

CITY OF NORTH CANTON, OHIO  
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

TRANSCRIPT OF  
APRIL 4, 2022, MEETING

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Transcript of Proceedings of the North Canton City Council, taken by me, the undersigned, Laurie Maryl Jonas, a Registered Merit Reporter and Notary Public in and for the State of Ohio, at the North Canton Civic Center, 845 West Maple Street, North Canton, Ohio, on Monday, April 4, 2022, at 7:24 p.m.

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APPEARANCES:

- Matthew Stroia, Council President, At Large
- Stephanie Werren, Council Vice President, Ward 3
- Jamie McCleaster, Ward 1
- David Metheney, Ward 2
- John Orr, Ward 4
- Daryl Revoldt, At Large
- Christina Weyrick, At Large
- Patrick A. DeOrio, Director of Administration
- Jina E. Alaback, Director of Finance
- Robert G. Graham, Engineering Services
- Catherine A. Farina, Deputy Director of  
Administration and Development
- Stephan B. Wilder, Mayor
- Benjamin R. Young, Clerk of Council
- Kevin Coblentz, Assistant Clerk

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1 MR. STROIA: All right. I'll now call to  
2 order the special city council meeting of April 4,  
3 2022. The time is 7:24 p.m.

4 Opening prayer, Jamie.

5 MR. MCCLEASTER: Heavenly Father, we promise  
6 to open doors of blessing and abundance for your  
7 people. We ask that you work mightily in us today.  
8 Come upon us and cause us to have a productive  
9 meeting. Meet each one of us so that we can make  
10 fruitful contributions at this time. Enable us to  
11 think and strategize in ways that will achieve great  
12 results. Purify our thoughts and motives so that  
13 each one of us will enter this meeting desiring the  
14 good of others in the pleasure of your name. Amen.

15 (The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.)

16 MR. STROIA: Okay. Ben, would you please  
17 call the roll.

18 MR. YOUNG: Member McCleaster.

19 MR. MCCLEASTER: Here.

20 MR. YOUNG: Member Weyrick.

21 MS. WEYRICK: Here.

22 MR. YOUNG: Member Werren.

23 MRS. WERREN: Here.

24 MR. YOUNG: Member Stroia.

25 MR. STROIA: Here.

1 MR. YOUNG: Member Revoldt.

2 MR. REVOLDT: Here.

3 MR. YOUNG: Member Metheney.

4 MR. METHENEY: Here.

5 MR. YOUNG: Member Orr.

6 MR. ORR: Here.

7 MR. YOUNG: Seven present.

8 MR. STROIA: Okay. Recognition of the  
9 public. At this time, members of the public wishing  
10 to address city council may do so. Each speaker will  
11 be granted five minutes. As a reminder, the rules  
12 are now posted on the screen to the audience's right.  
13 As this is a special city council meeting, we ask  
14 that the topics discussed will be limited to those  
15 appearing on the agenda.

16 MR. OSBORNE: Chuck Osborne. 307 Fairview  
17 Street, Southeast, North Canton, Ohio.

18 First of all, I'd like to point out your  
19 agenda says this meeting is starting at 8 p.m. So  
20 any citizen who shows up here at 8:00 is probably  
21 going to miss the meeting. Does everybody see that?  
22 When I saw that, I thought, you're going to be in a  
23 jam, because do you really think the committee of the  
24 whole is really going to last an hour? Typically  
25 what you put on your agenda is the special city

1 council will follow the committee of the whole  
2 meeting. So I don't know why the switch-up in  
3 process.

4 Secondly, I'd like to ask your indulgence,  
5 since you spoke at the committee of the whole about  
6 the DORA, I'd like to address that. Or so is  
7 everybody going to jump up and scream?

8 MR. REVOLDT: Mr. Osborne, I would object.  
9 Because it is not an item on our regular council  
10 agenda, or our special council meeting agenda. The  
11 DORA is not an item; there is no action to be taken.  
12 And therefore you may --

13 MR. OSBORNE: I understand, Mr. Revoldt, but  
14 it's been freshly discussed here. Anybody who's  
15 interested in this issue would have heard it. And  
16 it's timely to have --

17 MR. STROIA: We're going to stick to the  
18 rules. We're going to stick to the rules.

19 MR. OSBORNE: Well, thank you.

20 MR. STROIA: All right. Anyone else? Okay.

21 MR. YOUNG: If I may.

22 MR. STROIA: What's that?

23 MR. YOUNG: If I may.

24 MR. STROIA: Yes.

25 MR. YOUNG: Yes, there was a version of the

1 agenda originally published that had 8 p.m. on the  
2 top. That is because our Granicus software requires  
3 a time stamp to be in it so I have to manually go in  
4 and switch it out, words "immediately following the  
5 committee at 7:00;" however, the top page of the  
6 agenda packet which Mr. Osborne is referencing, which  
7 is the legal notice for this meeting, happened --  
8 does currently and always said "immediately beginning  
9 at 7 p.m." So the very first page of the packet  
10 published to the website said immediately following  
11 committee at 7 p.m.

12 MR. STROIA: Okay. Thank you. Thank you,  
13 Ben.

14 Moving on to old business. May I have a  
15 motion and a second to read by title only Ordinance  
16 26-2022.

17 MR. REVOLDT: Revoldt moves.

18 MS. WEYRICK: Second.

19 MR. STROIA: All in favor?

20 ("Aye" in unison.)

21 MR. STROIA: Opposed? Motion carries.

22 MR. YOUNG: An ordinance amending Chapter  
23 103, Official Standards, of the codified ordinances  
24 of the City of North Canton in order to adopt a new  
25 city seal.

1 MR. ORR: This is the third reading of this.  
2 We haven't had any discussion, no one's objected.  
3 We've been using the new seal for quite some time.  
4 It's just a matter of getting it cleaned up and off  
5 the books. So I'll make a motion that we pass this  
6 this evening.

7 MR. REVOLDT: Revoldt will second.

8 MR. STROIA: All in favor?

9 ("Aye" in unison.)

10 MR. STROIA: Opposed? Motion carries.

11 Moving on to 6B, can I have a motion and a  
12 second to read by title only Ordinance 27-2022.

13 MR. REVOLDT: Revoldt moves.

14 MR. MCCLEASTER: Second.

15 MR. STROIA: All in favor?

16 ("Aye" in unison.)

17 MR. STROIA: Opposed? Motion carries.

18 Ben.

19 MR. YOUNG: An ordinance repealing Chapter  
20 701, General Licensing Provisions, of the codified  
21 ordinances of the City of North Canton.

22 MR. ORR: Again, this is the third reading.  
23 We haven't had any discussions. It's about how to go  
24 and file the licensing and that nature of that stuff.  
25 So again, I think we should just go ahead and pass

1           this tonight.

2                   MR. REVOLDT: Okay. Is that a motion?

3                   MR. ORR: Yeah, that's a motion, sorry.

4                   MR. REVOLDT: Revoldt will second.

5                   MR. STROIA: All in favor?

6                   ("Aye" in unison.)

7                   MR. STROIA: Opposed? Motion carries.

8                   Moving on to 6C, can I have a motion and a  
9           second to read by title only Ordinance 28-22.

10                  MR. REVOLDT: Revoldt will move.

11                  MRS. WERREN: Werren, second.

12                  MR. STROIA: All in favor?

13                  ("Aye" in unison.)

14                  MR. STROIA: Opposed? Motion carries.

15                  Ben.

16                  MR. YOUNG: Chapter 709, Commercial  
17           Amusements, of the codified ordinances of the City of  
18           North Canton.

19                  MR. ORR: Again, it's the third reading. We  
20           haven't had anyone who has really objected to this  
21           and we already passed the preceding one so this one  
22           should be passed as well. I make a motion.

23                  MR. REVOLDT: Revoldt will second.

24                  MR. STROIA: All in favor?

25                  ("Aye" in unison.)



1 MR. STROIA: Opposed? Motion carries.

2 Moving on to 6D. Can I have a motion and a  
3 second to read by title only Ordinance 29-22.

4 MR. METHENEY: So moved.

5 MRS. WERREN: Werren, second.

6 MR. STROIA: All in favor?

7 ("Aye" in unison.)

8 MR. STROIA: Opposed? Motion carries.

9 Ben.

10 MR. YOUNG: An ordinance amending Chapter  
11 137, Department of Police, of the codified ordinances  
12 of the City of North Canton, specifically Section  
13 137.04, Personnel, in order to increase the  
14 authorized number of police sergeants to six.

15 MR. METHENEY: This is our third reading of  
16 this ordinance allowing Chief Kemp to have six police  
17 chief -- or six sergeants on staff instead of the  
18 five that are in the ordinance.

19 Wouldn't do that to you, Chief.

20 But allowing the six sergeants then gives him  
21 more flexibility in scheduling. It's not adding  
22 total personnel staff, it is just reallocating the  
23 titles on the individuals.

24 I make a motion that we pass the third  
25 reading of this and allow Chief Kemp to schedule as

1 needed.

2 MR. REVOLDT: Revoldt will second.

3 MR. STROIA: All in favor?

4 ("Aye" in unison.)

5 MR. STROIA: Opposed? Motion carries.

6 Moving on to 6E, can I have a motion and a  
7 second to read by title only Ordinance 30-22.

8 MR. REVOLDT: Revoldt will move.

9 MR. MCCLEASTER: Second.

10 MR. STROIA: All in favor?

11 ("Aye" in unison.)

12 MR. STROIA: Opposed? Motion carries.

13 Okay. This is Street and Alley, and let me  
14 just start -- go ahead.

15 MR. YOUNG: I need to read it.

16 MR. STROIA: Oh. Sorry.

17 MR. YOUNG: An ordinance accepting a record  
18 plat of Monticello Phase 8, located within the  
19 corporate limits of the city of North Canton.

20 MR. STROIA: All right. Sorry, Ben.

21 Okay. So we just talked about this before  
22 briefly. The lockbox is not there but we have a way  
23 to move forward, correct, Brad?

24 MR. DAVIS: Yes, we do.

25 MR. STROIA: So I will make a motion.

1 MR. REVOLDT: Revoldt will second.

2 MR. STROIA: All right. All in favor?

3 ("Aye" in unison.)

4 MR. STROIA: Opposed? Motion carries.

5 Okay. Moving on to new business. Can I have  
6 a motion and a second to suspend Council Rule 24 to  
7 allow for consideration of the items appearing on the  
8 April 4, 2022, committee of whole agenda without a  
9 written committee report.

10 MR. REVOLDT: Revoldt will move.

11 MRS. WERREN: Werren, second.

12 MR. STROIA: All in favor?

13 ("Aye" in unison.)

14 MR. STROIA: Opposed?

15 Can I have a motion and a second to read by  
16 title only Ordinance 36-2022.

17 MRS. WERREN: Werren moves.

18 MS. WEYRICK: Second.

19 MR. STROIA: All in favor?

20 ("Aye" in unison.)

21 MR. STROIA: Opposed? Motion carries.

22 Ben.

23 MR. YOUNG: An ordinance authorizing the  
24 appropriation of funds of the City of North Canton to  
25 be appropriated for current expenses during the

1 fiscal year ending December 31, 2022.

2 MRS. WERREN: Okay. We talked about all  
3 these. If there are no other objections or anything,  
4 I move to adopt.

5 MR. REVOLDT: Revoldt will second.

6 MR. STROIA: All in favor?

7 ("Aye" in unison.)

8 MR. STROIA: Opposed? Motion carries.

9 Can I have a motion and a second to suspend  
10 the rule of council requiring three readings.

11 MR. REVOLDT: Revoldt moves.

12 MRS. WERREN: Werren seconds.

13 MR. STROIA: All in favor?

14 ("Aye" in unison.)

15 MR. STROIA: Opposed? Motion carries.

16 And finally, can I have a motion and a second  
17 to adopt Ordinance 36-2022 under the suspension of  
18 the rules.

19 MR. REVOLDT: Revoldt moves.

20 MRS. WERREN: Werren, second.

21 MR. STROIA: All in favor?

22 ("Aye" in unison.)

23 MR. STROIA: Opposed? Motion carries.

24 Can I have a motion and a second to read by  
25 title only Ordinance 37-2022.

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MS. WEYRICK: So moved.

MR. REVOLDT: Revoldt seconds.

MR. STROIA: All in favor?

("Aye" in unison.)

MR. STROIA: Opposed? Motion carries.

Ben.

MR. YOUNG: An ordinance authorizing the mayor of the City of North Canton to advertise and receive bids and enter into a contract for the repaving of Glenwood Street, Southwest, at a cost not to exceed \$618,750, and declaring the same to be an emergency.

MR. STROIA: Okay. We've discussed this in the committee of the whole. Any further comments or questions?

MRS. WERREN: Move to adopt.

MR. REVOLDT: Revoldt seconds.

MR. STROIA: All in favor?

("Aye" in unison.)

MR. STROIA: Opposed? Motion carries.

Can I have a motion and a second to suspend the rules of council requiring three readings.

MR. REVOLDT: Revoldt will move.

MR. METHENEY: Metheney second.

MRS. WERREN: Second.

1 MR. STROIA: All in favor?

2 ("Aye" in unison.)

3 MR. STROIA: Opposed? Motion carries.

4 And finally, can I have a motion and a second  
5 to adopt Ordinance 37-22 under suspension of the  
6 rules.

7 MR. REVOLDT: Revoldt will move.

8 MRS. WERREN: Second.

9 MR. STROIA: All in favor?

10 ("Aye" in unison.)

11 MR. STROIA: Opposed? Motion carries.

12 Moving on to 5B, can I have a motion and a  
13 second to read by title only Ordinance 38-22.

14 MR. REVOLDT: Revoldt moves.

15 MS. WEYRICK: Second.

16 MR. STROIA: All in favor?

17 ("Aye" in unison.)

18 MR. STROIA: Opposed? Motion carries.

19 Ben.

20 MR. YOUNG: An ordinance authorizing the  
21 mayor of the City of North Canton to enter into a  
22 performance agreement with McKinley-Applegrove Ltd.  
23 for the construction of streets, storm water  
24 management facilities, drainage improvements, and  
25 sewer improvements for the Sanctuary Phase 5

1 development.

2 MR. STROIA: Okay. And we just discussed  
3 this in the previous meeting and I move that we  
4 adopt.

5 MR. REVOLDT: Revoldt seconds.

6 MR. STROIA: All in favor?

7 ("Aye" in unison.)

8 MR. STROIA: Opposed? Motion carries.

9 And 5C. Can I have a motion and a second to  
10 read by title only Ordinance 39-2022.

11 MR. REVOLDT: Revoldt will move.

12 MR. METHENEY: Second.

13 MR. STROIA: All in favor?

14 ("Aye" in unison.)

15 MR. STROIA: Opposed? Motion carries.

16 Ben.

17 MR. YOUNG: An ordinance authorizing the  
18 mayor of the City of North Canton to accept a  
19 sidewalk performance bond in the amount of \$54,225  
20 between the City and McKinley-Applegrove Ltd., and  
21 accept the accompanying mortgage deed for City Lot  
22 No. 6952, thereby securing the bond for all necessary  
23 work required to complete sidewalks in the Sanctuary  
24 Phase 5 construction project.

25 MR. STROIA: Okay. We discussed the sidewalk

1 bond in the previous meeting. Are there any comments  
2 or questions? I move we adopt.

3 MR. METHENEY: Second.

4 MR. STROIA: All in favor?

5 ("Aye" in unison.)

6 MR. STROIA: Opposed? Motion carries.

7 Before we adjourn, any comments or questions?

8 I do want to make a brief statement on we have a  
9 public meeting on the 11th. And there are going to  
10 be some people that are not going to be here, so can  
11 I get a tally of who's going to be here in person on  
12 the 11th.

13 MR. MCCLEASTER: 95 percent, yes.

14 MR. ORR: Me.

15 MR. STROIA: All right. So we'll have four  
16 probably. Okay. We may need to somebody to call in  
17 on Zoom, if possible, but okay. All right. So we're  
18 covered for that.

19 MR. METHENEY: Before you adjourn --

20 MR. STROIA: Sure.

21 MR. METHENEY: I'd like to just say "thank  
22 you" to Chief Kemp and to Chief Bacon. Thursday  
23 evening, they provided us a tour of their facilities.  
24 Gave us an opportunity after five o'clock to see --  
25 see their operations and meet some of the personnel



1 and took time out of their day to adjust their  
2 schedules for council to do that and it was greatly  
3 appreciated. It was eye-opening for us. Thank you.

4 MR. MCCLEASTER: David, I'm glad you brought  
5 that up because I wanted to offer the same thing.  
6 And although Chief Bacon isn't here, it was  
7 interesting, we were actually at the EMS building, or  
8 Station 2, I guess we should call it, when they had a  
9 call. And I thought it was terribly impressive, and  
10 I think before we realized what was going on they  
11 were going down the road. So very impressive. Thank  
12 you, Chief Kemp, and Chief Bacon as well.

13 MR. ORR: Yeah, it did open our eyes quite a  
14 bit. I didn't realize, I always thought it was just  
15 a medic unit over there by the high school and  
16 actually it's probably one of our main -- main  
17 stations and stuff of that nature. But it was very  
18 good. You run a very, very clean operation with  
19 tight quarters over there. But thanks again.

20 MR. STROIA: Yeah. All right. Thanks.

21 Just want to say a final comment, that if you  
22 haven't met Kevin, introduce yourselves, and welcome.  
23 And that's it. I move we adjourn.

24 MR. MCCLEASTER: Second.

25 MR. STROIA: All in favor?

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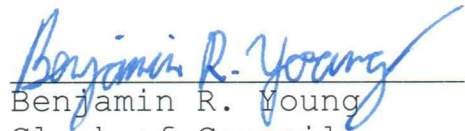
MR. STROIA: Opposed? Adjourned.

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(Meeting adjourned at 7:39 p.m.)

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Attest:

  
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Benjamin R. Young  
Clerk of Council

  
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Matthew Stroia  
City Council President

