

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
MASSILLON CITY COUNCIL
HELD MONDAY, MARCH 1, 2021**

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Welcome to the Massillon City Council Meeting for Monday, March 1, 2021. We have in attendance with us the following city officials: Mayor, Kathy Catazaro-Perry, Safety Service Director, Barb Sylvester, Law Director, Justin Richard, Chief Engineer, Jason Popiel, Community Development Director, Samantha Walters, Economic Development Director, Dave Maley, and Health Dept. Commissioner, Terri Argent. Under item #5 on the agenda is where the public can speak on any item that appears on tonight’s agenda and then under item #17 is where the public can speak on any item that does NOT appear on tonight’s agenda. I’d like to remind all of you that if you are not speaking, please mute your mics so that we can hold all the background noise to a minimum

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, Linda Litman, Mark Lombardi, Jamie Slutz and Jim Thieret.

Roll call of 8 present

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Councilman Lewis.

COUNCILMAN LEWIS – I’d like to make a motion that we excuse Councilwoman Megan Starrett from the meeting tonight.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Seconded by Councilwoman Litman. Roll call.

8 yes to excuse Councilwoman Starrett

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Thank you, Madam Clerk. Councilwoman Starrett has been excused.

2. INVOCATION

COUNCILMAN ED LEWIS

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

LED BY COUNCILMAN LEWIS

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Thank you, Councilman Lewis.

4. READING OF THE JOURNAL

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

COUNCIL CLERK ROLLAND – Yes, they are.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Are there any additions or corrections to be made?

COUNCIL CLERK ROLLAND – No, there are not.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Thank you. Then the minutes stand approved as written.

5. REMARKS OF DELEGATIONS AND CITIZENS TO MATTERS ON THE AGENDA

6. NEW AND MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

7. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

ORDINANCE NO. 27 – 2021

BY: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the Mayor of the City of Massillon, Ohio, to enter into an agreement with the Print Bar to provide an economic development “inducement grant” to fund start-up costs at the property located at 45 – 1st Street N.W., Massillon, Ohio.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Thank you. Due to Councilwoman Starrett’s absence, Councilman Lewis will be filling in for her. Councilman Lewis.

COUNCILMAN LEWIS – First reading.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Thank you. Ord. No. 27 – 2021 has received first reading. Ord. No. 28 – 2021.

ORDINANCE NO. 28 – 2021

BY: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the Mayor of the City of Massillon, Ohio, to enter into an agreement with the Head to Toe Salon and Spa to provide an economic development “inducement grant” to fund start-up costs at the property located at 224 – 1st Street N.E., Massillon, Ohio.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Councilman Lewis.

COUNCILMAN LEWIS – First reading.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Thank you. Ord. No. 28 – 2021 has received first reading. Ord. No. 29 – 2021.

ORDINANCE NO. 29 – 2021

BY: STREETS, HIGHWAYS, TRAFFIC AND SAFETY COMMITTEE

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the Mayor of the City of Massillon, Ohio, to enter into an agreement with Kathy Boyd’s Hair Studio to provide an economic development “inducement grant” to fund start-up costs at the property located at 212 Federal Avenue N.E., Massillon, Ohio.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Councilman Lewis.

COUNCILMAN LEWIS – First reading.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Thank you. Ord. No. 29 has received first reading. Ord. No. 30 – 2021.

ORDINANCE NO. 30 – 2021

BY: POLICE AND FIRE COMMITTEE

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the Director of Public Service and Safety of the City of Massillon, Ohio, to accept a donation from Greif Brothers Packaging, on behalf of the Massillon Fire Department, and declaring an emergency.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Councilwoman Litman.

COUNCILWOMAN LITMAN – Thank you, Madam President. This is a check that we have already received in the amount of \$3,000. We were told last week that this is something that happens periodically where donations to our Police and Fire Department occur by simply receiving a check. We’ve made this deposit. Are there any questions or concerns from Council members? Hearing none, I’d like to make a motion that we waive the rules requiring three readings and bring Ord. No. 30 – 2021 forward for a vote.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Seconded by Councilman Lombardi. 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. 30 – 2021 has passed. Ord. No. 31 – 2021.

ORDINANCE NO. 31 – 2021

BY: STREETS, HIGHWAYS, TRAFFIC AND SAFETY COMMITTEE

AN ORDINANCE to accept the replat and dedication of road right of way on Woodruff Avenue N.W., Massillon, Ohio.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Councilman Thieret.

COUNCILMAN THIERET – Thank you, Madam President. This should be first reading.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Thank you. Ord. No. 31 – 2021 has received first reading. Ord. No. 32 – 2021.

ORDINANCE NO. 32 – 2021

BY: STREETS, HIGHWAYS, TRAFFIC AND SAFETY COMMITTEE

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the Director of Public Service and Safety of the City of Massillon, Ohio, to sign the Preliminary Legislation with the Ohio Dept. of Transportation (ODOT), for the Pavement Markings along US-30 from the W. Corp. Limit to SR-627 within the City of Massillon, PID 114081, and declaring an emergency.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Councilman Thieret.

COUNCILMAN THIERET – Thank you, Madam President. As we discussed at the Work Session, this is just giving permission to ODOT to do some work and as I understand it, there's no cost or anything to the City. It's just giving them permission to work. Are there any questions or comments from Council? Hearing none, I make a motion that we waive the rules requiring three readings and bring Ord. No. 32 – 2021 forward for a vote tonight.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Seconded by Councilwoman Creamer. 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. 32 – 2021 has passed. Ord. No. 33 – 2021.

ORDINANCE NO. 33 – 2021

BY: STREETS, HIGHWAYS, TRAFFIC AND SAFETY COMMITTEE

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the Director of Public Service and Safety of the City of Massillon, Ohio, to enter into a Project and Maintenance Agreement with the Stark County Commissioners for 12th Street and Hankins Road N.E., Massillon, Ohio, and declaring an emergency.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Councilman Thieret.

COUNCILMAN THIERET – Thank you, Madam President. Again, we had some input from the engineer at the Work Session. Are there any questions or comments from Council? Hearing none, I would make a motion that we waive the rules requiring three readings and bring Ord. No. 33 – 2021 forward for a vote tonight.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Seconded by Councilwoman Creamer. 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. 33 – 2021 has passed. Ord. No. 34 – 2021.

ORDINANCE NO. 34 – 2021

BY: FINANCE COMMITTEE

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

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Councilman Lewis.

COUNCILMAN LEWIS – Yes. President Istnick, I am looking for clarification; I want to make sure that we're correct here, but for some reason my memory serves that the next three ordinances didn't receive verbals to be on the agenda, but I could be wrong. I don't know if anyone else could recall anything different.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Diane, what do your records show?

COUNCIL CLERK ROLLAND – I don't have the Request for Legislations here with me.

COUNCILMAN LEWIS – I don't know if Mr. Gregg remembers at all. It doesn't matter, I'll give them first reading. I just want to make sure we're okay, that's all.

COUNCIL CLERK ROLLAND – I did go back through the recording for the Work Session and I believe the verbals were given, but I can go back through and do it again, just to make sure.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Councilman Lewis.

COUNCILMAN LEWIS – It looks like Mr. Gregg is trying to speak.

COUNCILMAN GREGG – I can't recall exactly, but I know we gave verbals to a lot of legislation last Work Session. So, I think perhaps we did.

COUNCILMAN LEWIS – Okay. First reading.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Thank you. Ord. No. 34 – 2021 has received first reading. Ord. No. 35 – 2021.

ORDINANCE NO. 35 – 2021

BY: FINANCE COMMITTEE

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

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Councilman Lewis.

COUNCILMAN LEWIS – First reading.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Thank you. Ord. No. 35 – 2021 has received first reading. Ord. No. 36 – 2021.

ORDINANCE NO. 36 – 2021

BY: FINANCE COMMITTEE

AN ORDINANCE making certain appropriations from the unappropriated balance of the 1237 Economic Development Fund, for the year ending December 31, 2021, and declaring an emergency.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Councilman Lewis.

COUNCILMAN LEWIS – First reading.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Thank you. Ord. No. 36 – 2021 has received first reading. Ord. No. 37 – 2021.

ORDINANCE NO. 37 – 2021

BY: FINANCE COMMITTEE

AN ORDINANCE making certain appropriations from the unappropriated balance of the 1351 Shaw/Castlewest Fund, for the year ending December 31, 2021.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Councilman Lewis.

COUNCILMAN LEWIS – Yes. This account was generated from fees from people that lived in that neighborhood. It was based on that repayment, I believe, for that area. All those obligations have been filled and this just the remainder balance that's been sitting in an account for many years now. So, we're just clearing it out so that it can be moved elsewhere. Are there any questions or discussion this evening? Hearing none, I make motion that we suspend the rules requiring three readings, bringing Ord. No. 37 – 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

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Thank you, Madam Clerk. Ord. No. 37 – 2021 has passed. Ord. No. 38 – 2021.

ORDINANCE NO. 38 – 2021

BY: FINANCE COMMITTEE

AN ORDINANCE making certain transfers in the 2021 appropriations from within the 1351 Shaw/Castlewest Fund, for the year ending December 31, 2021.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Councilman Lewis.

COUNCILMAN LEWIS – Yes. So this is the second step of what we just went through. This transfers the funds into the General Fund so that it can be utilized. Are there any questions or

discussion? Hearing none, I make a motion that we suspend the rules requiring three readings, bringing Ord. No. 38 – 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

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Thank you, Madam Clerk. Ord. No. 38 – 2021 has passed. Ord. No. 39 – 2021.

ORDINANCE NO. 39 – 2021

BY: FINANCE COMMITTEE

AN ORDINANCE making certain appropriations from the unappropriated balance of the 1228 Law Department-Community Partnership Fund, for the year ending December 31, 2021.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Councilman Lewis.

COUNCILMAN LEWIS – This is similar to the last one that we just did except now, it's for the Law Dept. The Community Partnership Fund is no longer utilized through that program. Are there any questions or discussion this evening? Hearing none, I make a motion that we suspend the rules requiring three readings, bringing Ord. No. 39 – 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

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Thank you, Madam Clerk. Ord. No. 39 – 2021 has passed. Ord. No. 40 – 2021.

ORDINANCE NO. 40 – 2021

BY: FINANCE COMMITTEE

AN ORDINANCE making certain transfers in the 2021 appropriations from within the 1228 Law Department-Community Partnership Fund, for the year ending December 31, 2021.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Councilman Lewis.

COUNCILMAN LEWIS – Yes. This is just taking those funds and putting them in the General Fund. Are there any questions or discussion this evening? Hearing none, I make a motion that we suspend the rules requiring three readings, bringing Ord. No. 40 – 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

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Thank you, Madam Clerk. Ord. No. 40 – 2021 has passed. Ord. No. 41 – 2021.

ORDINANCE NO. 41 – 2021

BY: FINANCE COMMITTEE

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

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Councilman Lewis.

COUNCILMAN LEWIS – Yes. These are dollars that were not part of the budget that will cover the cost of the accumulated sick for people that are retiring in the 2021 year. This is a benefit that is owed to the employees that chose to retire. Are there any questions or discussion this evening? Hearing none, I make a motion that we suspend the rules requiring three readings, bringing Ord. No. 40 – 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

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Thank you, Madam Clerk. Ord. No. 41 – 2021 has passed. Ord. No. 42 – 2021.

ORDINANCE NO. 42 – 2021

BY: FINANCE COMMITTEE

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

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Councilman Lewis.

COUNCILMAN LEWIS – Yes. This is related to the donation that we agreed to accept earlier in this meeting. Are there any questions or discussion this evening? Hearing none, I make a motion that we suspend the rules requiring three readings, bringing Ord. No. 42 – 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

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Thank you, Madam Clerk. Ord. No. 42 – 2021 has passed. Ord. No. 43 – 2021.

ORDINANCE NO. 43 – 2021

BY: FINANCE COMMITTEE

AN ORDINANCE making certain appropriations from the unappropriated balance of the 1423 South Massillon Trunk Fund, for the year ending December 31, 2021, and declaring an emergency.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Councilman Lewis.

COUNCILMAN LEWIS – Yes. Do we have someone from Administration that can speak? We did have a question as to what the South Truck was?

STEFANIE MYERS – That is the Warmington Rd. area with the South Trunk and it was a project and that is done. But Tony is able to buy certain things for that area with this money that is left over and this is another account that won't be used any more.

COUNCILMAN LEWIS – Are there any further questions? Hearing none, I make a motion that we suspend the rules requiring three readings, bringing Ord. No. 43 – 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

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Thank you, Madam Clerk. Ord. No. 43 – 2021 has passed. Ord. No. 44 – 2021.

ORDINANCE NO. 44 – 2021

BY: FINANCE COMMITTEE

AN ORDINANCE making certain appropriations from the unappropriated balance of the 3104 Vacant Foreclosure Deposit Fund, for the year ending December 31, 2021, and declaring an emergency.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Councilman Lewis.

COUNCILMAN LEWIS – Yes. These are monies that the City collected during foreclosures and these dollars are to be used for the HMRP Grant Program within the City. Are there any questions or discussion this evening? Hearing none, I make a motion that we suspend the rules requiring three readings, bringing Ord. No. 44 – 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

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Thank you, Madam Clerk. Ord. No. 44 – 2021 has passed. Ord. No. 45 – 2021.

ORDINANCE NO. 45 – 2021

BY: FINANCE COMMITTEE

AN ORDINANCE making certain appropriations from the unappropriated balance of the 1206 Municipal Motor Vehicle Fund, for the year ending December 31, 2021, and declaring an emergency.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Councilman Lewis.

COUNCILMAN LEWIS – Yes. This is the City's share for the project on Hankins Rd. We are doing this along with the County. Are there any questions or discussion this evening? Hearing none, I make a motion that we suspend the rules requiring three readings, bringing Ord. No. 45 – 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

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Thank you, Madam Clerk. Ord. No. 45 – 2021 has passed. Ord. No. 46 – 2021.

ORDINANCE NO. 46 – 2021

BY: FINANCE COMMITTEE

AN ORDINANCE making certain appropriations from the unappropriated balance of the 1235 Community Health Services Fund, for the year ending December 31, 2021, and declaring an emergency.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Councilman Lewis.

COUNCILMAN LEWIS – Yes. I'd like to call upon Terri Argent.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Ms. Argent if you'd come forward.

TERRI ARGENT – Yes, I'm here.

COUNCILMAN LEWIS – Ms. Argent, this is the grants related to COVID like contact tracing and things of that nature, correct?

TERRI ARGENT – Yes, that’s correct.

COUNCILMAN LEWIS – I didn’t want to misspeak when I presented this, so, I wanted to clarify.

TERRI ARGENT – Yes, that’s right.

COUNCILMAN LEWIS – Does anyone have any questions for Ms. Argent or in general? Hearing none, I make a motion that we suspend the rules requiring three readings, bringing Ord. No. 46 – 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

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Thank you, Madam Clerk. Ord. No. 46 – 2021 has passed. Ord. No. 47 – 2021.

ORDINANCE NO. 47 – 2021

BY: FINANCE COMMITTEE

AN ORDINANCE making certain appropriations from the unappropriated balance of the 1234 Park and Recreation Fund for The Legends of Massillon Golf Course, for the year ending December 31, 2021, and declaring an emergency.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Councilman Lewis.

COUNCILMAN LEWIS – Yes. These dollars are coming from The Legends Golf Course carryover. It has already been approved by the Recreation Board. These dollars will be used for maintenance of the course such as working on the sand traps and other needs throughout the course and also some will be going into the Pro Shop. Are there any questions or discussion this evening? Hearing none, I make a motion that we suspend the rules requiring three readings, bringing Ord. No. 47 – 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

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Thank you, Madam Clerk. Ord. No. 47 – 2021 has passed. Ord. No. 48 – 2021.

ORDINANCE NO. 48 – 2021

BY: FINANCE COMMITTEE

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the Director of the Park and Recreation Department of the City of Massillon, Ohio, to accept a Small Business Relief Funding Grant from the State of Ohio on behalf of The Legends Golf Course, and declaring an emergency.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Councilman Lewis.

COUNCILMAN LEWIS – Yes. This grant if for \$2,500. Are there any questions or discussion this evening? Hearing none, I make a motion that we suspend the rules requiring three readings, bringing Ord. No. 48 – 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

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Thank you, Madam Clerk. Ord. No. 48 – 2021 has passed. Ord. No. 49 – 2021.

ORDINANCE NO. 49 – 2021

BY: FINANCE COMMITTEE

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the Director of Law of the City of Massillon, Ohio, to enter into a one (1) year Agreement with the Village of Navarre, Ohio, for the purpose of providing prosecutorial services, and declaring an emergency.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Councilman Lewis.

COUNCILMAN LEWIS – This is just continuing our current contract we have. Are there any questions or discussion this evening? Hearing none, I make a motion that we suspend the rules requiring three readings, bringing Ord. No. 49 – 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

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Thank you, Madam Clerk. Ord. No. 49 – 2021 has passed. Ord. No. 50 – 2021.

ORDINANCE NO. 50 -2021

BY: FINANCE COMMITTEE

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the Director of Law of the City of Massillon, Ohio, to enter into a one (1) year Agreement with the Village of Brewster, Ohio, for the purpose of providing prosecutorial services, and declaring an emergency.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Councilman Lewis.

COUNCILMAN LEWIS – This is like the last one that we did except it is for the Brewster. Are there any questions or discussion? Hearing none, I make a motion that we suspend the rules requiring three readings, bringing Ord. No. 50 – 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

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Thank you, Madam Clerk. Ord. No. 50 -2021 has passed.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

9. PETITIONS AND GENERAL COMMUNICATIONS

10. BILLS, ACCOUNTS AND CLAIMS

11. REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICIALS

Treasurer's Report - January 2021

Mayor's Report - January 2021

12. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Our next Work Session will be next Monday, March 8, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. I believe that there is a meeting before that. Are we doing that one at 5:30 p.m.?

COUNCIL CLERK ROLLAND – Yes.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Does anyone have anything else?

COUNCILMAN GREGG – Yes, Madam President.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Councilman Gregg.

COUNCILMAN GREGG – I just want to mention that I will not be in attendance next Monday for either meeting. I've already asked Councilwoman Starrett to handle any business that's brought forth for the Rules and Courts Committee and she has agreed.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Thank you.

13. RESOLUTIONS AND REQUESTS OF COUNCIL MEMBERS

14. CALL OF THE CALENDAR

15. THIRD READING ORDINANCE AND RESOLUTIONS

16. SECOND READING ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

ORDINANCE NO. 16 – 2021

BY: STREETS, HIGHWAYS, TRAFFIC AND SAFETY COMMITTEE

AN ORDINANCE to accept the dedication of road right of way and easements for Country View Meadows, Phase 2 subdivision, Massillon, Ohio.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Councilman Thieret.

COUNCILMAN THIERET – Second reading, thank you.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Thank you. Ord. No. 16 – 2021 has received second reading.

17. REMARKS OF DELEGATIONS AND CITIZENS TO MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

L.J. DELUCA – Madam President, Diane Rolland and President Pro Tem, Ed Lewis and everyone else, good evening. 2954 Veterans Blvd. S.E., Massillon, Ohio. Transparent government is good government and informed citizens are better citizens, got it. I'm going to talk a little bit tonight about registration fees and some of the other things. In Texas, remember the gas pipeline and the wind turbines; they all froze up. This should be a reminder for all of us here in Massillon. Some businesses here in Canton, it's called UV filters like the Cleveland Clinic uses and they scrub that. We got to be thinking proactive when we are. I talked to Holderbaum Sewer and Drain, they used to handle in the City long time ago, some of our catch basins and sewer drains. I talked to Tony and I understand that the wastewater system here in Massillon doesn't handle a lot of that. They sublease it out, so, I'm interested in the work evaluation reports, the prices and the company. The Mayor said, good evening, and this is a couple of things and she anticipated a question about K-9's. She said the first K-9 has been certified with Officer Crabtree. The second K-9 will be ready in March 2021. The dog has been there in training and the K-9 officer is Louise. I have a lot of respect, I have a respect for every K-9 officer, I've been doing a lot of demonstrations. Inka, we love Inka and rest in peace and officer Miquel, a good friend of mine. Inka reported to work the next day stabbed. So, I salute all K-9 officers and I know all their names or at least I try to make a chance to get them. Safety Service Director, Barb Sylvester, said she didn't update the Mayor just yet on equipment and accessories to go into the second vehicle; come a little bit more prepared next time, please, Safety Service Director. Mayor Kathy Catazaro-Perry said on her capital list, \$800,000 for a fire truck. Well, I happen to know Chief Burgasser; wen to Walsh University. The numbers on the capital list are climbing. We spend a dollar only once; they're climbing. It worries me a little bit here in Massillon, Ohio. Plus, you've got the blight here in Massillon; I'll get to that. The Massillon Police Dept., I want to congratulate Jamie Slutz, the new councilman. Talked to him over the weekend. Guess what, folks? Got back from Florida and

within less than an hour, he was on the phone. My God, thank you, Jamie. I don't know if I would do that. And then I also remember Sgt. Muntean who said that Det. Jamie Slutz, I think this was in 2017, looked sharp in it and he did and I just want to mention something. Sgt. Brian Muntean wrote a book, people here, about his experience as a police officer in Massillon and he was a damn good one. Went to Smiley's and other restaurants, I'm just going to plug Smiley; he was all over town. So, some of you might not know that he put a book, you can use a lifeline to Chief Moser, but don't call 911, okay. Call the general number, I'll give it to you. This is not a question and answer to Madam President, probably looking at me now. The name of the book was "Policing in Massillon, Ohio; Protect and Swerve". It was written by this retired police sergeant, Sgt. Muntean, a friend of mine and what was in his mind? And they sold a lot of it. For the record here in the City of Massillon, Ohio, the state is paying hundreds of millions of dollars in fraudulent unemployment benefits. Now I'm going to move all of this stuff over here folks because everything's been Jimmy Johnson, in Code Enforcement. Jimmy told me on the phone when I asked something just recently, "Mr. DeLuca, you got to put it in writing and then I'll put it in writing and respond to you". Jimmy, my goodness, have we got 200 people? You'll be doing all the clerical work like they've been talking Terri Argent's thing that's coming up here. Mayor Catazaro-Perry has a wish list. We have to take baby steps. We have a very small staff; I don't have the figures; we don't want to bring it to Council all at once. I'm going to end up here. It's Jimmy, Jimmy, Jimmy. What about Trevor, what about Flek? I reach all this stuff and Mr. Maley, you said that you went five years ago to Code Enforcement in Canton, Ohio. Sir, it's time to get updated and bring us good information. I went through all of this stuff. I'm not going to go through it. This information here, I want to mention, please Madam President, I talked on the phone to the Chief Auditor and she works for Jayne Ferrero and I want to get to it, I may not have enough time, here.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Mr. Deluca, you're thirty seconds over.

L.J. DELUCA – Thank you, Madam President. I want to thank everybody for listening and next time I want to talk about Stefanie Myers, who I talked to. She's a Chief Deputy Auditor in Jayne Ferrero's office about the fraudulent claims the City of Massillon, Ohio, is paying and I intend to investigate it. Thank you, Madam President, Diane Rolland and President Pro Tem, Ed Lewis. Thank you a million.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Thank you, Mr. Deluca. Is there anyone else from the community that would like to address Council? Hearing none, Councilman Lewis.

18. **ADJOURNMENT**

COUNCILMAN LEWIS – I make a motion to adjourn.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK – Seconded by Councilwoman Litman. Meeting adjourned.

DIANE ROLLAND, COUNCIL CLERK

CLAUDETTE ISTNICK, PRESIDENT