

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
MASSILLON CITY COUNCIL  
HELD MONDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2021**

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Welcome to the Massillon City Council Meeting for Monday, October 18, 2021. We have in attendance with us the following city officials: Mayor Kathy Catazaro-Perry, Safety Service Director, Barb Sylvester, Chief Engineers David Krock and Jason Popiel, Samantha Walters, Economic Development Director, Dave Maley, Parks and Recreation Director, Steve Pedro and Health Commissioner, Terri Argent. 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 remind everyone keep your mics off until you’re ready to speak, mute your cell phones and anyone calling in, 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, Linda Litman, Mark Lombardi, Jamie Slutz, Megan Starrett and Jim Thieret.

Roll call of 9 present

**2. INVOCATION**

**COUNCILMAN ED LEWIS** – (There was a moment of silence for Bob Jones of The Music Shoppe who passed away October 16, 2021).

**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**LED BY COUNCILMAN LEWIS**

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Before we get started, I’d like to turn the mic over to Councilman Gregg for a moment.

**COUNCILMAN GREGG** – Thank you, Madam President. I just wanted to give a shout-out to Massillon Tiger football team. They completed a great first season. They finished the first 7 – 2 and they got the next season this coming weekend against the rivals from the east. I want to wish them all the best of luck and I know they’ll play hard and represent Massillon well.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Thank you.

**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** – 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. 145 – 2021**

**BY: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the Mayor of the City of Massillon, Ohio, to enter into an agreement with Kristin Murray to provide an economic development “inducement grant” to fund start-up costs including build-out, equipment, etc., for Wolf & Wildflower, located at 54 Erie St. N., Massillon, Ohio.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilwoman Starrett.

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

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Ord. No. 145 – 2021 has received first reading. Ord. No. 146 – 2021.

**ORDINANCE NO. 146 – 2021**

**BY: PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE**

AN ORDINANCE approving amended golf rates for The Legends of Massillon Golf Course, effective beginning with the 2022 golf season, repealing Ordinance No. 120 – 2020, and declaring an emergency.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilwoman Creamer.

**COUNCILWOMAN CREAMER** – Thank you, Madam President. As briefly discussed at the Work Session regarding this request, this has to do with the golf rates for the 2022 golf season. Director Pedro is here this evening and he is here to speak to answer any questions and give an overview of his request. So, Mr. Pedro.

**STEVE PEDRO** – Good evening, everyone. We’re trying raise some of our rates to fall in line with the other courses in Stark County being closer. We’re still a better price than most but this year we had over 50,000 rounds of golf this year. More or less just to keep up with the economy; the price of doing business, as we say. I don’t think we’re over pricing our customers and I don’t think we’re too low than the rest of them. We’re just trying to keep up so we can generate revenue at the golf course.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Do you know what the increases will be?

**STEVE PEDRO** – There are several. Do you have a copy of the increases, Council? There on here and I can give you a copy of that as well, Ms. Istnick.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Thank you. Any questions? Councilwoman Litman.

**COUNCILWOMAN LITMAN** – Yes, Mr. Pedro, based on the rate increases that you have, what is the amount of additional revenue that you would expect to be brought in from the increase? I know it'll be an estimate because you don't know how many people will be actually golfing and what categories, etc., but maybe based on this year's traffic, is there an estimate you expect?

**STEVE PEDRO** – It's hard to say. This year has really been exceptional. In fact, the last two years have been extremely exceptional for golf. I think most golf courses will tell you that. People want to get outside. We had the barriers in the cart that we're taking down now, but, people want to get outside. I would say between \$100,000 to \$200,000 easily for revenue. If we have a good spring and it doesn't rain all year, weather permitting; we have a bright future down there. Things are going well and we just want to keep up. We don't gouge our customers. I think we're being very fair with these prices and moving forward and the cost for doing business is going up every year it seems now. Whether it's to hire personnel or for commodities, we have to keep up with that as well.

**COUNCILWOMAN LITMAN** – So what would you expect to use that increase to purchase additional equipment or is it just based on personnel?

**STEVE PEDRO** – Everything at the golf course; personnel, bunkers, equipment, everything is right there, so, we'd be able to do that with the increases, again, weather permitting.

**COUNCILWOMAN LITMAN** – I have one more comment, if I could, Madam President. I did have conversation with some golfers and asked them what they thought of this increase. Some are young, some were seniors and they said that they would think that this is reasonable to expect our facility to have an increase of \$3.00 to \$6.00, they would golf whether they would be seniors or not. So, there was no objection to that and these were young people also. What I will relay to you is that they were asking some tracks to be repaired because in league play, they need to have the sand traps lower to get out of and some of the paths. So, when asked about the increase, they were fine with that, but thought maybe some of those other items could accommodated as well with the increase.

**STEVE PEDRO** – I will tell you up until this year, we've spent about \$40,000 a year on bunkers and redoing a lot of them was about \$70,000 to \$80,000 per year. We have a pretty good plan. This year we haven't been able to get a contractor as of yet. We're still working on them to do it before winter. We have that money, everything's been approved and we might have them do it in November if they can get out here and do it. When you think of the renovation of the bunkers, don't just think of the sand crew tearing it out, putting your drainage in and redoing everything. We look forward to doing that, so we need the contractors here.

**COUNCILWOMAN LITMAN** – Okay. I will relay that to them.

**STEVE PEDRO** – Thank you.

**COUNCILWOMAN LITMAN** – Thank you, Madam President.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Anyone else? Thank you. Councilwoman Creamer.

**COUNCILWOMAN CREAMER** – Thank you. So if this amended golf rates, it was approved by the Recreation Board at the October 6, 2021 meeting. It carried a 5 – 0 vote. So, are there any other questions? It does have emergency language. Seeing none, I make a motion that we waive the rules requiring three readings and bring Ord. No. 146 – 2021 forward for a vote.

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

9 yes for suspension

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

9 yes for passage

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Thank you, Madam Clerk. Ord. No. 146 – 2021 has passed. Ord. No. 147 - 2021.

**ORDINANCE NO. 147 – 2021**

**BY: PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE**

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the Director of the Parks and Recreation Department of the City of Massillon, Ohio, to advertise for and receive sealed bids and to enter into a contract with the lowest and best bidder, upon the approval of the Board of Control, for a new lease for golf carts at The Legends of Massillon Golf Course, and declaring an emergency.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilwoman Creamer.

**COUNCILWOMAN CREAMER** – Thank you, Madam President. This request, as stated, is for a new lease for the golf carts at The Legends of Massillon Golf Course. We did receive a document stating the number of batteries, golf carts along with gas carts and additional carts. Mr. Pedro is here, again, to give any details regarding this request.

**STEVE PEDRO** – This lease is actually for 2023. We were notified early, about three or four months ago by a contractor that we have the lease now with and said that if we're going to renew this, we need to move forward for 2023 now because of lack of; they have to build the carts and if we wait until October of next year, we may not have the carts for the beginning of the season in 2023. Nothing will change in what we're doing now, in fact, I'll be back in a couple weeks about extending the existing lease that we have right now. They didn't tell us that until after the fact, but we'd like to get this request in and then this will not be budgeted until 2023. And again, it's supply and demand. If we can get approved through them to move forward, nothing would be charged to us until we actually get those carts. But if we don't act now, we may not have those carts for the 2023. And as Councilwoman Creamer stated, these are up-to-date new carts. They use lithium batteries instead of the current batteries they have now with lead acid. This should save us approximately 15% to 20% yearly on our electric bill. It should increase our food and beverage 15% to 30% and that their estimates. With these carts they're going to have GPS, you won't have to hire rangers; you program the GPS into the computer. I don't know if any of you golf, but some places, if you have these, they stop if you're going somewhere you're not supposed to go. The cart will just start beeping and stop. You have to back up and get back on where you're supposed to be. So, there's a lot of

savings involved. There is advertising available on each cart. So, we're going to hopefully generate some revenue to help pay for this new lease with them as well.

**COUNCILWOMAN CREAMER** – Any questions? Councilman Gregg.

**COUNCILMAN GREGG** – So you are planning to extend the current lease through 2022?

**STEVE PEDRO** – Yes.

**COUNCILMAN GREGG** – What is the cost of that lease?

**STEVE PEDRO** - \$103,000 and we started that six years ago.

**COUNCILMAN GREGG** – Okay. So, we'd be going from \$103,000 to no more than \$195,000?

**STEVE PEDRO** – I'll be honest with you, that's the number they came out with. I really don't think we're going to get close to that and I can promise you, we will sell those ads to make up for that difference. But we have to start somewhere and six years ago, that was the price we were pretty lucky to keep that for six years and actually into seven. So, now, again, the price of business is going up.

**COUNCILMAN GREGG** – Okay. But this is still in the bidding stage?

**STEVE PEDRO** – Yes. We haven't even put it out yet.

**COUNCILMAN GREGG** – Right. Okay.

**STEVE PEDRO** – There's two or three companies. There's two mostly likely and either one is fine with me. It doesn't matter to us who we get.

**COUNCILMAN GREGG** – Just out of curiosity, you have eighty lithium and twenty-five new gas. What's the purpose of that?

**STEVE PEDRO** – We don't have any more room to charge golf carts inside. The storage underneath the clubhouse, we can fit eighty electric carts in there.

**COUNCILMAN GREGG** – Okay. So those are going to be the primary carts?

**STEVE PEDRO** – For the most part. We use all of them every day, just about, especially on the weekends.

**COUNCILMAN GREGG** – Okay. That's all I have.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilwoman Litman.

**COUNCILWOMAN LITMAN** – Thank you, Madam President. My question would be on the GPS systems themselves. Again, I've spoken to a large group of golfers that golf at the Legends; some leagues and some not leagues and most of them, not all, but most of them

have a GPS system of their own. So they would not be so inclined to use the GPS system that you're proposing to have on.

**STEVE PEDRO** – It's automatic. They don't have to look at it, but it's going to show up on the screen.

**COUNCILWOMAN LITMAN** – Okay. So my question to you is, if we have a new lease that did not have the GPS systems, would there be any cost savings or could we have, they were asking me, could some of the golf carts have them and some not have them? Those that are going use them either would be a lady's league who may not be as likely that all of them have the GPS systems, they may choose to rent a cart that would have one, but these league gentlemen who all have their own, either on their phones or have the equipment of their own would not be so inclined to do so. Have you thought to maybe having both types if there's a cost savings?

**STEVE PEDRO** – There has not and I'm not familiar with that. I haven't seen that elsewhere. When we started putting this together, we just figured every cart would be same. We're not going to charge you one price for one cart and another price for another. That would be a mess. But I think if you use, personally, I'm going to use the one that's more accurate more than likely and there's going to be a lot of work done at the course to make sure this is right as they do anytime they install these GPS systems.

**COUNCILWOMAN LITMAN** – And I wasn't aware that there was advertising going to be on them.

**STEVE PEDRO** – Yes. I won't call any other courses out, but there is one north of here; if you've been up there. They have these carts and you can order your food on the 8<sup>th</sup> hole and you come in. It's going to save time in the clubhouse and it's more than likely going to generate more revenue for food and beverage.

**COUNCILWOMAN LITMAN** – Thank you.

**STEVE PEDRO** – Thank you.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilman Gregg.

**COUNCILMAN GREGG** – Thank you, Madam President. I just have a follow-up question. The GPS system, is that used for range finding on the course or is that simply to keep the carts where they're supposed to be?

**STEVE PEDRO** – Both.

**COUNCILMAN GREGG** – Okay, so they do have a range finding function?

**STEVE PEDRO** – Yes. The computer will control the carts boundaries and then while you're in the cart, it'll show you where you're at on each hole.

**COUNCILMAN GREGG** – Where you'd see your ball?

**STEVE PEDRO** – Yes.

**COUNCILMAN GREGG** – Thank you.

**STEVE PEDRO** – Yeah, at the center of the green.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Anyone else? Councilwoman Creamer.

**COUNCILWOMAN CREAMER** – Mr. Pedro, is there some types of savings regarding the range that the position for you?

**STEVE PEDRO** – We will not have to have a ranger on the course. We don't have enough employees now, but we won't have to hire a ranger for the entire time we're open. We may send someone out every now and then just to take a look at the course, but the GPS, as I said, if you go off the path or the radar as I'll call it, it'll start beeping and just shut down. You'd back up into the fairway or the rough.

**COUNCILWOMAN CREAMER** – So there's a cost saving?

**STEVE PEDRO** – There is some savings there.

**COUNCILWOMAN CREAMER** – Thank you.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – What about the slow men golfers; if there's no ranger, who's going to move them along?

**STEVE PEDRO** – We really can't control slow men or women golfers, so, we'll do our best with that GPS. The GPS, these systems do remind you as you're going along, it'll tell you "pick up the pace" or "you're playing too slow". I don't think it's ever going to say "you're playing too fast" unless people in front of you complain. But they do; most of them have that. It'll put a signal out. It may beep and say someone, whatever their name is, "pick up the pace".

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilwoman Creamer.

**COUNCILWOMAN CREAMER** – Thank you, Madam President. So, with this request also, it was approved by the Recreation Board on October 6, 2021 with a vote of 5 – 0. So, this also has emergency language. So, if there's no other questions, I make a motion that we waive the rules requiring three readings and bring Ord. No. 147 – 2021 forward for a vote.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Seconded by Councilwoman Litman. Roll call for suspension.

9 yes for suspension

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

9 yes for passage

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Thank you, Madam Clerk. Ord. No. 147 – 2021 has passed. Ord. No. 148 – 2021.

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the Director of Public Service and Safety of the City of Massillon, Ohio, to enter into an agreement for a one (1) year renewal with Medical Mutual of Ohio for health insurance coverage for City employees, effective January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022, and declaring an emergency.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilman Lewis.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – I'd like to open this up to see if there's anyone on Council that has any further questions or discussion on this?

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilman Thieret.

**COUNCILMAN THIERET** – Just one; the urgency of the emergency language. Are we under some pressure to get the contract filled?

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – I would direct that to the Safety Service Director.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Okay. The Safety Service Director, come forward. Thank you, Ms. Sylvester.

**BARB SYLVESTER** – Good evening.

**COUNCILMAN THIERET** – The request for emergency language on here; do we have some deadlines we need to meet?

**BARB SYLVESTER** – Yes we do because as you see, the application was there and once we sign off it'll go back to Medical Mutual and then they will prepare the contract and send everything to us. Then we do also by the Federal law have to get the explanation of benefits out to all of the employees as well.

**COUNCILMAN THIERET** – That's what I thought. Thank you.

**BARB SYLVESTER** – Your welcome.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilwoman Litman.

**COUNCILWOMAN LITMAN** – Thank you, Madam President. I was trying to look in here quickly and I was looking at it previously and I thought I saw that there is a commission that we are paying to our broker of like \$30,000 or \$40,000. I guess I was just curious as to is the comrisable to what we would pay other brokers? Correct me if I'm wrong, I can't find it quickly enough, but I had thought I'd read something about a commission that we pay our agent. Could we maybe ask of the Safety Service Director that question?

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Ms. Sylvester.

**BARB SYLVESTER** – Where you see that is on part of the information that's provided by Medical Mutual and basically, this is there layout, this is their formula that they put together where they actually come up with rate. So, what is included in that, it says administration and



commission. So, that also includes all of the administration of Medical Mutual. It's not just a commission to our broker.

**COUNCILWOMAN LITMAN** – Do we pay that to the broker or once we collect the premiums then a part of that premium pays that commission to the broker?

**BARB SYLVESTER** – That's correct.

**COUNCILWOMAN LITMAN** – Alright, thank you.

**BARB SYLVESTER** – Your welcome.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilman Lombardi.

**COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI** – Yes, Mrs. Sylvester, back to Mr. Thieret's question; the necessity for the emergency language; we knew this contract was coming up. Why wasn't this given more time for Council to consider and run it through three readings so the public hear it and speak on it as well?

**BARB SYLVESTER** – We go through the process, again, until Medical Mutual puts their performant together for us and they're waiting until they have all the claims that come in through September. Once they receive them through the September date, then that's when we start the negotiations with them. So, we have been having meetings, meeting with them diligently. We have the Health Care Committee which we have to vote on that through that process. So we did have the meetings to do that as well. But, that's the timing issue of it. They really don't give us a renewal or even starts negotiations until they get through all of the premiums that come from the dates of time.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilman Lewis.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – Given the questions and some hesitation from Council members, we have at least two weeks. We can give this first reading and just pass it next time. Does that still give you plenty of time?

**BARB SYLVESTER** – It should be.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – That way everybody can make sure that they have their questions answered.

**BARB SYLVESTER** – Thank you. We'll make it work.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – First reading.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Thank you. Ord. No. 148 – 2021 has received first reading. Ord. No. 149 – 2021.

**ORDINANCE NO. 149 – 2021**

**BY: FINANCE COMMITTEE**

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the Massillon City Health Department to accept a grant from the Massillon Rotary to fund a Community Baby Shower for the citizens of Massillon, Ohio, and declaring an emergency.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilman Lewis.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – Yes. This is the grant that the Health Dept. is receiving. It is in the total of \$5,860.00. This is a way for them to be able to do some outreach in the community and as Ms. Argent spoke last week, hoping to help curb the rise in infant mortality in the City. Are there any questions or discussion this evening? Seeing none, I make a motion that we suspend the rules requiring three readings, bringing Ord. No. 149 – 2021 forward for a vote.

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

9 yes for suspension

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

9 yes for passage

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Thank you, Madam Clerk. Ord. No. 149 – 2021 has passed. Ord. No. 150 – 2021.

**ORDINANCE NO. 150 – 2021**

**BY: FINANCE COMMITTEE**

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the Massillon City Health Department to accept a Federal Workforce Development grant from the Stark County Health Department, and declaring an emergency.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISNTICK** – Councilman Lewis.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – First reading.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Thank you. Ord. No. 150 – 2021 has received first reading. Ord. No. 151 – 2021.

**ORDINANCE NO. 151 – 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, Madam President; I'd like to call forward Ms. Terri Argent.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Ms. Argent, thank you.

**TERRI ARGENT** – Madam President, City Council.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – Yes, Ms. Argent. Could you just give a summary again of this \$45,000.00 appropriation?

**TERRI ARGENT** – Sure. That pays our salaries for our contact tracers and some overtime for our nurses and any other equipment we need as far as COVID. This is going to be completely 100% refunded by our COVID grant.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Any other questions? Councilman Lewis.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – Yes, I make a motion that we suspend the rules requiring three readings, bringing Ord. No. 151 – 2021 forward for a vote.

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

9 yes for suspension

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

9 yes for passage

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Thank you, Madam Clerk. Ord. No. 151 – 2021 has passed. Ord. No. 152 – 2021.

**ORDINANCE NO. 152 – 2021**

**BY: FINANCE COMMITTEE**

AN ORDINANCE making certain appropriations from the unappropriated balance of the 1213 Lincoln Way Streetscape Fund, for the year ending December 31, 2021, and declaring an emergency.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilman Lewis.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – Yes. This is a \$50,000.00 appropriation and it comes from the second part of a grant that we have received that was given to us for this project and the money will be used to pay invoices that are existing from the project. Are there any questions or discussion this evening? Seeing none, I make a motion that we suspend the rules requiring three readings, bringing Ord. No. 152 – 2021 forward for a vote.

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

8 yes; 1 no for suspension – Thieret voted No

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

8 yes; 1 no for passage – Thieret voted No

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Thank you, Madam Clerk. Ord. No. 152 – 2021 has passed. Ord. No. 153 – 2021.

**ORDINANCE NO. 153 – 2021**

**BY: FINANCE COMMITTEE**

AN ORDINANCE making certain appropriations from the unappropriated balance of the 1234 Parks 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. May I call up Mr. Pedro?

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Yes you may.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – You weren't here to explain this to us. So if you could explain this week for us?

**STEVE PEDRO** – Yes. This is just to get us to the end of the year. We're using, obviously, more golf carts, our utilities are up and we kind of under budgeted. We didn't expect, I don't want to say that we didn't expect to have a great year, but things have really been going well. We're just wanting to get through the end of the year more than anything. And if the weather holds like it currently is now, if we get another good week or two, we're going to be out there using golf course.

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

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – I make a motion that we suspend the rules requiring three readings, bringing Ord. No. 153 – 2021 forward for a vote.

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

9 yes for suspension

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

9 yes for passage

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Thank you, Madam Clerk. Ord. No. 153 – 2021 has passed. Ord. No. 154 – 2021.

**ORDINANCE NO. 154 – 2021**

**BY: NON-COMMITTEE – RULE 28.1**

AN ORDINANCE to terminate the contract for City Engineer services between OHM Advisors and the City of Massillon, Ohio, effective upon the hiring of a full-time City Engineer, no later than June 1, 2022.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilman Lewis.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – Yes.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – The sheet says Councilman Lewis.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – It's non-committee, so. So, what would I do with it? I'm confused.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Ord. No. 154.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – Are you giving it to me to assign to a committee or what?

**COUNCIL CLERK ROLLAND** – I just put him on the sheet because he's President Pro Tem.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – Okay. Well then according to Rule No. 28.1, "All non-committee sponsored ordinances or resolutions appearing on the agenda for Council action shall be given first reading on, and, unless otherwise ordered by Council, be referred by the presiding officer to the appropriate committee...". I guess my question is, who's the presiding officer, you, I would assume or me? It has to be assigned to a committee.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – What committee would you think it would go on?

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – I personally would think; I was looking at it and I know that some people are thinking possibly Finance, but I actually think it falls under Rules and Courts because there is no financial component to this. It's actually speaking to the manpower of the City. So, I would assume since it says in our rules that "...all matters which shall be referred to the Rules and Courts, City manpower planning...", it seems like a manpower issue and it should go to Rules and Courts.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Mr. Gregg.

**COUNCILMAN GREGG** – Yes.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Do you agree with that?

**COUNCILMAN GREGG** – Yes. Since it deals with manpower, I guess I would agree.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Okay.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – One more question.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Go ahead.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – Also, according to Rule No. 28 it says that "Any two members of Council may sponsor an ordinance or resolution and have it placed on the agenda for Council action. If such legislation is sponsored by two members, both not of the appropriate sponsoring committee...". Since this is a Rules and Courts piece, Mr. Herculano is on Rules and Courts, so therefore, Rule 28 cannot be used and this would have to be sent to, so the request for legislation be discussed at the next Work Session.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilman Herculano.

**COUNCILMAN HERCANE** – Thank you, Madam President. I disagree with Mr. Lewis' assessment. Councilman Lombardi and I signed this and we are both not of the sponsoring committee. It doesn't say that one can't.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Can we call on Mr. Richard?

**COUNCIL CLERK ROLLAND** – He’s locked out. Mark, how can I get him unlocked? I sent the request. He’s caller no. 2. He’s locked.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Mr. Richard, are you with us?

**JUSTIN RICHARD** – Yes ma’am. I can hear you now.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Okay. Would you care to clarify who is more correct; Mr. Lewis or Mr. Herncane in their interpretation of Rule 28?

**JUSTIN RICHARD** – What is think is that you, Madam President, are the presiding officer.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – So, I can assign it to any committee?

**JUSTIN RICHARD** – Yes.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – And is it okay that Mr. Herncane is on the committee I’m going to assign it to and Mr. Lombardi is not?

**JUSTIN RICHARD** – If it’s two not on the same committee, I don’t see where it excludes one person for being on the committee.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – So, it’s okay as is?

**JUSTIN RICHARD** – Yes, but just give a first reading, of course.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Thank you very much. Mr. Gregg, this will be assigned to you, Rules and Courts.

**COUNCILMAN GREGG** – Alright. We’ll give is first reading.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Alright, thank you. Thank you, Mr. Richard.

**JUSTIN RICHARD** – You’re welcome.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Ord. No. 154 – 2021 has received first reading.

## 8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – We had been discussing a television cart to be used here in Council. Diane did get the credit card, so, Mr. Lombardi is going to be purchasing that for us and it should be here soon. Anyone else have anything under unfinished business? Mayor.

**MAYOR CATAZARO-PERRY** – Good evening, Madam President, members of Council. I wanted to let you know that concerning Ord. No. 154 – 2021, non-committee ordinance, that I was in communication today with Senator Schuring and he sent me an e-mail talking about that he is working diligently and he says “Attached is the City Engineer amendment that addresses your situation in Massillon. The amendment was drafted with the cooperation and advice of the Ohio Senate Legal Counsel. It also has the support of the Ohio Municipal League.

**9. PETITIONS AND GENERAL COMMUNICATIONS**

A Request for a Stock Exchange of a Liquor License for Speedway, LLC, DBA Speedway 9290 located at 906 Lincoln Way E., Massillon, Ohio 44646. Permit Classes are C1 and C2 and is located in Ward 1.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilman Lombardi, did you get a copy of this?

**COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI** – Yes I did, Madam President. Thank you.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Thank you.

**10. BILLS, ACCOUNTS AND CLAIMS**

U.S. Bank Equip. Finance - \$ 127.00 - October payment for copier

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilman Lewis.

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

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

9 yes to pay the bills

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Thank you, Madam Clerk. The bills will be paid and charged to their proper accounts.

**11. REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICIALS**

Treasurer’s Report - September 2021  
Mayor’s Report - September 2021

**12. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Our next Work Session will be next Monday, October 25, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.

**13. RESOLUTIONS AND REQUESTS OF COUNCIL MEMBERS**

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilman Lewis.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – I just wanted to point out that we should have all received a paper version of the budget. Diane was kind enough to also give last year’s budget; thank you, Diane. But, I would also like to formally request of the Administration if we can get the, that side-by-side comparison? It’s where we have last year’s budget, last year’s actual and then next year’s budget all on the same front page. I would appreciate if we could have that as soon as possible.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilwoman Starrett says she believes we already have that.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – That’s the 2021 you’re looking at.

**COUNCILWOMAN STARRETT** – No, I think we already have that.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – It’s 2021.

**COUNCILWOMAN STARRETT** – Okay. I take all of that back.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Anyone else?

**14. CALL OF THE CALENDAR**

**15. THIRD READING ORDINANCE AND RESOLUTIONS**

**ORDINANCE NO. 138 – 2021**

**BY: FINANCE COMMITTEE**

AN ORDINANCE making certain appropriations from the unappropriated balance of the 1203 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Fund, for the year ending December 31, 2021.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilman Lewis.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – Yes. I want to verify which one is which. I believe this one is not the one that has the Getz Building in it. Someone correct me if I am incorrect. Is there any discussion? Seeing none, I make a motion that we bring Ord. No. 138 – 2021 forward for a vote.

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

**COUNCILMAN THIERET** – What is this about? You said it’s not about something, but what is it about?

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – This is the general CDBG budget that we’ve been discussing for the past six weeks. The other one is the coronavirus CDBG budget that includes Getz. So, we have two separate ones.

**COUNCILMAN THIERET** – Okay. Appreciate it.

8 yes; 1 abstention for passage

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Thank you. Ord. No. 138 – 2021 has passed. Ord. No. 139 – 2021.



AN ORDINANCE making certain appropriations from the unappropriated balance of the 1203 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Fund, for the year ending December 31, 2021.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilman Lewis.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – I open it up for discussion.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilwoman Litman.

**COUNCILWOMAN LITMAN** – Thank you, Madam President. I know that in prior Work Session I had suggested maybe looking at another thought before spending the \$250,000 in a building that, in my opinion, according to these plans is not configured the way that it would be most user friendly or more able to be used than just what it's currently being used for. I did have a meeting for the Historical Preservation Commission on Thursday, so it gave me an opportunity to speak with John Picard who actually drafted the plans as well as view the property one more time. He did relay to me that based on our area in between the Municipal Building and what looks to be in our green area to the north of the building, it is land locked. We would not be able to expand much further beyond that footprint. But as you know, that building extends further back on to that property. It houses an office; it houses a conference room that is currently being used as storage/meeting area. The plans themselves then put two restrooms in between the conference room and our furnace room where our servers are located and then further back is a classroom and the garage. The only reason I'm going through that is because in prior conversations, it was that we have a 3,000 square foot building there and in order to erect another building 3,000 that is tornado proof or secure, would be a million dollars plus. When I spoke with John Picard, he indicated that these plans were put together within the constraints of what Administration wanted and what the Judges wanted. But, had he had, he said like a "blank slate", even in that confined area that that would not be the building that he would construct. Also, conversation was how many people is our Duncan Plaza going to be able to accommodate? And he very proudly said up to 2,000 to 3,000 people. Which I can look forward to, I guess, as time goes on, more people hopefully come down and use the Duncan Plaza, but we literally will have one men's restroom and two ladies' restrooms to accommodate what facility we put in that is to accommodate thousands of people. Now, we're not always going to have thousands of people. We would more than likely have hundreds of people. But still, as we spoke, you know that two restrooms are not going to be able to accommodate these types of events. So, more than likely, port-a-potties would have to be brought in anyway. So, I guess what I would like to suggest is that we look at, not to say that new building is going to be for sure the way we want to go, but, I think that looking at it in more details beyond the constraints of these are the walls we have to design within and looking at that if we expect our Duncan Plaza to attract to the folks that we want it to, in the hundreds up to thousands of people, we're going to need more than one men's restroom and two ladies' restroom to accommodate that anyway. So, why would we spend \$250,000 on a band-aid, if you will? I guess I would just like to have the opportunity and this Council to have the opportunity to look at other options in more detail. I think, and I've had conversation with Mr. Maley over the weekend, and asked. We know that Jackson has a facility up there, as well, and they do have some permanent restrooms also, but when we talked about how many restrooms do they have to accommodate their large park, amphitheater and facility area, we don't know. So I guess I'm thinking if we could postpone this vote, not on the entire thing,

perhaps, but maybe separating it out or at least be able to look at other options in more detail, again, Mr. Day was there as well, past architect, and he had some great ideas. He said, you know that I would do is construct a conference center similar to what I had said previously. But, maybe put that in a way that it overlooks our beautiful plaza. And I know, again, the Judges are saying that they don't want any disruption, I don't want any change and I certainly don't want to offend anyone either. I guess I'm just looking at trying to look very narrowly into what do I think is best for the City at this point and I don't think we have enough information at this point to be able to determine if this is the best route or not and what we actually need to have as that building being tornado proof because I know that was one of the conversation as well. Don't you want to have a tornado proof building? Well, I would say what needs to be a secure building? Does the conference room need to be a secure building? Does the classroom need to be secure? Does the garage need to be secure? I don't know, but I would maybe guess not; that they don't have to have block walls, that we might not be looking at the construction of or reconstruction of 3,000 square foot building. I know Ms. Creamer was asking the other Work Session, our server. Why is our server next to our buildings? If there is a tornado coming or a catastrophe that occurs, our servers are directly next to our Municipal Building. Again, I don't know the answers to those questions, but maybe discussing that should we have our servers in a different location other than right next to our Municipal Building? And then maybe that is something that we need to consider when we're looking at a new construction or ideas of what we can do with this area within the constraints that we have of the land locking, if you will. Long winded, I know, I apologize, but I did want to relay the conversations that I had, as well as maybe suggested that we look at, in more detail, other options. Thank you, Madam President.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Thank you. Before we call Ms. Walters up here, is there anyone else from Council that has questions? Mr. Thieret.

**COUNCILMAN THIERET** – Yes, I tend to agree with most everything that Ms. Litman said. We're looking at one idea, if you would, one suggestion about what to do with this and its kind of narrow and it's very expensive. I think, in our due diligence, we would be behooved of the citizens to make sure that we are getting the most bang for buck with the grant funds. I think there's more research that needs to be done here and more options. Thank you.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilwoman Creamer.

**COUNCILWOMAN CREAMER** – I guess I'll take pause with the few statements Mrs. Litman stated. I would think if Mr. Picard was the architect to pick these drawings with input from the Judges and Administration, I guess I need clarification if he thinks this isn't the best and most efficient plan. If he had other ideas that would meet both of the expectations in a manner that would fit into that footprint. Because, yes, I'm not willing to demolish and rebuild. I would like to use that building, but I guess, the statement that he would not diagram it, he would not design it that way, is a concern to me.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilwoman Litman.

**COUNCILWOMAN LITMAN** – I did want to say that I asked him if he would be willing to come and talk to us directly and he said "yes".

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Anyone else? Ms. Walter, did you want to speak?

**SAM WALTERS** – Yes, good evening. I'm just going to start with stating that the facts about the restrooms. There will be stalls in each restroom which I would equate to the equivalent of four port-a-potties that we rent at this time. As far as the conversation with Mr. Picard, whether you were aware, but I was out of the office ill, I was not present at the meeting, but I can say that Mr. Picard, not being here to clarify, he is the one that did the drawing, so I can't imagine that he would be unhappy with them. I know that Barb had a couple of things that she wanted to add, but I did want to remind Council that when we allocated this money and this Council approved the budget, we did so because we would have lost the grant money and it would have gone to another community. We were working on a deadline; we saw the need there, it was a qualified expense and it was all approved by HUD. So, as far as the funding goes, and I believe you that you got the information that Barb had sent out about the million dollars. So, I say that it's a wise use of funding; \$250,000 versus a million dollars.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilman Lewis.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – I just wanted to follow-up. This particular ordinance is bigger than just the \$250,000. We have other pieces on it as well?

**SAM WALTERS** – Yes. That is correct.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – So, a “no” vote on this would also be voting down all of those things and we'd be losing not only the \$250,000, but we'd also be losing the other benefits that this particular grant would be bringing our City.

**SAM WALTERS** – Which includes cleaning services for the homeless shelter and funding for the Salvation Army, different things like that. I could not tell you how it works and if it is voted down because HUD has approved the plan and Council had previously approved the plan as well. So, that's an unprecedented territory we have not been in before.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – I just wanted to point that out. There's more to this than just this one project. I understand that we now have some different opinions and people are making excellent points. But, are we at a point now where we're just going to risk losing all of the funding because in the last hour, we decided we wanted to have some more discussion about it; because we might lose it all. That's my only concern.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilwoman Starrett.

**COUNCILWOMAN STARRETT** – That was going to be what I was going to ask Ms. Walters. Is there even a process to go back to HUD and reallocate this \$250,000 funding anywhere; or since this budget has been approved, we would have to resubmit everything? What is the process, do we know?

**SAM WALTERS** – There is always an option to amend the plan. However, with the COVID money, we were on a deadline for obligation. So, we did meet that deadline to obligate the additional funding that the City had received and I would have to explore that a little bit further.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilman Herncane.

**COUNCILMAN HERNCAINE** – Thank you, Madam President. To Mr. Lewis' point, I would think that should this ordinance be voted down this evening, a new legislation request could be

written for the three remaining items and then we can engage, as Ms. Walters said, the amended process to reallocate that \$250,000. Thank you.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilwoman Creamer.

**COUNCILWOMAN CREAMER** – I need clarification, Ms. Walters when you said you submitted the plan.

**SAM WALTERS** – Yes.

**COUNCILWOMAN CREAMER** – Is that the design or is that the plan that we're going to renovate this building?

**SAM WALTERS** – It is the entire action plan for the funding that is in front of you.

**COUNCILWOMAN CREAMER** – So, it's not the design. So, we're not talking about possibly voting down the renovation, we would want to see improvements of the possible design. I would like to have Mr. Picard here. For him to clarify the doubtfully statements to Ms. Litman because if he doesn't feel that this is the best design for the City for that structure, I would like to know why he designed it this way and why not designed differently; the two different parts. I do not want to turn this money down, but, I want a better understanding.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilwoman Litman.

**COUNCILWOMAN LITMAN** – I have two comments. First of all, when we are looking at the other three items on this request for legislation, I know in the past we've split them out and had going back to maybe creating new legislation. Perhaps tabling this new legislation that would split them apart; the \$250,000 being on one and the remaining three being on another. We could get the three that are the CommQuest, Family Living Center, Salvation Army, Downtown Street Improvements, the rest of those approved and on their way and then I would agree with Mrs. Creamer that if we could look at those dollars being spent toward a renovation of this building or maybe a partial reconstruction of this renovation and not have to turn away those dollars. I think that would be definitely beneficial as well. I don't want to lose these dollars either, but I know, if we put \$250,000 in a building that we're not going to change, it'll never change going forward. It will have the lipstick on a pig kind of look to it instead of what it could potentially be down the road with a few more dollars. Perhaps instead of two restrooms and when I said two ladies' restrooms, there are two commodes in the ladies' restroom on the drawing; one commode on the men's side with a urinal. So, when I'm looking at what we should be able to accommodate with that, I guess I can't see thousands of people waiting in line for two restrooms. We might as well go the port-a-potty route when we would likely have to do that anyway for any large crowds that we would be anticipating to entertain down there anyway. And the second point I want to make is I do want restrooms down there; I'm only suggesting to look further into options, other options for that \$250,000 to either go toward or to assist with when I don't think that two is enough. I'd be looking for more to be able to accommodate the types of crowds that we hope that our Duncan Plaza is going to entertain. Thank you.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Mr. Gregg.

**COUNCILMAN GREGG** – Thank you, Madam President. First of all, I think Mr. Picard might take issue with the lipstick on pig comment, but anyway...

**COUNCILWOMAN LITMAN** – I said it to him, as well.

**COUNCILMAN GREGG** - ...if I heard you correctly, you said that he said, if he had a clean slate, this wouldn't be the way that he would design that. But, he understands that he doesn't have a clean slate. He had to work within the confines of the current building footprint and a lot of the structure of the building so it remains a secure tornado proof building. So, I think that Mr. Picard probably would be proud of his design given the constraints that he has, or had, and so, I think that's where there's an issue. Because I don't know that we would necessarily have to consider, or that we that could even consider tearing it completely down. I think we have to work with what we've got here and I would think that, as far as designs go, I'm okay with the design as it is. I also want to mention that there are other restrooms available to Duncan Plaza visitors in the Police Dept. So, I know they're not ADA accessible, they're not handicap accessible. Oh, they are. So, there are other restroom facilities there as well. So, it's not like we're talking two total for the entire plaza.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilwoman Starrett.

**COUNCILWOMAN STARRETT** – My concern is with talk of separating the question and separating out this \$250,000, we don't even know, since we're operating under the confines of HUD funding if we can do that and I think that would go a question back to the Administration. I don't know if we can accept and appropriate certain dollars and not other dollars, considering this is a plan approved by HUD. I'm not sure if we have to resubmit everything before we can touch these dollars or I'm sure we can pick and choose and say we're going to accept this money, but not this because we've already submitted the plan in full to HUD. So, I think that's something we would have to get clarification from HUD before we decided to do that.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Mr. Lombardi, did you have a question earlier?

**COUNCILMAN LOMBARDI** – I did, but, it was answered.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Thank you. Councilman Lewis.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – I'm ready just to make the motion put it up for vote and we'll let it come or we'll let it go and the Administration will adjust accordingly. So, with that said, I make a motion that we bring Ord. No. 139 – 2021 forward for a vote.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – So, I know that Administration wanted to speak. You're still just going through with this? Okay. Roll call for passage.

2 yes; 7 no for passage – Creamer, Gregg, Herncane, Litman, Lombardi, Slutz and Thieret

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Ord. No. 139 – 2021 has been defeated.

## 16. SECOND READING ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

**ORDINANCE NO. 141 – 2021**

**BY: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the Director of Public Service and Safety of the City of Massillon, Ohio, to enter into an annexation agreement with Perry Township, Stark County, Ohio, for the annexation of parcels #4301532, #4301533 and #4301534.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilwoman Starrett.

**COUNCILWOMAN STARRETT** – Second reading.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Thank you. Ord. No. 141 – 2021 has received second reading. Ord. No. 142 – 2021.

**ORDINANCE NO. 142 – 2021**

**BY: ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE**

AN ORDINANCE amending Section 943.05 “STORMWATER FEE COLLECTION” of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Massillon, Ohio.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilman Herncane.

**COUNCILMAN HERNCANE** – Thank you, Madam President. Second reading.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Thank you. Ord. No. 142 – 2021 has received second reading. Ord. No. 143 – 2021.

**ORDINANCE NO. 143 – 2021**

**BY: RULES, COURTS AND CIVIL SERVICE COMMITTEE**

AN ORDINANCE amending the rules of Massillon City Council by amending Rule 19 of Section 121.02 “RULES OF COUNCIL” of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Massillon, Ohio.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilman Gregg.

**COUNCILMAN GREGG** – Second reading.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Thank you. Ord. No. 143 – 2021 has received second reading. Ord. No. 144 – 2021.

**ORDINANCE NO. 144 – 2021**

**BY: FINANCE COMMITTEE**

AN ORDINANCE making certain appropriations from the unappropriated balance of the 1238 Probation Services Fund, for the year ending December 31, 2021, and declaring an emergency.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilman Lewis.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – Second reading.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Thank you. Ord. No. 144 – 2021 has received second reading.

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

**KATHI WHITMER** – I live at 2100 Championship Cir. S.E., Massillon, Ohio. The two-day work that was done on our pond; there's still issues. Jason and Mr. Lewis, did you two ever go out there and look at all that work after it was done? I didn't think so. Jill did, though. I just don't understand why you were at the house once and you walked around and looked with us and supposedly you and you were supposed to take a look at it and I don't know why you guys are just thinking that this is nothing for us. We don't appreciate it at all. But just to let you know, there are still issues. Thank you.

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

**18. ADJOURNMENT**

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Councilman Lewis.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – I'd like to make a motion to adjourn.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ISTNICK** – Seconded by Councilman Lombardi. Meeting adjourned.

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DIANE ROLLAND, COUNCIL CLERK

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CLAUDETTE ISTNICK, PRESIDENT