# MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING MASSILLON CITY COUNCIL HELD MONDAY, AUGUST 2, 2021

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Welcome to the Massillon City Council Meeting for Monday, August 2, 2021. We have in attendance with us the following city officials: Mayor Kathy Catazaro-Perry, Safety Service Director, Barb Sylvester, Chief Deputy Auditor, Stefanie Myers, Law Director, Justin Richard, Chief Counsel, Bill Bartos, Chief Engineer, Jason Popiel, Community Development Director, Samantha Walters, Economic Development Director, Dave Maley, and Fire Chief, Matthew Heck. Under #5 on the agenda is where the public can speak on any item that appears on tonight's agenda and under #17 is where the public can speak on any item that does NOT appear on tonight's agenda. I'd like to ask any of you that if you're not speaking to please mute yourself so that we can hold all the background noise to a minimum. Thank you.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Roll call.

# 1. ROLL CALL

Roll call for the evening found the following Council Members present: Jill Creamer, Mike Gregg, Ted Herncane, Ed Lewis, Mark Lombardi, Jamie Slutz, Megan Starrett and Jim Thieret.

Roll call of 8 present

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilman Lewis.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – I make a motion that we excuse Councilwoman Litman

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Seconded by Councilman Herncane. Roll call.

8 yes to excuse Councilwoman Litman

<u>COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK</u> – Thank you, Madam Clerk. Councilwoman Litman has been excused.

#### 2. INVOCATION

**COUNCILMAN MARK LOMBARDI** 

#### 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

LED BY COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Thank you, Councilman Lombardi.

#### 4. READING OF THE JOURNAL

<u>COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK</u> – Madam Clerk are the minutes of the previous meeting transcribed and open for public viewing?

<u>COUNCIL CLERK ROLLAND</u> – No, they are not. I had a technical difficulty with the transcription from last meeting.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Thank you.

- 5. REMARKS OF DELEGATIONS AND CITIZENS TO MATTERS ON THE AGENDA
- 6. NEW AND MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilman Thieret.

**COUNCILMAN THIERET** – Thank you, Madam President. First I want to make it perfectly clear that I'm not in any way criticizing our awesome Massillon Police Dept. They do a great job and they are an invaluable asset to our City and the safety of our citizens. The concern I want to bring before Council is safety. I've seen many complaints about the existing conditions of our downtown business area, particularly the Streetscape area. I'll just consistently mention the safety issue here tonight. Crosswalks, and most specifically the crosswalk between Erie and First St. is an extremely dangerous place. It's going to get someone killed if something isn't done. My son was almost one of those fatalities this past Saturday. We were cautiously attempting to cross Lincoln Way and had to stop in the island. When it appeared that it was safe to cross, we were about to proceed when a black car seemed to come out of nowhere, speeding by us at easily double the 25 mph speed limit. We reared back and I screamed to the driver to slow down; she never did until she got to the stop light at Third St. Other communities have black and white warning drivers that the crosswalk is there, some even have pedestrian activated devices that cause traffic to stop while they cross; even stop signs. Why don't we follow that kind of lead instead of only providing the minimum requirement? It would make more sense and it's safer. The next issue that would compound the first is the traffic traveling through town. The number of vehicles, the size of the vehicles and most dangerous of all the speed of the vehicles is overwhelming. We've been told that one of the reasons for having these islands is that they slow down traffic. Well, you don't have to be standing out there very long to witness to the fact that drivers haven't gotten that message. Speeding is routine. Truck traffic is increasing, parked vehicles are being side-swiped, tire tracks on and trunks missing from the island curbing and increasing. The island is an ugly distraction if what I constantly hear. That goes also for the ankle twisting weed bed on the sidewalks as well. Someone is going to get seriously hurt trying to negotiate them, even getting in and out of their vehicle. Something has to be done by this Administration before someone dies. As a Council, I believe that we cannot continue to fund this agenda of complacent disregard of safety, an ongoing disruption of business in our downtown. If we want to grow and grow stronger as a City, we have to encourage business growth and not impose rules that restrict their rights to conduct their business. We have unregistered rental properties throughout the City. Drug houses that operate around the clock and we have more concern about how we can further injure our already struggling downtown businesses. These action by this Administration are a formula of death for this City. I believe we were originally told that the semis would be re-routed. They are not only re-routed; I took pictures today of a "over-size load" taking up two full lanes of Lincoln Way. Tonight, I was told that ODOT is responsible for these crosswalks and I'm going to call them and find out more about it. Hopefully, have someone to come and talk to us, but, it's a danger. Now, if you go down Lincoln Way and understand that this crosswalk is pretty much, you might consider, in the middle of the block, but if you go one block further, there's another half block at Lowery where there's a stop sign

and push buttons are at the crossing. If they can have it in the middle of that block, why can't we have it where there are actually people crossing? I want to thank you for your time. We need to get this address as soon as possible, thank you.

<u>COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK</u> – Thank you, Councilman Thieret. Is there anyone else that would like to speak under Miscellaneous Business from Council? Mr. Richard.

<u>JUSTIN RICHARD</u> – I want to recall for everybody that approximately a year or so ago the City with Council's vote ended in an opioid settlement with OneOhio. Hoping that it could either take several years or it come upon us like a "thief in the night". So, when the big guys are ready to go, they're ready to and the deadline is August 13<sup>th</sup>. So with that, I want Council to consider a Special Meeting, certainly for everyone and it would only take prior to next Work Session but we will have to go into Executive Session. Whatever time it is that we'll be inviting our local attorney to explain the terms of the settlement. We will have to vote to be able to continue.

# **COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilman Lewis.

<u>COUNCILMAN LEWIS</u> – We need a motion to ask for a Special Meeting? Well, as long as everybody doesn't have a problem with it, there will be a Special Meeting August 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. and the Work Session will immediately follow.

<u>JUSTIN RICHARD</u> – So, we require the open meeting, as well. For consideration concerning the opioid litigation.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – So it would be a formal resolution or ordinance, I would assume?

<u>COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK</u> – Is everyone okay with that for next Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.; Regular Committee Meeting to follow? Sorry, next Monday. Anyone else? Thank you.

#### 7. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

# ORDINANCE NO. 125 – 2021 BY: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the Mayor of the City of Massillon, Ohio, to enter into an agreement with Autumn Abbott to provide an economic development "inducement grant" to fund start-up costs including build-out, equipment, etc., at The Downtown Image, located at 50 Erie St. S., Massillon, Ohio.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilwoman Starrett.

**COUNCILWOMAN STARRETT** – Thank you, Madam President. First reading.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Thank you. Ord. No. 125 – 2021 has received first reading. Ord. No. 126 – 2021.

# ORDINANCE NO. 126 – 2021 BY: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

AN ORDINANCE approving the proposed Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Budget Amendment for the FY 2020 Program year, and declaring an emergency.

#### **COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilwoman Starrett.

<u>COUNCILWOMAN STARRETT</u> – Thank you, Madam President. As was discussed last week at the Work Session, this is a finalization of the COVID Cares Act Fund for the 2020 year including the funds that we already received. Any questions or concerns from Council? This is something that needs to be finalized. Hearing none, I make a motion to waive the rules requiring three readings and bring Ord. No. 126 – 2021 forward for a vote.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Seconded by Councilman Lewis. Roll call for suspension.

7 yes; 1 no for suspension; Herncane voted no

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – And for passage.

7 yes; 1 no for passage; Herncane voted no

<u>COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK</u> – Thank you, Madam Clerk. Ord. No. 126 – 2021 has passed. Ord. No. 127 – 2021.

# ORDINANCE NO. 127 – 2021 BY: RULES, COURTS & CIVIL SERVICE COMMITTEE

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the Mayor and the Director of Public Service and Safety of the City of Massillon, Ohio, to accept and enter into a collective bargaining agreement with the Massillon Professional Firefighters Association, Local #251, effective August 1, 2021 through July 31, 2024, and declaring an emergency.

# **COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilman Gregg.

<u>COUNCILMAN GREGG</u> – Thank you, Madam President. This legislation is reflecting the bargaining agreement between the City and the Fire Dept. We discussed this in Executive Session last week. Councilman Lewis was not able to attend. Diane, I have a question. Can you tell me when that was received, the Request for Legislation? I'm trying to see if we have thirty days in order to take action on this, otherwise, it will automatically go into effect. I would like for the Council to vote it. I would like to give it first reading.

**COUNCIL CLERK ROLLAND** – It was received July 23, 2021.

<u>COUNCILMAN GREGG</u> – So it needs to be passed by August 23, 2021. We'll have another legislation meeting on the 16<sup>th</sup> and I'd like to pass it then. Councilwoman Starrett.

**COUNCILWOMAN STARRETT** – Ask the Law Dept. about this.

<u>COUNCILMAN GREGG</u> – Yeah, I know it's thirty days. What I wasn't sure about was the official date that it was received. First reading.

<u>COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK</u> – Thank you. Ord. No. 127 – 2021 has received first reading. Ord. No. 128 - 2021.

# ORDINANCE NO. 128 – 2021 BY: FINANCE COMMITTEE

AN ORDINANCE making certain appropriations from the unappropriated balance of the 1100 General Fund, for the year ending December 31, 2021, and declaring an emergency.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilman Lewis.

<u>COUNCILMAN LEWIS</u> – Yes, Madam President, I would like to call forward the Safety Service Director.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Mrs. Sylvester.

**BARB SYLVESTER** – Good evening.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – Am I correct that this is an \$11,365 appropriation for full-time services of a janitorial staff?

**BARB SYLVESTER** – That is correct.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – And that person is already working for us now?

**BARB SYLVESTER** – That's correct.

<u>COUNCILMAN LEWIS</u> – And this would just be able to finish out the year. Is there timesensitivity related to this?

**BARB SYLVESTER** – No.

**<u>COUNCILMAN LEWIS</u>** – Okay, first reading.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Thank you. Ord. No. 128 – 2021 has received first reading. Ord. No. 129 – 2021.

# ORDINANCE NO. 129 – 2021 BY: FINANCE COMMITTEE

AN ORDINANCE making certain appropriations for the unappropriated balance of the 1202 State Highway M & R Fund, for the year ending December 31, 2021, and declaring an emergency.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilman Lewis.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – Madam President, can I call up the Safety Service Director again?

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Yes you can. Ms. Sylvester if you could come up.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – Please provide a summary the reason for this piece.

**BARB SYLVESTER** – This was explained at the Work Session. This is from the accident that happened down on SR 21 and Walnut Rd. where the dump truck hit their bed and hit the pole and took the pole down. There's a very long lead time to get that type of a pole in place. So

we borrowed one from Canton that they brought over. But at that time, we went ahead and filed it with our insurance company back in April. So we did receive the payment from our insurance company, deposited it into the revenue account and it just now, literally, on July 15<sup>th</sup> the work was and so we received the invoice and now we need to pay the invoice and this needs to appropriated into the expense account.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – Has the insurance company paid us the \$45,550?

**BARB SYLVESTER** – We did have a deductible from there and I can pull this back out, but this is the amount for the Street Dept.

<u>COUNCILMAN LEWIS</u> – Does anyone else have any other questions? With that said, I make a motion that we suspend the rules requiring three readings, bringing Ord. No. 129 – 2021 forward for a vote.

<u>COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK</u> – Seconded by Councilwoman Starrett. Roll call for suspension.

8 yes for suspension

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – And for passage.

8 yes for passage

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Thank you, Madam Clerk. Ord. No. 129 – 2021 has passed. Ord. No. 130 – 2021.

# ORDINANCE NO. 130 – 2021 BY: FINANCE COMMITTEE

AN ORDINANCE making certain appropriations from the unappropriated balance of the 1100 General Fund, for the year ending December 31, 2021.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilman Lewis.

<u>COUNCILMAN LEWIS</u> – Yes. The next three pieces are related to funding the account that we do economic development grants. I do not believe there are any time sensitivities. If I'm incorrect and I'd Council members to feel free to correct me. Seeing no correction made, I give first reading.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Thank you. Ord. No. 130 – 2021 has received first reading. Ord. No. 131 – 2021.

# ORDINANCE NO. 131 – 2021 BY: FINANCE COMMITTEE

AN ORDINANCE making certain transfers in the 2021 appropriations from within the 1100 General Fund, for the year ending December 31, 2021.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilman Lewis.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – First reading.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Thank you. Ord. No. 131 – 2021 has received first reading. Ord. No. 132 – 2021.

# ORDINANCE NO. 132 – 2021 BY: FINANCE COMMITTEE

AN ORDINANCE making certain appropriations from the unappropriated balance of the 1237 Economic Development Funds, for the year ending December 31, 2021.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilman Lewis.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – First reading.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Thank you. Ord. No. 132 – 2021 has received first reading. Res. No. 6 – 2021.

# RESOLUTION NO. 6 – 2021 BY: FINANCE COMMITTEE

A RESOLUTION approving the 2022 Stark County Tax Budget for the City of Massillon, Ohio, as listed on the attached Exhibit "A", and declaring an emergency.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilman Lewis.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – Yes, Madam President, I'd like to call forward the Deputy Auditor.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Thank you.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – Thank you for your insight. Can you, for the record, could you just give us a brief summary of this piece?

<u>STEFANIE MYERS</u> – This is the budget that we need to produce for the County once a year. It's just considered a "wish list", it's not the actual budget, but we are required to get that to our Stark County Auditor by August 20<sup>th</sup>.

<u>COUNCILMAN LEWIS</u> – As the Deputy Auditor said, we do do every year. Does any member Council have a question or discussion this evening? I make a motion that we suspend the rules requiring three readings, bringing Res. No. 6 - 2021 forward for a vote.

<u>COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK</u> – Seconded by Councilman Gregg. Roll call suspension. 8 yes for suspension

**<u>COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK</u>** – And for passage.

8 yes for passage

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Thank you, Madam Clerk. Res. No. 6 – 2021 has passed.

#### 8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

#### 9. PETITIONS AND GENERAL COMMINCATIONS

#### 10. BILLS, ACCOUNTS AND CLAIMS

Office Depot - \$55.02 Copy paper and office supplies

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilman Lewis.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – I make a motion to pay the bills.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Seconded by Councilwoman Starrett. Roll call

8 yes to pay the bills

#### 11. REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICIALS

Treasurer's Report - June 2021 Auditor's Report - July 2021

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISNTICK** – Councilman Lewis.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – I make a motion that we accept the Auditor's Report.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Seconded by Councilman Gregg. Roll call.

8 yes to accept the Auditor's Report

<u>COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK</u> – Thank you, Madam Clerk. The Auditor's report has been accepted.

#### 12. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

<u>COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK</u> – Our next Work Session will be Monday, August 9, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. We will have a Special Meeting and go into Executive Session first. Mayor.

MAYOR KATHY CATAZARO-PERRY – Good evening, Madam President, Members of Council. I'll give you a quick update on where we are throughout the City. Our catch basins Projects I and II we're about 50% done on each of those. After the catch basins are complete, then we should begin again. The Renaissance of Duncan Plaza, the hand rails went up and they are still in progress of being placed and we have one street light that has been completed, we have another pole that is up, we're waiting for the light fixtures then most of those will be completed. Duncan Plaza will be redone with another tree and they'll be doing that in the fall. We had to take out one dead tree. The Nave-Richville intersection signal for Mast Trucking that we talked, that you all approved, that signal is up and complete and in working order and we have a meeting with Mast Trucking this week to talk about when they will begin. Many of you travel on Erie St. S.E. and that underpass is looking really, really nice now and we are just awaiting attenuators. That project will be complete as well. The Wales Rd. widening project, Dominion and AT&T are still finishing up their relocations. ODOT awarded Shelley Co. and the preconstruction meeting was held and they will begin this August, early September with the completion date of June 1, 2023. So, if you have questions, that is an ODOT project and

safety project and completion date is approximately June 21, 2023. The Erie St. S. resurfacing project has been completed from the cemetery to Finefrock and are target streets have also been completed for the year. Hankins Rd. resurfacing, we did this in conjunction with Stark Co. from Valerie to west of Jackson and the milling is completed and resurfacing is next. So Ward 3, that's for you. The levy infrastructure project, that's our \$22-million-dollar project with the Army Corp. of Engineers. They're working now on the west side and then the east side. Hills & Dales, we have 60 ft. storm sewer replacement and that is going to be a full replacement. We tried to get around that, but there's no way around it. So that's a 100 ft. pipe and the design is completed but we need to begin the project. So, we'll probably be coming back to Council, oh no, I think we found the money for this. So, it's between \$105,000 to \$115,000 for that project. Yet, some proposals for a storm water modeling on Kelly in Community Park and we will be doing a study on that. We did get one price of \$23,000 just for the study, so, we will be getting a second quote on that. And then also, we have other areas we're still working on the American Recovery Act that we're receiving the \$16 million dollars on. So, we did meet on that for a moment today, but we have much more to discuss. Lots of drainage issues all over the City and so, we'll be focusing again, as I said earlier on our infrastructure for the long-term for our future. We do have in front of you this evening about the Lincoln Way, and it's really not a Streetscape; I know that term keeps floating around. The Streetscape project is done. The term that is really appropriate for this is infrastructure and so, that is on your agenda tonight to look at. So, that is something that we do need to continue up to 4<sup>th</sup> St. That is replacing sidewalks, underground utilities, mast arms; so, that is something that's very important as well as our Warmington Rd. project that you have in front of you this evening. I'm going to jump back to with some friends here from Championship Cir. here tonight. But, St. Andrews, I wanted to talk a little bit about that. We are going to continue the Phase III for resurfacing and that bid opening is August 12<sup>th</sup> and from what we understand. everybody seems to be very pleased with the progress that we made. We put in new underdrains and we're into Phase III now. Castlewest is complete and we also have Springhill. So those are three areas that we've been working on in phases. It's working very, very well by doing that; breaking it down to phases and getting it accomplished in short periods of time. Our open mic night is going fairly well. It's a new modality for our project and, of course, our concerts as well. Thank you.

# 13. RESOLUTIONS AND REQUESTS OF COUNCIL MEMBERS

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilman Lewis.

<u>COUNCILMAN LEWIS</u> – Yes, somewhat in mind with the comments made earlier by Mr. Thieret, I would just request that at our next Work Session, Monday, is someone could be ready to speak about any updates on the passive traffic report equipment to what it's done for us and what they believe they are tracking, if anything. And also just general traffic reports and what is being done; if I could have that.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Anyone else?

#### 14. CALL OF THE CALENDAR

#### 15. THIRD READING ORDINANCE AND RESOLUTIONS

#### <u>ORDINANCE NO. 117 – 2021</u>

BY: STREETS, HIGHWAYS, TRAFFIC & SAFETY COMMITTEE

AN ORDINANCE to accept the replat and dedication of sanitary sewer easements known as Outlot No. 399, East of 27<sup>th</sup> Street N.W. and North on Meadow Ave., Massillon, Ohio.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilman Thieret.

<u>COUNCILMAN THIERET</u> – Thank you, Madam President. This is the third reading for this ordinance. Are there any other questions or discussion? If not, I'd like to make a motion to pass this this evening.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Seconded by Councilman Slutz. Roll call.

8 Yes for passage

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Thank you, Madam Clerk. Ord. No. 117 – 2021 has passed. Ord. No. 118 – 2021.

# ORDINANCE NO. 118 – 2021 BY: FINANCE COMMITTEE

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the Mayor of the City of Massillon, Ohio, to submit applications for funding to the Ohio Public Works Commission for the year ending 2022, and declaring an emergency.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilman Lewis.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – Yes, I'd open this up to discussion.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Mr. Thieret.

<u>COUNCILMAN THIERET</u> – I still feel very strongly about teaming these two projects together. I understand the machinations of Finance, but I also understand that we have disrupted business through downtown too much right now and the businesses are hanging on by threads. I don't see any reason for this to go through as far as, I think it penalizes. I'm definitely going to vote no and I hope some Council members will join me.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Anyone else? Councilman Lewis.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – I'll open it up if the Administration would like to speak.

<u>MAYOR CATAZARO-PERRY</u> – Thank you, Madam President, Members of Council. This is just tonight to allow us to go out to apply. This does not mean we're going to get those funds, but it really important if we do receive the funds because I've been downtown, I've been in restaurants, I've ordered take-out from restaurants and I have heard nothing but positive about how busy our restaurants are. They're out the door. If you can't make money; it's your own problem is what some of the other business owners have told me personally. So, I think it's very, very important that we have the foresight. Everything that we said would happen for the Streetscape has happened. Everything that we promised you would happen has happened

and businesses are full. We have people walking around during the day going to lunch and going to dinner in the evening. Our concerts are packed. People are going to dinner before the concerts. Everything we promised Council and our businesses has occurred and it's in the best eye for us because we are recruiting more and more businesses. Mr. Maley was here tonight asking you for more money for economic development to give more grants out because people are coming. We have a new photographer coming down here now, it's on the agenda tonight. Things are happening just the way we want it to happen. Please don't stop it now. I was at mass on Sunday and a person that is very prominent came up to me and said "I love what you did to downtown. It's what you did to happen. Thank you, again, for our City". So, I really would ask Council to please support this tonight. It's not saying we're going to get the money. It's only to ask and put our two project forward to be considered for the funds. Thank you.

<u>COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK</u> – Thank you. Anyone else on Council? Councilwoman Starrett.

<u>COUNCILWOMAN STARRETT</u> – Thank you, Madam President. I would have to agree, honestly. I have heard nothing but good things from those within the City and those outside of the City; Canton, North Canton, etc. They've said they heard good things about our downtown and it's awesome to come downtown. I was downtown this weekend, it was bustling and it was a wonderful time and compliments about how our downtown is better. People coming from all over Stark County to see what has changed in downtown Massillon, the revitalization of our downtown.

**COUNCILL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Thank you. Anyone else? Councilman Gregg.

**COUNCILMAN GREGG** – Thank you, Madam President. I'd like to speak in support of this legislation for a couple of reasons; not so much as what has happened as far as the businesses and so forth. I know that they have been hurting and hopefully, for the most part, recovered, but this particular legislation is simply allowing us to apply for funds and also the reason that these two projects are linked together is so we can get more points and, therefore, qualify for more funding. We're not saying that we're going to spend this money for these projects, but this is the first step of the process to apply. So, I am in support of passing this legislation this evening,

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Thank you, anyone else? Councilman Lewis.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – I'd like to make a motion that we move Ord. No. 118 – 2021 forward for a vote.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Seconded by Councilman Gregg. Roll call.

6 yes; 2 no – Thieret & Herncane voted no for passage

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Thank you, Madam Clerk. Ord. No. 118 – 2021 has passed.

#### 16. SECOND READING ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

# ORDINANCE NO. 121 – 2021 BY: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the Mayor of the City of Massillon, Ohio, to enter into an agreement with Sandra Doll to provide an economic development "inducement grant" to fund renovation costs including build-out, equipment, demolition, etc., at the Social @ The Stone House, located at 824 Lincoln Way E., Massillon, Ohio.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilwoman Starrett.

**COUNCILWOMAN STARRETT** – Second reading.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Thank you. Ord. No. 121 – 2021 has received second reading. Ord. No. 122 - 2021.

# ORDINANCE NO. 122 – 2021 BY: PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMITTEE

AN ORDINANCE to provide for water service furnished by Aqua Ohio, Inc. to the City of Massillon, Ohio, and the inhabitants thereof, and to regulate the rates under which water service shall be furnished in the City of Massillon, Ohio, for and during the period from January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2026.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilman Lombardi.

**COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI** – Second reading.

<u>COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK</u> – Thank you. Ord. No. 122 – 2021 has received second reading. Ord. No. 124 – 2021.

#### ORDINANCE NO. 124 – 2021 BY: FINANCE COMMITTEE

AN ORDINANCE making certain appropriations from the unappropriated balance of the 1435 Park and Recreation Center Project Fund, for the year ending December 31, 2021, and declaring an emergency.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilman Lewis.

<u>COUNCILMAN LEWIS</u> – Yes. I spoke with Mr. Pedro today and he confirmed that this was them closing out an account and that is why there is this appropriation. Are there any questions or discussion this evening? I make a motion that we suspend the rules requiring three readings, bringing Ord. No. 124 – 2021 forward for a vote.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Seconded by Councilman Gregg. Roll call for suspension.

8 yes for suspension

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – And for passage.

8 yes for passage

<u>COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK</u> – Thank you, Madam Clerk. Ord. No. 124 – 2021 has passed.

#### 17. REMARKS OF DELEGATIONS AND CITIZENS TO MATTERS <u>NOT</u> ON THE AGENDA

**KATHI WHITMER** – 2100 Championship Cir. S.E., Massillon, Ohio, in Augusta Lakes. We are all here today for the problem that we're having with the new catch basin that Mr. Smith had put in so he could do his Phase IIIA. We have all been flooded four times. We have called Soil & Water, we have called Massillon, we have called Jill Creamer, we have called South and Roseman and we keep getting pushed around. Nobody's taking fault for it. Now they're blaming Richville Dr. because they did the new road work that it can't hold the water, that it's coming down and its flooding us. Now we've all had a lot of damage and we're all being pushed around. We're all at wits end. We don't know what to do anymore and, like I said, we've all been pushed around from, it's not his fault, it's not their fault, it's not our fault. Now, if we go to sell our homes, I've been there sixteen years and we've never had any water problems. If I go to sell my home, now I have to report that I have a water problem and its going to drop \$20,000 off the price of my home because of this catch basin. This catch basin, from what we understood from Mr. Smith or told, that it was going to catch the rain, it was going to drain, keep the clean water to go into the water system, but keep the mud down and it does not drain. It does not drain at all. All of us, we have pictures unbelievable; pictures of what we have gone through since he has put this catch basin in for us. So, we're asking somebody, now I know today for some reason and I don't know why, but the Massillon Engineering Dept. decided to come out and take a look at it. So, I don't know what they're thinking about it, but it's a mess. It's a mess for all us. We have tons of construction; we have had new Parade of Homes come through during that time. We had a bad storm. We had two new homes basements that have flooded during that time, during the Parade of Homes. I mean, somebody really needs to help us. We are at wits end with this problem and we have not had this. We have homeowners that have been in this allotment for over twenty years and have not had this problem, but since this basin has been completed, all of us have been flooding and from our understanding, we were told that when Richville Dr. was done that it would handle a hundred-year rain. Well, somebody's failing somewhere because we are all being flooded. If you would like to look at our pictures, we'd be very happy to show you all of our pictures because they're not pretty and I don't think any of you would want that at your home either. So, my three minutes are probably up and I know everybody else here has got complaints about it. Thank you.

#### **COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Thank you.

<u>JOHN SALVATERRA</u> – 1660 Par Four Cir. S.E. in Augusta Lakes allotment. I've been there eighteen years now and not once have I really had a water problem. Some, because of the slant in the back of yard, water will come down, but never like this. It's taking like five or six days for the water to dry out and for me to be able to cut. I met with Steve Smith and John, I don't know his last name, I think he's a foreman of the project; on March 24<sup>th</sup>, we discussed this huge mountain of dirt behind my yard. It was probably fifteen feet off my property line. Of course, I don't know that because Roseman tore out my property stakes; I don't even know where my property line is. But, they dug this big huge retention pond and they took all that dirt and they packed it up behind my house, probably about forty to fifty feet high. The water started channeling down around this huge mountain of dirt trinkeling in filling a well, overflowing coming down into my yard. So, I met with him about this and he agreed to dig out

about fifteen feet of this and to his credit, he did that. It took him about three or four weeks to do it and he ended up doing it and also, there's a catch basin on my property and he sloped the land back towards that. But I know at that point and time is he created a bigger problem because it puts all that water on the one side, it overflowed and it went into my neighbor's yard and my yard and I assume, they're going to get up here and tell you about it. It was a river of mud coming down in our yard, hitting the street, going out into the storm sewer. This, in turn, goes down into the Augusta Lakes along the golf course. There's got to be silt and mud and everything else that eventually is going to have to be dredged out and it's going to cost somebody a lot of money. So, I've been there eighteen years and never had this problem. The dust back there; they do not do anything. I understand that there is some sort of regulation where you start being able to control the dust. These big front-end loaders are driving back through all this dirt and it's like a big giant dust storm. My house is coated with dust. I can't wash my windows, it comes in my screens, it's in my window wells, it's terrible and they haven't done a thing about this. And one other thing, I think the other neighbors are going to talk about this flooding in the backyards, but, one other thing; the entrance to our allotment, it is so dangerous. It is unbelievable. They have a sign, probably thirty of forty feet from the entrance saying "Dangerous Intersection", but by the time people are up on that sign, you're in the intersection. And since they redid the road, it has become a drag strip back. Somebody is going to get killed. It's a shame; it's a shame. We need some enforcement of the speed limits out there and also, you can't see to make a left hand turn. So, they need to put up maybe a big round mirror where you can see. When they built the roads, they took the height off the road and you can't see the vehicles coming up over the hill and it's like a crap shoot to try to get out of there. But anyways, thanks for hearing me and that's pretty much all I got to say. I might have missed a few things, but, thank you again, everybody and I hope you can help us.

# **COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Thank you, John. Anyone else?

STEPHANIE VARGO - 1668 Par Four Cir. S.E., Massillon, Ohio. I am not much of a talker but I am a neighbor of John's who just spoke. We've lived there for three years, in the three years we have never had such problems with water or water accumulation. Our yard also stays wet for five days at a time, our fire pit, our backyard. But our biggest issue is that the catch basin that they put in front of John's and my vard is clearly not working. So, basically, this past big rain that we just had, water accumulates to the point where it actually created a tunnel of water through our yard. It filled my window with muddy, muddy water. Bowed my window out, shattered my window and filled my basement with straight mud water. We've had to some thousand dollars just to dry our basement, not counting all of the restorations we're going to have to do with my finished basement. This one-in-a-lifetime rain happened again seven days later and, again, flooded directly into our basement a second time again. So, we have talked with many of our neighbors, we've all been through these issues, but we've also contacted our Code Enforcer's who's yet to get back with us, but he's supposed to get back in touch with us by Tuesday because he was to look at the property to see if erosion was on our property telling us that it's the pitch of our roof that cause these windows to fill up and bust out. When it was Richville Dr. for our neighbors and it was this problem or that problem. It's going to be a problem from here on out and every time it rains, my husband is in the basement making sure that it doesn't overflow and come back into our basement. It's just been a problem and I just feel like this is going to be an ongoing issue with these rains that we've been having and even just normal rains. Thank you.

# **COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Anyone else?

JODI RICE – 2140 Championship Cir. S.E., Massillon, Ohio. I'm here tonight for the same concerns that everybody else is. Early in 2021, I moved into Augusta Lakes. At that point, we hired RBF to come in and clear the land and put in a detention pond. Since this time, all of us have seen increased problems with water. On July 8th, we had a big rain and both days, water flooded from the top where there's now no vegetation down to our property line and filled up the pond. I called Mr. Smith with my concerns and he told me to be patient, he was working on this. He also told me that he was done with heavy equipment in our area and he would not be bringing them back to repair. Said he would dig small hand trenches behind my house to retain the water. Now since then, we have noticed an increase in mosquitoes because when you dig something in the ground, you're going to get standing water. I actually called the Health Dept. They were very helpful; they came out immediately the same day and put some insecticide down for us and she was very concerned about the pond itself. It's a detention pond. By definition, a detention pond is a basin of water that is supposed to drain after it rains. It was twelve days after the rain when she got there and it was still full of water. I understand that Mr. Smith has the right to develop his properties but not at the cost of other properties. I'm asking you to please help us with these problems. I have talked to Code Enforcement, I've talked to the Health Dept. and today I talked to Jill Creamer yesterday, and today the City Engineers were out and I talked to them briefly. On another note, construction vehicles on our road, our road is already very bad, it needs help. They're bringing eighteen wheelers full of crushed gravel down our road every day, about every few minutes, at this point and they have a construction entrance but they are not using it and we are concerned about that because, from my understanding, our road is on a list, but they're not going to do anything unless the construction is finished. Well, we might be talking ten years here before they build all those thirty or forty houses. We only have one entrance in and out of our development and somebody else already mentioned; it is very dangerous. If you add that increased traffic, you are just asking for an accident. We need a new traffic pattern. There's a very big ability to take that road straight out. I don't know who needs to do that, but somebody should look into because this is a safety concern. I thank you for the time tonight. If anybody has any questions, I'd be happy to answer any.

# **COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Thank you. Anyone else?

L.J. DELUCA – 2954 Veterans Blvd. S.E., Massillon, Ohio, I hope that that is not a testament for the Parade of Homes. I've been to a lot of Parade of Homes. I think that's a testament to the Parade of Homes. I know a lot people that have dealt with Mr. Smith, but I feel really bad for these people and I think that they need to ban together and get legal representation, maybe in a class action suit because this should not be going on. We have downtown Massillon with all the businesses. We have problems down here too with Streetscape. Infrastructure is Streetscape, Streetscape is infrastructure. We have a play on words for the animal control officer, Jim Thieret mentioned that last time. I don't want a play on words. I want something done for this. We have a lady here, pit bull, there were four or five fighting. I want everybody to look at this, please. She had bit got very, very bad. The police, it's not here, but it could be here, in Akron, Ohio, had to shot four dogs, four pit bulls. I know some of you on Council and I want to know who you are because I want the people that vote for you to know who you are. You're telling me that a code enforcement officer can take care of this. They have no gun, Jimmy Johnson, I don't think carries a gun. I don't think the other two code enforcement officers carry one. Somebody said, put it in the Parks and Recreation Dept. You're going to put it in the Parks and Recreation. We've had so many problems. Streetscape, I think it's nice but we do have a lot of safety problems and don't tell anymore business owners downtown that you can't put open signs down there because it's City property in the ground, you're putting

holes. I say tonight to Jimmy Johnson and to the other code enforcement officers, you get us about a hundred thousand dollars that these landlords that you need to get, you get with the Auditor, Jayne Ferrero, you get with anybody. And speaking about Jayne Ferrero, a wish list is what you see and what you deem important, first and foremost. Otherwise, you wouldn't have it. When you want money the Mayor wants that's what she deems important. She's probably going to do exactly what she did. I think it great, the people of downtown, but it is not a whole party dealing with everybody going pum-ba-la in downtown Massillon. Let's be truthful about it. We had a taco truck here; people almost go killed. And again, we're in the front instead of the back. I thought we had an agreement that it was going to be in the back. It's in the front where you can't even see. It was in front of Sugar Bowl. Now, I understand, I like what Matt's doing and I love all that stuff, but sometimes we got to be very conscience, Ted and Jamie and everybody else on Council, of what's going on here. We cannot just go out, somebody who's been here for thirty years, how do you think he's going to do that? If we had Herncane Pizza there, would you like it if you've all that time and somebody pulled up with something else? We can't do that, okay. So what I'm asking, I feel bad for these people, I've been to August Lakes. I know a lot of people that live there. The Parade of Homes should be great: it should be a great thing. The Mayor was called in, it was in the paper, it was pretty good. It doesn't sound like it's a good thing there and it's very dangerous, I travel that area all the time. We need a new entrance in Augusta Lakes. Also there's been a robbery problem there with some of those houses. Some of the people I know have moved out. It's been a constant influx of moving in and out. That's why I say these fine people here tonight need to representation. They need a class action lawsuit to take care of all the problems. Ryan Homes, you know where that is where you go over, somebody hit that bridge? Somebody over there has water in their thing. We not talking Augusta Lakes, we're talking Ryan Homes. I've seen they dug it out, they got all this water, two or three feet. So we can talk and it's a Parade of Homes, but to me, Madam President, it sounds like a parade of misery. And again, I'm just going to end up here. I would encourage everybody in Augusta Lakes to get legal representation. A class action lawsuit; whoever it needs to be, whoever's responsible. Somebody's responsible. So tonight, I offer up my personal e-mail; if there's anything I can do for you or you would like me to address anything with Massillon City Council or even Mayor Kathy Catazaro-Perry, my email is lideluca752@gmail.com. I feel very bad for these people. This is not what I intended to say today. I was aware of some of the problems going on, but there was a couple of wreck. You got this little sign blinking and you're on it right away. Streetscape, you get in there and you're sideswiped in there. You only half space now for streetscape or infrastructurescape or whatever you want to call it. People just don't have the parking, Madam President. Thank you very much. Have a good day.

#### **COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Thank you.

PAM BATES – 2095 Championship Cir. S.E., Massillon, Ohio. My husband and I moved into our new home November 2002. We were the third home, from what I understand, in the neighborhood and the first down the hill and it was our wonderland and it still is. We have wonderful neighbors. We have heard about the recent excavation of property development and construction of the new detention pond this past spring. We have so many drainage problems from the golf course and our home, our backyard is right on the fourth fairway on the east court; it's a lovely view. Except that the Massillon Park and Rec. Dept. is supposed to maintain and properly care for the golf course and the retention pond. This whole almost twenty years, there has been no clean-out or dredging of the pond to provide any removal of overgrowth, willow trees, algae except in the water, which I do know comes from fertilizing which is natural. But there has been no attempt to clean up that area. Consequently, our

beautiful views are fading. All we see are willows and greens and cattails. These views are in our deed which was to be protected and maintain by now the Parks Dept. and it is their responsibility to understand and follow the directions in our homeowner's guide and restrictions. I have a copy of it right here, 2002. We have made numerous calls not wanting to become labeled as "bitchy" old people or a pain in the butt, if you might say. But the natural flow of water to Indian River is becoming obstructive. I have pictures and we have other pictures from the neighbors of the waterways draining from the neighborhood, which I'm thinking at a 45 degree grade all the way down to the golf course and from there, the water and mud and silt from the construction, runs down to the Indian River. The pipes are filling with mud and silt. Calls have been made reporting in detail what has occurred. I was informed personally by Code Enforcement that there is a higher authority that he is bound to and that this issue is about his pay grade. Mr. Smith also stated in 2002 that when 80% of lot development is completed, the road would be completed to exit Richville Dr. at some point. Understanding the need for more home building and the delay and the recession of 2007 and 2008, Jerry and I could understand the delay, but there's still no outlet to enter or exit on the other side. This causes a huge safety risk and we had, I'd say, a 100 trips with heavy construction trucks going up and down our road this past few weeks, with boulders. Not just little pebbles. We're talking huge stones and I do watch my grandchildren one to two days a week and it is a big concern with all of this traffic. As of Friday, Mr. Smith stated to my husband at his office, "I'm not putting a road through and I don't intend to. I don't have to and no one can make me". And it appears that there should be some law or rule in a city of this size for proper easement entrance and exit in a neighborhood. I love people, I'm a nurse, I was a nursing director and a teacher, but I do believe in rules and I appreciate your time. Thank you.

# **COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Thank you. Anyone else?

**PETER RINK** – 2085 Championship Cir. S.E., Massillon, Ohio. Thanks for having us. My issues are a little bit different than these other people. I do have a pond, small pond in the backyard and the big problem with all this is we development going in and all the water from up the road, the cul-de-sac from the other neighborhood, comes through this 36-inch pipe that he has to run through there into this pond. So, and we have in the yard, nothing terrible but since this detention pond has been put in, now we have a 36-inch pipe feeding into the detention pond, it travels through a 32-inch pipe, it goes to a 12-inch pipe; it feeds out this 36-inch pipe into the pond. The pressure is unbelievable. The water, and we've had hard rains, even without that, the water pressure is so intense that it runs right pass the storm drain, they're bubbling up and flooding the road now. We never had anything like this before living here. My concern is in the future. Right now, there's no paved road, there's no houses. All the water is just coming from the run off and the pipe's not even hooked up. Just a stupid design, in my opinion, and I've a lot of projects over the years in my career. How do you figure that this one pipe is going to handle all of that into a small pond? It can't and the detention pond is the type that's supposed to draw down and drop and it's a failure what's put there. Now it's now working and I've seen a lot of mud and water and everything come through there. One of the things, the detention pond, where it's at, he placed that in such a way that, new houses, new people that are just moved in and bought these houses didn't know that this was going in there, it's going right behind our houses and the low point of the dam itself, the spillway when everything fails, it's towards their houses and its failed. I don't understand who would approve something like this and allow this to happen in the City. With that detention pond, the neighbor, the detention itself; it isn't lined with clay or anything, it's just mud. All the sides have eroded and just broke down and a lot of mud at the bottom. There's no fence around that.

This was according to Mr. Smith, quote, unquote "I'm not doing nothing with it. It's not my problem, the Association will have pay for that or take care of that or you neighbors will have to pay for it if you want it fenced up". That's ridiculous. The road should be put in there; it's still draining. It could be very tragic. That's all I have to say. I appreciate your time and bless you.

# **COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Thank you. Anyone else?

ROBERT JODEL - 1975 Masters Point S.E., Massillon, Ohio, in Augusta Lakes. I've had problems in the past. It's the small pond that's on the golf course behind me. To credit to the City of Massillon, we called them; they come over and they actually run another line off of that pond, the drain line, about three times bigger than the original drain line, but there's like 15 inches or 14 inches three pipes feeding that pond and the pond's not that big. Now I got a 16 or 18-inch pipe that runs down to the other lake and then there's one that runs across the golf course. We've been fairly satisfied with that for about five or six years. The pond is got a lot of crap in it; I'm not complaining about that, that's going to happen. But now since they started the construction of Championship Dr., up the road, that pond turns brown instantly. So I know where the water is coming from. It's coming from up the hill and I walked up there the other night; they have nine catch basins up there and I think they're all feeding down to that little lake. That's not going to work. It's just like they all said, you got too much water coming to one point. If the Engineering Dept. in Massillon has approved that system, there's going to be problems from there and yes, you're going to get yelled, it's going to be Massillon. I think they need to get out there and find out what he's doing and how he's doing it and stop it now. Because if you don't, I don't know want you're going to do. I don't anywhere else you're going to drain that water other than maybe across the golf course to the big pond over there. It has ten times the capacity of that little pond that I have or put a pump station in, that's expensive too. So, I'm just voicing my concerns. Since they put the other drain in, I've been fairly satisfied that that's going to take care of it. But with the last two rains we had, my backyard, I walked out there and it's up over my knees in my yard and I walked out across towards the golf course and it was up to almost my waist. So, there's no provision to get rid of that water, in my opinion. They didn't engineer that into it. Also, all the homes along Masters Point, it's like a river coming down through my backyard because there's nowhere for the water from the downspouts to go except in that little valley that comes down to that little pond. So, it's twofold: I'm at a junction and I don't like it there and they're going to have to do something to alleviate that water problem. Either Smith is going to have to or the City of Massillon is going to have to. I don't know who, but, it's a danger. I can tell you that now. That's all I have. Thank you.

#### **COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Thank you. Anyone else?

<u>SHARON THIERET</u> – 935 Roosevelt St. N.E., Massillon, Ohio. I'm here tonight, first of all, I ask for everybody to reach back and serve a mom whose son was almost killed. Last year, I buried my dad, this year I buried my mom and unfortunately, the people in the Administration did not respect that. So respect into that because this about my son, my child, who was almost killed. Jimmy is fourteen; he had a job interview, the first interview of his life. He was so excited. So we went downtown to tell Bill, because he had shared the secret with Bill. We stop in front of Victorian Reflections, but Bill's got a sign on his door, but Jimmy wants to celebrate with a milkshake at the Sugar Bowl. We're like, yeah, we'll go over there. We carefully look both ways, right there, we cross in the middle, whatever it is, that mess there and then we stop and look both ways several times again. Jimmy's about this far in front of me, Jim's a little behind him and nothings coming. There are cars down the road, we can see

them, but we're okay because we've looked several times. That far away from Jimmy again. Jimmy takes a step forward and there's a car right there. I saw my son's life flash before my eyes because that stupid crosswalk isn't labeled properly. But all the ones, east and west, can be labeled properly. I understand from the little research that I did, it's the City's responsibility to make sure its labeled properly. What if it was one of our residents in their wheelchair that couldn't back up like my son did. I screamed immediately. This car was going twice the speed limit. But that's not it. Jimmy had his first real job interview today. This was Saturday. We think it went well. We go downtown to celebrate and unfortunately, Jimmy was almost killed crossing our inadequately marked crosswalk. Many people have almost been killed there because you cannot tell it's a crosswalk. East and west, they've got the light, stop, walk just a little ways away from the one in the middle, it's ridiculous. We have complained since the beginning that it's inadequate. Nothing has been done by the City Administration. It is still not marked properly. What will it take, someone actually getting killed like my fourteen old, he did get the job, by the way, but who may not have ever got a chance to have spared his life? I thought his diabetes would kill him, not the irresponsibility of the City Administration. We were told from the beginning that they marked it in the way that they were supposed to. Well, okay, so you did the bare minimum of what you were supposed to do. More needs to be done, immediately. I wake up that morning hearing about a hit and skip on Amherst and Lake. That's not it. Because of those stupid bump-outs or whatever you want to call them, somebody's going by, half of his tire is in the other line; it's just a mess down there. There's no room to drive, there's no room to park. I'm told there is, but no, there's actually not. Mirrors have come off of cars. While we're in the Sugar Bowl celebrating after all this other stuff, the police are outside, our great police dept. Awesome police dept. I don't want anybody grandstanding and saying that I'm picking on the police. My father was a policeman; I am propolice. They were outside taking care of an incident. It was an accident, somebody was trying, but there's not enough room anymore, to park; swiped a car. It was probably somebody parked in the high rise. Something has to be done. Now, I don't understand why there can't be something marked properly, we were parked at Victorian Reflections, the one in the middle when you walk over to the Sugar Bowl. So, it's right there, but it's not marked properly. It's dangerous and someone's going to get killed. Thank you for your time, Madam President. I'm just a little bit of an angry Momma Bear. So, with all due respect.

<u>JEFF CONRAD</u> – 2130 Championship Cir. S.E., Massillon, Ohio. I don't have a lot to add to all the problems. Our friends and neighbors have said everything there is to say about it. We're only eight months in to living there. We do have a lot of water issues. I can't speak for the year's people, but, I do know that before he put in the detention pond, I had a little damage on the far side. Now it's wet up to my home. Nobody gets everything right the first time, but I think what we're all asking here is to get your help, as a group, discuss it and make sure whoever is responsible, be it one person or a group of people, do whatever it takes to make it right for our property value, for our property damage and for our own peace of mind. I'm short and sweet. Thank you all.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Anyone else?

#### 18. ADJOURNMENT

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilman Lombardi.

**COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI** – I move to adjourn.

# **COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Seconded by Councilman Slutz. Meeting adjourned.

DIANE ROLLAND, COUNCIL CLERK

CLAUDETTE ISTNICK, PRESIDENT