Administration?

**DIRECTOR GRIMES:** Yeah, thank you for the emergency clause this way we can also get our electronic time clocks going and start that process so right way too. Our chemical bids we had a board of control on that tonight we had opened them Friday those came in favorably too. We had multiple bidders on that so we're real happy with that and those are two year bids. So we're real pleased with that and appreciate you allowing us to do the two years on that.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Thank you, Mr. Mayor?

**MAYOR HELD:** Yes, in relation to the streets we do have an update which is good news that you know we're hearing from the residents and from council that the streets are looking good. Because the goal is to reduce the amount of salt that we're putting on the streets but at the same time we want to make sure that the streets are wet if at all possible. So what they do is the street department goes out on the main roads and they're doing something a little bit different there's normally what 5 salt trucks 4 or 5. The 5 salt trucks that normally go out and spread the salt they're putting these tanks on the side of the salt trucks that have a brine or a salt water solution mixed with another solution which I think is a combination of beet juice and some other saltwater that is created up in Cleveland. So those are placed in the tanks and as the salt is being dropped they're spreading about 6 gallons of this solution with the salt that's being dropped. And so the trucks that we have 2 out of the 5 trucks that are equipped with this and so they're going to be equipping all 5 trucks and you can see a huge difference on the areas where they use this brine solution mixed with the salt that they normally drop because there was no slush all the streets were wet.

**COUNCILWOMAN WERREN:** How much salt do you think it will save within a year like half of the consumption or we just don't know yet?

**DIRECTOR GRIMES:** We've been progressing over time we've actually had ODOT come in and a couple other places we've got the computers in the car now that measure what we throw out. We started with brine pre-treating and now we're trying to use these tanks. So Mr. Davis has those numbers but we're continuing to try to be a little innovative on that.

**MAYOR HELD:** I think to give you an idea it was normally like 200 or what was it 500 tons per lane mile. And now we're at is it 200 yeah so it's significantly less.

**DIRECTOR GRIMES:** The other thing we're trying to do is get through winter with what the salt we have and then be able to purchase it in the summer and save money on that too. So...

**COUNCILMAN GRIFFITH:** To add to the accolades we have carriers at our bank who go out and grab deposits they happen to be four kind of retired gentlemen who spend their days driving. And in the summertime I think boy I'd like to have their jobs and then this time of year I'm really glad that I don't. But two of them independently came in and stopped in my office and said boy I don't understand what you guys do in North Canton but you know on their own said that. So they were clearly qualified experts and had very good things to say as well. I took no credit and said I'll be happy to pass along the good wishes to the people who do the real work. So...

**DIRECTOR GRIMES:** And we've been working on the potholes and we can get to them again we will do that.

**COUNCILWOMAN WERREN:** So Jim, like if we see a really bad one do you want us to email you or? (Yes) Okay.

**COUNCILMAN FONTE:** Do we send it to Jim?

**MAYOR HELD:** Any problems.

**COUNCILWOMAN WERREN:** What did you say?

**MAYOR HELD:** Any problems.

**DIRECTOR GRIMES:** You can send them to Jim, Kathy, my office send them to any one of us we'll make sure it gets on the list

and take care of them.

**COUNCILWOMAN WERREN:** Sometimes they pop up overnight.

**COUNCILMAN FONTE:** I didn't Jim I meant the other Jim. Well Everhard was horrible and I see they potted up a lot you know patched a lot of those but they're starting to pop up again. But... We'll be getting a list to you Jim real soon.

**ENGINEER BENEKOS:** Friday's the deadline if it's not in it doesn't get paved.

**COUNCILWOMAN WERREN:** And Marsha was first just so we know.

**COUNCILMAN FONTE:** Well I've got my list right here, baby. Did you do the ward 4 or did you go everywhere?

**COUNCILWOMAN WERREN:** She did everywhere.

**COUNCILWOMAN KIESLING:** And I don't ask for too many.

**MAYOR HELD:** Yeah, Marsha gets bonus points.

**COUNCILWOMAN WERREN:** Right, we know.

**MAYOR HELD:** That's all I have.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** That's it. Engineer?

**ENGINEER BENEKOS:** The ongoing saga with the traffic signals on Main Street. We met again with the supplier of the signals and we do have some issues and I mentioned that the fiber optics isn't connected we need to connect that and then get the computer program running that will hopefully coordinate them all a little bit better. But they're running free which means they're acting independently but we still should not be getting green lights on the side streets when nothings there or green arrows or somebody comes on a side street they shouldn't have to wait 2 minutes or longer. So if somebody contacts you or you observe something please note the day, the time, the location and what the issue is. And if somebody calls you and says they sat there for like 10 minutes ask them to be honest we need to evaluate it. But that issue should be resolved regardless of whether they're connected or not. We shouldn't have those, those issues on the signals. So if you do get those still getting those let me know but if you could get that information.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** 7<sup>th</sup> and Main at 5:00, 6:00 and 7:45.

**ENGINEER BENEKOS:** Still?

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Yes.

**ENGINEER BENEKOS:** Okay.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** I don't even go that way anymore to drop my kids off I take a side road.

**ENGINEER BENEKOS:** What were the times?

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** 5:00, 6:00 and 7:45.

**ENGINEER BENEKOS:** Am?

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Pm.

**ENGINEER BENEKOS:** Okay.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** And I had an issue on 10<sup>th</sup> I think it was a Saturday though.

**ENGINEER BENEKOS:** What was happening at those lights?

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** I sat there for 2 minutes I mean that seems like...

**ENGINEER BENEKOS:** Okay, on a side street.

**COUNCILMAN CERRETA:** Jim, I got an earful from the Orchard Hill teachers coming out of Hower and very similar times. They just sat there and sat there and sat there and you know nobody's coming. So Hower's got the same issue probably around the same times.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** That reminds me Bachtel.

**COUNCILWOMAN KIESLING:** I already told him. And Schneider.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** That's ridiculous, that's ridiculous. I ended up having to actually turn around and go back

through where the school was and I got out quicker than that.

**COUNCILMAN FONTE:** I have my kids jump out and hit the button. Probably not safe practice.

**COUNCILMAN FOLTZ:** Jim, is there a timeframe that it should fall under as a rule is it 40 seconds? What do you guys try to plan for?

**ENGINEER BENEKOS:** I don't know, I don't know what they're timed for right now. I'll have to check with John but I think there's less than a 2 minute cycle and you should get a green time on the side streets sooner than that. One of the issues that they were having was that the pad buttons were frozen and that was an issue that the supplier hadn't seen anywhere else. So they have to look at those and see what's going on with our pad buttons.

**COUNCILMAN FOLTZ:** You say it was frozen from the weather or just frozen as a mechanical defect?

**ENGINEER BENEKOS:** Frozen from the weather. That should not be the case.

**COUNCILMAN FONTE:** Aren't those sensors supposed to trigger if your car pulls up and there's no action it should trigger? Like the cars are I mean that should like click it off pretty quick I would think if there's no traffic.

**ENGINEER BENEKOS:** Right. But Hower if you could get times when that's happening and durations if you'd ask them just you know to note that and get that to us.

**COUNCILMAN CERRETA:** I know what he's saying because that's when those teachers were coming out there most around 5:00 around that time.

**ENGINEER BENEKOS:** Okay, alright. And you said Bachtel anytime?

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Yeah, that's a nightmare.

**COUNCILWOMAN KIESLING:** Schneider as well.

**COUNCILWOMAN WERREN:** Schneider's not great.

**ENGINEER BENEKOS:** Are there any that are working?

**COUNCILWOMAN WERREN:** We'll get you that list next week.

**COUNCILMAN FOLTZ:** That's a shorter list.

**ENGINEER BENEKOS:** But these have been noticed within the past 2 weeks?

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Yeah.

**COUNCILMAN CERRETA:** Just Friday actually.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Last week for me. Is that enough?

**ENGINEER BENEKOS:** It's enough. Well no I need them all I mean as you notice them let me know.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Council clerk?

**COUNCIL CLERK BAILEY:** I actually don't have a report tonight.

**CHUCK OSBORNE:** Mr. Peters?

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Yes, sir?

**CHUCK OSBORNE:** All 4 of us here cannot hear.

**COUNCILMAN FONTE:** We're working on the speakers aren't we?

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Yeah, we're addressing this right Mike?

**CHUCK OSBORNE:** That's all I've heard through the years.

**LAW DIRECTOR FOX:** Right now you're out of order.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Yeah.

**CHUCK OSBORNE:** Thank you, Mr. Fox.

**LAW DIRECTOR FOX:** You're not supposed to speak from there.

**CHUCK OSBORNE:** We just need to hear this is a public meeting.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Mr. Osborne, we absolutely agree we're working on it. Okay and before I adjourn can I get a motion and a second want to move the February 16<sup>th</sup> I want to combine meetings to February 23<sup>rd</sup>. So we'll not meet February Monday, February 16<sup>th</sup> and combine it on February 23<sup>rd</sup> with council meeting first followed by committee of the whole meeting.

**COUNCILMAN GRIFFITH:** So moved.

**COUNCILWOMAN KIESLING:** Second.

Roll call vote of 7 yes to meet on Monday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2015 to have council meeting first followed by committee of the whole meeting. There will not be a meeting on Monday, February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

22. Final Call for New Business:

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Final call?

**COUNCILMAN FOLTZ:** Yeah, I will not be here Monday I will be at a conference out-of-town.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Next Monday?

**COUNCILMAN FOLTZ:** It's committee anyways.

23. Adjourn:

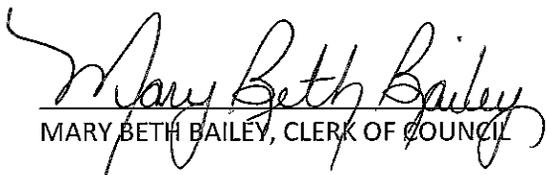
**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** Alright, with that I will entertain a motion to adjourn this meeting?

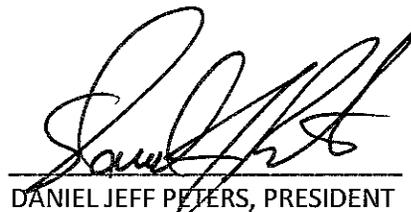
**COUNCILMAN FOLTZ:** So moved.

**COUNCILMAN CERRETA:** Second.

Roll call vote of 7 yes to adjourn.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERS:** We are adjourned.

  
MARY BETH BAILEY, CLERK OF COUNCIL

  
DANIEL JEFF PETERS, PRESIDENT