# MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

# **CITY OF GARFIELD HEIGHTS, OHIO**

# Monday, August 12, 2019

# MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:00 p.m. by Council President Matt Burke.

**INVOCATION BY:** Councilman Thomas Vaughn

**ROLL CALL: PRESENT:** Council Members Dudley, LaMalfa, Nenadovich, Suster, Burke, Vaughn

#### NOT EXCUSED: Glenn

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** At this time, I'd like to make a motion to excuse Clmn Glenn. All in favor signify by saying Yea. Any Nays? AYES: Dudley NAYS: Burke, Suster, Vaughn, LaMalfa, Nenadovich ABSENT: Glenn Clmn Glenn will not be excused from tonight's meeting, as he did not call.

# **READING AND DISPOSAL OF MINUTES:**

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** Reading and Disposal of the Minutes from Monday, July 8, 2019.

CLMN SUSTER: Mr. Chairman.

PRESIDENT BURKE: Clmn Suster.

**CLMN SUSTER:** I'd like to make a motion that we accept the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Garfield Heights City Council dated Monday, July 8, 2019 as submitted.

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** On the motion made by Clmn Suster to accept the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council for Monday, July 8, 2019, as submitted, all in favor signify by saying Yea. Any opposed? AYES: Suster, Burke, Vaughn, Dudley, LaMalfa, Nenadovich ABSENT: Glenn The Meeting Minutes are passed with six Yes votes.

# WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS TO COUNCIL: None.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:** None.

# **REPORTS OF THE MAYOR AND DIRECTORS:**

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** We will move on to the Reports of the Mayor and the Directors. Mayor, do you have a report for us this evening?

**MAYOR VIC COLLOVA:** Mr. Chairman, yes, I do have a brief report. First off, I want to give some thanks to the Mayor from Parma, Tim DeGeeter and the entire Parma Fire Department. They have donated some exercise equipment to Garfield Heights, to our Fire Department and we're going to use them for our fitness routines. I thought that was very nice of them to do that. That stuff is expensive. And for them to do something like that shows they are great neighbors even though they are a hop, skip and a jump away from us. I want to really thank Parma for that. That was very nice of them.

The next thing I wanted to talk about was the Cleveland Water Department has sent us out a notification that says

"At Cleveland Water we work hard to provide safe quality drinking water at a fair and reasonable rate. We know that's not always enough, though. That's why we offer two discount programs."

They have two discount programs that are offered to the residents. The first one is a Homestead Program.

"The Homestead Program offers lower fixed charge and consumption rate for an average customer. This amounts to a 50% discount. To qualify, customers must meet the following criteria: 1) be 65 years or older or totally and permanently disabled; 2) own and live at the service address and have a total household income at/or below current income guidelines.

The other program is called the Water Affordability Program. The Water Affordability Program administered by CHM Housing Partners, offered a 40% discount on water charges. To qualify, 1) customers must own and live at the applying service address; and 2) have a total household income of below current guidelines."

This is put on by the city of Cleveland Water Department. Mayor Frank Jackson is the one that sent this out to us. We have a telephone number to call. For the Homestead Program it is (216) 664-3130. For the Water Affordability Program it is (216) 774-2349. I do have some flyers here if after the meeting, anybody's interested and you want to take a look. If you have an opportunity to get a discount on some of these utilities, don't pass it up.

The other thing I wanted to talk about was the Summerfest yesterday—the 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday party. I got to tell you this was the 6<sup>th</sup> year in a row we had the Summerfest and this time far topped them all. This was an unbelievable day. We had more residents than you could possibly imagine. It was huge. Everybody had a great time. Once again, we never had one incident. Everything worked out perfect. At a later meeting, we will identify all the businesses and individuals that donated money to make this happen. I got to tell you what a great time we had. For the residents that were there you know that's something very special to the city. It was a day when everybody just wanted to have a good time and forget about the potholes, etc. Just have a good time. It was really great.

We had a band that was unbelievable. That band we will invite them back every year. They were absolutely great. As Mayor, I should be walking around saying hello to all the residents. I had a hard time leaving the tent when the band was playing because every song was better than the one before. They were from my era so it was great.

With that said, I want to move on to tonight's legislation. Ordinance 38. We're selling some equipment that we're no longer using. These are city vehicles that are no longer in use here. Ordinance 39 allows us to reach out for funding for the Broadway Reconstruction Project. Ordinance 40 allows us to reach out for funding for the Midwest Sewer System Project. Ordinance 41. We are approving the bargaining agreement between the city and AFSCME. Ordinance 42 allows us to add an HR Manager to our classification pay ordinance. We had a meeting about this, Council, and I'll briefly go over it again. Presently, we have never, in my tenure, or before my tenure that I know about, had an HR person. In today's day, with all the different rules and laws coming into place, most cities have an HR person. Our Payroll girl, Laura Cline, has been doing it. She does a fabulous job, but it has just gotten too much. The burden then falls upon Laura, it falls upon Barb and it falls upon me because there's just too much going on in the Finance Department. So we are looking to bring in an HR person parttime, three days/week to handle those issues, put together a Personnel Manual on policy. Ours is so outdated I think it was done in the 70s and redone in the 90s. So we need that done. So we're looking to bring somebody on for that. Ordinance 43, 44 and 45. Barb will be talking about them in her report.

Resolution 14. As we do every year, this is a resolution declaring the month of September to be Prostate Cancer Awareness Month. We know how serious this prostate cancer is, just like all the other cancers. I wonder if we should just have a month for cancer alone because none of it is good. There's nothing good about cancer any way. This is a resolution we do each year for prostate cancer. Resolution 15. Because of the rising costs, we are amending our agreement with the Western Reserve on Aging to cover the additional costs. We work well with the Western Reserve. They help us out immensely. By doing that, they're helping all the residents. All the Seniors in Garfield Heights. I certainly would appreciate that being passed.

With that, Mr. Chairman, you have my report.

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** Thank you, Mayor Collova. Does anybody have any questions for Mayor Collova on his report this evening? If there are none, we will move on to our City Law Director, Tim Riley. Tim, do you have a report for us this evening?

LAW DIRECTOR TIM RILEY: Not tonight. No report.

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** Thank you, Tim. I do not see Chief Strope here so we will move on to our Police Chief, Chief Byrne.

#### FIRE CHIEF KENNETH STROPE: Absent.

POLICE CHIEF ROBERT BYRNE: No report tonight.

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** Thank you, Chief. Service Director, Tim McLaughlin. Tim, do you have a report for us?

**SERVICE DIRECTOR TIMOTHY MCLAUGHLIN:** Yes, I do. Thank you, Mr. President. We're in the process of trying to get to the heart of all the work tickets, etc. we have. The tree truck's out. The Vac-All's out working. We're working to repair the streets where the Cleveland water breaks the cutouts are. We've done 70. There are probably 60 of them left. We're trying to get those out of the way so we can get our money back for those being done. We started crosswalk striping in some areas in the last week. Sweeper's out. They had to help with the setup and take down of the Summerfest.

The Household Hazardous Waste at 13600 McCracken, the Service Garage, will be September  $9^{th}$  through the  $13^{th}$ . Monday through Friday and September  $16^{th}$  through  $20^{th}$ . Also Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. As I said at the Service Garage. Also on that Saturday September  $21^{st}$  from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. you will still be able to bring your hazardous waste to the garage and also we will have the paper shred where you can bring boxes of paper there and they shred them right there in front of you. It's a great program. The last time they were still lined up on the street when the truck was already filled. It's a good thing. That is our second time of the year. Unfortunately, we can't get a third time. This is run by the Solid Waste District for the Hazardous Waste part and we have to go by what they give us.

With that, you have my report.

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** Thank you, Mr. McLaughlin. Does anybody have any questions? Mr. Suster.

**CLMN SUSTER:** Mr. McLaughlin, doesn't the Solid Waste don't they have a place where you can take it if you want to take it to them?

**SERVICE DIRECTOR TIMOTHY MCLAUGHLIN:** They don't really want you to do that. I've sent people there with things that I don't know if they take or anybody takes. We do get some odd requests to dispose of some things. Usually I send them there, but as a regular everyday thing, I don't think that they want you to come there. I think they want you to do it with your city and they schedule times for your city.

**CLMN SUSTER:** OK. Thank you. That's all I have.

# **PRESIDENT BURKE:** Mr. Dudley.

**CLMN DUDLEY:** I didn't get a chance to look the last couple days, but you mentioned in case of the waterline breaks. I know it's not us to do the repairs, but I called the water department because of Bartman and Cooper. Because that had rained for a couple months when the break was up there. I asked them that when they have these water breaks on time they place a cover because they left a gap over there and it's big enough for somebody driving their car and a tire go into it and tear a ball joint. A newer car you're looking at \$500.00/\$600.00 in damages. They should have some responsibility. I know we put a cone, but they small places some of these when they know they're actually there, Tim. It creates an issue. You don't see that at night when you make your turn. Almost a week ago, she was up there four/five days and was going to put something over it. Did they ever do that?

**SERVICE DIRECTOR TIMOTHY MCLAUGHLIN:** I don't know. I don't see those on a daily thing. It's always been a problem as long as I've been here. Once they send us a paper that they did it, it's no longer their responsibility so I don't have a million plates.

**CLMN DUDLEY:** No. Not when they complete it. It's before they complete it. They leave six to eight inch deep holes in there. These holes are almost one foot wide.

SERVICE DIRECTOR TIMOTHY MCLAUGHLIN: Yeah, but that's when they dug it.

**CLMN DUDLEY:** Somebody should put a plate because somebody's car don't see it at night.

**SERVICE DIRECTOR TIMOTHY MCLAUGHLIN:** I'll go and check it, but I don't think we're on the same page here. If there's a hole in the street that means they dug it already.

**CLMN DUDLEY:** No, it wasn't a hole. It was a square. They said they hadn't got to it, but it's big. We was aware of it. It was about 14 inches in diameter and nine inches deep. That was running for two months.

**SERVICE DIRECTOR TIMOTHY MCLAUGHLIN:** We do have that problem. We can't tell them what to do. They tell us they use priorities on the water breaks. I could show you one right outside near a fire hydrant that ran for six months. I can call the Water Commissioner and it doesn't work, but I will check on it. We only own four plates so I send those out as much as I could. We bought stuff ourselves for different sizes, but it's a constant problem and it always has been. Is that often still running?

**CLMN DUDLEY:** I didn't check in the last couple days. Last week I called the water department. I told them if the policy is that people say they did not know the hole was there and now you know the hole is there, take my name. I'm calling you because it been there about two months. I didn't want them to not know it exists.

**SERVICE DIRECTOR TIMOTHY MCLAUGHLIN:** I will have them check first thing in the morning.

**CLMN DUDLEY:** I appreciate it.

PARKS AND RECREATION DIRECTOR BOB DOBIES: Absent.

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** Are there any further questions for our Service Director? There are none, we will move on to our Finance Director, Barb Biro. Barb, do you have a report for us this evening?

**FINANCE DIRECTOR BARB BIRO:** Yes, I do. Thank you, Mr. President. This evening, I am asking for support of Ordinance 38-2019. Again, we will be disposing of old city vehicles. Within the next two weeks there will be an ad in the Neighborhood News and it will be sold on govdeals.com. I am requesting support for Ordinance 42-2019 for the change to the non-Union position the classification to add a Human Resource Manager. I concur with the Mayor with the new laws in regards to employment now that we have legalized marijuana in the State, and

there are other Federal policies that are coming down that are constantly changing it has become quite evident that we need a position and we need someone with Human Resource background to update our Policy Procedure Manual. So I am asking for support of Ordinance 42. Ordinance 43 is our yearly assessment for the refuse fee. It is due down to the County by September 9<sup>th</sup> so I am asking Council for their support so it will allow the assessment of the refuse fee to be put on he State taxes next year. Ordinance 44-2019 is also a yearly ordinance to levy the fees for lot maintenance. Again, to be down to the County by September 9<sup>th</sup>. I am also asking for support on Ordinance 45-2019 to make some changes in appropriations for this year's budget.

Lastly, I am asking for support on Resolution 15-2019. There was an amendment agreement with the Western Reserve Area on Aging. In order to cover that since most of that support is with Federal money, I am asking Council to support the resolution so we can have on record that we modified the agreement for the year 2019.

With that, you have my report, Mr. President.

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** Thank you, Ms. Biro. Does anybody have any questions for Barb on her report this evening? There are none, we will move on to our City Engineer, Mr. David Krock. Do you have a report for us?

**CITY ENGINEER DAVID KROCK:** Yes, I do. Thank you, Mr. President. I just want to ask for support again on Ordinance 39 and 40. These are both, as you know, projects that will be coming in the future where we already have 75%-80% of the money. What we're doing is going to help Public Works Commission and kind of fill that gap so the city can have as close to the zero dollars in the projects as possible. The first one, Ordinance 39, is for Broadway Avenue. The resurfacing of that project. Then number 40 is for East 104<sup>th</sup> Street. That is Phase 4 of that Midwest Project. What is not shown here is we're also submitting this fall is the Multi-Street Phase 5. The was submitted last year. We're going to try for the funding again this year.

That's my report.

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** Thank you, Mr. Krock. Does anybody have any questions? Mr. Nenadovich.

**CLMN NENADOVICH:** Yes. Dave, on the workup for the cost and the distance that we're going to be paving, it says the westerly end. Broadway being north and south. Where is this westerly portion?

**CITY ENGINEER DAVID KROCK:** Yeah, because the way it runs we have trouble between west and north. It runs from the corporation limit from Cleveland to the corporation limit of Maple Heights.

**CLMN NENADOVICH:** Where the ODOT property used to be? Transportation on Broadway.

**CITY ENGINEER DAVID KROCK:** Right.

**CLMN NENADOVICH:** Thank you.

### SOCIAL SERVICES DIRECTOR KATHY RUSH-PARSSON: Absent.

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** Does anyone else have a question for Mr. Krock? If there are none we'll move on to our Economic Development Director, Noreen Kuban. Noreen, do you have a report?

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR NOREEN KUBAN:** Thank you, Mr. President. I do not have a report this evening.

#### BUILDING COMMISSIONER MARK MORO: Absent.

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** Thank you. That concludes the reports of the Mayor and the Directors. We will move on now to communications from citizens on tonight's agenda. Will the Clerk please read the rules?

### **COMMENTS BY CITIZENS ON THE AGENDA:**

**CLERK:** Comments shall be strictly limited to brief statements not to exceed five minutes with comments limited to legislation on the current evening's agenda. No citizen shall speak more than once.

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** Is there anyone wishing to make any comments on tonight's agenda? There are none, we will move on to our Ordinances and Resolutions beginning with Ordinance 38-2019. Will the Clerk please read the title?

# **ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:**

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 38-2019**

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF MUNICIPALLY OWNED PROPERTY WHICH HAS BEEN DETERMINED TO BE NO LONGER NEEDED FOR MUNICIPAL PURPOSES PURSUANT TO SECTION 129.02 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD HEIGHTS.

Moved by SUSTER to CONSIDER BY TITLE: AYES: Suster, Burke, Vaughn, Dudley, LaMalfa, Nenadovich ABSENT: Glenn

Motion to WAIVE RULE 24: AYES: Suster, Burke, Vaughn, Dudley, LaMalfa, Nenadovich ABSENT: Glenn

Motion to SUSPEND THREE READING RULE: AYES: Suster, Burke, Vaughn, Dudley, LaMalfa, Nenadovich ABSENT: Glenn

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** On its adoption, beginning with Clmn Suster. VOTE ON ADOPTION: AYES: Suster, Burke, Vaughn, Dudley, LaMalfa, Nenadovich ABSENT: Glenn **PRESIDENT BURKE:** Ordinance 38-2019 passes with 6 Yes votes.

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 39-2019**

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO DO ALL THINGS NECESSARY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND/OR LOCAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM(S), FOR THE BROADWAY AVENUE RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO EXECUTING ANY AND ALL APPLICATIONS, AGREEMENTS AND /OR CONTRACTS AS MAY BE REQUIRED BY THE OPWC IN ORDER TO SECURE THE GRANT FUNDS REQUESTED, PER THE ATTACHED FACT SHEET AND OPWC APPLICATION AS PREPARED BY CITY ENGINEER DAVID KROCK.

Moved by VAUGHN to CONSIDER BY TITLE: AYES: Vaughn, Dudley, LaMalfa, Nenadovich, Suster, Burke ABSENT: Glenn

Motion to WAIVE RULE 24: AYES: Vaughn, Dudley, LaMalfa, Nenadovich, Suster, Burke ABSENT: Glenn

Motion to SUSPEND THREE READING RULE: AYES: Vaughn, Dudley, LaMalfa, Nenadovich, Suster, Burke ABSENT: Glenn

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** On its adoption, beginning with Clmn Vaughn. VOTE ON ADOPTION: AYES: Vaughn, Dudley, LaMalfa, Nenadovich, Suster, Burke ABSENT: Glenn **PRESIDENT BURKE:** Ordinance 39-2019 passes with 6 Yes votes.

# ORDINANCE NO. 40-2019

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO DO ALL THINGS NECESSARY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION (OPWC) STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND/OR LOCAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM(S), FOR THE MIDWEST NEIGHBORHOOD STORM/SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT PHASE 4, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO EXECUTING ANY AND ALL APPLICATIONS, AGREEMENTS AND /OR CONTRACTS AS MAY BE REQUIRED BY THE OPWC IN ORDER TO SECURE THE GRANT FUNDS REQUESTED, PER THE APPLICATION AS PREPARED BY CITY ENGINEER DAVID KROCK. Moved by VAUGHN to CONSIDER BY TITLE: AYES: Vaughn, Dudley, LaMalfa, Nenadovich, Suster, Burke

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ABSENT: Glenn
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Motion to WAIVE RULE 24: AYES: Vaughn, Dudley, LaMalfa, Nenadovich, Suster, Burke ABSENT: Glenn

Motion to SUSPEND THREE READING RULE: AYES: Vaughn, Dudley, LaMalfa, Nenadovich, Suster, Burke ABSENT: Glenn

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** On its adoption, beginning with Clmn Vaughn.

VOTE ON ADOPTION: AYES: Vaughn, Dudley, LaMalfa, Nenadovich, Suster, Burke ABSENT: Glenn **PRESIDENT BURKE:** Ordinance 40-2019 passes with 6 Yes votes.

# ORDINANCE NO. 41-2019

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE EXECUTION OF THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF GARFIELD HEIGHTS AND LOCAL 2729 AND COUNCIL 8 AFSCME, AFLO-CIO. Moved by NENADOVICH to PLACE IN THE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE: SECONDED BY: Vaughn AYES: Nenadovich, Suster, Burke, Vaughn, Dudley, LaMalfa ABSENT: Glenn **PRESIDENT BURKE:** Ordinance 41-2019 will be placed in the Legislative Committee and reviewed.

# ORDINANCE NO. 42-2019

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 63-2018, THE CITY OF GARFIELD HEIGHTS' PLAN OF CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION OF NON-UNION PAY POSITIONS. Moved by NENADOVICH to CONSIDER BY TITLE: AYES: Nenadovich, Suster, Burke, Vaughn, Dudley, LaMalfa ABSENT: Glenn

Motion to WAIVE RULE 24: AYES: Nenadovich, Suster, Burke, Vaughn, Dudley, LaMalfa ABSENT: Glenn

Motion to SUSPEND THREE READING RULE: AYES: Nenadovich, Suster, Burke, Vaughn, Dudley, LaMalfa ABSENT: Glenn

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** On its adoption, beginning with Clmn Nenadovich.

VOTE ON ADOPTION:

**CLMN NENADOVICH:** Before I vote, this has been a long time coming. I definitely vote Yes. **CLMN VAUGHN:** Before I vote, when we were in fiscal emergency the State asked us to look at the possibility of hiring a Human Resource manager. At the time, we did not have the funds to do this. This is definitely needed in today's society. With that, I vote Yes.

AYES: Nenadovich, Suster, Burke, Vaughn, Dudley, LaMalfa

ABSENT: Glenn

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** Ordinance 42-2019 passes with 6 Yes votes.

# ORDINANCE NO. 43-2019

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE FINANCE DIRECTOR TO LEVY SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR, AS IDENTIFIED IN ATTACHMENT A, AND INCORPORATED HEREIN, (LESS ANY PAYMENTS RECEIVED OR CORRECTIONS AUTHORIZED BY THE FINANCE DIRECTOR), TO BE ASSESSED AND COLLECTED ON THE NEXT TAX COLLECTION, PURSUANT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF ORDINANCE NO. 56-2012: COST OF GARBAGE AND REFUSE COLLECTION. Moved by NENADOVICH to CONSIDER BY TITLE: AYES: Nenadovich, Suster, Burke, Vaughn, Dudley, LaMalfa ABSENT: Glenn

Motion to WAIVE RULE 24: AYES: Nenadovich, Suster, Burke, Vaughn, Dudley, LaMalfa ABSENT: Glenn

Motion to SUSPEND THREE READING RULE: AYES: Nenadovich, Suster, Burke, Vaughn, Dudley, LaMalfa ABSENT: Glenn

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** On its adoption, beginning with Clmn Nenadovich. VOTE ON ADOPTION: AYES: Nenadovich, Suster, Burke, Vaughn, Dudley, LaMalfa ABSENT: Glenn **PRESIDENT BURKE:** Ordinance 43-2019 passes with 6 Yes votes.

#### ORDINANCE NO. 44-2019

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE FINANCE DIRECTOR TO LEVY SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR, AS IDENTIFIED IN ATTACHMENT A AND INCORPORATED HEREIN (LESS ANY PAYMENTS RECEIVED OR CORRECTIONS MADE BY THE FINANCE DIRECTOR OR BUILDING COMMISSIONER), TO BE ASSSESSED AND COLLECTED ON THE NEXT TAX COLLECTION, PURSUANT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF CODIFIED ORDINANCES CHAPTER 551: LOT MAINTENANCE. Moved by NENADOVICH to CONSIDER BY TITLE: AYES: Nenadovich, Suster, Burke, Vaughn, Dudley, LaMalfa ABSENT: Glenn

Motion to WAIVE RULE 24: AYES: Nenadovich, Suster, Burke, Vaughn, Dudley, LaMalfa ABSENT: Glenn

Motion to SUSPEND THREE READING RULE: AYES: Nenadovich, Suster, Burke, Vaughn, Dudley, LaMalfa ABSENT: Glenn

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** On its adoption, beginning with Clmn Nenadovich.

VOTE ON ADOPTION:

**CLMN NENADOVICH:** Before I vote, I would like to make the people a little bit aware of something. This is all the assessments for people cutting grass. We have assessments that average anywhere between \$800.00 - \$1,400.00 with the largest one being \$6,900.00. This is total income to the city of \$261,000.00. We got to collect. People they don't cut their grass. This is the assessment. We're not collecting it because it keeps building. We are behind. This is why we're so busy. We're cutting grass. There are almost 800 homes in here. I vote yes. AYES: Nenadovich, Suster, Burke, Vaughn, Dudley, LaMalfa

ABSENT: Glenn **PRESIDENT BURKE:** Ordinance 44-2019 passes with 6 Yes votes.

### ORDINANCE NO. 45-2019

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE TO AMEND APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENDITURES FOR THE CITY OF GARFIELD HEIGHTS, OHIO, DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2019. Moved by NENADOVICH to CONSIDER BY TITLE: AYES: Nenadovich, Suster, Burke, Vaughn, Dudley, LaMalfa ABSENT: Glenn

Motion to WAIVE RULE 24: AYES: Nenadovich, Suster, Burke, Vaughn, Dudley, LaMalfa ABSENT: Glenn

Motion to SUSPEND THREE READING RULE: AYES: Nenadovich, Suster, Burke, Vaughn, Dudley, LaMalfa ABSENT: Glenn

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** On its adoption, beginning with Clmn Nenadovich.

VOTE ON ADOPTION: AYES: Nenadovich, Suster, Burke, Vaughn, Dudley, LaMalfa ABSENT: Glenn **PRESIDENT BURKE:** Ordinance 45-2019 passes with 6 Yes votes.

# **RESOLUTION NO. 14-2019**

AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION DELCARING THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER TO BE PROSTRATE CANCER AWARENESS MONTH. Moved by VAUGHN to CONSIDER BY TITLE: AYES: Vaughn, Dudley, LaMalfa, Nenadovich, Suster, Burke ABSENT: Glenn

Motion to SUSPEND THREE READING RULE: AYES: Vaughn, Dudley, LaMalfa, Nenadovich, Suster, Burke ABSENT: Glenn

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** On its adoption, beginning with Clmn Vaughn.

VOTE ON ADOPTION: AYES: Vaughn, Dudley, LaMalfa, Nenadovich, Suster, Burke ABSENT: Glenn **PRESIDENT BURKE:** Resolution 14-2019 passes with 6 Yes votes.

# **RESOLUTION NO. 15-2019**

AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO ENTER INTO AN AMENDED AGREEMENT WITH WESTERN RESERVE AREA AGENCY ON AGING.

Moved by VAUGHN to CONSIDER BY TITLE: AYES: Vaughn, Dudley, LaMalfa, Nenadovich, Suster, Burke ABSENT: Glenn

Motion to WAIVE RULE 24: AYES: Vaughn, Dudley, LaMalfa, Nenadovich, Suster, Burke ABSENT: Glenn

Motion to SUSPEND THREE READING RULE: AYES: Vaughn, Dudley, LaMalfa, Nenadovich, Suster, Burke ABSENT: Glenn

PRESIDENT BURKE: On its adoption, beginning with Clmn Vaughn.
VOTE ON ADOPTION:
AYES: Vaughn, Dudley, LaMalfa, Nenadovich, Suster, Burke
ABSENT: Glenn
PRESIDENT BURKE: Resolution 15-2019 passes with 6 Yes votes. That concludes our Ordinances and Resolutions for this evening.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS BY CITIZENS**

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** We will move on now to Miscellaneous Comments by Citizens. Will the Clerk please read the rules.

**CLERK:** Comments shall be restricted to any problem a citizen has which has previously been submitted to his/her Councilperson or to the city hall department directly involved. If submission of a problem to a city hall department or a Councilperson is made and there is a lack of service rendered in this regard, the problem may then be presented during Comments from Citizens at a future meeting. It is the intention of this rule that no request of a first nature is presented on the floor at this time. Comments shall be limited to five minutes. No citizen shall be heard more than once.

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** Is there anybody wishing to make any comments tonight?

Alisay Yarborough, 4551 MLK Jr. Blvd. On May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2019, I had 8-10 inches of water in my basement. On May 30<sup>th</sup> the same thing. On June 4<sup>th</sup> I had water but the hot water tank did not go out because it wasn't high enough for it. On June 20<sup>th</sup> I had a foot of water in my basement. It blew out my washer. It no longer works. It would cost so much to get fixed I had to get a new one. On June 24<sup>th</sup> I had another flood. Between this time my insurance company sent out ServPro to clean out the basement. This is very frustrating to me. I did not flood in July at all. The city of Garfield has been out several times to do the manholes; the drains in the streets. It did help. I was encouraged to think that this would solve my problem. The sewer department also came out to clean out any traps. It was told to me that they were clear.

On August 6<sup>th</sup>, when I came home my hot water tank was out, but the smell is like really bad now. I'm a Senior citizen. I had to call my children to come and help. So when they came a couple days later we found out the water had gone down, but there were leaves and something white all over the floor. It was toilet tissue. So now, it's becoming a health issue for me. I have called the city and have spoke to them. They have done very well. They sent out Garfield people. I want to know if the Engineer or somebody can help me resolve the problem so that I could at least get the vanity put back in in the bathroom. When ServPro came out they removed all of the tile because of the infected water and they had to cut some of the board in the bathroom and take out the vanity because it had been destroyed. I want to get something done because doing steps is not feasible for me in this season of my life. So my washer is down there. I wanted to know what can be done to help me resolve the issue because there's got to be something else that's going on. I don't know what else to do.

### MAYOR VIC COLLOVA: Mr. Chairman?

#### PRESIDENT BURKE: Yes.

**MAYOR VIC COLLOVA:** Ms. Yarborough, let me ask you a question. Are your neighbors getting flooded also?

**MS. YARBOROUGH:** Yes. At least eight. One neighbor past me has not flooded at all until this year. I will say that I have three drains in my basement. It's a divided basement so I have a drain on both sides. I have the washer drain. I think I get the brunt of the water because I have so many drains in the basement. I tried to get somebody to come out. At some point ServPro came the drain had cracked and they put a way that one drain is open that may be the reason that I'm getting more debris in the basement.

**MAYOR VIC COLLOVA:** Let me just say this. From someone who suffered from flooding for many years here in Garfield Heights, I certainly understand where you're coming from. It's totally disgusting to have to live like that. I feel for you. I really do. Do we have hydro brakes on that street? We do. The only thing I can ask is for the Engineers to go out and see if they can find any other form of relief and make it a priority. I could tell you this. This year's water—I don't have to explain to anybody how much water we've had. I had water in my basement and I had to listen to my wife tell me what's wrong with our street so I understand. This has been a very unusual summer. Everybody knows that. I'm not using that as an excuse. You still should not be getting flooded. It's been one hell of a year as far as water. Dave, if you can take the address down for Ms. Yarborough and see if we can find something that we can do for the entire street, not just yourself, but the entire street?

**CITY ENGINEER DAVID KROCK:** I will certainly do that, Mayor. I did leave Ms. Yarborough a message this afternoon actually. Mr. Dudley had mentioned to me that she was having trouble. We did sort of go through the process. We've heard from others on MLK over the last few months. To go through that process we'll have the city do some cleaning. Those are usually the first steps before we start looking at it to see if it's a bigger engineering-related issue, but we can certainly do that, Mayor, and follow up from there.

MAYOR VIC COLLOVA: Please do that. All I can do is hope for the best for you. OK?

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** Thank you, Ma'am. Is there anyone else wishing to make any comments this evening?

George Wilson, 4530 MLK Jr. Blvd. I have a question. My situation is that the street when you come down Maplerow it just says MLK. Not Martin Luther King. It used to be East Boulevard. I came home one day. They took it down and put that sign up. Down on Thornhurst they had the correct name—Martin Luther King Jr. in Garfield. I would like to ask. I'll pay for the sign if they

can come up and take that sign down and put Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. like it should be. They still call it East Boulevard. They haven't changed it, but the correct name is Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. My phone number is (216) 402-8177. If necessary, I'll pay for the sign.

**CLMN DUDLEY:** No, George, you won't pay for the sign.

MAYOR VIC COLLOVA: Excuse me. Mr. Chairman.

PRESIDENT BURKE: Yes.

**MAYOR VIC COLLOVA:** We're going to see what we can get done about that, but I want to comment on your cane. Is that an eight-iron or a nine-iron? We'll certainly look into that.

MR. WILSON: I appreciate it.

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** Is there anyone else wishing to make any comments this evening?

Marvelle MacLamoore, 4521 MLK Jr. Blvd. I just wanted to say the young lady, Mrs. Yarborough, you asked about the breakers—the hydro. We were told by one of the cleaning crew that the one side does not have one. I was just trying to correct that. I don't know what can be done?

**SERVICE DIRECTOR TIMOTHY MCLAUGHLIN:** I think from what I know I guess I can talk to my sewer foreman. Ninety percent of the street has hydro brakes. There were serious problems there 25-30 years ago and hydro brakes have I guess through engineering, etc. and the answer is they've been putting in hydro brakes in the city since 1980. Fifty percent of our catch basins have hydro brakes throughout the city. All we can do is I didn't know and I was just told eight neighbors had water because I only got two phone calls. I think Mrs. Yarborough's was one of them. My sewer foremen said that they were going to revisit that with the County with their camera and try to go at it in another way. That's all we can do before we can turn over the information to the City Engineer.

MS. MACLAMOORE: Thank you. I just wanted you to know.

**SERVICE DIRECTOR TIMOTHY MCLAUGHLIN:** I'll check that. I'm not sure. I thought he said that almost all of it had hydro brakes.

**MS. MACLAMOORE:** I appreciate it. Thank you so much. I don't know if you got my card or not?

**SERVICE DIRECTOR TIMOTHY MCLAUGHLIN:** Oh, yes. I knew who it was right away. I knew it was you.

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** Mr. Dudley, did you have a comment?

**CLMN DUDLEY:** To see what's going on you have to get out when it's raining. I have a catch basin in front of my home as well as on the side of the street where there's flooding. If you watch it when the water's rising, their side remains open and the side by me shuts off. You see

no water going down. That side continue to run. Water's pouring down on that side. Once the brakes lock the water starts going across the street. That's OK. Their side will open up much quicker before the side that I am on opens it up. That side will open and rain like crazy while the side that I live on still stays locked. You have to watch it while it's happening. It opens up far too soon and is taking it down too quick. I want a video next time I'm not home when a lot of this stuff is happening.

**SERVICE DIRECTOR TIMOTHY MCLAUGHLIN:** The last three times the sewer foreman's been up there and we measured the time till it went down. Usually it was an hour. I will look at it. Maybe the sewers run different directions there? I can't tell you that. We'll look to see if there's hydro brakes on the other side and why it would go down much quicker because I can drive down MLK and point out houses that when I was on the sewer crew in the early 80s that had basements full of water before the hydro brakes were put in. I don't know if something's changed. They cameraed it. They had their jets there with the cutters. They are going to revisit it. I asked Mark that on Friday. They're going to revisit it. After filming, etc. we'll see from there. I might have to go to Mr. Krock. I will check those two things and see why your side goes down so much slower.

CLMN DUDLEY: The other one is doing what it's designed to do.

**SERVICE DIRECTOR TIMOTHY MCLAUGHLIN:** The other side doesn't have hydro brakes. It goes down a lot faster.

**CLMN DUDLEY:** It do lock up. It takes a while. Some people on the street cannot make insurance claims no more. You spending a couple thousand dollars in cleaning up through these companies. They feeding off Garfield Heights like crazy. We like employ some of these companies to clean up the basements.

**SERVICE DIRECTOR TIMOTHY MCLAUGHLIN:** The County has top of the line equipment. Their trucks you would not believe the equipment that's on there. The cameras, etc. We don't have that. That's why we pay them to do it for us. That is the only thing. They don't do trees, etc. We're going to revisit MLK. I'll ask Mark tomorrow how fast. They're kind of spread out right now but they've been pretty good about showing up for us right away. I think Mark called back a couple people to say that he's going to get the County there and we're going to start from scratch and go out again and see if we missed something. We'll go from there if we have to go to' the City Engineer.

#### CLMN DUDLEY: All right.

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** Thank you. Is there anyone else wishing to make a comment this evening?

Solomon Smith, 11206 Briarcliff Drive. I have a complaint. It seem like people don't get they grass cut. It used to be pretty decent. It ain't getting up to power no more. What can be done about it? Sort of check it out once in awhile. I'd appreciate it.

**MAYOR VIC COLLOVA:** Mr. Chairman, if I may? Mr. Smith, I would like to know what can be done about it also. This is an ongoing problem. When I tell you we cite the people that aren't

cutting their grass. We do 800 lawns. You wonder how the people could not want to cut their grass or bring their rubbish cans in. I don't know what the answer is either. Hopefully if they get beat up in their pocketbook enough, they'll start complying. I wish I had a magic wand that would make people start being responsible, but it's tough. It really is tough.

**MR. SMITH:** OK. I appreciate that.

MAYOR VIC COLLOVA: Thank you. I understand your concern.

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** Thank you, Mr. Smith. Is there anybody else wishing to make any comments this evening?

### **MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:**

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** If there are none, we will move on to our Miscellaneous Business. Will the Clerk please read the rules?

**CLERK:** This involves the business of Council in the legislative function; any other problems should be directly dealt with by the department involved. This area of the agenda shall be limited to legislative business, Ward business, lack of attention toward problems, etc.

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** Tonight we will begin with Clmn Vaughn since he had the invocation.

**CLMN VAUGHN:** Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Well, we're coming back to Block Watches. We'll have our Block Watch on August 29<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at the pavilion at St. Monica's. Come on up and join us. It's going to be an open forum. We're going to talk about what's going on in the city. We'll start at 7:00 p.m. Again, it's in the pavilion at St. Monica's.

Mayor, I got to tell you I really enjoyed myself yesterday at the fest. The band was good; the DJs did a good job. All around it was just a great day. It was good to see so many residents out and talk to them. It wasn't a gripe session. It was just everybody having a good time. Everybody I talked to enjoyed that rocket ride. It seemed like that was the hit. Again, I look forward to it again.

We seem to be having a little problem in the neighborhood. We got chickens again. People are having chicken coops in their back yard. They are not allowed.

**MAYOR VIC COLLOVA:** Don't start with animals, please.

**CLMN VAUGHN:** All right. So please get rid of your chickens. I had two/three calls this week so folks we've got to remember we're not allowed to have chickens, swine, goats. Please it's in the ordinance. It's in the Codified.

With that, that's all I have.

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** Thank you, Clmn Vaughn. Clmn Dudley, do you have anything to share with us?

**CLMN DUDLEY:** I do. It was a great time Sunday. I brought my sons and grandsons. We had a great time. The entertainment was great. The only thing and I won't put this on the city, I'd like to see if I can work something out, is that we get a sponsor to provide maybe some free food and refreshments for the residents. You got everything else covered and I think that would be nice because sometime we have the children come up there and they will get in line and they don't realize they got to pay. They go the front and their pockets are empty. I think that's doable, Mayor. I think we can get somebody up there to provide the free food. It was a great show yesterday. I am sure the residents that I spoke with said they had a great time and it has gotten better since last year. So every year we looking at something growing so we do have something here that is special. We enjoyed ourselves.

**MAYOR VIC COLLOVA:** It was a great time. I tell you this. If you can get somebody that will provide food free, I'll book him tomorrow.

**CLMN DUDLEY:** We going to work on that for next year. It a done deal. I want to thank the residents for coming out and expressing you all on the situation that is going on. It takes a lot of heart to come up to mike night. That way you know your concern is being handled. I hope they going to resolve that issue, because insurance policy you can only claim so much. It becomes a direct burden on you and can be costly. Raw sewage may be backing up into your home possibly. We don't want to see that happen.

One thing I do want to see changed and I do discuss this in the back. Two things. I want to see a changes and I discussed this with Chairman. It's called the Minutes from Council I'm OK with. But the Minutes from Caucus Meetings I'm not OK with. A lot of people don't attend Caucus and I'm not asking you to sit into a Caucus Meeting, but I have in the past relied on the Minutes from the Caucus Meeting for research information as to what I said during the timeframe, has it been taken care of, what one of my colleagues said, has that been taken care of. It's got to the point, I have mentioned it in Caucus, that it has gotten smaller and smaller to the point that even if you had a 25-minute discussion back there, you still only end up with one front page. It's not so much residents asking what we talk about and I can't say that I can get a sheet. I used to years ago. I could go at home and pull you out the sheets that show two and three pages on it. But there's a lot of information. Remember on the floor they always say they don't bring it out on the floor. We work out our differences there. But if I go back and say I talked about something you brought to my attention, and I discussed it with my colleagues, I don't have nothing to show you what their response was or that I actually discussed what you mentioned to me at all. I have asked and I'm asking now that more information be provided as to what is being discussed out of transparency to the residents as well as me. I need this information more than anybody. Like when they say they brought up something different they say Mr. Dudley we can talk about it did you mention it on the floor, I mentioned it in the back room. I don't want to bring it on the floor and have a motion go back and forth and we try to avoid that. What here have to be same record to show what are we discussing. I can't speak for everybody, but I believe you have a right to know, I have a right to know. I don't remember everything and I can't take notes. Now if I want to find out what I said maybe two/three months ago or a year ago, I can look at my notes. I can't do that no more. I go back I just have one sheet it nothing. I would like this changed. I would like to see more information provided. Somebody can say that it is been written on in you got one paragraph a long time ago and I do appreciate that.

But I need it mainly for my information provided I put these out on Munchie's on 131<sup>st</sup>. When people get it and they take a look at the package, which is public information. It's placed here on a Friday, usually Saturday morning. The only thing I don't beleive that the Minutes or you until after they are approved on Monday so you won't get the Minutes until Tuesday. Once again, we don't have a clue as to what been discussed. I would like to see that changed.

Before I close out, I'd like to say you need to spend more time communicating with each other and caring about each other. We live in dangerous times. It's getting so bad now that you can't even go to the store without worrying about whether or not your family members is going to come home. So take that time to tell somebody how you love them. Somebody walk out the door and I never mad at nobody when I leave. I don't want to know that I was angry at you. Apply the same thing to your family, wife, kids, husbands because they don't have to be at Wal-Mart. They could be at the mall, etc. We are living in dangerous times. If you see something don't look right, don't hesitate to call those professionals like Chief and say something looks bad. Call the Sheriff Department if you got a suspicions or something. Don't wait till something happens and say I wish I could have, should have and it don't happen. You got to care more about people. Tell the family and friends that you love them before it's too late. That's all, Mr. Chairman.

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** Thank you, Mr. Dudley. Mr. LaMalfa, do you have anything you want to share?

**CLMN LAMALFA:** I don't have anything tonight. Thank you.

PRESIDENT BURKE: Mr. Nenadovich, do you have anything you'd like to share?

**CLMN NENADOVICH:** Have I ever missed? First off, I'd like to thank the Directors and have the Directors thank all the people that have worked on the birthday bash. It was a fantastic job. They put on one hell of a show. Mayor, thank you for all the effort that you had these people go through. It was a great time. We had a good time. I ran the hole in one and there were people standing around watching to see who was going to win the television set. It was entertainment itself. It was a great time. The food was good. Two beautiful days. The pool. The birthday bash. I had a good time. I hope everybody else did. Again, like the Mayor said, there was not one incident. I pray for that too.

Next thing. I've been saying we need people down here at the Council Meetings. Thank you for coming down and voicing your concerns. This gets out to more people than that one phone call you make to any one of the seven of us up here. The whole city, if they have WOW, sees this meeting. They hear your concerns. They are watching you speak up. The person that's actually doing (not the complaining) but bringing out the problems that we're having. They're listening to you, not listening to me or anybody else up here. So it's coming from straight where it's happening. I think this is great.

Mr. Smith, while you've been complaining about all the dirt in the streets I think if you'd check the past tapes, you'd find it's one of my main peeves. People cut the grass. If they don't blow it in the street, the garbage stays in front of the curb. That's the city's problem. When you're driving by it's not the city they're looking at. They're looking at your home and what's in front of it. Do I want to live next door to that? When I was in school, we didn't have much. Welfare was a lot different then, but two things you got to remember. I went to school clean and I went to school patched. The food maybe sometimes, but I was always clean and patched. I always remember that. Take care of your own and they will take care of you.

With that, I have nothing else to say.

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** All right. Thanks, Mr. Nenadovich. Mayor, I am sorry I missed the 100<sup>th</sup> year celebration yesterday, but I was on a tractor all weekend, working down at my uncle's farm. Let me tell you, it was hot. I would have rather been here enjoying 100 years of Garfield Heights.

I feel a need to respond as a Councilperson to what Mr. Dudley had to say about transparency. I, too, believe in transparency, but I am the youngest guy on City Council here. And being a young person in today's society or a younger person, there's a lot of technology that is available to us at our fingertips. There has never been a time that I have not asked for information where I did not get it. I have CDs of the actual recordings of Council Meetings and Caucus Meetings where I can go back and review them. They are perfectly available to me. All I need to do is ask. But to have a Clerk who is already taxed with the job of transcribing these Council Meetings verbatim and then to have to do the Caucus Meetings when we've never done them in the history of this Council in Garfield Heights—in the history—all I'm saying is as a young person and as a person who embraces technology and uses it to the betterment of you all residents who ask for it, who call up and ask for the information, I turn around and I can e-mail it in an instant.

That's what we need to do on this Council. We need to work better effectively for the people of Garfield Heights. That's what we're elected to do, is to work better for you. I embrace that technology. I use it. I get very offended when somebody says well I don't get what I need. You know? You get what you need. It's there. You just got to ask for it. You got to be smart enough to ask for it. You got to know where to go to get it.

# CLMN DUDLEY: (Unintelligible)

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** That comment was not aimed at you. It's aimed at we need to do better. We're all old enough here. If I'm the youngest guy on Council and I'm embracing technology and nobody else is, there's a problem with that. This city has got to change and it's got to move forward. We have to get with the times, people. We have to get with the times and that's what I'm saying. I mean no disrespect to you, Mr. Dudley, but we have to get with the times because other communities are doing it. Why should Garfield Heights be held back by their city leaders? Why? There's no point. There's no reason for it when we have this information. I can show you the CD. I've got it in the Caucus Room right now of one that I asked for that particular Caucus Meeting. Within a matter of a couple days, I had it. The Clerk got it for me. You just have to ask. That's all im saying. That's all I have.

Mr. Suster, do you have anything you'd like to share?

**CLMN VAUGHN:** Mr. Chairman, before Joe, I'd like to share something. I totally agree with you on this. We need to embrace technology and that's why I do believe in the sitting of the

next Council we need to start having a Technology Committee to start updating many of our technologies, our Websites, etc., Mr. Chairman.

PRESIDENT BURKE: Thank you, Mr. Vaughn. Mr. Suster, do you have anything?

**CLMN SUSTER:** The only thing I'd like to say is I think the amount of information Barb puts in on those Caucus Minutes is sufficient. I don't have a problem with it and I've been doing this for a while. I just want to say that with anybody that's been a secretary and what they've included in the Minutes for the Caucus, I never had a problem. Mr. Dudley, what did we discuss tonight in Caucus?

**CLMN DUDLEY:** Tonight, as I said, Chairman, I was running behind, Councilmen, because I had to pick my car to have them repaired and I wouldn't make it to Caucus and you were all aware I wasn't in Caucus.

**CLMN SUSTER:** Nobody called to say that you weren't coming.

**CLMN DUDLEY:** Chairman got it on his phone that it was sent to him before the meeting. He say he was downstairs so he didn't get it.

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** I didn't read it. We did not get it.

**CLMN DUDLEY:** It was on his phone. I sent him a text. They received a text.

**CLMN SUSTER:** My point is, Mr. Dudley, there is a lot of times that you're late for Caucus and that's where you miss out on a lot of stuff and I think that that's what you're referring to.

CLMN DUDLEY: Let me respond to that.

**CLMN SUSTER:** Mr. Chairman, at that time I'd like to make a motion that we adjourn.

**CLMN DUDLEY:** Mr. Chairman, you're not going to allow me to respond when he mention my name?

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** Mr. Dudley, you had your turn.

**CLMN DUDLEY:** No. You got to respond I have never seen nothing like this in my life.

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** Mr. Dudley, I'll give you the respect to respond. Go ahead and respond.

**CLMN DUDLEY:** Let me tell you something. You say that I am late for Caucus. Is any other Council Member more late than I am? You go to the record. I have been here on time this year. When I was a truck driver I was a little tardy sometimes because of the route I took, but if you look at the record from the last year, I am here. I am not late. I mentioned tonight when I come into Caucus and I'm running a little late, the meeting ends within 10 minutes and I'm less than 10 minutes late I have seen when we wait on another Member and it's not a issue. It is what it is.

CLMN SUSTER: Mr. Chairman, I have one more thing if I might?

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** Absolutely. I let you have your time, Mr. Dudley.

**CLMN SUSTER:** I'd like to wish Clmn LaMalfa a lot of luck this week. He's going for a hip replacement. He's been waiting for it for a long time. Good luck to you, Joe. God be with you.

CLMN LAMALFA: Thank you. I appreciate it.

**CLMN SUSTER:** And I would also like to make a motion that we adjourn.

**CLMN DUDLEY:** I second it.

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** On the motion made by Clmn Suster to adjourn and seconded by Clmn Dudley, all in favor signify by saying Yea. Meeting adjourned. AYES: Suster, Burke, Vaughn, Dudley, LaMalfa, Nenadovich ABSENT: Glenn

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:10 p.m.

#### **APPROVED:**

#### **RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:**

Matthew Burke President of Council Barbara Molin Clerk of Council