# MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

# **CITY OF GARFIELD HEIGHTS, OHIO**

# Tuesday, October 15, 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, Nenadovich, Suster, Burke, Vaughn

**EXCUSED:** Glenn, LaMalfa

CLMN SUSTER: Mr. Chairman.

PRESIDENT BURKE: Mr. Suster.

**CLMN SUSTER:** I'd like to make a motion that we excuse Clmn LaMalfa and also Clmn Glenn this evening.

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** On the motion made by Clmn Suster to excuse Clmn LaMalfa and Clmn Glenn from tonight's Meeting, all in favor signify by saying Yea. Any opposed? AYES: Suster, Burke, Vaughn, Dudley, Nenadovich ABSENT: Glenn, LaMalfa Clmn LaMalfa and Clmn Glenn will be excused from tonight's meeting.

### **READING AND DISPOSAL OF MINUTES:**

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** Reading and Disposal of the Minutes from the Regular Meeting of Council for the city of Garfield Heights for Monday, September 23rd.

CLMN SUSTER: Mr. Chairman.

PRESIDENT BURKE: Mr. 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, September 23, 2019 as submitted.

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** On the motion made by Clmn Suster to accept the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council for the city of Garfield Heights for Monday, September 23, 2019, as written, all in favor signify by saying Yea. Any opposed? AYES: Suster, Burke, Vaughn, Dudley, Nenadovich ABSENT: Glenn, LaMalfa

# **PRESIDENT BURKE:** OK. Those pass with 5 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 this evening?

**MAYOR VIC COLLOVA:** Thank you, Mr. Chairman, yes, I do. Before I get into tonight's report though, I wanted to talk a little bit about one of the businesses here in Garfield Heights. We have many great businesses and they work hand in hand every year to help the city out, especially at this time of the year with Thanksgiving and Christmas coming up. We like to mention them every chance we get. We have a company by the name of Kokosing Materials that is located on McCracken Road right by the railroad tracks. They are an asphalt company. They have been working with the city of Garfield Heights for many years. Kokosing has been here I think probably about 15 years. Part of that was Schloss Paving, but they have always worked very well with our Service Department. They give us great deals on asphalt and they are really a partner of the city. With your approval, Mr. Chairman, I would like to bring up Ray Schloss, representing Kokosing tonight to talk for a second to Council.

#### **PRESIDENT BURKE:** Absolutely.

MAYOR VIC COLLOVA: Mr. Schloss, Ray, would you please come up to the mic?

Mr. Ray Schloss, Kokosing. Mayor, thank you very much for the kind introduction. My name is Ray Schloss and I am a sales representative of Kokosing Materials Company. Prior to that, it was Schloss Paving Company and I was the president. For 10 years now, we have been Kokosing Materials Company. During those 10 years, each year about this time we have a food drive sponsored by our employees at various spots and the truckers. This year we decided that we would donate to the Garfield Food Pantry. It was an overwhelming, unanimous decision. I just want to be able to tell you who our employees and a kind contribution from the Burgettt Family, who is the owner of Kokosing, we are donating to the Food Bank \$2,900.00. We are delighted to be able to do this because I know, as the Mayor said it's that time of the year and we all need some food. I know we have some good folks out there that need this so I am delighted to be able to give this to the Mayor.

#### (Photographs were taken at this time.)

**MAYOR VIC COLLOVA:** Thank you very much, Ray. Thank your employees and everybody involved. I'm going to give this check to the person that runs the Food Pantry, Kathy.

**SOCIAL SERVICES DIRECTOR KATHY RUSH-PARSSON:** And then I'm going to turn it over to Barb. Thank you.

**MAYOR VIC COLLOVA:** Ray, you're more than welcome to leave if you have other commitments.

MR. SCHLOSS: I want to see how you do business.

**MAYOR VIC COLLOVA:** That's great. Thank you very much. I wanted to talk a little bit about the Cuyahoga Valley Career Center. They are having a Community Wellness presentiaon, "Memory and the Aging Brain".

"This will be held on Tuesday, October 22, 2019 from 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. at the Valley Inn Restaurant at the CVCC campus. It's hosted by the CVCC and presented in collaboration with the Cleveland Clinic. Light refreshments prepared by CVCC's Hotel and Resort students will be served. Are you or a family member having trouble with your memory? Do you want to learn ways to keep your mind sharp? Join Cleveland Clinic's Speech Therapist Aaron Kennedy to learn about memory, exercises, strategies and when to be concerned about your memory."

Again, this is going to be on Tuesday, October  $22^{nd}$  from 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. You do need to register. If anybody is interested, please contact my office and we will give you the information to register.

Next, I wanted to say that the other night I was at a wake and I happened to run across the Prosecutor who prosecuted the case of the man that killed the two teenagers in Garfield Heights. I want you to know, Chief, that he said your detectives and our police department made it so easy for them to prosecute the case that he wanted me to pass that along for you to pass along to your guys. They did a great job and the County prosecutors appreciate it very much. I thought that was very good.

Next, we are going to be having the Fourth Annual Recovery Walk and Rally Sunday November 3, 2019, noon to 3:00 p.m. at the Garfield Heights Civic Center right here, 5407 Turney Road.

"Recovery Walk steps off at noon. Can't make the walk? No problem. Rally with resources and impassioned speakers inside from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. The Annual Recovery Walk and Rally raises awareness of the perils of addiction and also celebrates the process of recovery. The walk will be from Civic Center along Turney Road to the Garfield Heights Police Station and back to Civic Center. Feel free to make posters to carry on the walk. A program including speakers, testimonials and refreshments will take place at the Civic Center following the walk."

Let me tell you this is the fourth year that we had it. The first year was pretty good, the second year was very good and last year it was outstanding. What they do—the speakers they have talk to you about the problems they've had with their family addiction bring a tear to your eyes. It's unbelievable. When they're finished they have balloons. You could sign the name of a loved one that may have been lost or someone that you're thinking about and they send them balloons up. It's really a great job that these people do. Addiction is around us every day and anything we can do to help make people a little bit more aware is well worth it. Even if you are not involved in the addiction, if you get an opportunity, come to this. Like I say, the speakers and the stories they tell are really something. I would suggest that if you have a moment on Sunday November  $3^{rd}$  from noon – 3:00 p.m. please stop by the Civic Center.

OK. Tonight's legislation. Ordinance number 48. We are switching over to a new technical support group with Software Solutions. If there is any questions, Barb is very well up on that situation. Ordinance 49 is an ordinance entering agreement with the Hunger Center of Greater Cleveland to allow the Garfield Heights Senior Center to receive and distribute pantry foods as a part of their food bank. I am sure Kathy will have something to say on that also.

Resolution 19 is a resolution recognizing October 20 – 26, 2019 as Storm Water Awareness Week.

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 Law Director, Tim Riley. Tim, do you have a report for us this evening?

**LAW DIRECTOR TIM RILEY:** No report tonight. Thank you.

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** Thank you, Tim. How about our Fire Chief, Chief Strope. Do you have a report?

FIRE CHIEF KENNETH STROPE: No report. Thank you.

PRESIDENT BURKE: Thank you, Chief. Police Chief Byrne, do you have a report for us?

**POLICE CHIEF ROBERT BYRNE:** Yes, I do. I just wanted to take an opportunity to mention that one of our Auxiliary Officers, Bob Kovach; he retired from the Auxiliaries on September 30<sup>th</sup> after 21 years. He became a Lieutenant and he was a true leader for the Auxiliaries. He worked in our jail for a little while. I went through his file. He donated a lot of time and came out for a lot of major incidents when we called on our Auxiliary. So I just wanted to thank him for his service. I thank all of our Auxiliary Officers. These guys work regular jobs during the day and then if we need them, they will come out and assist us with traffic control, sitting on prisoners, things like that. Bob always stepped up when we needed him. I just wanted to mention how grateful I am for his service. I wish him the best on behalf of our whole department.

That's my report.

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** Thank you, Chief Byrne. Does anybody have any questions for Chief on his report? If there are none, let's move on to our Service Director, Tim McLaughlin. Tim, do you have a report for us this evening?

**SERVICE DIRECTOR TIMOTHY MCLAUGHLIN:** Yes, I do. Thank you, Mr. President. We are continuing to work on our daily work tickets. The weather's been pretty good. We still have a stack of tickets. We want to get them knocked out before the winter starts. I want to talk about the leaf pickup. Leaf pickup will begin probably the last week of October. So I think that's the 28<sup>th</sup>. If it gets worse or falls faster then we'll make the adjustment. Usually it's the last week of October to the first week of December.

I'd like to talk about how we're going to do it. We will go Ward by Ward, street by street. I'd like the leaves placed on the tree lawn-not in the street. It only blocks the catch basins and aets pushed out in the street, especially if it snows while they're out there. Branches, twigs, debris, grass are not be mixed up in the leaves. Those are vacuums. They are not like the Vac-All that chews it up so it does damage to the machines. We're going to leave it if you mix stuff in it. I mean you would not believe some of the stuff that gets thrown in the pile of laves. Were hoping hat everybody just rakes their leaves up. Once we've picked up the street, we're going to move on. We won't be back. There's a lot of people that their street gets picked up-they call the next day and say I just raked mine. Come back and get it. We can't do it. We need to go through the city and everybody gets a shot at it. Usually we go through the city two-three times. Most of the time it's three times. By the third time if you didn't rake up your leaves, the chances are you're not going to rake up your leaves. If the weather's good, it takes about two week to go through the whole city. That's if the weather cooperates and the equipment holds out. Like I said, weather permitting, the first week in December will be the end of it. You can always bag your leaves. The rubbish will take your leaves bagged. Or you can put them in the big garbage container—not the recycle one. If you put them in the recycle, one it's going to sit there because they don't recycle leaves at Kimble. You can put them out. I've had calls that people say they have some leaves. I told them they could put them in the regular garbage.

With that, you have my report.

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** All right. Thank you, Tim. Does anybody have any questions for Tim on his report? If there are none, we will move on to our Finance Director, Ms. Biro. Barb, do you have a report this evening?

### PARKS AND RECREATION DIRECTOR BOB DOBIES: Absent.

**FINANCE DIRECTOR BARB BIRO:** Yes, I do. Thank you, Mr. President. This evening the Finance Department is asking Council for their support on Ordinance 48-2019. We will be changing the vendor who is supporting our technical support for our Finance and payroll system. We have used Software Solutions Inc. since 2012 I believe. We are just changing the vendor for the support so we are asking that Council pass this piece of legislation allowing me to enter into an agreement with them.

That's my report for this evening.

**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. Standing in for Dave tonight is Mr. James Sickels. Jim, do you have a report?

**CITY ENGINEER JAMES SICKELS:** I do. Thank you. It's very brief. I just wanted to update Council that we had applied last March for Member Community Infrastructure Program money through the Sewer District. That was for East 104<sup>th</sup> Street sewer separation. It will follow up. We have done 100<sup>th</sup> Street, 102<sup>nd</sup> Street. This winter we will be starting Grace, which is kind of above those two and then 104<sup>th</sup> will follow up in a year or a year and a half or so from now. With that grant, we were able to do about \$1.2 million for that project so that goes a long way toward financing that project.

That's all my report.

**CLMN NENADOVICH:** That 104<sup>th</sup>. Is that in Ward 4 where you have been doing the streets 102<sup>nd</sup>?

CITY ENGINEER JAMES SICKELS: Yes.

**CLMN NENADOVICH:** OK because I have a 104<sup>th</sup> in my Ward too.

**CITY ENGINEER JAMES SICKELS:** Yes, it's the same part of that same neighborhood.

CLMN NENADOVICH: OK. Just clarifying. Thank you.

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** Is there anyone else that has any questions for Mr. Sickels? There are none, we will move on to our Social Services Director, Kathy Rush-Parsson. Kathy, do you have a report for us?

**SOCIAL SERVICES DIRECTOR KATHY RUSH-PARSSON:** Yes, I do. Thank you. The Senior Center will hold its Annual Halloween Party hosted by the Garfield Heights Senior Site Council on Thursday, October 31<sup>st</sup> from 12:30 – 2:00 p.m. Tickets are on sale from October 15<sup>th</sup> through the 25<sup>th</sup>. The cost is \$4.00. For more information or to purchase tickets call the Senior Center at (216) 475-3244.

Also, I'd just like to ask for Council's support of Ordinance 49-2019. This agreement, as the Mayor mentioned, is with the Hunger Network. It allows us to use grant money that they receive to purchase food from the Greater Cleveland Food Bank for our monthly Food Pantry program. The Hunger Network gives us a monthly allocation ranging from \$275.00-\$475.00/month, based on the number of families that we serve. So obviously, this money helps the city offset the cost of any invoicing we would get from the Food Bank. We've had this grant for a long time. I've been here 16 years and we've had it just about as long as I've been here. So we certainly want to continue that.

Just a side note, I'd like to thank Mr. Schloss for the donation. I agree with the Mayor. Over the years, Kokosing has been a big donor. I run the program so I certainly appreciate it and I thank you.

That's all I have.

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** Thank you, Kathy. Does anybody have any questions for Kathy on her report? If there are none, we will move on to our Economic Development Director, Noreen Kuban. Noreen, do you have a report this evening?

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR NOREEN KUBAN:** Thank you, Mr. President. I have a brief report. Just to remind everyone that Harvest Fest is this Saturday at the Civic Center from 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. Tickets will be sold for hayrides, games and crafts for kids, face painting, pumpkin decorating, food and bake sale, prize raffle and gift basket raffle. Again, it's from 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. Thank you.

## BUILDING COMMISSIONER MARK MORO: Absent.

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** Thank you, Noreen. Does anybody have any questions for Noreen on her report? That concludes our reports of the Mayor and the Diectors.We will move on to communications from citizens on tonight's agenda. Would 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 make any comments about the agenda or anything on the agenda this evening? There are none, we will move on to our Ordinances and Resolutions beginning with Ordinance 48-2019. Will the Clerk please read the title?

## ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS: ORDINANCE NO. 48-2019

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR AND/OR HIS DESIGNEE TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH SOFTWARE SOLUTIONS, INC. FOR THE PURPOSES OF PROVIDING TECHNICAL SUPPORT FOR SSI PROGRAMS. Moved by NENADOVICH to CONSIDER BY TITLE: AYES: Nenadovich, Suster, Burke, Vaughn, Dudley ABSENT: Glenn, LaMalfa

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

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

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

VOTE ON ADOPTION: AYES: Nenadovich, Suster, Burke, Vaughn, Dudley ABSENT: Glenn, LaMalfa **PRESIDENT BURKE:** Ordinance 48-2019 passes with 5 Yes votes.

# ORDINANCE NO. 49-2019

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR AND/OR HIS DESIGNEE TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE HUNGER NETWORK OF GREATER CLEVELAND TO ALLOW FOR THE GARFIELD HEIGHTS SENIOR CENTER TO RECEIVE AND DISTRIBUTE PANTRY FOODS AS PART OF THE FOOD BANK. Moved by NENADOVICH to CONSIDER BY TITLE: AYES: Nenadovich, Suster, Burke, Vaughn, Dudley ABSENT: Glenn, LaMalfa Motion to SUSPEND THREE READING RULE: AYES: Nenadovich, Suster, Burke, Vaughn, Dudley ABSENT: Glenn, LaMalfa

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

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

VOTE ON ADOPTION: AYES: Nenadovich, Suster, Burke, Vaughn, Dudley ABSENT: Glenn, LaMalfa **PRESIDENT BURKE:** Ordinance 49-2019 passes with 5 Yes votes.

# **RESOLUTION NO. 19-2019**

AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING OCTOBER 20-26, 2019 AS STORMWATER AWARENESS WEEK. Moved by SUSTER to CONSIDER BY TITLE: AYES: Suster, Burke, Vaughn, Dudley, Nenadovich ABSENT: Glenn, LaMalfa

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

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

VOTE ON ADOPTION: AYES: Suster, Burke, Vaughn, Dudley, Nenadovich ABSENT: Glenn, LaMalfa

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** Resolution 19-2019 passes with 5 Yes votes. That concludes our Resolutions and Ordinances for this evening.

# **MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS BY CITIZENS**

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** We will move on now 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 any comments to Council this evening?

# **MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:**

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** If there are none, we will move on to Miscellaneous Business. If the Clerk would 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: Clmn Vaughn, you may proceed.

**CLMN VAUGHN:** Thank you. First of all, I'd like to recognize Auxiliary Policeman Bob Kovach, a friend of mine. Bob and I did a lot of work together for years at St. Monica's Carnival. He would represent the guys from the Auxiliary. He's a great guy. Good family. I wish him luck in retirement. Most of all I wish luck to Car because he's going to be home all the time now. I send my best to both.

Folks, on the leaf pickup it's very important that you follow the rules and regulations that Mr. McLaughlin set forth tonight. We don't want any of these guys getting hurt by stuff being buried under those leaves so please take the time to separate it out correctly.

Mr. Schloss, thank you very much for your donation. It will make many people quite happy this holiday. Thank you very much.

I would like to announce on October 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. we'll be having our Block Watch up at St. Monica's in the school building in the St. Augustine Room. The topic for the evening is going to be the Wargo Farm property. Any of you that were here the other night, it was a hot topic during the Planning Meeting. We need to get a few things ironed out. We ask all residents to engage in serious conversation on this project. Everybody should be respectful of one another. If anyone becomes unruly, they will be asked to leave. This is an important project for all of Garfield Heights and your input is essential and important to our Ward and most of all to our city. I look forward to seeing everybody on the 24<sup>th</sup> of this month at 7:00 p.m.

That's all I have.

PRESIDENT BURKE: Thank you, Clmn Vaughn. Clmn Dudley?

**CLMN DUDLEY:** All right. First of all, I'd like to say Ward 1 is having our Town Hall Meeting this month. It will be Tuesday, October 29<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. at 12700 Broadway Avenue, which is Christian Kingdom Assembly. I'd like to see maybe more Ward Block Watches being established than what we have now. It became a little thing of the past. I think that we need to initiate them and get them going again because it gives you an opportunity to meet more people in the street when they have a question that they'd like to ask you so the group allow you to address your issue with more people. Plus it's a good thing to have when you got projects you working on in the community. So I'd like to see more Block Watches brought back to the streets.

Also if you live on MLK I know you seen a track hole back there sitting in Crawford Park. What the track hole is doing back there they are clearing like the stream to get the broken trees and branches and debris out there. They going to be back there for a couple/eight days so the water can flow. It won't back up. That's Crawford Park off MLK just before Puritan, which is the Cleveland borderline.

Also, as Tim spoke about too, when you got landscapers and they coming out you are paying these individuals to do a job. I find myself when I'm driving around a lot I got to stop and tell the landscapers quit blowing stuff into the street. The will blow it in the middle of the street and they going to leave it. So when I see them I always tell them and isn't there and I tell them you got to blow it back on the grass, but you can't leave it. Now when leaf time come, they blow them leaves in the street and sometimes they blow it up in a big pile and leave it in the street. You know what happens when it rains and the wind blows. It blows it right down into the catch basin. Catch basins get clogged again. It's going to make our drains back up while the landscaper will go home to his own house where he don't put them down in the drain, so you are paying for a service so you tell them how you want that service done. Don't allow him to blow the grass, etc. in the street. Plus it makes the community look bad. So you are in charge of it, because you are paying for service.

Also, I'd like to wish the Auxiliary Officer that is retiring all the best and thank him for his years of service that he gave us in Garfield Heights. He has been a part of many different programs providing security to us as well.

I'd like the thank the gentleman for his company donating to the food locker. You know we got a lot of needy families in Garfield as well as other cities too. The money you gave is going to be able to help feed a lot of families in need this year. We appreciate that, Sir.

With that, Mr. Chairman, that's my report.

PRESIDENT BURKE: Thank you, Mr. Dudley. Mr. Nenadovich.

**CLMN NENADOVICH:** Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Starting off with Mr. Schloss. Thank you for a very generous donation. That was a great gift that is appreciated.

I echo Mr. Dudley's remarks about the catch basin and the landscapers. I do the same thing that Mike does. I stop them. You can't do it in the street. OK, we'll take care of it. You drive around the block and it's still in the street. The next place it goes is in the catch basin. And you complain about the streets flooding? It's not only the landscapers—it's residents doing the same thing. When trash day comes, generally most of the homes in Garfield are 40/50 feet frontage, don't kick that bottle that fell out from the neighbor across the street. The bottle still there or that piece of paper. Pick it up. Your trash can's right there. You open the lid; drop it in, street's clean. Problem's solved. We're getting tired of looking at all the trash on the Boulevard and side streets. Warner Road I got a guy on Forest Street that walks from the dead end to Reed Avenue and he takes his green garbage can and recycles it for the whole street. I mean he's a good citizen. He's saving Tim a little bit of a problem too from all of it going to our sewers. This is what we're supposed to do. It's our city. If we don't take care of it, nobody else is going to do it for us.

Mr. Kovach, I know him from school also. I wish him the best in his retirement. We'll miss him.

With that, I have nothing else.

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** Thank you, Mr. Nenadovich. I, too, would like to say thank you to Mr. Schloss, to you and your co-workers and employees, etc. for the generous donation that you gave to our Food Bank. That will definitely come in handy for people in need.

I also would like to congratulate Auxiliary Police Officer Bob Kovach for his service and wish him well on his retirement.

Tomorrow evening was my regularly scheduled Community Awareness Meeting. However I kind of gave that up this month because there is an Idea Hub and I was fortunate to attend the Idea Hub last time it was done, around March or so. I really had fun at this event so I'm urging people to come out to the Idea Hub tomorrow and just get to know some people that you may not have known or may not have ever met that live here in Garfield Heights. It was really nice for the community to get together in a non-political fashion in a very positive fashion I have to admit because of the folks that put it on. God bless them to take that on and they do a really good job. So that's tomorrow evening right here at 6:00 p.m. Right upstairs at the Civic Center.

This Saturday we have our Harvest Fest. Buy some tickets for the hayride--I know the driver of the tractor personally. You may need to get some chiropractic work done after I get through driving this tractor, but it was fun last couple years that I have done it and I look forward to it every year. So I will see you here at the Harvest Fest. So thank you very much. Mr. Suster, you're up.

**CLMN SUSTER:** Thank you Mr. Chairman. Number one I'd like to thank Mr. Schloss and his company for their donation to the Food Bank. You know we're at a time of the year where some people have less and less money because they're trying to save up for taxes, etc. This will be a way that they could at least get some meals out of this.

Also I'd like to wish Officer Bob Kovach well for being an Auxiliary. I'd like to wish him a lot of good luck and I hope he makes good use of his time.

The next thing--I have I felt so proud yesterday. I was watching Channel 8 news. Just as I got the news on, they were having the Columbus Day parade from Little Italy. They had the Garfield Heights band, who I'll tell you what, fantastic and they were playing Italian songs. So I just want to thank the group itself for taking the time. I mean I know individuals in that band and they spend a lot of time away from home and after school, which means that when they get home they have homework to do, etc. Like I say, it was really fantastic.

With that, Mr. Chairman, I'd like to make a motion that we adjourn.

**PRESIDENT BURKE:** On the motion made by Clmn Suster to adjourn tonight's meeting, all in favor signify by saying Yea. Any opposed? Meeting adjourned. AYES: Suster, Burke, Vaughn, Dudley, Nenadovich ABSENT: Glenn, LaMalfa **MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:35 p.m.** 

# **APPROVED:**

# **RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:**

Matthew Burke President of Council Barbara Molin Clerk of Council