# MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL CITY OF GARFIELD HEIGHTS, OHIO

Monday, January 25, 2016

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:00 p.m. by Council President Joseph Suster.

**INVOCATION BY:** Councilman Michael Dudley, Sr.

PRESIDENT SUSTER: Roll call please.

**ROLL CALL:** PRESENT: Council Members Dudley, LaMalfa, Nenadovich, Glenn,

Suster, Burke, Vaughn

**READING AND DISPOSAL OF MINUTES:** 

PRESIDENT SUSTER: Reading and disposal of the Minutes of January 11, 2016.

**CLMN BURKE:** Mr. President, I would like to make a motion that we accept the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council, City of Garfield Heights, Monday, January 11, 2016 as written.

**PRESIDENT SUSTER:** On the motion made by Clmn Burke to accept the Minutes as written, all in favor signify by saying Yea. All opposed? AYES: Burke, Vaughn, Dudley, LaMalfa, Nenadovich, Glenn, Suster That passes with 7 Yes votes.

**LEGISLATION OUT OF COMMITTEE:** None.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS TO COUNCIL: None.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:** None.

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

**PRESIDENT SUSTER:** There being none, wed move on to the reports of the Mayor and his Directors. Mayor, do you have a report for us this evening?

MAYOR VIC COLLOVA: Thank you, Mr. Chairman, yes, I do. I want to talk for a few minutes about the 2015 Garfield Heights Lighting Contest. This lighting contest has been going on in Garfield Heights for probably the last five or six years. Each year it seems to get a little better, but this year has been unbelievable. In the past we would have anywhere from 10 to 17 entries into the contest and we would pick winners and it wasnot really that hard because there wasnot much to choose from. This year contest lam proud to say we had over 80 entries of different houses for the lighting contest, which is absolutely fantastic. It showed that people are really taking an interest in the community. They are trying to add a little bit to the community and we

really appreciate it. So this year was very tough. We had a lot of great entries. Our judges were able to come up with one winner from each Ward and one grand winner.

First, I would like to announce them and then Ion going to call them up. We have a little award for them:

Ward 1, Daniel Gordon and his family.

Ward 2, Charles and Alyssa Marhevka. Please forgive me if Iom saying your name wrong. You can certainly correct me in a moment.

Ward 3, Susan Cromika

Ward 4, Traci Grimm and Randy Resh

Ward 5, Susan and Tony Kolcinko

Ward 6, Loretta Felixson

Ward 7, Alexis Bogucki and Scott Acevedo

I will announce the citywide winner in a second but I would like the people that are here if they would join me up at here at the podium, please?

(At this time, Mayor Collova presented the awards to the Ward winners.)

**MAYOR VIC COLLOVA:** The Grand Winner, first prize, is Loretta. (*Photos were taken at this time.*)

**MAYOR VIC COLLOVA:** Thank you everybody. I certainly want to give a shout out to all those entries that didnq make the finals but did a great job. We certainly appreciate their efforts in the community.

With that, Mr. Chairman, Iqn going to get into tonights legislation. Ordinances 1 and 4 are yearly contracts the city enters into with Cuyahoga Soil and Water Conservation District for participation in the Storm Water Pollution Prevention Program and Public Involvement Education Programs in regards to soil and water conservation. Ordinance 2 is a renewal of a five-year contract the city has with Pitney-Bowes in regards to the lease of our postage meter located in the Finance Department. The city will be saving \$600.00 over the lease period with this renewal. Ordinance 3 is our yearly ordinance that authorizes the Finance Director, myself to advertise for proposals for purchases of \$50,000.00 or more.

The number one resolution has to do with a recycling program by the Baumann Company. We applied for a grant of \$175,000.00. They do a like match. It doesnot cost the city anything. This is the program that we've done in the past. This program's open to any entity or any business that would be willing go put in for it. Mr. Chairman, with that, you have my report.

**PRESIDENT SUSTER:** Thank you, Mayor. Does anybody have any questions of the Mayor on his report? Does anybody have any questions of the Mayor on his report? Wed move to our Law Director, Tim Riley. Do you have a report this evening?

**LAW DIRECTOR TIM RILEY:** Thank you, Mr. President, no report tonight.

PRESIDENT SUSTER: OK. Chief Bob Byrne. Do you have a report for us tonight, Chief?

**ACTING POLICE CHIEF ROBERT BYRNE:** Yes, I do, Mr. Chairman, thank you. We finished up our statistics for 2015 and we responded just under 21,000 calls last year in the Police Department. One area that we had a definite increase in was the number of robberies. First off,

a robbery is essentially a theft with force. It does not necessarily mean that a weapon was used, but in some cases, that was definitely the case.

I wanted to bring that up and I want to point out that one attempted robbery we had last week, it was actually a week ago today. An employee at Little Caesars Pizza observed two suspicious males outside of the store. If you remember, just the week before Christmas one of their employees was robbed. So she contacted the police immediately. Our officers responded. We were able to stop and question these two individuals. One of the males ended up taking off running. He threw a gun. We were able to recover that. Through our investigation, we made two arrests. We were able to show that one of the males was involved with the robbery in December around Christmas. I only bring that up to point out the fact that somebody made a phone call to us because they saw a suspicious person or suspicious people so the moral of the story is if you see something that does not look right or you see a suspicious vehicle in your neighborhood or in front of a business, please call the police. For some reason people are hesitant to do that at times. Youge not bothering us. That what our job is. This is a perfect example that when people step up and they make that call it can make a difference. With that, Mr. President, you have my report.

**PRESIDENT SUSTER:** Thank you, Chief. Is there any questions of the Chief on his report? There being none we will move on to Service Director, Tim McLaughlin. Do you have a report for us this evening?

**SERVICE DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR TIM McLAUGHLIN:** Thank you, Mr. President, I have no report.

**PRESIDENT SUSTER:** OK. Thank you. I know hed have a report. Parks and Recreation Director, Bob. Do you have a report for us this evening?

**PARKS AND RECREATION DIRECTOR BOB DOBIES:** Mr. President, Council Members, good evening. You know you can count on me Mr. President. I have a brief report tonight. First of all Happy New Year to all since I wasnot here last Council Meeting.

I just want to report our futsol program and soccer will begin with practices tomorrow and the season starts February 9<sup>th</sup>. The Peewee and minor divisions are full but we can still accept three more participants in the Major Division which is ages 11-14, so if you have any interest, give us a call this week so we can get you on the court and for practices.

løl like to invite all to our theme event skate at the rink, Frosty Skates into February. This will be held Saturday, February 6<sup>th</sup>, from 5:30 p.m. until 7:30. Wedl have music by Smooth Moves and reduced admission that includes skates. All children must be accompanied by an adult.

Also around the corner are our Annual Melt the Ice Tournament which will be held February 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>. Come out and see our children participate along with teens coming in from Pennsylvania/New York area for a competitive weekend of hockey.

Last, I dong know if you noticed, the marquee we changed the north side today. I would like to bring to your attention that our own Katie McBeath, who is one of our own skating instructors at the rink, began her skating career at six years old in our Learn to Skate Program. Katie just participated in the U.S. Figure Skating Championships, which were on TV this past weekend, held at the XL Energy Center in St. Paul, Minnesota. She placed 13<sup>th</sup> overall in the Womence Senior Division. If you all remember about this time last year, I reported that Katie was the 2014

Collegiate Silver Medalist and won the North Atlantic Regional Figure Skating Senior Lady Championships in 2015 qualifying her for the 2015 U.S. Nationals. This is the second year in a row that Katie has qualified at the U.S. Nationals and her performance overall continues to improve, moving from 18<sup>th</sup> last year in the country to 13<sup>th</sup> overall this year. If you have ever seen Katie skate you will see that her dreams of becoming an Olympic hopeful remain alive and well. If your like to see one of Katiers performances this past week, please go to our cityrs Website and we have one of the best IT guys. I called him about 10 oxlock this morning. I think he had it on at 10:05 a.m. You can find the link to YouTube either on the breaking news section or go to the Recreation page and it is right at the top to enjoy watching her performance on the YouTube. Ites about three or three and a half minutes. Continued success to Katie and her family and truly proud shees homegrown. She is a Garfield Heights girl and part of our team at the Recreation Center. If you have never seen a National level skater before other than on TV, I would invite you to come to our Annual Figure Skating Show every year at the end of our ice season in April to watch all of our skaters perform, of course, but along with Katie. Youd be very impressed and you'd understand what lon talking about when you see it first hand. Thank you. That concludes my report.

**PRESIDENT SUSTER:** Thank you. Does anybody have any questions of Mr. Dobies on his report? Wed move on to City Engineer Dave Krock. Dave, do you have a report for us this evening?

CITY ENGINEER DAVID KROCK: I do, thank you, Council President. I just want to report that the Ohio Public Works Commission has awarded this city three different grants on future road projects. Iαγε listed them in your report, but I will go over them just briefly. The first one is the Multi-Street Reconstruction Phase 3. Itας Phase 3 because Phase 1 and 2 are currently underway. Thatας a \$942,000.00 grant.

We also received a \$100,000.00 grant for the Granger Hill Rockfall problem so that grant will allow us to do the construction there at no cost to the city. O.D.O.T. a already pledged \$1 million to that project.

The other section of Turney Road (the small section from Hathaway to the Maple line) that was received as well, so that was another \$200,000.00 grant. So all three of those are good news. At least two of those are 2017 projects. That wond be this year because we have other projects going in the summer. That my report.

**PRESIDENT SUSTER:** OK. Are there any questions of Mr. Krock on his report? Mr. Nenadovich.

**CLMN NENADOVICH:** Dave, I was driving down Warner and I see Cleveland is going to start working on Warner Road from Grand Division. Are there any plans to get anything done with our moonscape?

CITY ENGINEER DAVID KROCK: Warner Road is definitely a priority of ours. So far, we've still been trying to chase different funding opportunities. We don't have a solution yet, but we realize it's a big problem.

**CLMN NENADOVICH:** I thought we could piggyback or something?

CITY ENGINEER DAVID KROCK: Wead love to but.

**CLMN NENADOVICH:** Thank you, Dave.

**PRESIDENT SUSTER:** OK. Next, wed move on to our Finance Director, Barb Biro. Do you have a report for us this evening?

FINANCE DIRECTOR BARBARA BIRO: Thank you, Mr. President. I have no report.

SOCIAL SERVICES DIRECTOR KATHY RUSH-PARSSONS: Absent.

**PRESIDENT SUSTER:** OK. Wed move on to Economic Development Director, Noreen Kuban. Do you have a report for us this evening?

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR NOREEN KUBAN:** Thank you, Mr. President; I have no report this evening.

**PRESIDENT SUSTER:** Building Commissioner Bill Wervey. Do you have a report for us this evening?

BUILDING COMMISSIONER BILL WERVEY: Ict like to let people know (as Ict presuming that you'de seeing demolitions starting to occur) most of these are coming from the County grant that we received. They are starting to get into the swing of things. I don'd have answers to specific questions on specific houses, but if you'de curious as to what's going on in your Ward, give me a call and I can let you know. That's all Icy'e got.

**PRESIDENT SUSTER:** OK. Thank you, Bill. Are there any questions of Mr. Wervey on his report?

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

**PRESIDENT SUSTER:** There being none, wed move on to Comments by Citizens on tonights agenda. Would the Clerk please read the rules?

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

**PRESIDENT SUSTER:** Is there anyone in the audience that would like to speak on tonights agenda? Is there anybody in the audience that would like to speak on tonights agenda?

Do we have any Committee Reports this evening?

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:** None.

#### **ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:**

**PRESIDENT SUSTER:** There being none, wed move on to Ordinances and Resolutions, Wed begin with Ordinance 01-2016. Would the Clerk please read the title?

# **ORDINANCE NO. 01-2016**

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD HEIGHTS WITH THE CUYAHOGA SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT FOR THE PURPOSE OF PARTICIPATING IN THE STORM WATER POLLUTION PREVENTION PROGRAM.

Moved by NENADOVICH to CONSIDER BY TITLE:

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

Motion to SUSPEND THREE READING RULE:

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

Motion to WAIVE RULE 24:

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

PRESIDENT SUSTER: On its adoption, beginning with Councilman Nenadovich.

**VOTE ON ADOPTION:** 

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

PRESIDENT SUSTER: Ordinance 01-2016 passes with 7 Yes votes.

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 02-2016**

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR, OR HIS DESIGNEE, TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH PITNEY BOWES, PURSUANT TO THE ATTACHED PITNEY BOWES GLOBAL FINANCIAL SERVICES, STATE & LOCAL FAIR MARKET VALUE LEASE AGREEMENT, FOR THE LEASE / REPLACEMENT OF THE MAILING MACHINE LOCATED IN THE CITY FINANCE DEPARTMENT, THROUGH THE STATE OF OHIO DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES COOPERATIVE PURCHASING TERM SCHEDULE, CONTRACT NUMBER MMA7516, INDEX NUMBER MMA111, AT A TOTAL COST OF FIFTEEN THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED FORTY DOLLARS (\$15,840.00).

Moved by SUSTER to CONSIDER BY TITLE:

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

Motion to SUSPEND THREE READING RULE:

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

Motion to WAIVE RULE 24:

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

**PRESIDENT SUSTER:** On its adoption, beginning with myself.

**VOTE ON ADOPTION:** 

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

PRESIDENT SUSTER: Ordinance 02-2016 passes with 7 Yes votes.

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 03-2016**

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE COMMISSIONER OF PURCHASES AND SUPPLIES, FINANCE DIRECTOR, THE MAYOR, OR HIS DESIGNEE TO ADVERTISE FOR PROPOSALS FOR VARIOUS MATERIALS, SERVICES AND SUPPLIES FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2016.

Moved by DUDLEY to CONSIDER BY TITLE:

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

Motion to SUSPEND THREE READING RULE:

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

Motion to WAIVE RULE 24:

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

**PRESIDENT SUSTER:** On its adoption, beginning with Councilman Dudley.

**VOTE ON ADOPTION:** 

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

PRESIDENT SUSTER: Ordinance 03-2016 passes with 7 Yes votes.

### **ORDINANCE NO. 04-2016**

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD HEIGHTS WITH THE CUYAHOGA SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT FOR THE PURPOSE OF PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT AND PUBLIC EDUCATION REGARDING SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION.

Moved by BURKE to CONSIDER BY TITLE:

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

Motion to SUSPEND THREE READING RULE:

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

Motion to WAIVE RULE 24:

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

PRESIDENT SUSTER: On its adoption, beginning with Councilman Burke.

**VOTE ON ADOPTION:** 

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

PRESIDENT SUSTER: Ordinance 04-2016 passes with 7 Yes votes.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 01-2016**

AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPLY FOR THE 2016 MARKET DEVELOPMENT GRANT FUNDS FOR THE CITY OF GARFIELD HEIGHTS MADE AVAILABLE BY THE OHIO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY.

Moved by VAUGHN to CONSIDER BY TITLE:

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

Motion to SUSPEND THREE READING RULE:

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

Motion to WAIVE RULE 24:

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

**PRESIDENT SUSTER:** On its adoption, beginning with Councilman Vaughn.

**VOTE ON ADOPTION:** 

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

PRESIDENT SUSTER: Resolution 01-2016 passes with 7 Yes votes.

## **MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS BY CITIZENS**

**PRESIDENT SUSTER:** That concludes the Ordinances and Resolutions. We will move on to Comments by Citizens. Would 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 SUSTER:** Is there anyone that would like to speak this evening?

Alice King, 13614 Rexwood Avenue. I want to ask. The policeman just made a statement we should call them, OK? I dong know. Do the people that the tearing down the houses are they supposed to check with our Building guy? Or do he know when they going to tear them down? The reason why Ign asking is that I came home last week and there was a guy on the house next door to me that the sempty and he was tearing siding off. I said what are you doing and he said that he was from some council and he said he had checked with our Building Department. He was tearing siding off the front porch. I said you can the leave that like that and he said he was checking for asbestos. I dong know whether it was true. He said he had talked to Garfield Heights and the police because I was going to call the police and he said that they told him he could go ahead. So I want to know should I call the police when someone is there at the house? This one is not being tore down as of that I know of.

ACTING POLICE CHIEF ROBERT BYRNE: In that type of situation, you can call us. If the persons legit, we can easily ask him and usually theres a number that he can provide for us. Hes got some paperwork or something and if nothing else, we can follow up with the Building Department. In that particular case I know it was about a month ago we got a list from somebody that said they were going to be out doing that and I dons recall if that was one of the addresses, but you can call us for that type of situation. No problem. Well look into it.

**MS. KING:** All right. Thank you.

PRESIDENT SUSTER: Is there anyone else that would like to speak this evening?

#### **MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:**

**PRESIDENT SUSTER:** There being none wed move on to Miscellaneous Business beginning with Clmn Dudley.

**CLMN DUDLEY:** OK. First of all, lot like to congratulate all the winners. We had some beautiful homes. I submitted four homes myself. I know it had to be a tough decision which one to choose, but congratulations to the winners and the candidates.

It good to see some of these homes coming down again. Im glad we kept up the process. That go a great job we go doing there. I thank all the Departments that we involved in getting them homes taken down.

Also, tomorrow at 7:00 p.m. on the first floor will be the Ward Club Meeting, which is the fourth Tuesday of every month. Bi-monthly now, correct me. They meet this month and the month of March.

We are having our Annual Black History Program on February 19, 2016 at the Performing Arts Building at the high school. It will be at 6:30 p.m. If your like to make any contributions feel free to contact me and youre welcome to stop in. We are getting some of the children from Garfield High School as well as the Cleveland District who lives in Garfield Heights and we can give you a letter or certificate for your volunteer points for that.

With that, Id thank Rev. Dobson, Mrs. Dobson, Mrs. King, Mrs. Whitmore for coming out tonight. Ites good to see you all. Thates going to be brief and short tonight, Mr. Chairman. Thank you.

**PRESIDENT SUSTER:** Thank you. Mr. LaMalfa, do you have a report?

**CLMN LAMALFA:** No, I dong have anything tonight. Thank you.

PRESIDENT SUSTER: Mr. Nenadovich.

**CLMN NENADOVICH:** First, I want to make up for not thanking the Vets last meeting. I missed them. I missed mentioning it. Itos a new year. Letos keep praying for them. Theyore doing a good job. Letos hope they all come home.

I want to congratulate the winners of the lighting ceremonies. A lot of homes in my Ward were looking sharp this year. I have not seen that many, like the Mayor says, looking great.

lø like to thank Mrs. King for at least mentioning something about getting involved. I appreciate that. Thats what keeps the crime down in this city.

Also, Ward 3, Ion going to be starting the Block Watch up again when the weather gets warmer. Wed be having our meetings at the VFW and in the park--weather permitting. Id be starting that up again.

This New Year Iopt like to thank the Mayor, the Directors, the Council, the residents and the businesses for doing a great job last year and Iopt like to have us all work together to make the city a little bit cleaner, a little bit nicer and work with the police to make it definitely a little bit safer. I wish us all a good year and even though itos New Years quite a ways into it a couple weeks letos keep up the good work we had last year and continuing doing it this year. With that, I pass it to you, Mr. Suster.

PRESIDENT SUSTER: Thank you. Clmn Glenn, do you have anything this evening?

**CLMN GLENN:** Thank you, Mr. President, I do. Tuesday February 2<sup>nd</sup> weqe going to have the Ward 4 Block Watch. Guest speakers will be Mayor Vic Collova and Police Chief Robert Byrne. If you have any questions to the Mayor or the Police Chief, they can be directed on a low-level issue there. Questions will be appreciated.

Also, I just would like to make a comment that these hearings here in the City of Garfield Heights Council Chambers, these are open to the public. So any citizen of Garfield Heights can attend. We need people to get involved in our government here and we need people here at the Council Meetings.

Also that we got construction going on on East 85<sup>th</sup> Street. That probably going to be lasting until this spring or early summer. That all I have, Mr. President.

**PRESIDENT SUSTER:** Thank you. I, too, would like to congratulate all the people that took part in the lighting of the city up with their Christmas lights. If people remember years go when President Carter was President, he asked that people not put lights up any more because they were worried about saving a lot of energy. Ito good to see that people are going back to doing it because it does a lot more for the city in dressing it up. Thato all I have. Clmn Burke.

**CLMN BURKE:** Thank you, Mr. President. I, too, would like to congratulate all the holiday lighting winners of the contest. Ion extremely proud that the Grand Prize winner was from my Ward. Ward 6.

I also would like to congratulate Katie McBeath because that is an incredible accomplishment even to place 13<sup>th</sup> over all.

Just to remind everybody and echo what Mrs. King has said here. If thereos any suspicious activity you see, please call the police. Itos good to hear about somebody calling the police and then theyoge able to do an investigation and make an arrest. These are how things get done. Unfortunately, I feel like our crime rate has gone up. It seems like every couple days younge hearing something new. If we can all keep our eyes on everything and make sure wenge watching out for one another I think that will help in curbing some of the crime. Thatos all I have.

PRESIDENT SUSTER: Clmn Vaughn.

**CLMN VAUGHN:** Thank you, Mr. President. First of all, Iop like to congratulate the winners of this years lighting contest. I thought for sure I had it this year. I guess next year Iop have to put three strands of lights up, folks. Maybe next year we should have a contest amongst the Council Members.

PRESIDENT SUSTER: You'd lose.

**CLMN VAUGHN:** I don't know, Joe. Mine still looked good this year. Yeah, we should do that. Maybe next year we't try that, you know.

**MAYOR VIC COLLOVA:** Put them green Holy Name lights up.

**CLMN NENADOVICH:** You got to plug them in, too.

**CLMN VAUGHN:** I know Joe wond spend the money to plug them in. I heard that comment, Mayor. Iam going to put green and white lights up for St. Patrickas Day at your house, so watch it.

I have Block Watch this Thursday night. Joe Rodecs coming down from the Fire Department to talk to us about fire safety and whatcs new and going on in the Fire Department.

Again, everybody drive safely out there, stay warm and letos be grateful we donot live in Washington DC and that area. My son reported he had 32 inches of snow on his deck as of yesterday so folks weave been very blessed this year. Letos hope it continues. With that, thatos all I have.

**CLMN DUDLEY:** Mr. Chairman, I did want to mention one thing. It went too quick for me. I was blessed and fortunate to celebrate my 36<sup>th</sup> (correction) one year older. I turned 55 on the 14<sup>th</sup> but on the 16<sup>th</sup> of January, I celebrated my 37<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. I want to say

congratulations to my wife for putting up with me all these good years. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. That s all. Sorry, Clmn Vaughn.

**CLMN VAUGHN:** That all right. We all done, everybody? OK. Well then, I suggest we adjourn.

**PRESIDENT SUSTER:** On the motion made by Mr. Vaughn to adjourn the meeting, all those in favor signify by saying Yea. All opposed?

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

**MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:38 p.m.** 

APPROVED:	RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:
Joseph Suster President of Council	Barbara Molin Clerk of Council