

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

Monday, July 9, 2018

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

INVOCATION BY: Council President Matt Burke

CLMN DUDLEY: Mr. Chairman.

PRESIDENT BURKE: Yes, Mr. Dudley.

CLMN DUDLEY: I would like to make a motion that we excuse Clmn Vaughn tonight.

PRESIDENT BURKE: On the motion made by Clmn Dudley to excuse Clmn Vaughn, all in favor signify by saying Yea. Any opposed?

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

ABSENT: Vaughn

PRESIDENT BURKE: OK. You know. Point of order. We actually need to take a roll call first, Mr. Dudley and do that.

CLMN DUDLEY: All right.

PRESIDENT BURKE: Let's take the roll call first.

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

ABSENT: Vaughn

CLMN DUDLEY: Mr. Chairman.

PRESIDENT BURKE: Yes, Mr. Dudley.

CLMN DUDLEY: For the correct time, I would like to make a motion in that we excuse Clmn Vaughn from tonight's meeting.

PRESIDENT BURKE: On the motion made by Clmn Dudley to excuse Clmn Vaughn from tonight's meeting, all in favor signify by saying Yea. Any opposed?

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

ABSENT: Vaughn

Clmn Vaughn is excused from tonight's meeting.

READING AND DISPOSAL OF MINUTES:

PRESIDENT BURKE: OK. Reading and Disposal of Minutes from Monday, June 11, 2018.

CLMN SUSTER: Mr. Chairman.

PRESIDENT BURKE: Yes, Mr. Suster.

CLMN SUSTER: I would like to make a motion that we accept the Regular Meeting of Garfield Heights City Council Minutes of June 11, 2018.

PRESIDENT BURKE: On the motion made by Clmn Suster to accept the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council for Monday, June 11, 2018 as written, all in favor signify by saying Yea. Any opposed?

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

ABSENT: Vaughn

OK. That passed with 6 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, starting with the Mayor. Mayor, do you have a report for us this evening?

MAYOR VIC COLLOVA: Yes, Mr. Chairman, I have a brief report. First off, I wanted to talk about the Summer Concerts. The Summer Concerts this year start this Sunday right here at the Civic Center upstairs in the dining room. That's Sunday. The date is July 15th. It goes from six o'clock to eight o'clock. The band for this Sunday is the Joe Wendel Polka Band. So if you enjoy polkas, that's the place to be on Sunday. The following week, July 22nd will be the Brian Papesh Band. On July 29th the Eddie Baccus Band with Ron Davis. August 5th from 6:00-8:00 p.m. the Larry Patch Band.

Then of course, August 12th is our Summerfest here and we have a big band coming in for the festivities.

I just wanted to relay that to everybody. This is going to be a great place to be without a doubt as far as if you are a Senior, you can just sit back and relax. We have hot dogs, we have bakery. It's a great time. It lasts a couple hours. Everybody enjoys themselves. This has been going on for long before I started. This year we brought it inside because as all of us Seniors are getting a little bit older, it's harder to maneuver outside when we're doing the line dances. So we're bringing it inside. I recommend all of Council to show up and enjoy that day with us.

OK. Next thing I wanted to talk a little bit about. It's been as long as I've been Mayor, as long as everybody's been on Council (or just about everybody) Turney Road is almost complete. If you have an opportunity to ride down Turney Road. It was a long wait but it was well worth it. What a great experience. I hope that the businesses alongside Turney Road appreciate what they have and that they chip in and do their part as far as taking care of their businesses. I think that's really going to dress up the city of Garfield Heights.

The last thing I wanted to say is I just want to say from my family and actually I should say on behalf of Garfield Heights, our prayers go out to those soccer players and that coach that are still trapped in that mine. I believe they got eight out with four young people to come out plus the coach. When you talk about tragedies when you think about we had the flu or our toilet broke, etc. we think those are big tragedies but when you hear something like this it all goes back into perspective. So certainly, on behalf of the city of Garfield Heights and I'm sure all of Council, our sympathies go out and we hope for a great successful rescue of all of these young people and their coach.

Now I'll get into tonight's legislation. Ordinance 48--an ordinance to enter into an agreement with Lexipol for the updating of the Garfield Heights Fire Department policies and procedures. Ordinance 49 is an ordinance to enter into agreement with Cintas for the purpose of renting their uniforms and facility services. They supply us with the mats and the uniforms.

Ordinance 50-2018. We enter into an agreement with System 4, a cleaning service for the Justice Center. This is something different from what we have done in the past. We've always had cleaning people that actually worked the Civic Center or the Justice Center. I'm sorry but the problem that we had is that they would work for a few months, they would leave, we would not have anybody. We'd have to post to try to get somebody and that whole time we were going to Court and the Police Station without being cleaned. So we are entering into this agreement with the same company that handles the Civic Center. We've had several companies since I've been Mayor. This one by far is the best. We're certain they're going to do a great job for the Justice Center.

Ordinances 51 and 52. We are entering into a collective bargaining agreement with both of our Police Unions. I have to tell you that through these negotiations they did a great job. There was great cooperation on the Police and our team. It was a pleasure working with them. I urge Council to pass that legislation.

The last one, Resolution 15, is a resolution adopting the tax budget for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2019. If there's any questions, Barb can answer those questions for you. With that, Mr. Chairman, you have my report for tonight.

PRESIDENT BURKE: Thank you, Mayor. Does anyone have any questions for Mayor Collova on his report this evening? If not, we will move on to our Law Director Mr. Tim Riley. Tim, do you have a report this evening?

LAW DIRECTOR TIM RILEY: No report this evening. Thank you.

PRESIDENT BURKE: Very well. We will move on to our Police Chief, Chief Byrne. Chief, do you have a report for us this evening?

POLICE CHIEF ROBERT BYRNE: No report but I would like to ask City Council's support of Ordinances 51 and 52. Thank you.

PRESIDENT BURKE: OK. Any questions for Chief Byrne this evening? We'll move on to our Service Director Mr. Tim McLaughlin. Tim, do you have a report for us this evening?

SERVICE DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR TIM McLAUGHLIN: Yes, I do. Thank you, Mr. President. During the last month, we've been working on various miscellaneous work tickets,

which included trees, sewers, patch, the sweeper. They've all been out. We've also installed seven new "Welcome to Garfield Heights" signs. Some of the other ones we have to wait to get up because we have to wait for the utilities to mark because they're that close to a gas line or the sewer. So we're waiting for the other ones to get marked.

This week we started the water cutouts, repairing the streets from water breaks. There's 85 of them. We do about 10-12 per week, you know, from getting them, making sure they're not undermined, backfilling them, concrete and patch. Then Cleveland reimburses us at the end of the year. Most of the time we have to have those done by September because the way Cleveland's funding is gone then they make us wait till next year to get paid for what we did this year.

Next week we will start crack sealing some of the streets that were previously paved in the last three years. We get reimbursed for some of that money from the County. We will be using the Duro-patcher. Our people will be doing it. It saves us money and enables us to do more footage. We're going to start with 600 gallons of crack sealer. It will be streets like South Highland (I don't have the list in front of me) 88th Street, ones that were done like two-three years ago. We'll also be looking at Warner Road Hill. I don't think we can handle doing that ourselves. Rockside Road because we're starting to see little cracks. We want to get them before they get bigger. We're in the process of dealing with some companies to see how much that would be.

We've also removed tree stump grindings from trees that were taken down. We have to remove the grinding, backfill them and plant the grass on them. I mean there's so many more to do. We've already started doing those.

As I mentioned the street sweeper was out. On average, we get 200-300 work tickets/month in the summer, probably starting in March all the way until October. So with 10 people because that's about all I have on the street, we have a lot in front of us, but we're whittling away at it. With that, that's the end of my report.

PARKS AND RECREATION DIRECTOR BOB DOBIES: Absent.

PRESIDENT BURKE: Thank you, Tim. Does anybody have any questions for Tim on his report this evening? If not, we will move on to our Finance Director, Ms. Barb Biro. Barb, do you have any report for us this evening?

FINANCE DIRECTOR BARBARA BIRO: Thank you, I do, Mr. President. This evening we are asking Council for their support of Ordinance 48 on behalf of the Fire Chief. It is for Lexipol to update their policies and procedures. We are also asking for your support of Ordinance 49-2018. It's with Cintas. Several months ago, you remember we entered into cooperative purchasing with US Communities. We have received pricing on that. It was very close to what we have now so we are not going to see much of an increase in our uniforms and our facility services.

We are asking for support lastly for Resolution 15-2018. This is a yearly routine on behalf of the city. We need to adopt a tax budget for the fiscal year 2019. We had a tax budget hearing here this evening at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Caucus Room. This has to be submitted to the County within the next week. So we are asking for Council's support on Resolution 15-2018. 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? If there are none, we will move on to our City Engineer Mr. David Krock. Dave, do you have a report for us this evening?

CITY ENGINEER DAVE KROCK: I have no report tonight. Thank you.

PRESIDENT BURKE: Thank you. We will move on to our Social Services Director Ms. Kathy Rush-Parsson. Kathy, do you have a report for us?

SOCIAL SERVICES DIRECTOR KATHY RUSH-PARSSON: Yes, I do. Thank you. I just wanted to announce that in May the Senior Center held its Annual Volunteer Recognition Luncheon and we had over 30 volunteers and family members to attend it. At the luncheon we recognized all those Seniors who volunteered over 100 hours last year in numerous areas including working in the kitchen, serving lunch, leading different classes and activities, assisting with our monthly Food Bank, helping with meal reservations and daily registrations, working in our craft room and serving on our Senior Site Council. The total number of volunteer hours for all of 2017 came to a total of 10,683 hours. So that's a lot of hours that our Seniors have donated to keep all of our programs running. If you calculate that times the minimum wage, it comes to a little over \$87,000.00. So that's a lot of money and time that the Seniors donate. I just wanted to acknowledge the Seniors and thank them for all their volunteering.

Also, just to mention that the Senior Site Council will be holding a Christmas in July lottery ticket tree raffle. Tickets will be on sale in the Civic Center lobby July 16th through the 20th. They are \$1.00 each or six for \$5.00. Winners don't need to be present to win. The drawing will be on July 25, 2018. As always all proceeds from the raffle will benefit the Garfield Heights Senior Site Council, which, again, pays for all of the activities, trips and events that the Seniors have. That's all I have.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR NOREEN KUBAN: Absent.

PRESIDENT BURKE: Thank you, Ms. Parsson. Does anybody have any questions for Mrs. Parsson on her report this evening? If not, I don't believe Noreen's hiding behind Mark? So we will move on to our Building Commissioner Mr. Mark Moro. Mark, do you have a report for us this evening?

BUILDING COMMISSIONER MARK MORO: No report this evening.

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 out there wishing to speak on tonight's agenda? If not, we will move on to Ordinances and Resolutions beginning with Ordinance 48-2018. Will the Clerk please read the title?

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

ORDINANCE NO. 48-2018

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR, OR HIS DESIGNEE, TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH LEXIPOL, LLC FOR THE UPDATING AND MAINTAINING OF THE GARFIELD HEIGHTS FIRE DEPARTMENT POLICIES AND PROCEDURES.

Moved by NENADOVICH to CONSIDER BY TITLE:

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

ABSENT: Vaughn

Motion to SUSPEND THREE READING RULE:

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

ABSENT: Vaughn

Motion to WAIVE RULE 24:

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

ABSENT: Vaughn

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

VOTE ON ADOPTION:

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

ABSENT: Vaughn

PRESIDENT BURKE: Ordinance 48-2018 passes with 6 Yes votes.

ORDINANCE NO. 49-2018

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, OR HIS DESIGNEE, TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH CINTAS FOR THE PURPOSE OF RENTING UNIFORMS AND FACILITY SERVICES.

Moved by SUSTER to CONSIDER BY TITLE:

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

ABSENT: Vaughn

Motion to SUSPEND THREE READING RULE:

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

ABSENT: Vaughn

Motion to WAIVE RULE 24:

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

ABSENT: Vaughn

PRESIDENT BURKE: On its adoption, beginning with Clmn Suster.

VOTE ON ADOPTION:

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

ABSENT: Vaughn

PRESIDENT BURKE: Ordinance 49-2018 passes with 6 Yes votes.

ORDINANCE NO. 50-2018

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR, OR HIS DESIGNEE, TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH SYSTEM 4 FOR THE REGULAR CLEANING OF THE GARFIELD HEIGHTS POLICE DEPARTMENT / MUNICIPAL COURT

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

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

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

PRESIDENT BURKE: On its adoption, beginning with Clmn Suster.
VOTE ON ADOPTION:
AYES: Suster, Burke, Dudley, LaMalfa, Nenadovich, Glenn
ABSENT: Vaughn

PRESIDENT BURKE: Ordinance 50-2018 passes with 6 Yes votes.

ORDINANCE NO. 51-2018

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE EXECUTION OF THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF GARFIELD HEIGHTS AND THE OHIO PATROLMEN'S BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION (OPBA).

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

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

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

PRESIDENT BURKE: On its adoption, beginning with myself.
VOTE ON ADOPTION:
AYES: Burke, Dudley, LaMalfa, Nenadovich, Glenn, Suster
ABSENT: Vaughn

PRESIDENT BURKE: Ordinance 51-2018 passes with 6 Yes votes.

ORDINANCE NO. 52-2018

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE EXECUTION OF THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF GARFIELD HEIGHTS AND THE FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE (FOP), LODGE 67 (SERGEANTS AND ABOVE).

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

Motion to SUSPEND THREE READING RULE:

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

Motion to WAIVE RULE 24:

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

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

VOTE ON ADOPTION:

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

PRESIDENT BURKE: Ordinance 52-2018 passes with 6 Yes votes.

RESOLUTION NO. 15-2018

AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE TAX BUDGET OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD HEIGHTS, OHIO FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2019, HERETO ATTACHED, AND SUBMITTING THE SAME TO THE CUYAHOGA COUNTY BUDGET COMMISSION.

Moved by DUDLEY to CONSIDER BY TITLE:

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

Motion to SUSPEND THREE READING RULE:

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

Motion to WAIVE RULE 24:

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

PRESIDENT BURKE: On its adoption, beginning with Clmn Dudley.

VOTE ON ADOPTION:

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

PRESIDENT BURKE: Resolution 15-2018 passes with 6 Yes votes.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS BY CITIZENS

PRESIDENT BURKE: That concludes tonight's Ordinances and Resolutions. We will move on to 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 anyone out there wishing to make a comment at tonight's meeting?

Gregory Scunta, 5008 East 104th Street. I'm new at this so I have some notes. My concern is something I saw on the news a couple months ago, which I should have brought up sooner before something happens. It's an issue of safety. There have been other communities who are now making a hefty mandatory fine when they catch people texting and driving. I don't know if that's true in Garfield Heights, but I think it should be. It's too dangerous. I've witnessed people also where the lines are painted clearly on Rockside or on Marco's over there by Garfield Mall either talking on the phone and not realizing they're straddling the lanes because they're too busy texting or talking on their phone. If you go around them, you're crossing the double line, which is putting me at fault. If not, you're got the guy behind you blowing his horn for you to get going and you're beating the heck out of him. So I think those lines would help things out by being made more visible. I don't know what the budget is and how that could be attained those turn lanes be made more definitive so they stand out more on Rockside and Turney Road there. I know you're repainting the ones on Turney Road itself, but I think there should be a fine for texting and driving before we see a head on collision in Garfield Heights due to this. I implore the Council lawmakers to do something about this and consider it as a high priority.

Also, I don't know if we have the manpower, but it's even worse on 480. People do it in the Garfield Heights city limits. I don't know if we have time to watch out for that. I feel that also should be a crime and it should be a hefty penalty for that kind of behavior while driving a motor vehicle. With that I'd like to thank you for your attention.

PRESIDENT BURKE: Thank you, Sir.

SERVICE DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR TIM McLAUGHLIN: Mr. President, I just want to answer one of his questions. Next week there is a company coming in that's going to start striping some of the areas that we have a stripe and Rockside is one of them from Turney down to the Post Office so that will be taken care of there. But I can't do nothing about the text thing.

CLMN DUDLEY: Mr. Chairman.

PRESIDENT BURKE: Yes, Mr. Dudley.

CLMN DUDLEY: Are you through, Tim?

SERVICE DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR TIM McLAUGHLIN: Yeah.

CLMN DUDLEY: For you, Sir, I agree 100% because I actually was a victim January 2nd on 480, but I wasn't in Garfield. I was in Warrensville. I was watching this one in my rear view mirror and I watched it for 18 cars up and all I could see was the top of her head. I was rammed by a distracted driver. It put me out of work and put me through rehab because she was a distracted driver on 480. I agree with you 100% not to make a last minute thing but someone should have brought out after I was actually hit myself. But when others was hit. You can look at cars next to you and I'm a truck driver. I can look down and I watch people just texting and driving while they actually texting and phone. It is a problem and a growing issue. I don't want to see nobody die because of that.

MR. SCUNTA: Thank you, Sir. But some people are talking on cell phones and texting while driving. There is one city to fine them. Their first offense is \$175.00 and it goes up from there if

they catch you again. It's up to Council and the lawmakers to decide if it keeps going on catching the same person doing it again, secure a penalty more substantial as the crime is reoccurring. I want to make that clear.

CLMN DUDLEY: I have a Bluetooth and if I don't have them working I'm not talking on the phone, Sir. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

PRESIDENT BURKE: I'd just like to say that we will take a look at that in one of our legislation meetings, etc., etc. We will call a committee meeting because I agree with you. I think we need to have legislation on texting and driving.

MR. SCUNTA: I see people coming at me on Turney Road where they're going at an angle. I don't know what they're doing. There's somebody in the right lane. I'm in the left lane. Where do I go? I slam on the brakes the guy behind me hits me because you're going into my lane and not paying attention. It's dangerous.

PRESIDENT BURKE: Gene, did you have something to add?

CLMN GLENN: Just a brief comment. That would be the Safety Committee, Matt?

PRESIDENT BURKE: I think it would fall under Safety and maybe Legislation. We will do some homework on it and then try to get something in writing to pass on Council floor. All right?

MR. SCUNTA: How soon would I expect to hear something?

PRESIDENT BURKE: Can I ask you what city it was that had the fine?

MR. SCUNTA: No, there are many of the suburbs that are enforcing that.

PRESIDENT BURKE: What we have to do is make sure that legislatively we do it so that it's within the law and we're not breaking anybody's law or violating anybody's rights. We'd have to do some homework on it, but I would say by this fall we should be able to have something (at least a debate) going on. I appreciate your bringing it to our attention.

MR. SCUNTA: You're welcome. Thank you.

CLMN SUSTER: Mr. Chairman, if I might please?

PRESIDENT BURKE: Yes.

CLMN SUSTER: I think that's only the beginning of putting safety issues where people are going to be fined for something. How about you have all these kids riding around with these radios on. They can't even hear themselves thinking, much less driving down the street. There's so many different things you can go by that could be added to what we're talking about. You have people that will be in the right hand lane and you'll stop in your left hand lane and this guy all of a sudden comes around you and goes down towards the left. As the President said, we'd get together and we'd concentrate on those things. That's all I have,

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:

PRESIDENT BURKE: Thank you, Mr. Suster. Is there anyone else wishing to speak tonight?

If not, we will move on to Miscellaneous Business. Since I did the invocation, I will start. I really don't have anything this evening. Yes, 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: Like I said I really don't have anything other than it's been a hot summer so far. I'm just thankful that a year ago last week July 4th week we had all that flooding going on from all that heavy rain. I was thankful that we didn't have that this time.

I want to remind everybody that our next Regular Council Meeting is scheduled for August 13, 2018. However, we will be having a Special Meeting to address some of the changes that were brought forth or recommended by the Charter Review Board. I want to thank all of the members of the Charter Review Board that showed up and participated and offered their advice and input. We'll take it to heart and see what happens going forward on that.

Mr. Dudley, do you have anything for us?

CLMN DUDLEY: Why, of course. First of all, we had an incident at 131st last night. I really want to thank the Police Department and the Fire Department and the paramedics because it was like right after the incident occurred they were here. You know some time we had gunshots if you are not a safety person or in the military you go the opposite way on the gunfire. We got to give thanks to them because they are always traveling to where the problems is coming from. Last night you couldn't have asked them to be quicker than what they were showing up, man. We appreciate that, Chief, and we appreciate also that Chief back there. So you tell the guys we appreciate last night and they handled it well. People was kept calm. Nothing blowed up out of control. I wanted to thank them for that.

I want to thank the Seniors for their hours you say they put in. That's a lot of money that is saved and the time is precious for them to give back for their years. They really should be enjoying and kind of retiring to give back to other members. We appreciate that too.

I want to let you know that we do have a Town Hall Meeting that is coming up on Thursday, July 26th, 6:00 . 7:30 p.m. That's going to be at the Christian Kingdom Assembly Church located at 131st and Broadway. Right there. That's where they located. Definitely come out. We'll provide refreshments and it's going to be a great meeting as usual. I thank all those who do attend.

I want to thank the Charter Review Board because I know that was a tough year for those you all that was able to show up because I know people have vacation scheduled and other programs to take your time and get that information through. I'm looking forward to getting an opportunity to review what you all put forward. I heard some of your suggestions and I really like them.

Also what I'm going to do. I'm going to start next month. It's a new thing I'm starting to make it more sensible to the people because a lot of people you come to Council, you see the agenda sheet and a lot of people don't understand what is going on behind this agenda once the resolutions and ordinances are passed. I'm going to set up a Saturday prior to each meeting and we going to name it %kicking it with your Councilman+. That's what we going to call it. The first meetings going to take place the second and fourth Saturday. That's the Saturday prior to the Council Meeting. So the first one will take place on August 11th. That will be 10:30 a.m. .

12:00 p.m. at McDonalds on Turney Road. I will announce the second one, which is going to be August 25th from 11:00 a.m. . 12:30 p.m. That's going to be at Mr. Hero's. That will give us an opportunity to talk about the legislation that is being voted on before it happens. People can ask questions.

Also, I need to let you know that if you want to look at this prior to the meetings, if you go to Munchies--everybody in the Wards has it posted--ours is posted at Munchies, located at 131st right across from Gas USA on 131st. If you go in there, you can actually look at it and get an opportunity to see what we're going to be voting on that following Monday. We post it on Friday. Now a lot of times the Minutes have not been approved so if I don't have minutes there, I'm just waiting for the approval on Minutes. Once it's finished up on Monday night I will take the Minutes over there and actually post it. If you have any questions, please feel free to give me a call.

I believe that actually covers us. Like I said continue to have a safe summer. You know when it's hot out there the kids are running in the streets. Watch out when you're driving. I appreciate it, Mr. Chairman. That's all.

PRESIDENT BURKE: Thank you, Mr. Dudley. Mr. LaMalfa, do you have anything for us this evening?

CLMN LAMALFA: No, I don't have anything. Thank you very much though.

PRESIDENT BURKE: Mr. Nenadovich. Do you have anything you'd like to say?

CLMN NENADOVICH: No.

PRESIDENT BURKE: Mr. Glenn.

CLMN GLENN: Ditto.

PRESIDENT BURKE: Man of many words. Mr. Suster, do you have anything you'd like to share with us?

CLMN SUSTER: The only thing I want to say is Mr. Dudley brought it up that these kids are running across the street. We know they're all out of school. I'm surprised somebody hasn't gotten hurt this year because they sure don't pay attention. I think what the parents ought to do is sit down one night and tell them what all the rules are for crossing streets because they sure don't pay attention. I, myself, I almost hit a little boy on Turney and Plymouth. He came out on his bike and he had the red light. I didn't. I started to go through. I must have missed him by this much. Now how would I have felt if I hit this little boy and it would not have been my fault? So you have to tell these kids to watch what they're doing because you know we've got another month or so of these kids being out.

Also I think people have gotten a book of rules when you moved here or what? There is one in there that says you are not allowed to play basketball in the street. And if the police do stop them. Correct me if I'm wrong. They can take the basketball hoop away from them. There's a lot of it going on. I've stopped about four of them so far. It isn't because I'm mean. What it is is it's a law of the city of Garfield Heights and they have to learn that it's time that they abide by the laws of this city. That's all I have, Sir.

PRESIDENT BURKE: Thank you, Mr. Suster. Anybody like to make a motion that we adjourn?

CLMN NENADOVICH: Mr. Chairman.

PRESIDENT BURKE: Mr. Nenadovich.

CLMN NENADOVICH: I'd like to make a motion that we adjourn.

PRESIDENT BURKE: On the motion made by Mr. Nenadovich to adjourn tonight's meeting. All in favor signify by saying Yea. Any opposed? Meeting adjourned.

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

ABSENT: Vaughn

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:40 p.m.

APPROVED:

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

Matthew Burke
President of Council

Barbara Molin
Clerk of Council