

AGENDA

CANFIELD CITY COUNCIL

November 3, 2021 -5:30 P.M.

FRANCIS J. McLAUGHLIN MUNICIPAL BUILDING

1. Call to Order.
2. Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Roll Call: Quorum is Present - Meeting is in Session.
4. Proclamations & Presentations.
5. Approval of Minutes.
6. Reading of Communications.
7. Reports of Committees, Boards, Mayor's Report, City Manager, Finance Director, Chief of Police, Zoning Inspector and Public Works Superintendent.
8. Public questions from residents (or representative) related to the above referenced reports. Questions may be limited to three (3) minutes.
9. Recognition of Persons Desiring to Appear Before Council.
10. OLD BUSINESS  
Note: After each item is placed on the table for action, public comments from residents (or representative) as to that business item are received. May be limited to three (3) minutes per person and thirty (30) minutes total.
11. NEW BUSINESS  
Note: After each item is placed on the table for action, public comments from residents (or representative) as to that business item are received. May be limited to three (3) minutes per person and thirty (30) minutes total.
  - A. A **Motion** Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into an Agreement with "MM Landholdings, LLC" and "FJA Developers" for the Installation and Reimbursement for Certain Infrastructure, and to Submit the same to Council for it's Consideration.

**Description:**

The City of Canfield and the developer of the Millennial Moments Joint Economic Development District (JEDD) property located at the corner of S. Palmyra Rd. and St. Rt. 224 have been in discussions over the last few months regarding an agreement to address certain infrastructure needs for the City of Canfield to be installed by the developer, and the construction inspections related to this infrastructure.

The intent of the agreement is to provide mutual benefit for the developer and the City of Canfield, while also ensuring compliance related to the upsizing of a section of sanitary sewer pipe from 8" to 12" for main lines running West on 224 and South on Palmyra Rd. The City of Canfield will reimburse the developer for the cost differential between the two pipe sizes. The intent of the agreement is also meant to provide for certain construction inspection requirements as it relates to the work that the developer's engineer will perform, and the responsibilities of such to the City of Canfield to ensure installation complies with applicable regulations.

The City of Canfield and the developer have provided back and forth comment over the last few months regarding the agreement regarding the two items previously mentioned. The

attached agreement represents the most recent version of the agreement that was offered by the developer.

This motion would authorize the City Manager to enter into an agreement with MM Landholdings, LLC and FJA Developers for the installation and reimbursement of certain infrastructure.

***Action Needed:***

Consideration of Motion authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with MM Landholdings, LLC and FJA Developers for the installation and reimbursement of certain infrastructure.

***Attachment(s):***

Millennial Moments Water and Sewer Agreement (10/15/21 version)

Public Comments

12. Council Comments.

13. Adjournment

Introduced by: \_\_\_\_\_

Motion No. \_\_\_\_\_

MOTION

A MOTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH “MM LANDHOLDINGS, LLC” AND “FJA DEVELOPERS” FOR THE INSTALLATION AND REIMBURSEMENT FOR CERTAIN INFRASTRUCTURE, AND TO SUBMIT THE SAME TO COUNCIL FOR ITS CONSIDERATION

WHEREAS, Council desires to direct the City Manager to enter into an agreement with “MM Landholdings LLC” and “FJA Developers, Inc.” for the installation and reimbursement for the upsizing of an 8” sanitary sewer line to 12” sanitary sewer line for the benefit of the City of Canfield and per the City of Canfield’s request

WHEREAS, The JEDD Agreement between the City of Canfield and Canfield Township, defines certain infrastructure to be owned, operated and maintained by the City of Canfield.

WHEREAS, This agreement between the parties will provide opportunity for future utility expansion for the City of Canfield.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT KNOWN BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CANFIELD, OHIO:

Section 1: The City Manager is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with “MM Landholdings LLC” and “FJA Developers, Inc.” for the installation and reimbursement for the upsizing of an 8” sanitary sewer line to 12” sanitary sewer line for the benefit of the City of Canfield and per the City of Canfield’s request, as attached hereto as Exhibit 1.

Section 2: That this Motion and all deliberations relating to the passage of this Motion were held in open meetings of this Council, all pursuant to Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code and Section 3.11 of the Charter of the Municipality of Canfield.

PASSED IN COUNCIL THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_ A.D., 2021

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CLERK OF COUNCIL

Certification of Publication

I, the undersigned Clerk of Council of the City of Canfield, Ohio, hereby certify that the foregoing Motion was posted in a prominent place at the Municipal Building, Canfield, Ohio for seven continuous days, to-wit: \_\_\_\_\_

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CLERK OF COUNCIL

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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MUNICIPAL ATTORNEY

## AGREEMENT

This Agreement is entered into on August 17, 2021, between MM Landholdings, LLC and FJA Developers, Inc. (“Owner”), on the one hand, and the City of Canfield (“City”), on the other hand, to implement the portions of the Millennial Moments Joint Economic Development District (JEDD) Agreement (“JEDD Agreement”) entered into by the Parties and Canfield Township relating to the construction of water and sewer lines within the JEDD Territory (as that term is defined in the JEDD Agreement), and, in particular, Sections 13, 19, and 20.

*Whereas*, Owner will develop the JEDD Territory in multiple phases (“Phases”), with the initial Phase One being identified in yellow on the attached Exhibit A;

*Whereas*, Owner’s approved plans for developing the JEDD Territory only require Owner to use 8” pipe to service the entirety of the JEDD Territory, but the City has asked Owner to install 12” pipes on South Palmyra Road and a portion of State Route 224 in Phase One to accommodate the City’s future water service plans (“the City’s Request”), even though this is a larger system than which the Owner needs for its development;

*Whereas*, even though Owner already has paid for all of the 8” pipe (and is storing this pipe on-site), the Owner has agreed to substitute much of this pipe for 12” pipes, to install the 12” pipe system where designated at its cost, and to carry the costs of the already-delivered 8” pipe until it can be used and installed during a later phase of the project, and the City has agreed to reimburse Owner for the additional costs that Owner will incur that are associated with the City’s Request, (“Cost Differential”), including the increase in cost for the performance and maintenance bonds associated with Phase One (“Bond Differential”);

*Whereas*, the City wants the water and sanitary sewer system installed in the JEDD Territory to be inspected and certified by a professional engineer or expert qualified in such work, the Ohio EPA permit requires that such construction inspections be performed by a professional engineer or expert qualified in such work to ensure the installation complies with City, state, and federal regulations, and Owner’s engineer of record (Wallace Pancher (Engineering) Group), which has designed and coordinated all of the reviews and approvals for this project’s civil-engineering aspects, is qualified to perform these inspections and has been recently approved for similar inspection services by the City (“Construction Inspections”); and

*Now, therefore*, in consideration of the above and for other good and valuable consideration, the Parties agree as follows:

1. **Cost Differential.** The City will pay Owner the Cost Differential.

1.1 *Components.* Owner will substitute and install 12” DR18 c900 PVC (as approved by the City) in lieu of the 8” pipe previously approved for the designated areas in Phase One (the length of South Palmyra Road and 800 lf along State Route 224, for a total of ~2,800 lf of replacement pipe), and all necessary accessories, fittings, couplings, valves, and the like.

1.2 *Determination.*

(a) The Cost Differential will be based on Owner's actual costs for the substituted 12" pipe versus the original 8" pipe cost, materials, and accessory products that are incurred at the time the product is delivered to Owner. This final number may be higher or lower than the estimated Cost Differential.

(b) A copy of the current purchase order for these pipes from Pipeline, Inc. at \$37.97/lf for 2,600 lf of 12" pipe (\$98,722), along with the original purchase order for the 8" pipe is attached as Exhibit B, plus 230 lf from Owner's stock at \$35/lf (\$8,050).

(c) A copy of the current purchase order from LB Water for the valves, tees, caps, saddle straps, circle lock retainers, and the like (\$46,359.10) is attached as Exhibit C. This does not include an allowance for additional such materials that may be required.

(d) An estimated allowance of \$11,000 for aggregate installed is to be included.

1.3 *Payment.* No later than 30 days after Owner submits the Cost Differential and supporting documentation to the City, the City will pay the Cost Differential to Owner.

2. **Bonds.**

2.1 *Performance Bond.* For each Phase, Owner will post a Performance Bond in the amount of 100% of the total estimated costs of the construction of the water and sewer lines associated with that Phase to guarantee their proper installation. The Performance Bond shall be made payable to and enforceable by the City and shall provide that Owner, its heirs, successors and assignees, their agent or servants will comply with all applicable terms, conditions, provisions and requirements customary and reasonable of the City's requirements for installing the water and sewer lines.

2.2. *Maintenance Bond.* Upon the completion of each Phase, Owner shall post a Maintenance Bond in the amount of 10% of the actual construction costs for the water and sewer lines that shall extend for a period of 2 years from the date of the City's acceptance of the water and sewer lines for each Phase.

2.3. *Bond Differential.* The City will pay Owner the Bond Differential.

(a) The Bond Differential will be based on the difference between the increased cost of the performance and maintenance bonds for Phase One attributable to the City's Request. Owner will separately submit a Bond Differential and supporting documentation for each bond after Owner incurs each cost.

(b) The Owner's estimate for the Bond Differential is \$10,000. This final number may be higher or lower than the estimated Bond Differential.

2.4. *Payment.* No later than 30 days after Owner submits the Bond Differential and supporting documentation to the City, the City will pay the Bond Differential to Owner.

3. **Construction Inspection.**

3.1. *Owner's Retention of Its Own Professional Engineering Firm.*

(a) Owner will retain and pay Wallace Pancher to perform the Construction Inspections for the entire development of the JEDD Territory to ensure that the installation complies with City, state, and federal regulations. The Construction Inspections will be performed at critical stages of the construction process for certification by the engineer, which are defined to include leakage/pressure testing of pipes, deflection testing of gravity sewers, pump draw-down testing, and start up of the pump station, etc.

(b) Owner's engineer (Wallace Pancher Group) shall be responsible for providing the City with a recommendation of acceptance or non-acceptance of the installed utility infrastructure at the completion of construction based upon their review of the daily reports, their inspections, and the as built drawings. The recommendation shall be signed and stamped by a Professional Engineer registered in the State of Ohio and submitted to City Manager Wade Calhoun for City Council's consideration.

3.2. *Review of In-Progress Construction.*

(a) For the project's duration, Owner (through its engineer) shall provide a Weekly Inspection Reports from Owner's engineer to the City Manager Wade Calhoun via email no later than the Tuesday after the conclusion of each work week. The Weekly Inspection Reports will include: (i) a summary and measurements/stationing corresponding to the approved plans of all work performed, (ii) daily activity logs prepared by the Owner's project manager, (iii) written verification by the Owner's project manager that the installed sanitary and water line materials meet the requirements of the City's specifications (including, but not limited to, pipe trench installation), (iv) written verification by the Owner's engineer that any other tasks and installations described on and in the Weekly Inspection Reports (as set forth in item iii, above) are approved and meet the requirements of the City's specifications, as set forth in the construction documents approved by the City, and (v) photos of work completed that week.

(b) The City retains the right for its superintendent of public works to inspect the JEDD Territory during construction at its own cost.

(c) The City will notify Owner and Wallace Pancher of any issues it identifies in a report within a reasonable time after the City reviews it, and Owner will have a reasonable time to resolve those issues, submitting a supplemental report thereafter.

(d) Should an issue identified in (c) remain unresolved after Owner submits a supplemental report, the City may schedule with Owner to perform its own on-site inspection. If this inspection establishes that the installation does not comply with the approved construction

plans and state, and federal regulations, then the Owner and the City will use their best efforts to resolve the dispute. Wallace Pancher shall serve as the Initial Decision Maker as to all such disputes. If the Owner and the City do not accept the determination of the Initial Decision Maker then either party may request, in writing, pursuant to Section 12 of this Agreement, that the dispute be resolved by mediation. Owner and the City agree that the mediator shall be mutually agreed upon. Owner and the City shall work diligently to schedule the matter for mediation and shall equally pay the cost of the mediator. If the dispute is not resolved by way of mediation Section 9.5 of this Agreement shall apply.

(e) The City, reserves the right to be onsite, or to require that Owner has an inspector on site, to witness all required infrastructure testing and at other critical junctures during construction including but not limited to leakage/pressure testing of pipes, deflection testing of gravity sewers, pump draw-down testing, and start up of the pump station, etc. The City shall be notified of the tests a minimum of 48 hours in advance by the Owner and/or Wallace Pancher

4. **Time of the Essence.** The Parties acknowledge that labor and supply delays have disrupted the construction and development industries and that the window for obtaining needed construction materials is very narrow. The Parties therefore agree that time is of the essence in the performance of the previous sections. In addition to other remedies at available at law or equity, if the City's performance does not occur in accordance with the Agreement's terms, then Owner may terminate the Agreement immediately, without further liability or penalty.
5. **Effective Date.** This Agreement shall be effective as of the date that the City approves the Agreement (the "Effective Date").
6. **Acknowledgements.** By signing this Agreement, each Party acknowledges that they:
  - 6.1. Read this Agreement and understand it is a legally-binding document;
  - 6.2. Were advised to consult with an attorney of their choice before signing this Agreement; and
  - 6.3. Are signing this Agreement voluntarily and with the full understanding of its consequences and have not been forced or coerced in any way.
7. **Additional Documents.** Each Party agrees to execute and deliver such additional documents and instruments, and to perform such additional acts as may be necessary or appropriate, to effectuate and perform all of the terms, provisions, actions, and conditions of this Agreement.
8. **Multiple Counterparts.** This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, all of which will be considered one and the same, and each of which will be deemed an original. Facsimile or electronic signatures on this Agreement will be accepted the same as



original signatures. A photocopy of this Agreement may be used in any action brought to enforce or construe it.

9. **Interpretation.** The following will be applicable regarding the interpretation of this Agreement:
  - 9.1. No term in this Agreement may be construed against any Party on the grounds the Party was responsible for drafting the Agreement.
  - 9.2. Each provision, paragraph, and subparagraph of this Agreement is a separate and distinct covenant. If any provision, paragraph, or subparagraph is adjudged by a court to be in any part void or unenforceable, such a determination will not affect the validity of the remainder of this Agreement, or of any other provision, paragraph, or subparagraph of this Agreement.
  - 9.3. To the extent there is any conflict between the terms in this Agreement, the specific controls over the general.
  - 9.4. This Agreement will be deemed to have been entered into in Ohio and will be governed, interpreted, and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Ohio.
  - 9.5. Each Party agrees, to the extent an action may be brought arising from or relating to this Agreement, it must be brought in the Court of Common Pleas of Mahoning County, Ohio.
10. **Severability.** If any provision of this Agreement shall be determined to be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable for any reason, the remaining provisions of this Agreement shall be unaffected and unimpaired thereby, and shall remain in full force and affect, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law.
11. **Assignment.** This Agreement may not be assigned without the written consent of all Parties. No waiver of any breach or failure to enforce one or more of the terms and conditions of this Agreement will be construed as an implied amendment, modification, or agreement to amend or modify. Nor will waiver of any breach or failure to enforce one or more of the terms and conditions of this Agreement will be construed as a waiver of the right to later enforce such terms.
12. **Notices.** Any notice or communication to any Party in connection with this Agreement shall be in writing and sent by manual delivery, United States mail (postage prepaid) or overnight courier (postage prepaid), addressed as specified below, or at any other or additional address provided by such Party, in writing. All periods of notice (if any) are measured from: the date of delivery of the notice, if manually delivered or sent via electronic mail; the day after sending, if sent via overnight courier; or the third day after mailing, if sent via U.S. Mail. Each notice or other communication should be addressed as follows:

If to Owner:

MM Landholdings, LLC  
FJA Developers, Inc.  
3445 Winners Circle  
Canfield, OH 44406  
[frank@tcpropertiesolutions.net](mailto:frank@tcpropertiesolutions.net)

With a copy to:

Irving B. Sugerman  
Brouse McDowell LPA  
388 S. Main St., Ste. 500  
Akron, OH 44311  
[ibs@brouse.com](mailto:ibs@brouse.com)

If to the City:

Wade Calhoun  
City Manager  
City of Canfield  
104 Lisbon St.  
Canfield, OH 44406

With a copy to:

Mark Fortunato  
Law Director  
City of Canfield  
104 Lisbon St.  
Canfield, OH 44406  
[mark@attorneyfortunato.com](mailto:mark@attorneyfortunato.com)

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have signed this Agreement on the date(s) shown below:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Wade Calhoun, City Manager

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
MM Landholdings, LLC  
By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Its: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

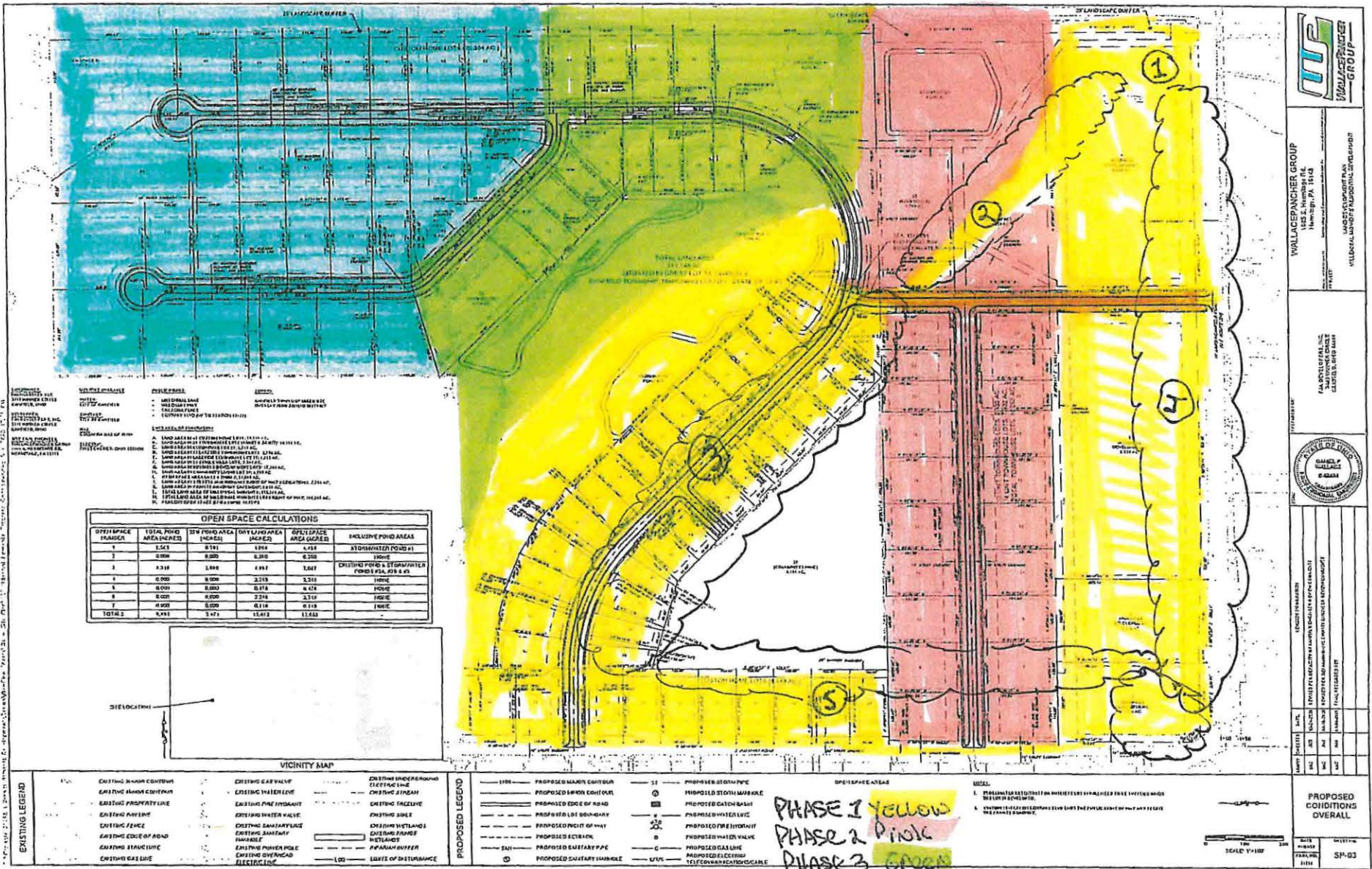
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FJA Developers, Inc.  
By: \_\_\_\_\_

Its: \_\_\_\_\_

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EXHIBIT A

# Sanitary Sewer - PHASE 1 - 5 ZONES



**WALLACEPANCHER GROUP**  
 160 S. HURON ST. #101  
 HUNTSVILLE, AL 35894  
 TEL: 256-533-1100  
 FAX: 256-533-1101  
 WWW.WALLACEPANCHER.COM

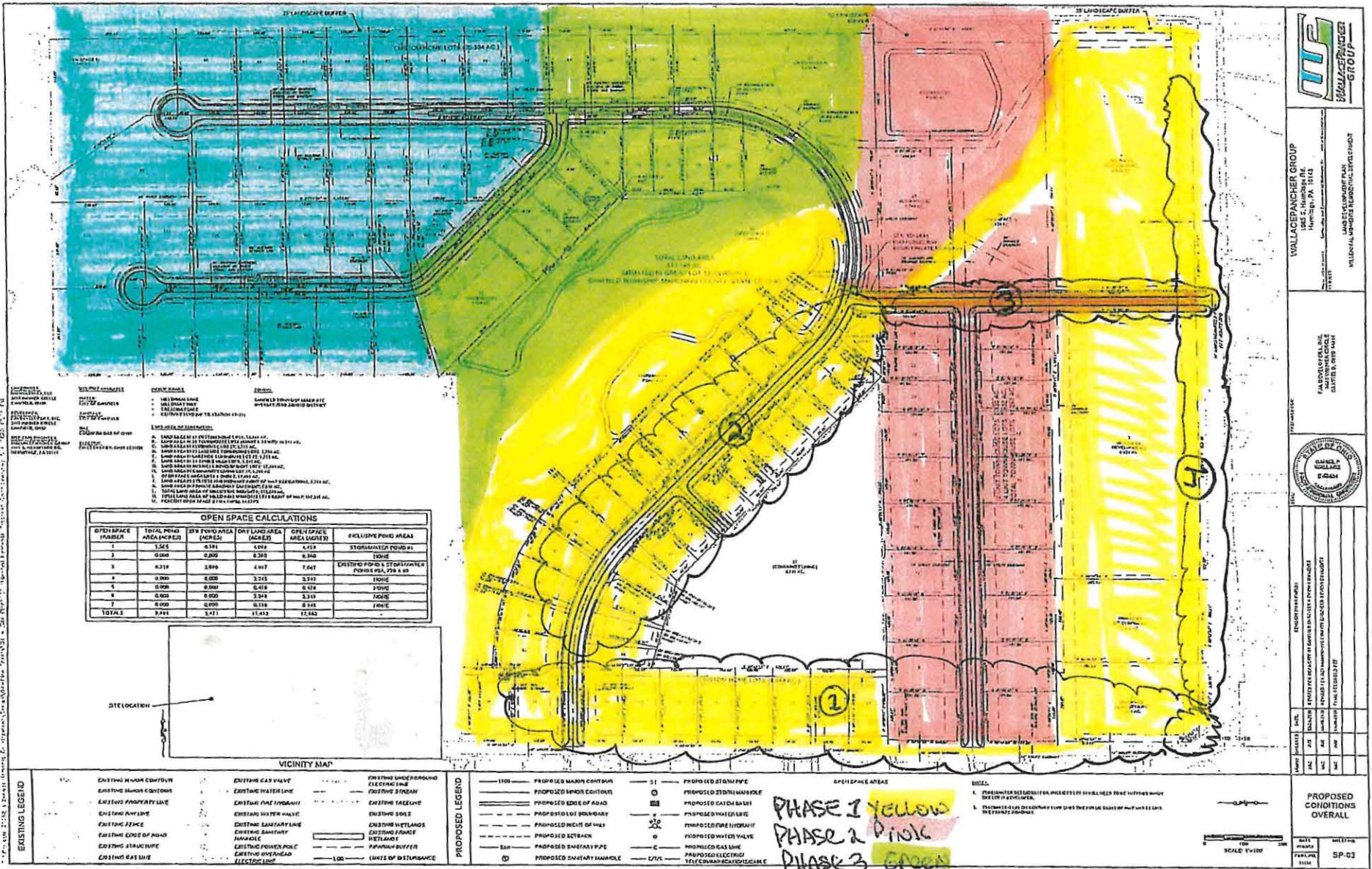
**WALLACEPANCHER GROUP**  
 160 S. HURON ST. #101  
 HUNTSVILLE, AL 35894  
 TEL: 256-533-1100  
 FAX: 256-533-1101  
 WWW.WALLACEPANCHER.COM

NO.	DATE	DESCRIPTION
1	08/11/2010	ISSUE FOR PERMITS
2	08/11/2010	FOR PRELIMINARY REVIEW
3	08/11/2010	FOR PRELIMINARY REVIEW
4	08/11/2010	FOR PRELIMINARY REVIEW
5	08/11/2010	FOR PRELIMINARY REVIEW
6	08/11/2010	FOR PRELIMINARY REVIEW
7	08/11/2010	FOR PRELIMINARY REVIEW
8	08/11/2010	FOR PRELIMINARY REVIEW

**PROPOSED CONDITIONS OVERALL**

PHASE 1 YELLOW  
 PHASE 2 PINK  
 PHASE 3 GREEN  
 PHASE 4 BLUE

# Waterline - PHASE 2 -



**WALLACE PANCHER GROUP**  
 1000 N. 10th St., Suite 200  
 Phoenix, AZ 85004  
 (602) 254-1111  
 www.wallacepancher.com

**LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE**  
 1000 N. 10th St., Suite 200  
 Phoenix, AZ 85004  
 (602) 254-1111  
 www.wallacepancher.com



NO.	DATE	DESCRIPTION
1	01/15/2011	PRELIMINARY
2	02/15/2011	REVISED
3	03/15/2011	REVISED
4	04/15/2011	REVISED
5	05/15/2011	REVISED
6	06/15/2011	REVISED
7	07/15/2011	REVISED
8	08/15/2011	REVISED
9	09/15/2011	REVISED
10	10/15/2011	REVISED
11	11/15/2011	REVISED
12	12/15/2011	REVISED

**PROPOSED CONDITIONS OVERALL**

DATE: 11/15/2011  
 DRAWN BY: [Name]  
 CHECKED BY: [Name]  
 PROJECT: [Name]

EXHIBIT B



INDUSTRIAL • CONTRACTOR • PIPE & SUPPLIES • MUNICIPAL SUPPLIES

16363 St. Claire Ave.  
 East Liverpool, OH 43920  
 (330) 386-3646

## Quote

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Quote Number 0156580  
 Quote Date 8/19/2021  
 Quote Expire Date 9/17/2021

**Sold To:**

FJA DEVELOPERS, INC.  
 3445 WINNERS CIRCLE  
 CANFIELD, OH 44406

**Ship To:**

MILLENNIAL MOMENTS WATERLINE  
 CORNER OF SR-224 & PALMYRA RD  
 FRANK: 786-229-7318  
 CANFIELD, OH 44406

**Confirm To:**

Customer P.O. MILLENNIAL MOMENTS		Ship VIA DROP SHIP	Salesperson: Joe Cappuzzello	FOB : Pipelines Inc. - North Yard	Terms Net 30
#	Qty Ordere	U/M	Description	Price	Amount
	2,600.00	LF	12" C-900 DR18 PIPE 20'	\$37.97	\$98,722.00

\* PURCHASER IS RESPONSIBLE FOR MATERIAL TAKE-OFF VERIFICATION. WE DO NOT GUARANTEE THE ACCURACY OF OUR TAKE-OFF.  
 \* ALL K-COPPER PRICING AT TIME OF SHIPMENT.  
 \* PVC TERMS: ORDER WITHIN 10 DAYS AFTER BID DATE & DELIVER WITHIN 30 DAYS OF ORDER DATE.  
 \* THIS QUOTATION IS FIRM FOR 30 DAYS TO PLACE AN ORDER AND 30 DAYS THEREAFTER TO TAKE IMMEDIATE DELIVERY. IF THE ORDER IS NOT RECEIVED WITHIN 30 DAYS, THIS QUOTATION IS SUBJECT TO A PRICE INCREASE. IF THE ORDER IS NOT SHIPPED IN 30 DAYS, IT IS SUBJECT TO A PRICE INCREASE.  
 \* ALL NON-DOMESTIC MATERIAL WILL BE SUBJECT TO AN IMMEDIATE PRICE INCREASE, SHOULD THE SECTION 301 TARIFF GO INTO EFFECT

Subtotal: 98,722.00  
 Freight: 0.00  
 Sales Tax: 0.00  
**Total: 98,722.00**



## EXHIBIT C

# QUOTATION

L/B Water Service, Inc.  
 300 CORPORATION DR  
 ALIQUIPPA, PA 15001  
 724-695-2255



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Quote Expires On 9/17/2021

**Proposal Submitted to:** 55177  
 MURRAY SEPTIC AND EXCAVATING LTD  
 3445 WINNER CIRCLE  
 CANFIELD, OH 44406  
 US

**Ship To:**  
 MURRAY SEPTIC AND EXCAVATING LTD  
 7000 S PALMYRA ROAD  
 CANFIELD, OH 44406  
 US

330-299-8077

Requested By: MIKE MURRAY

PO/Job Name		Salesperson		Entered By	
MILLENIAL MOMENTS 12IN WATERLINE		Bob Digiovine		CHRIS_ORIENT	
Quantity		Item ID Item Description	Unit Price	Extended	
Quoted	UOM			Price	

**Delivery Instructions:** MILLENIAL MOMENTS-12IN WATERLINE-QUOTE

*Due to the recent unprecedented market conditions, LB Water reserves the right to implement prices (provided by way of a quotation or in person) at the time of delivery. Any shipment changes representing a price increase, the buyer will be notified and afforded an opportunity to confirm. This quotation is strictly for budgetary purposes and represents pricing based on current market conditions. Thank you for your patience and understanding.*

12.00	EA	12-25051OL-L 12IN MJ GATE VALVE OPEN LEFT #2512-1 AWWA C515 2IN SQ NUT 250 PSI LESS ACCESSORIES	\$2,395.00	\$28,740.0
12.00	EA	B 3 PC CI VALVE BOX SCREW TYPE 39IN-49IN EXT W/#6 BASE & 'WATER' LID 16T/59 #16T #144946 (#145325) (#96-100 - "WATER") LONG MID-SECTION,5-1/4IN SHAFT 145158	\$230.00	\$2,760.0
6.00	EA	C12X6MJTEE-L 12IN X 6IN MJ TEE SSB DI CL 350 AWWA C153 C/L LESS ACCESSORIES 074489	\$444.85	\$2,669.1
4.00	EA	C12X8MJTEE-L 12IN X 8IN MJ TEE SSB DI CL 350 AWWA C153 C/L LESS ACCESSORIES 074502	\$470.00	\$1,880.0
2.00	EA	C12MJCAP-L 12IN MJ CAP SSB DI CL 350 AWWA C153 C/L LESS ACCESSORIES 082194	\$155.00	\$310.0
10.00	EA	202BS-1320-CC4	\$265.00	\$2,650.0

# QUOTATION

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 300 CORPORATION DR  
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 724-695-2255



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Quote Expires On 9/17/2021

Quantity		Item ID Item Description	Unit Price	Extended Price
Quoted	UOM			
12IN X 1IN CC DOUBLE STRAP BRONZE SERVICE SADDLE-SS STRAPS 13.20 OD FOR C900				
46.00	EA	UFR1500-CA-12-U 12IN CIRCLE-LOCK RETAINER GLAND FOR C900 C905, C909 PVC WITH ACCESSORIES/MJ GSKT/EPOXY	\$145.00	\$6,670.0
4.00	EA	UFR1500-CA-8-U 8IN CIRCLE-LOCK RETAINER GLAND FOR C900 C905, C909 PVC WITH ACCESSORIES/MJ GSKT/EPOXY	\$80.00	\$320.0
6.00	EA	UFR1500-CA-6-U 6IN CIRCLE-LOCK RETAINER GLAND FOR C900 C905, C909 PVC WITH ACCESSORIES/MJ GSKT/EPOXY	\$60.00	\$360.0

Total Lines: 9

<b>SUB-TOTAL:</b>	46,359.10
<b>TAX:</b>	3,361.05
<b>EXTENDED QUOTE \$\$:</b>	<b>49,720.15</b>

# QUOTATION

L/B Water Service, Inc.  
 300 CORPORATION DR  
 ALIQUIPPA, PA 15001  
 724-695-2255



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Quote Expires On 9/17/2021

Quantity		Item ID Item Description	Unit Price	Extended Price
Quoted	UOM			

**L/B Water Service, Inc.  
 TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE**

1. **EXPIRATION.** This offer expires 9/17/2021 and may be revoked prior to expirations unless expressly accepted by Purchaser.
2. **TAXES.** Purchaser is responsible for all taxes, including but not limited to; federal, state, and/or municipal sales, use, excise, or other taxes assessed on the goods. Sales tax will be charged unless a valid tax exemption certificate is received by Seller prior to delivery. Exemption certificates received more than sixty (60) days after delivery will not be honored.
3. **DELIVERY TERMS.** The place for delivery of the Goods is:  
 7000 S PALMYRA ROAD, CANFIELD, OH 44406, US,  
 Unless specific written instructions are included with this Quote, the cost of transportation of the goods to the location listed here shall be borne by the Seller, when delivered by the Seller's personnel and vehicle. Seller assumes the risk of all deliveries up to the point when the goods leave the Seller's control. If the Purchaser requests special handling, partial shipments, or rush delivery the Purchaser will be responsible for the freight costs. Purchaser assumes all risk of loss during delivery of goods by third party. In the absence of written instructions from Purchaser to the contrary, Seller, on behalf of Purchaser, shall exercise its discretion as to all matters of shipment used.
4. **PAYMENT TERMS.** Payment terms are: Net 30  
 Thereafter, a service charge of 1.5% per month will be added to the unpaid balance, until the account is paid in full. Accounts with past due balances may be refused future deliveries. Seller shall be entitled to recover from Purchaser all costs of collection of unpaid balances, including, but not limited to, reasonable attorneys' fees, court costs, and interest.
5. **SPECIAL ORDERS.** Orders for materials that are non-stock are non-cancellable and non-returnable.
6. **RETURNS.** Any returns of materials must have prior authorization and are be subject to inspection for re-salability. A minimum 25% handling and restocking charge will be charged on these items.
7. **WARRANTIES.** The goods shall be free from defects in material and workmanship. The goods will conform to designated specifications, when we are advised in advance of quotation. All manufacturers warranties shall be passed on and flow to the Purchaser/Owner. Seller shall not be obligated or liable under any manufacturer's warranty. Seller shall not be liable for any warranty offered by the Seller for any goods that are modified, altered, misused, damaged, improperly handled or stored, or otherwise improperly treated or used.
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MINUTES  
CANFIELD CITY COUNCIL  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
OCTOBER 6, 2021- 5:30 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by John Morvay, President of Council, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. The Clerk called the roll to which a quorum responded as follows: Mr. Morvay, Mr. Nacarato, Mr. Neff and Mr. Tieche.

Absent: Mr. Duffett

Staff present: Christine Stack-Clayton, Finance Director; Charles Colucci, Chief of Police; Mike Cook, Zoning Inspector and John Rapp, Public Works Superintendent.

Under **PRESENTATIONS & PROCLAMATIONS**, there were none.

MR. MORVAY: I'm going to ask Mr. Neff to get us into Executive Session and we will return immediately after that.

MR. NEFF: Mr. President, I make a Motion to go into Executive Session pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 121.22 (g) (i) to consider compensation for public employees. 121.22 (g) (4) to consider and review negotiations with public employees. 121.22 (G) (8) to consider confidential information related to plans and to consider financial information regarding economic development assistance. I move for passage.

MR. TIECHE: Second.

ROLL CALL ON MOTION:	4 Votes-Yes
	0 Votes-No
	Motion passes.

MR. NEFF: A unanimous roll call that the Executive Session under 121.22 (g) (8) is necessary to protect an applicant's interest on the investment of public funds.

ATTY. FORTUNATO: And the investment of public funds.

MR. NEFF: And the investment of public funds. I move for passage.

MR. TIECHE: Second.

ROLL CALL ON MOTION:	4 Votes-Yes
	0 Votes-No
	Motion passes.

MR. MORVAY: We'll be right back. Time: 5:35. Council convened into Executive Session.

At 6:15 Council reconvened from Executive Session.

Under **MINUTES**, the Minutes of the Regular Meeting on September, were approved as presented. The Special Informational Meeting Minutes on September 15, 202, were approved as presented. The Special Informational Meeting on September 22, 2021 were approved as presented.

Under **READING OF COMMUNICATIONS:**

MR. TIECHE: I believe all members of Council received the Parks Board Minutes of our Tuesday meeting. There were some questions in there related to the flagpole on the Village Green and the gazebo on the Village Green. One of the questions related to the flagpole on the Village Green was donated by the American Legion had to do with the area surrounding where the flagpole is. There is an Eagle Scout project going to do some work there as well as the Legion is looking at that. The question that they came up with was, is the city already pretty much committed that we're going to do something there. I thought the answer to that was, yes. The follow-up was, could we get a drawing when they finalize their details, so we might have that available and maybe post it here at the city building.

The second item had to do with the gazebo project that the Rotary is doing, tearing down and expanding the gazebo. One of the questions was, this is at the Parks Board Meeting, did we see drawings and apparently, we did, but I was not there for that meeting and could we get a copy to have at City Hall so, if people wanted to take a look at it. Maybe one step further, might it be worthwhile for us to have a public hearing or a public presentation, so that the public generally knows what's going on. This is related to something that happened, I'm not sure how many years ago, Public Works did some work on the gazebo and changed some siding and we ended up with a bunch of phone calls. Rather than reproduce that situation, if we could head those things off.

MR. NACARATO: To inform you on that, there will be drawings available. We'll get a copy of the drawings to the city. There will be drawings available November 15<sup>th</sup>, at the high school when Canfield Rotary has their pancake breakfast. There will be drawings. But the drawings, to put some people at ease, the new gazebo will be practically identical to the existing gazebo, except it will be larger to allow for bands to be able to be up into the gazebo and be able to perform there and if weddings wanted to use it, it would accommodate more people for that. It will be lower to the ground by one step, so that it could be ADA accessible, when we put a natural ramp in, other than putting a wood ramp in. So, the looks won't change much. It won't be noticeable, pretty much at all.

MR. TIECHE: You understand what the Parks Board concerns were.

MR. NACARATO: I'll make sure we get on top of that. We will get a copy of the design to the city, so they can have it for display.

MR. TIECHE: Thank you.

MR. NEFF: I have none.

MR. NACARATO: I have none.

MR. MORVAY: I have a few. I've been getting a lot of questions on the letters that have been flying back and forth, the Charter Amendments. I just advise people to get both sides of the story. Get informed. Don't go to the barber shop to get the information. Go to the people that have the information, get informed and make that decision yourself. Be careful what you wish for. Make sure

you understand what you're voting for. That's my comment on that. I've been getting questions about leaf pick-up. John, I know you'll address that. That's about all I had.

MR. CALHOUN: I have no communications.

**Under Reports of Boards, Committees, Mayor's Report, City Manager, Finance Director, Chief of Police, Zoning Inspector and Public Works Superintendent.**

MR. TIECHE: I gave my report as far as the Parks Board.

MR. NEFF: Our Planning & Zoning is this Thursday.

MR. NACARATO: Design & Review met last evening. We had 4 things on our agenda. The first thing on our agenda was a "no show" so we tabled that one. The other three passed with no problem.

MR. TIECHE: What was the one that didn't pass, it was about a fence between two properties.

MR. NACARATO: There are 2 properties where the old Cancer Society Building, the American Cancer Society is now becoming a daycare. The fence that they need for the daycare is actually, the property that it needs to go on is owned by another person. We discussed it a couple of times but nobody showed up yesterday to present it. We tabled that.

MR. TIECHE: I was trying to visualize where it was. Now that you say that, I know where you're talking about. Thank you.

MR. MORVAY: I sit on the Fire District Board. Last month we ran a total of 294 calls. That included the Fair, so it was up a little bit. Of that, we ran 107 ambulance calls last month. COVID, up until this week we were running about 7 COVID transports, per week. That seems to be diminishing a little bit right now. That's all I have with the Fire District. I'll move over to Mr. Rapp our Public Works Superintendent.

PUBLIC WORKS SUPERINTENDENT: We are out picking leaves up. We've been out just about every day, except for yesterday because we had a water main break on North Broad Street. I want to remind everyone to not put grass in. I saw a couple of residents already with big piles of grass. It will break the machine and the collector that comes and gets our bulk leaves from the Fairgrounds, they don't want the grass, they just want the leaves. I urge you that if you're going to do it with the mower, keep the mower up a couple more inches and just pick up the leaves, or blow them or rake them out. We would greatly appreciate it. Like I said, we had a water break on North Broad Street, we fixed it yesterday. We had numerous storm drain repairs and it looks like they're going to be starting the pad for the Columbarium, either Friday or Monday. I'll keep you updated on that. We finally got the foundation plans and we're ready to go.

MR. TIECHE: Where do we stand on the repaving of West Main Street, with relation to the excavation of the sewer line?

PUBLIC WORKS SUPERINTENDENT: The last I talked with the contractor, they we're going to try, that was probably about a week ago, so probably within the next 3 weeks they're going to be doing the restoration. I think they already did the sides but I'm pretty sure, they want to get in there and get the paving done right away but I can get with Wade and get a date and get back to you.



MR. TIECHE: My only concern is if the temperature gets colder.

PUBLIC WORKS SUPERINTENDENT: Right, we want it too.

MR. CALHOUN: It should be within the next week or two weeks. Steve Preston our Engineer at Tuesday's staff meeting talked about coordinating with them. They're pretty much wrapped up with restoration as far as construction. Now they just have to do sod, seeding, and the big part of repaving the entire section.

MR. TIECHE: Thank you.

FINANCE DIRECTOR: I filed the third quarter report with the office of Budget and Management for the Cares Act Funding. That money all has to be spent by the end of this year. The August Check Register has been added to the website today; September will be up shortly.

ZONING INSPECTOR: For the month of September we issued 28 permits for a total valuation of \$546,503. Our Planning Meeting is actually next Thursday, we'll have 3 items on the agenda that will be coming to you next meeting. I see we have all 3 mayoral candidates in the audience today. I want to remind them about signs. They should be 15 feet off of the edge of the road or behind the sidewalk. Please remind the people that when they cut the grass, they always seem to edge their way towards the street. Thank you very much.

CHIEF OF POLICE: Thank you. Good evening. We just received a letter from the Green Fire Department requesting a renewal of dispatching services for 2022. They're very pleased and compliment all of our dispatchers and staff. This past weekend was our Fall Festival on the Green. One way to sum it up, it was a huge success. I want to thank Jessica Russell and Josh Wells for doing the majority of the coordination, making it happen. The event was a huge success. I thank our community for coming out and having fun with their families, carving pumpkins. Still complaints and calls coming in on a lot of scam calls and people being asked to do audacious things for money and people actually doing these things. Be very cautious as we've said for the last 5, 6, 7, or 8 years. Be very careful with the phone calls. I think I mentioned this 2 weeks ago. Phone calls coming in, they said they were arrested and they were looking for their grandfather that needed to come bond them out and they needed three thousand dollars to get out of jail. None of this is accurate, so we keep pressing it, spread the word, hang-up. People are being victimized and they feel really bad and guilty because it happens. They get pressured into these scams. If anybody asks, encourage them to just hang-up, disconnect and call us for reassurance.

MR. MORVAY: Chief, I sell insurance and one product we sell is Medicare supplements and advantage plans. When we get certified it's very clear that we're not allowed to solicit anybody unless you've asked me to solicit you. I'm sure everybody has gotten those Medicare calls, simply ask for their agent number or NPN number and they will automatically hang up on you because it's illegal.

CHIEF OF POLICE: Typically, when they're challenged, they will hang up. But the FBI calls, the IRS calls, it doesn't work that way, so you're right.

MR. TIECHE: Does Joe Namath have a number? (Laughter)

MR. MORVAY: I've asked at compliance meeting, how they get around that and nobody has had an answer but it's amazing. Thanks Chief.

CLERK: On October 13<sup>th</sup>, next Wednesday, we're having another informational meeting with a Q&A with the Mayoral Candidates. In the lobby there is a box that you can submit your question to be asked on the 13<sup>th</sup> by a moderator. Also, on our website you can submit your question, ahead of time, on the website.

MR. CALHOUN: I have no report tonight.

ATTY. FORTUNATO: My report was given to you in Executive Session.

**Under Public Questions from residents:**

MR. MORVAY: Council, any questions from these reports that we just heard? Hearing none, I'll open it up to residents. Your questions have to pertain to any one of these reports that you've just heard. Hearing none, we'll move on.

**Under Persons Desiring to Appear Before Council:**

ANTHONY STRATIS: Good evening everyone. My name is Anthony Stratis and I am a proud resident of 311 Shadydale Drive. I am here tonight as a voter and a taxpayer. I've a lifelong Canfield Cardinal and a concerned citizen regarding the Charter Amendments. There has been a lot of information out there on Facebook and social media. We're hearing all the back and forth. Personally, I stand in support of all three amendments. I believe that a lot of the misinformation is caught in the semantics of how it got on the ballot verses are we discussing the merits that are within these charter amendments. I think that, accountability is very important within government. I think that we look at our city government which decides our budget, our education policies, safety and security, how we police our community, and we have no issue with letting the terms be two years for four terms. This would give the residents of Canfield an opportunity to become more involved in their community, to participate in the electoral process more, and ultimately, I feel fresh ideas with more people stepping up to the plate, we bring out the best part of Canfield and that's our people. That's why I chose to settle down in Canfield with my wife and I really do believe that accountability creates less room for error and overall with create a better community. Thank you for having me here tonight. I just wanted to state my support for the charter amendments.

MR. FRANK MICCHIA: Good evening, Frank Micchia, 220 Glenview. I can't tell you how many times I've heard it said that, in two-year terms, it takes someone two years to learn the ropes for the position. That keeps coming up. I can't imagine a candidate having a lawn sign (Joe Blow or Joe Doe) for city council and it's going to take me two years to learn the job. He's not going to get elected. In the times when there is a new person on council, I've not heard someone abstain because I'm just learning the job, so I'm going to abstain on these issues. It doesn't happen. They get elected, they're voting. So, this idea of having to learn the position, only comes up when there are term limits on the ballot. Otherwise, it doesn't happen. It doesn't matter. New people, elect right away, so I presume they're qualified to do that. Thank you.

MR. J.J. POPIO: Good evening, everybody. Council, thanks for having me. My name is J.J. Popio, my great-grandparents lived on Skyline for over 50 years, my grandfather currently lives on Fairground Blvd. I don't live in the city. I know that's something that we talked about at the last meeting. But I came up here tonight to speak about the utility workers union.

MR. MORVAY: For the record, name and address.

MR. J.J. POPIO: 105 Silver Valley. I'm a proud member of the Utility Workers Union of America. I totally reject the claim made by some of the council members and politicians that the Utility Workers are some sort of an outsider. Our union exists everywhere. I'm an officer of a local union that has members in the town. We have members that live here. Their families are part of this community. I just wanted to come here tonight to talk about that. The city has employees that are members of our union. These members should be respected. I think that any attempts to intimidate or coerce or threaten, whether you're a city worker or in the private sector, it's just not acceptable. The fine folks, like my great grandparent, that helped build the town, they helped build St. Michael's Church and they volunteered there. Canfield is a blue-collar town, a hard-working town, and I don't think my great-grandparents would appreciate management treating workers the way they're being treated these days. I don't think that's how this place was set up. That's all I have to say. Thank you for having me.

MR. DAVE KARASH: Dave Karash, I live at 256 Fairview Avenue. I've been here for 18 years. It's a great town. I'm here to express my support for the charter amendments. It makes government more accountable. I think that's good for everybody, all the citizens. I also want to say, that the services (leaf pick-up) the services that city supplies, are really appreciated. Thank you.

MR. COREY MCLAIN: Good evening. Corey McLain, 369 East Main Street. My first question, Bruce, Mr. Cook said the Zoning Meeting is next Thursday, is that tomorrow or a week?

ZONING INSPECTOR: Next Thursday.

MR. COREY MCLAIN: The barn is finally down; the house is down. I want to give Kudos to Fairway Ford. They have a very hometown feel. The crew that came to dismantle the barn came from a very long way and their truck broke that day; which means they would have to come back several weeks later and finish the job. So, I went to the Ford Dealership and I just walked in there and said, I'm Corey, this is what's going on, I need a diesel truck to move all these timbers. I thought they would turn me down but they did not. They said, sure we'd love to help you. We need more businesses like that. Thank you.

MR. MORVAY: That's all that I had on my list. If there is anybody else that would like to address council now is the time to do it.

DON DRAGISH: Don Dragish, 150 Brookpark. I know I've come up here before and spoke on these issues but I don't think it's necessarily the issues of the two to a four-year term, that's the overall look of this and everybody keeps saying, it's the term of this, it's the term of that. To be completely honest with you, I can care less if it's two years or four years, I can get done what I want to get done. But everybody is bypassing the other issues and the other amendments that can possibly pass. I think that is the problem. I think those are the questions that need to be answered and asked. Not just the two to four-year terms for these gentlemen here. It needs to know what the other agenda is to make this guy position a political position. It shouldn't be a political position. That's what needs to be said. Not two and four years for these guys. Thank you.

KATHRYN YOUNG: Kathryn Young, 570 Barbcliff. In the last meeting that we had with the Mayor Candidates, at the end there was Jill Lewis who came up and was questioning what would be any different if the citizens could, with great work, a lot of signatures, be able to take the city managers as well as the council. The council can do it and the people could do it. When they had that conversation, Wade, you said, you follow the ethical book, whatever you have, to be in that position. It doesn't matter whether the citizens would have that right, it would have to be something huge, but at least the people would have a say. You'd have a say, the people would have a say, I don't think it would be political. If you look at the minutes, the way it was worded, your code of ethics, would transcend whether that was approved or not approved. As far as the other one, that was, the other amendment that's being proposed, that's something good to add to the Charter. The one with the, there should be no intimidation.

MR. MORVAY: I don't think that's it but....

KATHRYN YOUNG: It's worded in a certain way. I don't have the wording. It's actually part of the Ohio Revised Law as well. It's just putting that in writing. I do agree with all 3 of those amendments.

**Under OLD BUSINESS:**

ITEM A: An Ordinance Amending Ordinance 2021-03 Adopting Salary and Benefits for all Full and Part-time, non-bargaining unit employees.

MR. MORVAY: As per the provision of Section 4.05 of the Charter of the City of Canfield, I move that Council dispense with the requirement of a full reading of the proposed Ordinance and authorize reading by title only.

MR. TIECHE: Second.

ROLL CALL ON MOTION:

4 Votes-Yes

0 Votes-No

Motion passes.

MR. TIECHE: Mr. President, I have an Ordinance Amending Ordinance 2021-03 Adopting Salary and Benefits for all full and part time, non-bargaining unit employees. I move for passage but I do have some questions.

MR. NACARATO: Second.

MR. MORVAY: Wade, could you brief us on this before we ask you questions.

MR. CALHOUN: The City of Canfield has maintained personnel levels in the Information Technology or I.T. Department, at 2 full time employees, over the last 11 years. During recent years, the I.T. project needs have continued to expand, as well as the workload related to daily operational needs of our I.T. Department. In preparation for fiscal year 2022 and beyond, and in order to appropriately address current personnel needs, staff is proposing the creation of an I. T. Technician position, as well as, the reestablishment of the I.T. Networking Systems Administrator position. The I.T. Admin position will be created and filled on a part time basis beginning this year with a potential transition to full time in 2022.

In order to adequately capture the anticipated part time hourly rate of the I.T. Technician, the maximum hourly rate for a part time employee with the City of Canfield is also being adjusted within this Ordinance. This Ordinance amends the original salary ordinance for years, 2021,2022 and 2023, specifically sections 3A, number 2, non-administrative employees. It creates the I.T. Network and Systems Administrator position and the I.T. Technician position. It sets the hourly rate for each of those positions for each of the years. Additionally, this Ordinance amends section 3B, to increase that maximum hourly rate for part time employees. It was previously \$16.50, per hour. You can go to McDonald's and make \$14.00 right now. In order to adjust with the times as well as the position requirements for I.T., we elevated that to \$20,00, per hour.

MR. TIECHE: Are these going to be filled effective 2022, in January? Are they going to be part-time positions?

MR. CALHOUN: Beginning, shortly after, if this passes, adding the I.T. Technician position will be filled on a part-time basis, as soon as possible. We have to go through civil service testing, administer the test, get the results, and go through the interview process. We are hopeful that it happens this year but the intent is to bring in an I.T. Technician on a part-time basis. Then the I.T. Network Systems Administrator position is not going to be filled, until it's needed in future years, potentially 2022, 2023. It allows for growth within the I.T. Technician position. It's that transition to full time and then it allows that separation between I.T. Manager and entry level, I.T. Technician position. The I.T. Tech will come in as a part time with the opportunity to transition to full time. The I.T. Network System Administrator the position will not be filled until needed.

MR. TIECHE: That will be a civil service position that will be tested for?

MR. CALHOUN: Correct.

MR. TIECHE: You're confident that we need to add at least the I.T. Technician at this point?

MR. CALHOUN: Yes. Both Dom Rozzo and Steve Kolenich, our two I.T. Managers are here this evening to answer questions, specially I.T. related because that is not my forte. They can very quickly go through the laundry list of current I.T. projects that they're both tasked with working on from a manager standpoint. Then essentially the day-to-day technical issues that they literally have to stop working on a project to troubleshoot issues for both Public Works as well as Administrative. That's really just spreading them too thin, to where an I.T. Technician position; which is that entry level, lower tier, that can address some of those lower level, I.T. issues.

MR. TIECHE: Could they explain something like that, so that council has a better understanding of why the need?

DOM ROZZO: Your question again?

MR. TIECHE: Wade was talking about all the different things that come up and that kind of thing. Explain a little bit, so that Council understands why we have the need.

DOM ROZZO: Sure. As Wade stated over the last 11 years, Steve and I have pretty much managed the I.T. Department, just with the two of us. Over the course of those 11 years, we added a ton of services. We're looking at adding more, in all honestly, with the initiatives that want to happen around here.

Councilman Neff, wants to have this room updated with technological advancements and ways to present things here. It makes their job easier to present things to you. That's just a small addition. With that being said, these kind of additions, when things go wrong during the day, and their main functionality, Christine uses a lot of a specific accounting program. When there are issues with that, we have to stop what we're doing and make sure that we can troubleshoot that effectively, so she can continue to do her job and everybody else who uses that program, can do their job. Well, as an example right now, with the whole dispatch project going on, that's a huge undertaking. So, I'm being pulled from doing that dispatch project to working on an AccuFund Issue. Also, needing to work on a camera, server issue, so they can continue to do exports. That's just typical day-to-day things, there are problems, troubleshooting, cars can't connect to whatever software we need locally. Problems like that, that continually inundate us are one aspect. But we also have all of these other things that are very specific to operations. Some of that is the switch work. Having to do certain things inside of networks. Having to do certain elements inside of repairing and updating servers, especially in a 24/7 operation, the police department, there is no down time there. We have to schedule things appropriately. Sometimes it requires additional hours. All of these things combined along with all of the, is it 60 applications?

STEVE KOLENICH: I stopped counting at 60. Those are just programs. Those aren't server related. Those aren't switch related, those aren't firewall, that isn't network based, those along are easily 60 programs we have to navigate. Not only navigate, it's not something we just download on your phone, we have to become proficient in it and then become an expert and teach you or train you how to do it. Every application that runs through this city, being on a phone, a tablet, a router, a PC, I can't stress this enough, we not only have to install it, we have to know how to install it, know how to install it properly and then not only become proficient but we have to become really, really good at it, so that it keeps working and we have to be good enough to train you on it. There are so many different things between the 11 years that I've been in I.T., it's grown so exponentially, keeping up that pace has become very rigorous.

DOM ROZZO: Not to drone on about that but that's just the end user forward-facing stuff that everybody sees every day. That's not including, the server, back-end, updates, planning, switch work, the projects that come up. All the project management, the planning, all of that has to come together on one project. So, it's becoming cumbersome for the both of us to manage all of that.

MR. MORVAY: I just run a small business and my budget on my I.T. has gone up 10 times in the last 5 years. It's just a necessity. You got to stay up on.

DOM ROZZO: The whole COVID thing kind of set us back a little too. We had to do a lot more stuff for people working from home and availability for things, especially the police department. Chuck, I'm not trying to throw you under the bus all the time up here but that's a very demanding field, especially we have to make sure we keep those guys as efficient as possible, those computers work great for them. Dispatch, we have probably one of the most advanced dispatch centers in the state, when we're finished with it. I'm sorry, when we're finished with it. So, those are really large undertakings to make sure that all of that stuff stays working and it's always up.

MR. NEFF: Dom are you doing the transfer of the old dispatch infrastructure to the new? Are you sub-contacting some of that?

DOM ROZZO: No, we're doing the majority of the transfer. All of the design, technology, computer set-up has been us.

BRUCE NEFF: The community will be very impressed when they open that dispatch center. You take a look at it because it is state-of-the-art. Probably the best in the whole state.

CHIEF COLUCCI: Bruce got to see it last week. It's going to be a product that is going to serve this community for many, many years. Technology is running way faster than we are but it's built to give this community the best. I don't know if this has anything to do with the decision that you'll make tonight but Dom and Steve have done so much work that they were noted in a national publication for the work that they did in our server room. The server room in the police department, it's waterproof, fireproof, windproof, we hope. The temperature. It caught the eyes of the people that we buy this stuff from. The people that ....

DOM ROZZO: State Tech Magazine.

CHIEF COLUCCI: Yes, State Tech Magazine. It was a huge undertaking. It's just a sign of the times. It's where we're at. I think you guys should be commended for that. We do throw a lot at you from every department across the city. That recognition is there but I appreciate you pointing that out. That's going to last quite a while.

MR. MORVAY: Thanks guys. At this time, I'll ask residents if you have a question about this particular ordinance.

MR. MICCHIA: Frank Micchia, 220 Glenview. On this Salary Ordinance, can anyone tell me what the cost impact of this is over the three years of the Ordinance, including wages and benefits? What is this going to cost?

MR. TIECHE: We defer to the finance director, if she has that information.

FINANCE DIRECTOR: It's part time for right now. The two full time positions are not going to be filled.

MR. MICCHIA: I mean the salary ordinance.

FINANCE DIRECTOR: It's on the salary ordinance but there will not be anybody using those wages, until we decide to make them full time.

MR. TIECHE: Are you talking about what the total cost of the increase on the salary ordinance in total?

MR. MICCHIA: Correct.

FINANCE DIRECTOR: But if there is no person in that position, it doesn't cost us anything.

MR. MICCHIA: I'm talking the whole ball of wax. What is the cost of wages and benefits? These gentlemen are going to vote it.

FINANCE DIRECTOR: We're just asking for a wage to be in here right now. There is no person and no intention to have a person.

MR. MICCHIA: I understand that. Disregarding that, I'm talking the whole thing.

MR. CALHOUN: We have the information for 2021, it's the budget and personnel expense for the entire city. That information will be presented in a temporary budget at the end of the year for the entire fiscal year 2022. The part-time I.T. Technician position this year we're budgeting and the budget adjustment reflects that.

MR. MICCHIA: I understand that.

MR. CALHOUN: It's \$7,500.00

MR. MICCHIA: This ordinance is for salaries for 2021, 2022 and 2023.

MR. MORVAY: That's already been passed.

ATTY. FORTUNATO: This is an amendment.

MR. CALHOUN: This Ordinance sets the rates, it doesn't set the annual budget amount for those salaries.

MR. MICCHIA: When was it passed?

MR. CALHOUN: January 6<sup>th</sup>. It was in place in January, this was the first amendment.

MR. MICCHIA: Does anybody have a total cost on this?

MR. MORVAY: You'll have that in our budget projection for next year.

MR. CALHOUN: It's \$7,500.00

MR. MICCHIA: Too much. Anyway, I think we voted on an Ordinance and we don't even know how much it's going to cost.

ATTY. FORTUNATO: When did that occur, Frank?

MR. MORVAY: That's not true.

ATTY. FORTUNATO: When did that occur?

MR. MICCHIA: It was passed in January.

FINANCE DIRECTOR: In January we talked about that.

MR. MORVAY: We passed the budget. So, we knew what it was going to cost.

MR. MICCHIA: Anyway, the next thing is on page 3, item 2, once again, I'd like to talk about salary people and staff getting time and a half to attend this meeting.



ATTY. FORTUNATO: This has nothing to do with what you're voting on tonight. You're voting on an amendment to the salary ordinance. Your question is limited to what they're voting on tonight. That was passed in January.

CHIEF COLUCCI: I'm not being paid. He's not being paid. It's part of my schedule.

MR. MORVAY: Frank, all we're doing is adding a part-time I.T. person and it's going to cost \$7,500.00. That's all we're trying to do tonight.

ATTY. FORTUNATO: That's what this ordinance is tonight.

MR. MICCHIA: In regard to that particular ordinance, that particular item, I.T. people. We have a 10-million-dollar budget here in the city and do we really need to add additional I.T. people. The budget is like 10 million dollars, we got 2 people now, we are eventually going to get 3 or 4. Do we really need that on our city budget of 10 million dollars?

MR. MORVAY: You need I.T. today.

MR. MICCHIA: I know we need it. The question is, do we really need additional people.

MR. NACARATO: As we go forward Frank, you're going to need it. It keeps growing exponentially.

ROLL CALL ON ORDINANCE:	4 Votes-Yes
	0 Votes-No
	Ordinance passes.
	Ordinance 2021-51

ITEM B: An Ordinance Creating the Federal OVI Task Force Grant Fund FY2022.

MR. MORVAY: As per the provision of Section 4.05 of the Charter of the City of Canfield, I move that Council dispense with the requirement of a full reading of the proposed Ordinance and authorize reading by title only.

MR. NACARATO: Second.

ROLL CALL ON MOTION:	4 Votes-Yes
	0 Votes-No
	Motion passes.

MR. NEFF: Mr. President, I have an Ordinance Creating the Federal OVI Task Force Grant Fund FY2022. I move for passage.

MR. TIECHE: Second.

MR. MORVAY: Wade, can you brief us on this OVI Task Force, please?

MR. CALHOUN: I'll actually defer to our I.T. Department to explain (just kidding). The Canfield Police Department has been awarded the Federal OVI Task Force Grant again this year. It's administered by the State of Ohio for fiscal year 2022. The amount of this grant is \$225,000. The funds are appropriated in this fiscal year 2021 because the grant funding schedule is on the October 1<sup>st</sup> to September 30<sup>th</sup>, fiscal year schedule. In order to account for the grant award, revenue and associated expense, related to that grant; which the City of Canfield Police Department administers the OVI Task Force Grant for the area. We have to create this fund to segregate those revenue and expense items from normal city operations. Effectively, that is what this Ordinance does, it creates a separate fund, in order for us to put the money into and expend out the fund.

MR. MORVAY: Council questions?

MR. TIECHE: What's the amount of this grant?

FINANCE DIRECTOR: \$225,000.

MR. TIECHE: This covers everything within Mahoning County and is not comingled with any money of the city?

FINANCE DIRECTOR: Correct.

MR. CALHOUN: How many years have we done this?

FINANCE DIRECTOR: I'm thinking 11 or 12.

CHIEF COLUCCI: Eleven years.

MR. MORVAY: I'll open it up to residents. If you have a question pertaining to this particular Ordinance.

KATHRYN YOUNG: Kathryn Young, 570 Barbcliff. The OVI, it's usually drugs/alcohol and all that stuff. It's also the health and welfare of the citizens, so at any time could that turn into, like if you have your green card, that's been happening in other countries and cities. Is that part of this? Checking people for whether they've been vaccinated or not. Could that money be used for that?

CHIEF OF POLICE: No. It's not what we do.

KATHRYN YOUNG: I know. There was part of that on the list it was the health and welfare of the people.

CHIEF OF POLICE: It's a federally funded program. How it works is 10 counties in Ohio.

KATHRYN YOUNG: It's not just Canfield, there are like 16 of them, or something.

CHIEF OF POLICE: Whatever state, it's not a good thing, its whatever states are leading the alcohol related fatalities. The State of Ohio and Mahoning County is in the top 10. It's strictly OVI enforcement; which is impaired drivers, whether it be alcohol or drugs.

KATHRYN YOUNG: Okay, thank you.

MR. TIECHE: Correct me if I'm wrong, didn't we sort of become the owner of this because of your expertise in finance and the way that we've accounted for this.

FINANCE DIRECTOR: Assistant Chief Weamer does most of it.

CHIEF OF POLICE: That's accurate.

MR. TIECHE: But wasn't other communities involved in that at one time?

FINANCE DIRECTOR: Yes.

MR. TIECHE: There were some issues.

CHIEF OF POLICE: The State of Ohio is very comfortable with Chris' track record.

MR. NEFF: That total amount, that's for all the participants?

CHIEF OF POLICE: Yes.

MR. NEFF: So, we get a portion of that.

CHIEF OF POLICE: It covers all the hours worked throughout the county, specifically the OVI enforcement and we do receive administrative funds for writing the grant. It allows us to offset ...

FINANCE DIRECTOR: For Assistant Chief Weamer's time and coordinating and setting up the check points. We actually cut checks to the other police departments that participate in the county.

CHIEF OF POLICE: We receive administrative funds for doing so; which offsets our budget.

ROLL CALL ON ORDINANCE:

4 Votes-Yes

0 Votes-No

Ordinance passes.

Ordinance 2021-52.

ITEM C: An Ordinance Amending Ordinance 2021-43, Annual Appropriation Ordinance to make Appropriations for Current Expenses and other Expenditures of the City of Canfield, State of Ohio, during the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2021.

MR. MORVAY: As per the provision of Section 4.05 of the Charter of the City of Canfield, I move that Council dispense with the requirement of a full reading of the proposed Ordinance and authorize reading by title only.

MR. NEFF: Second.

ROLL CALL ON MOTION:

4 Votes-Yes

0 Votes-No

Motion passes.

MR. NACARATO: Mr. President, I have an Ordinance Amending Ordinance 2021-43, Annual Appropriation Ordinance to make Appropriations for Current Expenses and other Expenditures of the City of Canfield, State of Ohio, during the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2021. I move for passage.

MR. TIECHE: Second.

MR. MORVAY: Wade, can you tell us about these changes in the appropriation ordinance?

MR. CALHOUN: The city finance department must make adjustments from time to time in order to adjust and make changes, to either add or adjust appropriations in order to meet the city's financial needs. This Ordinance amending the last amended ordinance it adjusts primarily, our special revenue funds to now recognize and accept the \$225,000 grant revenue fund, that council just passed, be placed into the OVI Task Force Grant Fund. The 225,000 comes in as revenue. The \$225,000 will go out as expense. We had to amend our appropriations expense for the special revenue fund in that amount and then the General Fund in the amount of \$17,400.00. The lion's share of that is for the previously mentioned, the \$7,200.00, for I.T. personnel services. The income tax department is an additional \$6,000 in expenses. That is primarily due to the \$4,000.00 increase in postage cost. We are now sending non-filers from 2018-2019, through our Mayor's Court process, for failure to comply with the Ordinance which requires them to file. In sending out the mailing, those certified mail; which are more expensive than regular mail, we had to increase our income tax contractual services budget by \$6,000. The other \$5,000 is \$2,000 to Zoning for supplies and materials, \$1,200 for Council and another \$1,000 for zoning department in contractual services. All total \$17,400.00 added to the expenses to the General Fund for the City of Canfield.

MR. MORVAY: Thank you, Wade. Council questions.

MR. TIECHE: Christine, let me ask a question. If Mr. Micchia is really concerned about what all of our expenditures are for personal services, if he were to take every personal service item in this appropriation ordinance and add that up, won't that give him that number?

FINANCE DIRECTOR: Yes.

MR. TIECHE: Thank you.

MR. MORVAY: I'll open it up to residents.

MR. MICCHIA: Frank Micchia, 220 Glenview. Under Red Gate, on page 10, \$7,000 contractual service, \$5,000 supplies and materials.

FINANCE DIRECTOR: That's not what we're amending. That was in the original budget. All we're talking about is the change.

MR. MORVAY: The appropriations that are listed on the agenda. That's the only thing we're discussing.

MR. CALHOUN: The only changes are what I just explained. The \$225,000 for the OVI Task Force, and the \$17,400 for the General Fund.

MR. MICCHIA: In the column where there are changes. Mr. Tieche, I'll get my adding machine out.

MR. MORVAY: Any other questions about this particular Ordinance? Hearing none, Patty.

ROLL CALL ON ORDINANCE:	4 Votes-Yes
	0 Votes-No
	Ordinance passes.
	Ordinance 2021-53.

ITEM D: A Resolution Accepting the Amounts and Rates as Determined by the Budget Commission and Authorizing the Necessary Tax Levies and Certifying them to the County Auditor.

MR. MORVAY: As per the provision of Section 4.05 of the Charter of the City of Canfield, I move that Council dispense with the requirement of a full reading of the proposed Resolution and authorize reading by title only.

MR. TIECHE: Second.

ROLL CALL ON MOTION:	4 Votes-Yes
	0 Votes-No
	Motion passes.

MR. TIECHE: I have a Resolution accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the budget commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the county auditor. I move for passage.

MR. NEFF: Second.

MR. MORVAY: Wade could you brief us on this Resolution, please?

MR. CALHOUN: In accordance with state law, the City of Canfield must accept the amounts and rates as determined by the budget commission and authorize the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the county auditor. Essentially, this Resolution accepts the amounts and rates, authorizes the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the county auditor, as indicated in the Resolution so that they can then certify the tax and send back to us at the beginning of next year.

MR. MORVAY: Thank you. Council questions. Hearing none. Residents, questions or concerns? Hearing none, Patty.

ROLL CALL ON RESOLUTION:	4 Votes-Yes
	0 Votes-No

Resolution passes  
Resolution 2021-06.

Under **NEW BUSINESS**:

ITEM A: An Ordinance Declaring Surplus Property and Authorizing its disposal.

MR. MORVAY: As per the provisions of Section 4.05 of the Charter of the City of Canfield, I move that Council dispense with the requirement of two readings of the proposed Ordinance and authorize adoption of the same upon its first reading.

MR. NACARATO: Second.

ROLL CALL ON MOTION:

4 Votes-Yes  
0 Votes-No  
Motion passes.

MR. MORVAY: As per the provision of Section 4.05 of the Charter of the City of Canfield, I move that Council dispense with the requirement of a full reading of the proposed Ordinance and authorize reading by title only.

MR. NEFF: Second.

ROLL CALL ON MOTION:

4 Votes-Yes  
0 Votes-No  
Motion passes.

MR. NEFF: Mr. President, I have an Ordinance declaring surplus property and authorizing its disposal. I move for passage.

MR. NACARATO: Second.

MR. MORVAY: Wade, can you brief us on what we're doing with this property.

MR. CALHOUN: When certain vehicles or equipment are no longer useful or needed to the City of Canfield, we must declare that item as surplus and authorize its disposal. Effectively, that's what this Ordinance does, it declares a vehicle for surplus and authorizes its disposal by means of a trade-in. So, in this case, we are trading in a 2008 Ford, F-450 Truck, for a new Ford F-450 truck, that is utilized by our Public Works Department. It's a dump truck. This will be traded in on the purchase of the new vehicle.

MR. MORVAY: Great, thank you. Council questions, hearing none. Residents questions, hearing none, Patty.

ROLL CALL ON ORDINANCE:

4 Votes-Yes  
0 Votes-No  
Ordinance passes.  
Ordinance 2021-54.

ITEM B: An Ordinance Amending an Agreement for the Provision of Dispatch Services to the Cardinal Joint Fire District.

MR. MORVAY: As per the provisions of Section 4.05 of the Charter of the City of Canfield, I move that Council dispense with the requirement of two readings of the proposed Ordinance and authorize adoption of the same upon its first reading.

MR. TIECHE: Second

ROLL CALL ON MOTION:	4 Votes-Yes
	0 Votes-No
	Motion passes.

MR. MORVAY: As per the provision of Section 4.05 of the Charter of the City of Canfield, I move that Council dispense with the requirement of a full reading of the proposed Ordinance and authorize reading by title only.

MR. TIECHE: Second.

ROLL CALL ON MOTION:	4 Votes-Yes
	0 Votes-No
	Motion passes.

MR. NACARATO: Mr. President, I have an Ordinance amending an agreement for the provision of dispatch services to the Cardinal Joint Fire District. I move for passage.

MR. NEFF: Second.

MR. MORVAY: Wade, what is this agreement with the Cardinal Fire District?

MR. CALHOUN: The City of Canfield and the Cardinal Joint Fire District have collectively agreed to make a first amendment to our dispatching contract that was signed back in April of 2021. The amendments allow for the opportunity for the City of Canfield to provide dispatching services to a neighboring jurisdiction and if successful, the Cardinal Joint Fire District will receive a reduced rate over a number of years for the dispatching services that we provide them. Both parties agreed that this amendment is in the best interest of all parties and all entities involved. The Cardinal Joint Fire District, Board of Trustees already passed this amended agreement at their September 27, 2021 meeting. Now, it's our turn. If this passes tonight, it will be the first amendment.

MR. MORVAY: Questions, Council?

MR. TIECHE: Is this going to be faster (never mind).

ATTY. FORTUNATO: I was going to say, I'd like to compliment everybody that was involved in this. It needed to be done relatively quickly and it was done relatively quickly. Kudos to the Chief, Wade and the fire board. We got this done in less than a month.

MR. MORVAY: Atty. Chip Comstock is our Attorney for the Fire District and he complimented Chief Colucci on your work to get this done. Kudos to you.

CHIEF COLUCCI: Thank you.

MR. NEFF: Was this simply, renewing a contract or changing terms?

ATTY. FORTUNATO: No, it amended the way that participants will compensate the city for the services.

MR. CALHOUN: Based on the expansion into neighboring jurisdictions to provide services.

MR. MORVAY: Resident, I'll open it up.

MR. COREY MCLAIN: Corey Mclain, 369 E. Main Street. Will this have any effect on police officers or the fire district are dispatched in any way?

MR. CALHOUN: It will not. Everything will stay the same.

MR. MORVAY: Thank you, Corey.

ROLL CALL ON ORDINANCE:

4 Votes-Yes  
0 Votes-No  
Ordinance passes.  
Ordinance 2021-55.

ITEM C: A Motion Authorizing the City Manager to Enter Into an Agreement without Bond with Cocca Development, Ltd.

MR. MORVAY: As per the provision of Section 4.05 of the Charter of the City of Canfield, I move that Council dispense with the requirement of a full reading of the proposed Motion and authorize reading by title only.

MR. TIECHE: Second.

ROLL CALL ON MOTION:

4 Votes-Yes  
0 Votes-No  
Motion passes.

MR. TIECHE: Mr. President, I have a Motion Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into an Agreement without Bond with Cocca Development, Ltd. I move for passage.

MR. NEFF: Second.

MR. MORVAY: Discussion.

MR. TIECHE: I thought we received a bond from them?

ZONING INSPECTOR: No, we received the subdivider's agreement/engineering inspection fee today.



MR. TIECHE: Okay. I misunderstood.

ATTY. FORTUNATO: So, a developer can proceed to develop property in the City of Canfield with or without bond. If they proceed with bond, they can begin to subdivide, replat, sell lots. The city has a bond in place if the developer went belly-up or quits. A developer can also proceed without bond; which means they layout the infrastructure, install the infrastructure, then the city accepts that infrastructure after inspection, if it's approved, then they can begin to sell lots. The developer has that option. Most go without bond. In all those instances, once the city accepts the subdivision improvements, the developer has to post a maintenance bond. Meaning that for 2 years thereafter if anything goes wrong, there is a bond in place to fix it. There are obviously city inspections as well. What you have tonight is, a developer proceeding to develop property and they are proceeding without bond. Meaning no lots can be sold until the improvements are in and accepted by the city.

MR. NEFF: And this is first reading?

MR. MORVAY: No, we're passing this.

CLERK: It's a Motion.

ATTY. FORTUNATO: Planning has been a part of all of this.

MR. CALHOUN: The process is, the subdivision regulation requires the developer enter into a subdivider's agreement with the City of Canfield. That's why they were here this evening to sign the subdivider's agreement and provide the inspection fees for when they do install the infrastructure, we have money to inspect it. We don't use public funds for inspection of private development. So, they did that. Certain bonding requirements, as Atty. Fortunato mentioned, so he's going to begin developing. He submitted the plans, they've been reviewed by the city engineer. It went through Planning & Zoning, they are essentially ready to start the development. This will allow them to put in the infrastructure, we'll inspect it along the way. Once we have accepted the infrastructure, as Atty. Fortunato indicated, they then proceed with selling the lots. At that point, is when the bonding requirement for a maintenance bond will take place.

ATTY. FORTUNATO: This is our second subdivider's agreement that you've approved in the last couple of months. It's been a long time. It's really welcoming to see the developments happening again in the city.

MR. MORVAY: Council any other questions? Hearing none. Residents any questions?

MR. MICCHIA: Frank Micchia, 220 Glenview. Are the streets in this sub-development going to be dedicated? Will the city maintain them?

MR. CALHOUN: No, they will be private streets. They will not be built to city specifications, so they'll be private streets.

MR. MICCHIA: Will there be sidewalks?

MR. CALHOUN: I don't believe this development has sidewalks.

ATTY. FORTUNATO: The improvements we're talking about taking over are related to sewer and water.

MR. MICCHIA: But it's a private development and they will maintain the streets.

MR. CALHOUN: Correct.

MR. MICCHIA: Snow removal, etc. Will we remove the leaves?

MR. CALHOUN: If they place them on 46.

MR. MICCHIA: Thanks.

MR. MORVAY: Any other questions for this Motion?

MADONNA BARWICK: Madonna Barwick, 312 Verdant Lane. Not any questions but you have a type error. This Motion will be authorized by the City Manager to enter into a subdivider's agreement without bond.

ROLL CALL ON MOTION:

4 Votes-Yes

0 Votes-No

Motion passes.

Motion 2021-15.

**Under Council Comments:**

MR. TIECHE: I have none this evening.

MR. NEFF: I have none.

MR. NACARATO: I have none this evening.

MR. MORVAY: I'll make a comment about term limits, my opinion, nobody else's. We have elections and you have the right to fire us at any time. So, by limiting the amount of time that we can serve you, that just takes one of your rights away. That's only my opinion. I'll give you an example, we had a fellow here on council, Mr. Skrobola, who mentored me. He was the smartest individual that I was ever around, financially. He taught me how to read a financial statement for a non-profit or public organization. Andy was the Controller for Thomas Steel Strip and I'm sure they paid him a ton of money and we paid him a couple hundred dollars a meeting or whatever. Andy termed out. We lost Andy on Council. So, my opinion is, you have the right, if we're not doing our job, fire us, get us out of here but it's up to you. Again, get informed, that's all I'm asking. Find out the correct information when you go into the voting booth. That's all.

MR. NEFF: Could I jump in? I'll take a different tactic. I applaud people for trying to make improvements. I'm not sure that you do really have the right. Four years, is a long time to have somebody that isn't doing the job. I think we should leave it up to the voters. I love to see participation in people and express their views. Let democracy take its path.

MR. MORVAY: With that, we're adjourned.

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PRESIDENT OF COUKNCIL

ATTEST:

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CLERK OF COUNCIL

MINUTES  
CANFIELD CITY COUNCIL  
**SPECIAL INFORMATIONAL MEETING**  
OCTOBER 13, 2021-6:30 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Bruce Neff, Acting President of Council, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Mike Cook called the roll to which a quorum responded as follows: Mr. Duffett, Mr. Nacarato, Mr. Neff and Mr. Tieche.

Absent: Mr. Morvay

Special Guest: Andrew Dipaolo- acting as moderator.

MR. BRUCE NEFF: This is a special meeting. An informational public forum for Canfield City Council. I'm going to ask our City Manager, Wade Calhoun to .....

MR. CALHOUN: Roll call.

MR. BRUCE NEFF: I'm sorry, roll call. We're going to have an informational meeting to inform residents regarding the November ballot issues and Q&A with mayoral candidates. I'll ask Wade to start with the issues. Then we're going to ask the Mayoral Candidates to come up front.

MR. CALHOUN: Thank you, Councilman Neff. So, everybody in attendance, thank you for coming. A quick housekeeping, if you have to use the restroom, there is a door that is propped open, you make a left, the first restroom on the right is ladies, the second restroom in men. Tonight, as council member Neff mentioned a brief presentation on ballot items for the City of Canfield and then we'll go into (why everybody is probably here) the Mayoral Candidate Q & A Forum. We'd like to thank Mr. Andrew Dipaolo with WFMJ for agreeing to moderate. We've had opportunities for residents to submit questions, both in person, here at City Hall as well as through our website. I think we've got a good collection of questions that hopefully we'll be able to address any and all concerns from the citizens and get everybody informed of the upcoming November ballot. If you haven't picked up a handout yet, I have a few more copies here, this presentation will also be posted to the website, after tonight's meeting. It's in the November ballots items section of our website. This is the second, of hopefully 3 meetings we have on the informational ballot items. We had one on September 22<sup>nd</sup>, that was purely informational, very focused on the renewal levies, the ballot items, charter amendments and the mayoral candidates at that time had the opportunity to introduced themselves to everyone. Tonight, we dig a little bit deeper and have the mayoral candidates engage and answer questions that were submitted. The third one we'll have at the end of October, it will be an all-encompassing informational forum that will take deeper dives into each of the ballot items that we have coming up.

In total there are 10 items that Canfield residents will see on the ballot this year. Obviously, we have mayoral election, there are two tax renewal levies, one for the Cardinal Joint Fire District and one for the Canfield Police Department. I don't know if there is a separate meeting for the Canfield Police Department levy in the works, yet or if that's going to be captured at that third meeting to be able to have the citizens get a full in-depth presentation on that. I believe there is an informational mailer that will be going out that talks about some of those renewal levies. Next, we have the three proposed Charter Amendments. A change in section 3.01; which is terms of council, section 5.08, which is the process of recalling the city manager and section 11.09, restrictions on the use of municipal resources. Seven and eight are the Mahoning County Educational Services Center Board and Canfield Local School District Board Elections. So, each of those, there is 3 open positions, there are 3 incumbent candidates running for those. Pick and choose, don't pick and choose, those are each of the 3 members that will be on the board. Mahoning County has two issues on the ballot this year. One is a proposed quarter percent sales tax, predominately used for roads, bridges, culverts and repairs county wide. The second one is a renewal of issue number 2; which is the board of developmental disabilities. Finally, for voters that are in precinct one, that are in the City of Canfield, you'll have a local liquor option on your ballot. That is for Broad Street Diner, located on 46. The beer and wine sales will only be for people in precinct one; liquor options only go to the voters in that precinct and not citywide. If you go through the Cardinal Joint Fire District renewal levy, I'm not going to read the verbatim ballot language that you'll see, it kind of gives you the information needed. It's a renewal, not to exceed .42mill. This is the first of a 5-year renewal, beginning in calendar year 2022. You have the option to vote for or against the renewal of that tax levy. Likewise, with the Canfield Police Department, 3.9mills, for each dollar valuation for the renewal of a 5-year police department levy that begins in calendar year 2022, again vote for or against that tax levy. Next up are the three proposed charter amendments by petition. So, there are three ways charter amendments are proposed in the City of Canfield. One, city council at anytime can propose a charter amendment to go to the ballot for voters to choose. The second way is by the Charter Review Commission. Every 5 years, since its inception in 1968, council appoints a commission that convenes to review the charter, line by line, for 6 months. They provide a recommendation to the city council on what they believe should be amendments, updates, to the charter. Council then determines if they take those recommendations and put them on the ballot. The third way is by petition. So, these three charter amendments were by petition. What that means is, petitioners circulate throughout the City of Canfield and get the required number of signatures on that petition to place a Charter Amendment on the ballot. These three Charter Amendments, the informational slide gives you the initiator information of these Charter Amendments, Mr. Mark Brook from Nashville, Tennessee. The community that represents the petitioners on this Charter, we have a City of Canfield resident and an Ellsworth Township resident and the circulator of these petitions was Mr. Chris Hughes from Columbus, Ohio. Like I said, I'm not going to read it verbatim, but section 3.01 changes Council terms from their current 4-year terms to two-year terms, beginning in the next council election, which is November 2023. You can vote, shall the charter of the City of Canfield be amended as proposed by this petition, yes you agree it should, no you disagree it shouldn't. The same thing with the next one, creating a new section 5.08, which is removal of the City Manager by the electors. This will follow the same process that a

city council member would be recalled by. You can vote, yes, for that proposed amendment or no, against that proposed amendment. The third one is the restrictions on the use of Municipal Resources primarily for the purposes of routing “for” or “against” any sort of charter amendment, police levy, any levy, charter amendment, initiative or referendum, it restricts the use of Municipal resources in doing that. Again, you can vote yes or no, for that proposed charter amendment.

Again, like I mentioned Canfield Local School Board, 3 incumbent candidates, 3 open positions. Mr. Nader Atway, Mr. Matt Campbell and Mrs. Traci Decapua.

On the Mahoning County Educational Services Center Board, you have three incumbent candidates to fill three open positions Mr. Jeff Good, Mrs. Kathi McNabb Welsh and Richard Scarsella.

Issue One-Mahoning County Sales and Use Tax, as I mentioned is a ¼ per cent that will be county wide for the purposes of maintenance improvements of roads, bridges and other infrastructure located within Mahoning County.

Issue Two-Renewal of the Mahoning County Board of Developmental Disabilities. Again, for or against that tax renewal levy.

Finally, as I mentioned the local liquor option by petition for beer and wine sales for Broad Street Diner LLC dba Broad Street Diner, located at 464 South Broad Street. Again, that is specific to precinct 1 voters in the City of Canfield.

We have copies, when you walk in, there are copies of sample ballots. Feel free to pick one up, read through it and know what you’re going to see on election day, if you haven’t already voted and seen the proposed ballot language. Those are also available at the Mahoning County Board of Elections website. You can go specifically in your precinct and see what’s going to be on your ballot. We’ve also posted that on our website; which is kind of the November ballot issues, which is Canfield.gov.

Finally, unfortunately, Mayor Richard Duffett has decided not to seek re-election, so that means we’re going to have a new Mayor on January 1<sup>st</sup>, for a term of 4 years. We have 3 candidates running for that open position. We have Mr. Bruce Neff who is our current council member, we have two citizens, Mr. Don Dragish and Ms. Kathryn Young. What I’d like to do at this time before we start into the question and answer forum is, the members of council who are not participating in the forum, if you’d like to have a seat at the staff table. Mr. Dragish and Ms. Young, I’d like to invite you up to join Mr. Neff. I will hand it over to Mr. Dipaolo.

MR. ANDREW DIPAOLO: Welcome everyone. Thanks for coming out tonight for tonight’s Mayoral Forum. The three candidates running for Mayor are up before us tonight Don Dragish, Bruce Neff and Kathryn Young. Tonight, we’re going to ask a number of different questions, spanning different categories, from infrastructure, economic development and charter

amendments. Before I ask the first question, I'll go ahead and lay some ground rules on how I'll ask these questions and the amount of time allotted to be able to answer those questions. First up, opening remarks. We'll start from my right and go down to my left. You'll have 3 minutes to answer or state your opening remarks, followed by the first question. I'll ask the first question to Mr. Neff. He'll have 3 minutes to answer that question. The other two will have 1 minute and 30 seconds, if they choose to chime in or have any sort of rebuttal to that. Following all of the questions, we have a lot of them here, we'll go ahead and give you guys 3 more minutes for closing remarks. We ask everyone in attendance, no applause or outburst, while the candidates are speaking. You guys ready to get started? Did I miss anything Wade?

MR. CALHOUN: No.

MR. ANDREW DIPAOLO: Okay, let's go ahead and get started with the opening remarks. Mr. Neff, you have 3 minutes.

MR. BRUCE NEFF: I want to thank everybody for participating, the people that are here in Council Chambers. I've only been on Council for 4 years but it's been a great ride. I agree that it takes a while to get accustomed to politics, if you haven't been raised and been a politician. My background, I was born and raised in Canfield. My family was on Callahan Rd. and then we moved out to Lisbon Street. I grew up on a farm. I attended Ashland College, I attended 12 years of Canfield Local Schools, went to Ashland College, graduated and went to YSU to get a teaching certificate. I started taking jobs in the audio/visual industry and lived in 10 different cities across the country, so 20 years away from Canfield. I met my wonderful wife in Florida, we had dated when we first met in Canfield, on the Canfield Fire Department, we were both volunteer firemen. We decided, wouldn't it be fun to come back to Canfield, get married in Canfield and stay in Canfield. That's what we did. That was 20 years ago. We raised our youngest daughter is at YSU. I'm thrilled to serve the city. I think we've done a lot of good things. There is still a lot to do. I'm respectful of the community and all the people that showed up tonight. Thank you.

MR. ANDREW DIPAOLO: Ms. Young.

KATHRYN YOUNG: Hello, my name is Kathryn Young, I would like to be your next Mayor of Canfield. I'm a homemaker, a mother, a grandmother. I used to wear Jump Boots as an Army Officer in the 82<sup>nd</sup> Airborne. I've been rooted in Canfield over 30 years and I am currently serving on the Parks & Recreation Board of the City of Canfield. I have an Accounting Degree from St. Bonaventure University and my passion is gardening. I have studied the ancient healing arts of sound and frequency and I am a certified Rakhi Master Teacher. I'm not a career politician. You're not going to find me all over social media begging for a vote and spreading misinformation about who really initiated the 20-year water contract. I refer to the Minutes of September 20, 2017. Should I be elected you're not going to see me using my position as Mayor for personal gain. I refer to the Minutes of August 2, 2017. As a fellow beekeeper, which I am, Mark Bort once stated, the neighborhood I grew up in, a neighbor would approach a neighbor and say, hey, I have a problem, can we have a discussion. They wouldn't just take it

to Council and do this. Please refer to those minutes. That being said, as Mayor, I would prioritize physical responsibility, transparency, accountability. I would oversee Red Gate property and development and I would improve communication between the city and the community concerning this property and return our investment over the past two decades. As you can see in the Minutes from the past 5 years, I am not a yes person. I will not vote for things without doing research first. I will not use the word faith to excuse myself for passing things blindly; especially with monies that impact the community far into the future. I'm an advocate for term limits and I do see the Charter Amendments for an opportunity for change. I believe we the people and the sanctity of such. I would suggest more funding allocations for the Village Green and spearhead permanent bathrooms, centrally located on the Green. I have attended the Comprehensive Planning Session with MS Consultants and I see this plan as being positive change for Canfield. Whether directly or indirectly stated by the Council, due to the circumstances, there will most likely be a review of the City Charter, at least to close any loopholes perceived by the council. At this time, I will address legislation past and present being initiated by those appointed but not residing in the City of Canfield. I find this to be an unjust burden, placed on the Canfield citizens and their right to civil liberties. This is an opportunity for the City of Canfield to have their voice heard and their vote counted.

MR. ANDREW DIPAOLO: Time.

MR. DON DRAGISH: Good evening, everybody. My name is Don Dragish. I am a graduate of Youngstown State University. I hold a BFA Degree in Marketing and Advertising and also SBAUS, Small Business Administration Degree from the Williamson School of Business. I am self-employed, owner of a business called, Dragish Marketing and also a partner in a company called the Youngstown Marketing Company, also a social media-based company. I live here on Brookpark with my wife, who is a teacher, I have two kids, George who will be 10 in December and Genevieve 6, they both attend C.H. Campbell, here in Canfield. My experience in local government, I was here back in 2014. I became President of Council in 2015. That was kind of my introduction into local politics because I moved to this town and I wanted to get involved and become a part of Canfield. I think I did very well by doing that. The one thing that I'm going to keep saying throughout this whole thing tonight is, I want to Keep Canfield Canfield because this is our great community. What I did do is, I was able to work with the people here to expand the tax base without imposing extra taxes on citizens by bringing in the right businesses to the City of Canfield. That's the things that I want to do and bring them to the Green. I helped with the first successful Joint Economic Development District that the city formed with Canfield Township to bring Windsor House Assisted Living on 446. Which everyone sees today. I was able to do that within the 4-year period of time. I was able to succeed in having that done in a 4-year period of time. That brought full employment, gross wages up, and generated taxes for the City of Canfield, so we don't have to go back into the pockets of the people of Canfield. I can be very instrumental in getting developers and advanced infrastructure and development here and to bring revenue back into the city. I've shown that by the 4 years that I was on Council before. If I did it then, I can do it again. I also believe that there has been some disconnect in our city government. I will bring that government to be a more cohesive, cooperative and collaborative, so that we can run efficiently. Like I said before, with the



businesses that I do run, I run with many teams and talk to many people and I'm able to collaborate across many ways. Lastly, I want to say, keep Canfield Canfield. But I also want to say, I have nothing against bees. I've never had anything against bees. I know that there is an article out that says, Dragish hates bees. I never hated the bees. But I had a problem with bees right next to my kids' playset. With that being said, thank you very much for coming tonight and hope we all have a great evening.

MR. ANDREW DIPAOLO: We'll go ahead and get started with our question now. Like I said before, we'll go ahead and start with Mr. Neff and move down the line from my right down the line. Mr. Neff you have 3 minutes for this question. We're going to start off with some infrastructure questions.

**QUESTION 1:** Mr. Neff, do you have a plan to reduce the ridiculously high-water bills? I'll add, specifically what would that plan be?

MR. BRUCE NEFF: We do have high water bills. I don't think they are exurbanite of what some of the other cities are also paying. When you think about where we can get water, we don't have much of a choice than to buy it from Youngstown. I think that our city manager is trying to negotiate right now to get some easement, to get a better rate. When we were first presented with what Youngstown wanted to do, back before I was on Council, they wanted to double our water rate. Double the water rate that year. It was negotiated by the previous administration to take that doubling over a 10-year period. So, each year, our rates have increased by 7 ¾%. The city absorbed the rate for the first few years before we passed it on to citizens and to users. The council did vote to increase the sanitary portion of our water bills. So, that portion has affected our rate as well. So, after this 10-year period, we're going to have an affected doubling of our water rate, unless we have successful renegotiation of the contract. Then the water rates increase 3 ¼%, I believe, for the next 10 years. At the time, it's interesting, when I got on Council, I was told, boy we got a great contract that we've just negotiated and no problems with water. I think that was the issue of having water; having clean, good water. It's a tough situation. I don't think there is any magic bullet that is going to give us better rates and a lower position that we can pass onto our constituents.

MR. ANDREW DIPAOLO: Do either of you have anything to add to that?

KATHRYN YOUNG: I believe the contract was signed September 30, 2017. At the time, there were citizens that came in that said, 20 years was too long. Also, why are we starting with the 7% and then going to 3%. Why not start with the lower and go to higher? That ship is already gone. Wade has been asked within the last couple of meetings about the negotiations going on with the contract. That's pretty much in his hands. I wasn't here when that happened.

MR. DON DRAGISH: I think it does need to be renegotiated to be completely honest with you. With that being said, I also believe that the City of Canfield, not just in that short of time was absorbing. We absorbed the cost of water way, way, way, prior to that and never pushed it onto the Canfield residents, even when I began in office back in 2014. We absorbed that

ourselves and never took it to you. The only reason why a lot of things have changed at that time was because the time that I was in office, all the monies that any city was getting, got cut. We had absolutely no money. It's a different story when you can come up here and sit on the council and then you have the money back. We didn't have it at the time. I think what we can do is, I think if certain monies do come in, that are supposed to be coming in and the projects of changing out the meters could happen, in order to really help the people, I can be very forward-thinking when it comes to being able to make a website or make our city website to make that a monthly billable thing. Once we can get that converted over, everybody's house, I think we can convert it to a monthly billable thing; which would take the rates from being averaged out, this one using this much or it got read from this time to this time, it would make it more of an average amount and it would keep the bills down and the people would have a lower bill, it would be every month but it wouldn't have to be a large amount every 3 months.

MR. ANDREW DIPAOLO: The next question is for Ms. Young.

**QUESTION 2:** Flooding has been an ongoing issue in the city. As Mayor, in your opinion what should the city be doing to eliminate the issue and eliminate property damaged caused by flooding? You have 3 minutes.

MS. KATHRYN YOUNG: Flooding has been a problem in the last 3 years. Frank has brought it up. It's about being pro-active instead of re-active. When it came to infrastructure, I've noticed over the last 5 years, we never really put the money back into the infrastructure. I understand that most of the budget is going towards salaries, 85% of it does. But when it came to sewer money and whatever, we are currently getting grants for what you're seeing going on right now. On Briarcliff, that's all Wade's doing. We have had progress when it comes to infrastructure of the sewer and water, recently. But during the crisis, like I said, we were reacting.

MR. DIPAOLO: Mr. Neff or Mr. Dragish, anything to add to that?

MR. DON DRAGISH: I think it's an ongoing problem. It's not just our city, I think it's everywhere. It's Boardman, Poland, everybody is having the issue with the water. I think we have an older underground water system that just keep breaking. You can look at during the colder months and it's like water break line, water break line. It is good to be proactive and I think we should be proactive but if you don't have the money, it's hard to be proactive. I do side with the citizens. I get stuff, just this past rain, a friend of mine sent me some pictures of some water and I'm like, wow, that's crazy. Within a matter of time, it's gone but it backs up. They are afraid, they see the water and they're automatically afraid that it's going to get in the basement. Those issues, if we can maybe try to pinpoint those particular issues, try to help those people out and see those first, instead of the overall picture.

MR. BRUCE NEFF: There is really 3 components to the water system. There is water delivery that we first talked about. Those are the water rates. Then there is the sanitary that you get charged for almost exactly what you used for the water delivery system. Then there is the

storm water. I think through the guidance of the fellow councilmen, Chuck Tieche, we do have, and kudos to Wade because we have a plan for helping with the storm water dispensation. That storm that we had was a 100-year storm but with climate change, it's going to come down to 5-year storms. I think it's a very important part and we are making and we've even gotten grants for that, so I think I would have to challenge Kathryn on saying that all of our financing is going to salaries. There is a huge amount of infrastructure deployment and rebuilding.

MR. ANDREW DIPAOLLO: The next question goes to Mr. Dragish.

**QUESTION 3:** Speeding on residential streets has been an ongoing problem. As Mayor will you take the lead in directing the police to be more attentive to this and testing speed bumps as an alternative?

MR. DON DRAGISH: Yes, 100%. Speed bumps, probably not. Right now, I think there are several specific areas, I'm one of the streets, in general, Brookpark is used as a cut-through for several speeders. I think the more communication we have with the police department, they've had wonderful communication with them. They said, let us know, inform us. Trust me, they give them a ticket. They pull them over. I've seen it happen. I've told them numerous times, you can use my driveway, my yard, my sidewalk, whatever you want to use and they have. I'm fine with it. Speed bumps, for the safety of any fire, ambulance, police, the safety of it just doesn't make any sense. I get it, I understand speed bumps, but speed bumps just cannot be put on our streets. Contact your police if there is any speeding and they will be caught.

MR. ANDREW DIPAOLLO: Ms. Young, Mr. Neff anything to add?

KATHRYN YOUNG: I believe we have machines out on the streets when a resident came in and said the speeding and people weren't listening to him. I actually was in his yard, when they flew by at 40 MPH. So, since then we put these machines called Stalkers and they keep track of people's speed and it does slow down the traffic. I do live behind the high school. As far as speed bumps go, I think that would be, like Mr. Dragish said, almost over the top. We have plenty of policemen. They're all over the place. I think as far as keeping the speed down, they're doing a good job.

MR. BRUCE NEFF: I agree.

MR. ANDREW DIPAOLLO: Mr. Neff, this next question is for you. We're going to move onto economic development questions now.

**QUESTION 4:** In your efforts as Mayor, what kind of businesses will you seek to attract to our community, to grow the tax revenue? You have 3 minutes.

MR. BRUCE NEFF: That's one of my favorite topics because I really think there is a lot of room for the city and council's progression on bringing more good business to Canfield. I know I'm

showing my age when I say, I wish it was like in the old days when you could get everything you wanted. I think those times maybe gone. But it sure would be nice to have a restaurant and some artistic shops on the Green. I think we should do everything we can and actually go recruit them, instead of just waiting for someone to come and ask if there is any property available. The economic development can be done with the right type of informative magazine that would go out to different businesses. We're going to have a great opportunity, I think, with Lordstown Motors and LG Chem Plant, there are going to be a lot of people, back in the 60's when the plant was built, we had the executives come to Canfield and I'd like to see that happen again, with executives from LG Chem and other things that are going on in downtown Youngstown.

MR. ANDREW DIPAOLO: Ms. Young, Mr. Dragish.

MS. KATHRYN YOUNG: I really like the idea of a hometown restaurant. I knew I grew up in one and that's where everybody meets at Thanksgiving and Christmas time. Also, promoting the current businesses that are already here. When they earn more money, both backs get scratched. There is a tax incentive for businesses to come in; which was currently passed where they can come in, build and get abatements on taxes. That would encourage more people to come into the City of Canfield. I'd like to keep it that hometown flair. Something like the small shops; which you spoke about.

MR. DON DRAGISH: If restaurants is what we want, I think we can do that. I think I'm the perfect person for that. I have at least 10 clients of mine that are restaurants. I know one of which you enjoy downtown, V2.

MR. ANDREW DIPAOLO: I enjoy a lot of restaurants.

MR. DON DRAGISH: I was going to bring you a meatball sub but I didn't think it would be appropriate. I don't think we need to be in magazines. I think that's the wrong place to be. I'm sorry about that, I'm not trying to throw it back at you but I think we need to be online, I think we need to be on LoopNet. I think we need to be on all these online places that talks to developers and try to get the right businesses here. If the businesses will come here, I do agree with going out and getting them; I don't think they're just going to come here on their own. I believe I have a lot of contacts in that area and I believe that's why I'm here today, why I want to run for Mayor being on that platform. I brought a business-like Windsor House here and that kind of development; which brought jobs. I think I can bring more jobs like that and it's not going to disrupt the keep the Canfield area, keeping the quaint charm of it, but it's also going to bring the jobs; whether it be medical jobs or something like that. That's the kind of jobs I'd like to see.

MR. ANDREW DIPAOLO: Miss Young.

**QUESTION 5:** How would you support, facilitate and maintain economic growth in the City of Canfield?

MS. KATHRYN YOUNG: I believe they're already do that with brining them in with the tax abatement. As far as supporting them, go to them, encourage the people in the city, to go to these businesses that are local. I don't know how many people on council go to the shops within walking distance. I would encourage that. Maybe on the website, sponsor a certain business with the city limits, once a month, or something like that. They can put their goods out there and get the advertisement, that's how I would support.

MR. BRUCE NEFF: Well, I'd have to say, I'd continue what Mayor Duffett started, the Canfield Business Forum. We had a lot of people, we filled this room with local businesses and asked them to give us input on what they really needed. I think that's important. I think we can do a better job of supporting what they discussed with us. What they said they needed and to bring the right types of business. We don't want a discount store on the Green. But I think we can do it, in the right way and have a better business atmosphere.

MR. DON DRAGISH: I do agree. I think we should be brining businesses here. I think some businesses did want to come here. I believe he had a conversation with a bakery but that went south and didn't go very well. Then, also, I think there is a grocer wanting to come to this area. I'd love to take a look at that and renegotiate that as well. The name not to be mentioned. But I think that's something we can definitely get done, if I become Mayor.

MR. ANDREW DIPAOLLO: Our final question on economic development goes to Mr. Dragish.

**QUESTION 6:** What is being done to attract new residents to Canfield? 3 minutes.

MR. DON DRAGISH: New residents. I believe we are in process right now, we have some new home builds; which we haven't had in a very, very long time. We have record numbers, I believe of things wanting to be built here. Right over here on 46, he is planning to build, I think the number keeps changing, maybe 24 or 16 homes, that will be built there, they are Villas. Then out on annexed property we have on Palmyra Road and 224, behind the frontal JEDD, that's all proposed. Howard Hanna has a thing out there now that you can see. That's proposed and people will come. The reason why I believe they will want to come here is because we have a great community. Again, that's the reason why everybody comes here, we have a great community. We want to keep Canfield Canfield. We have a great school system, we have a great fire department, we have a great police force and we want to keep it that way.

MR. ANDREW DIPAOLLO: Ms. Young.

MS. KATHRYN YOUNG: I was at a meeting here with 2 real estate agents and they were saying the houses were going as soon as you put them up, you don't even have to advertise. They're flocking to Canfield. It's for the schools, it's for the security, it's for the good old, hometown flair. There is new development coming on 46, you can kind of see where the two different areas, and of course we have Red Gate. That's been the plan, it's taken quite a while to get

there. But, there will be more growth that way. I feel like that's the way we stand now. We are the place to be.

MR. BRUCE NEFF: I would confirm we have 4, even 5, new developments coming in. Everything from Villas to single family homes to larger 4-plexes. The Millennial Moments is a JEDD with the township. That is the second JEDD that is coming to Canfield. That's going to be a very big deal. Red Gate is being developed. I think we got it in the Comprehensive Plan, that we've just completed. MS Consultants is going to give us the path and the guidance for doing the things that need to be done.

MR. ANDREW DIPAULO: The next topic tonight is the Village Green. We'll start off with Mr. Neff.

**QUESTION 7:** What are your plans for cleaning up the blight around the Village Green? Wertz's Towing and the old plaza are eyesores. 3 minutes.

MR. BRUCE NEFF: There isn't anyone that comes that says, the gas station, can't something be done with that. If you met Mr. Wertz, he's a character. So, yes, there can be something done with that. There is a vacant lot beside it that would make a beautiful area to develop, where the old Lynn Lockers was. That lot is very deep. So, if it was combined with the Wertz property you could put in a nice addition to the Green. When I first got on Council, I found out who all the stakeholders were on the Village Green, everybody that owned property around the Village Green and the property owners know they've got a great investment and they're very worried about, what's going to be my guarantee, if I build something. So, we really have to convince them, there is a group working on the old IGA property, it's only 2 acres. It's listed for over \$600,000 and if the IGA has asbestos in it, it is going to be a lot of money to raze that building and get ready for new construction. I think we're looking into a grant. We may be looking into something that would help out that redevelopment. Those are the two main areas.

MS. KATHRYN YOUNG: I'm not privy to some of the information about the rebuild of the IGA. When I see the restaurant and the place where people can go and walk and have sidewalks there, I see in that area, along with small shops. In the Village Green, when you come downtown it's as far as, when are we going to have that destination Canfield. We have the banks, the churches, we're limited on what we can do. But there are those few areas. If somebody is, a small business owner within there, it's go get a sandwich, go get a donut, get some coffee. Frequent them, so that they can stay and rebuild what they have, better.

MR. DON DRAGISH: I believe that the Green we could develop that. I've actually had a conversation with Mr. Wertz and I think with some negotiation and I think he's getting to the point, where I think the next few years, he'd be looking to get rid of that property. That's the conversation he had with me, anyway. I just talked to him about two weeks ago. The property behind that, I think if we could give them a proposed plan of showing them what we'd want to do there, I think we could obtain those properties and be able to get something there. As far as the IGA property goes, I think if we do get this grant, that we're looking to get to tear it down, I

think that could be a very helpful thing. If we can get it torn down and make that property developable. I'm looking at, and I do agree with what you're saying, but instead of having a bunch of different small mom and pop stores, we can look for a developer to create an area that has, okay, the ice cream shop, the barber shop, all as one. As one kind of corporation, but then you can split them up into separate things, I think that would be great. To be able to walk up on the Green and have a cappuccino and sit outside and bring your dog.

MR. ANDREW DIPAOLO: It's a popular topic. So, there are about 5 or more questions about what you guys just said. You'll be able to elaborate a little more. This 3-minute question will go to Ms. Young.

**QUESTION 8:** What is your vision for Canfield? What steps will you take to preserve the unique character of our town? 3 minutes.

MS. KATHRYN YOUNG: So, my vision of Canfield, coming off of COVID and we are in a very unique time in history, that community is going to be emphasized. I'm all about the Village Green, doing things, bringing people into the Village Green, having young and old, whether it be putting out the games that the police do, making it more frequently family, down on the Green. So, I have recently suggested having public bathrooms down there; which would be at the end of that Farmer's Bank, potentially. Several of us have talked about it. There would have to be money raised to do that. But when people go out and walk, they walk from all over, the trail connected to the bike trail. How the steps to achieve this, the first thing is to sit down and talk it, plan it, I've been talking about it for a couple years now. Then, it's of course, getting the funds and having approval through the team.

MR. NEFF: This may be a repeat because I said this when I first got elected to office but some of the things that I would like to see on the Green, the first one is almost impossible, an Apple Store. If we could have an art supply store, a barbeque joint, a coffee house, we could do a thing for collectible toys, we could have a downtown deli, we could have a health fitness club, a kitchen collection connection, that just sells kitchen stuff. We can have a shared office space building and maybe a theatre and an internet lounge. Those were my ideas and unfortunately, I haven't got any of them done but we're working it. Maybe we can go out and recruit some of these. There are some really fine restaurants out there. As you know, as you go out of town, First Watch, I've called them, their headquarters is in Tampa, FL but First Watch is an interesting restaurant. They only serve breakfast and brunch. They're not open for dinner. It's a great place, really fresh and wholesome food. It would be great on the Green.

MR. DRAGISH: I think it's great to bring the Green up and I think there are some great things happening now and I think we can have more. I'd love to be able to push the limits a little bit more and just having beer, I'd like beer and wine. I don't know if wine is possible. Is that even possible? I'd love to do a wine and food event and do it annually or a couple different things. Again, with the background of some people to contact, I can get that done. I think we need to start with the infrastructure and develop the broadband. You want to have an internet place, that would be great but you have to have a better internet than what we have right now in

Canfield. I know that too because of my business and how I run things and the internet that we have here, isn't the fastest internet. We need to lay that groundwork and put our wiring in, our broadband in. Once that stuff is there, other places will come here. They will be like, we can actually work from home. We can work in a quaint place. You can work in a really nice, quaint downtown city and not have to be in a skyscraper. You can actually work from here and get your work done. I see a lot has been coming out of this pandemic because people have been working from home. They kind of continue that and this would be a great place to do it from.

MR. ANDREW DIPAOLLO: One more question on the Village Green and it will go to you for 3 minutes.

**QUESTION 9:** What is your opinion on bringing breweries and restaurants to the Green in an attempt to make it a fun family place to hang out?

MR. DON DRAGISH: Breweries, I think that would be a good thing. I think we would have to have a good relationship with our police department to make sure that gets figured out. With that being said, if a brewery was looking to come in here, I look at this way, I think if we're going to have something for kids-let's have something for kids, if we're going to have something for adults-let's have something for adults. I'm not going to have my kid running around a brewery. But at the same time, I think there is places and time for things that we can do on the Green. I think we've just touched the iceberg with the projects we already started- doing the movies on the Green and stuff like that. If we can get that more generated to all the more people that keep coming in and bringing the kids into our school system. The schools are full. We want to keep those kids here as long as we can. At least I want to keep my kids with me as long as I can.

MS. KATHRYN YOUNG: I think with the rules that we have, I remember Mr. Tieche talking about a certain distance from the church, as far as having a brewery full blown where you're making it and drinking it, it ain't going to happen. The rules that we have. We have a lot of churches in the area. I believe you don't need alcohol to have fun. That's just my opinion.

MR. BRUCE NEFF: Good point. We do have pretty good fiber. There is fiber right around the Green now, we just don't have Wi-Fi on the Green. There is fiber running down Main Street. I want to commend the police department, they've put in a dispatch center that is state-of-the art. We have the ability to support our police force with communications that no one else, I think in the State of Ohio, except maybe Columbus has. I think we've done a great job there. But, I agree that Wi-Fi on the Green would be terrific. We just have to get that fiber out into the hinterlands.

MR. ANDREW DIPAOLLO: Our next few questions are about the Charter Amendments. They're pretty redundant, so I'll give you guys each 2 minutes to elaborate a little bit and then if you want to go ahead and rebuttal or add anything, you'll have that additional minute thirty. They are a little bit redundant. We'll go down the line. We'll start with Mr. Neff.



**QUESTION 10:** Basically, in general, what are your opinions of the charter amendments on the ballot? You have 2 minutes.

MR. BRUCE NEFF: Are you talking about all 5, I mean all the Charter Amendments?

MR. ANDREW DIPAOLLO: Yes, that was the question. The 3 charter amendments.

MR. BRUCE NEFF: I think that all of council is not for changing the Charter. I think that, I respect the voters, I think that we have an extremely intelligent community and I would respect what they tell us, they'd like to see. That's what I feel about the charter amendments.

MS. KATHRYN YOUNG: I am for all 3 of the Charter Amendments. I've always been an advocate for term limits and as far as the other two, I feel they are an opportunity, even though they came from the outside, it's an opportunity for change. The charter itself was initiated back in the 60's; which it's over 50 years old. So, one of my conclusion statements is, we're going to be looking at that Charter, if nothing else to close the loophole that happened here. When it comes to the Charter itself, the people will decide.

MR. DON DRAGISH: No, I am not for the Charter Amendments at all. Although, I want to make it clear, I want to have an understanding, I know I'm not for any of the Charter Amendments, she says she is for them. Are you for them or against them, or are you for some and not others, Mr. Neff?

MR. NEFF: Like I said, I'm with Council, saying No to Charter Amendments but I'm going to follow what the people will say that they want.

MR. DON DRAGISH: Okay, I just wanted to know. I was interested. I want to keep Canfield Canfield. I think we shouldn't change our Charter that makes Canfield what Canfield is. I don't think an outside person from Tennessee should be able to come here and change what we have here in Canfield. That's just my personal opinion.

MR. ANDREW DIPAOLLO: Would either of you like to add anything?

MS. KATHRYN YOUNG: I think we're in the midst of a change anyways. You're seeing it on the big scale. As far as the people coming together to decide what they want, whether it be through a vote or a group, it's coming.

MR. ANDREW DIPAOLLO: This is another kind of general question. I'll give you guys each a few minutes to answer. You can elaborate a little bit. We'll go ahead and start with Mr. Neff. I'll give you guys all the same time. I'll give an even 2 minutes and then you can go ahead and rebuttal.

**QUESTION: 11:** Do you support the Council/Manager form of government? In your opinion how do you think the Charter Amendment to recall the city manager will impact the Council/Manager plan that the City of Canfield has?

MR. BRUCE NEFF: I think we have an excellent form of government. I think the city/manager system, is a good system. I guess I can say, since I'm running for Mayor, I'd rather have a Mayor form of government but that's not the case. It's been said that I was the Council person that did not give Wade a perfect score on his evaluation and that's true, you can look in the records. But, he's a great manager. As I told Anthony Nacarato, if he ever leaves, we'll have trouble finding a good replacement. I sure hope that some of the things that have brought the recent issues to the surface can get resolved and that will evolve some change.

MS. KATHRYN YOUNG: The Council/Manager form of government is what we've had for 50 years. I was asked, what would you do if it wasn't here. Well, I don't know because I hadn't done the research. I know we came from something because Mr. Tieche, he actually worked before it was in place. There are alternative to the Council/Manager form of government. As far as the amendment goes, the city manager himself made a statement at the last meeting because the council was saying that their arguments where it would politicize his job. His comment was, it won't change my behavior, I operate under a Code of Ethics from the international City Managers Association. So, what is their fear about having him change. You are you and you follow your code of ethics and that's great. This is where we are and I understand that the Mayor under this system is strictly ceremonial and steering the future of, you work with what you have, people will look into it and see if it's appropriate moving forward.

MR. DRAGISH: I don't need to have a strong-arm or be the strong-arm Mayor. I'm not looking for that, like Mr. Neff is. I think our form of government that we have right now is a great form of government. It's worked for a long time. I think the way that we can all sit here and have a conversation, by myself being elected Mayor, if I can be up here and have more communication with the board and having communication here and discussing information with the city manager, that's what makes this work. That's what makes this town a great town. I don't think we need to have one person with power like that. Everybody is going to say, the City Manager has all this power, well, no he doesn't. He has to answer to all these people up here, including the Mayor. I feel that's the right form of government and I don't believe Canfield should change that form of government. I think we are good in the position that we are and I want to keep Canfield Canfield.

MR. NEFF: I take exception, I'm not advocating that I want to take over Canfield. The fact is, the Mayor is on Council and a very important part of Council. I've always felt that the Mayor is a spokesperson for the city and he should be involved in recruiting, looking for new businesses and be that spokesperson to move the city forward.

MR. ANDREW DIPAOLO: The last category is kind of a hodge-podge of questions sent in by tax payers. They're a little random but I think we'll have a little fun with it. We have a little bit of

time, so I 'll give you each 2 minutes to answer these questions. We'll start off with you Mr. Neff.

**QUESTION 12:** Who is an economist that you respect, and why?

MR. NEFF: I don't know whether Milton Friedman or Keynesian Economics; which what I was taught in College. I think that the World economy, we're being affected right now by allowing all of our manufacturing to be shipped overseas. Now, we're in a transportation quagmire that we can't get goods that are made in other countries. Economist, I would have to say, Dr. Lucille Ford who is head of the department of economics at the College that I attended is my hero.

MS. KATHRYN YOUNG: I'm going to have to pass on that one. I would have to actually do research.

MR. DRAGISH: I would have to say the same. The only thing I would say is, I would hope they would be a conservative one.

MR. ANDREW DIPAULO: Two more questions. I feel this would go more to Mr. Dragish but I'll give you guys each the same time, two minutes.

**QUESTION 13:** You say you want Canfield to be Canfield but some of you have been quoted as supporting a red initiative. Let's start off with the first question. Why do you say you want Canfield to be Canfield? What do you mean by that? Elaborate a little bit about why you keep saying that?

MR. DON DRAGISH: What I'm trying to say and why I keep saying it and I've said it from the beginning. I've said it for my campaign. Now it's kind of looping into other things but the reason why I said it was, the reason everybody comes to Canfield for a reason. You come here because you've worked hard, you want to have a great neighborhood, with a great school system and all those things that maybe had been past, that happened in Youngstown several years ago, as far back as when my parents were in school. They had the ability to have a great school system, well, there is not a lot of that happening now. You can look at Youngstown right now, the school system is falling apart, you can't be in that particular area and have a house and have a great school system, you have to send your kids to a private school or figure out another way of having your kids educated. So, a lot of those people have moved out of the area, whether it's Poland, Boardman, Canfield. So, when I'm saying keep Canfield Canfield, I love the quaint charm of Canfield, I love the people of Canfield, that's what I don't want to change. So, what I want to keep is, I want to keep it, to where we have a great place to live, beautiful homes, beautiful families, and a great school system with great police department and fire department. That's what I want to keep. That's what I'm trying to say.

MS. KATHRYN YOUNG: Canfield is known as being a bedroom community. I say, let's wake them up. Canfield in the past, keeping Canfield Canfield, is great but we have a whole different generation of kids. Fifteen years ago, you didn't have kids attached to their phone and not

looking up at anything. Right now, they're whole attention goes into that little box and that's where their world is. I would say by moving forward with technology but not overdoing it, to a point where everything is flashing, anyways, so, excuse me, the way I see it, it's not about going to the past, it's about moving forward responsibly.

MR. NEFF: Well said. Could you repeat the question?

MR. ANDREW DIPAOLLO: So, as Mr. Dragish has said multiple times, he wants Canfield to be Canfield. Talk a little bit about what it means to be Canfield, if you agree with that. What your vision for Canfield is.

MR. NEFF: I love Canfield. You can get emotional and just like our present Mayor, we're very proud and very thankful that we've grown up here. It's a great school system, great community, wonderful stores, wonderful friends, and the friends that we've made here, we're going to have forever, I think. Sure, I think we want to keep Canfield Canfield. But we also have to look at technology. You know we've had a vacant property on the Green for a decade. Five years ago, he said, a friend, why don't we put a Canfield incubator in there and let the high school kids come in and learn how to be an entrepreneur and start businesses? I think we have to keep moving forward. We got a great team that is ready to do that. You can see from the candidates up here, I'm enthused. Sometimes we've had elections for Mayor where there wasn't even one candidate running. So, whoever you pick, I think you'll get someone who is really dedicated to this community.

MR. ANDREW DIPAOLLO: One more question before we go ahead and wrap up with our closing remarks. This will be for Ms. Young to start off.

**QUESTION 14:** Do you feel that current rules or legislation represent the full interest of the citizens of the City of Canfield and how as Mayor would you introduce any changes to that legislation to better represent the citizens of Canfield. 2 minutes.

MS. KATHRYN YOUNG: This is part of my closing speech as well. I've always felt that the legislation came from the wrong direction. Usually during the meetings, you have the appointed people, the council, then you have the group. When it comes to legislation, I feel you have people that are initiating it, who don't even live in Canfield. We have a legislative book that's 6" deep and I think that should be looked into. When they say we have outsiders coming in to change our Charter well, when I sit out there, I'm thinking, well, we got outsiders that are limiting us with our civil liberties. When it comes to where we park, where we put things and all that. Part of thing is, when they do look at the city charter, maybe look at legislation, maybe somebody go through that 6" book and say, where did that get initiated. Is it something we're putting on there for the future, or is it something that's pertinent today. Is it something like parking, well we enforce it sometimes and we don't enforce it. So, if we're going to have laws, it has to be something that the people feel we need. There have been complaints about something on a scale and then, the community as a whole, sets the legislation because it's good for all of us. Not just because somebody from Poland or South Range might have suggested it.

MR. DRAGISH: Can you repeat that question?

MR. ANDREW DIPAOLLO: Sure. So, do you feel that legislation or rules don't accurately represent the citizens of Canfield, if not, how would you make any changes to that legislation that would better represent the full scope of the City of Canfield?

MR. DRAGISH: It's a tough question. There was something years ago that we looked at signs and billboard signs or even messenger boards outside. It can only be this far away from the curb but you have to put it this far. There is a lot of red tape on some issues in Canfield on specific items. I couldn't get into them all right now. But I think there is specific red tape on some things and I agree, if we do want to move forward and obviously we can still move forward by keeping Canfield Canfield, by the way. We got to cut some of that red tape. We have to figure out a way, if it is with legislation, whatever it is, but we have to fix those things, there is always something to be fixed. I'd work with them to get that stuff done.

MR. NEFF: The book that Kathryn is referring to, is really our codified ordinances. It is 6 inches or maybe 7 or 8 inches thick. But we are a country and a community of laws. Those are guidelines, everything from Planning & Zoning to the length of elections. They're constantly, and that's council's duty to constantly review those and look at those and review those. So, I think we even have Ordinances of how many cattle you can graze on the Green. But we're pretty forward thinking about what those things and that gives us community cohesion. We just went through out comprehensive plan that is telling us, if you want the look of your community to be what we're all proud of, then you do have to have ordinances that say, if you're going to have an awning, what are the correct guidelines for those awnings and so forth.

MR. ANDREW DIPAOLLO: That wraps up all the questions. We'll go ahead and end how we started off with Mr. Neff with closing remarks. Each of you will get 3 minutes for those closing remarks.

MR. NEFF: Again, I want to thank everybody for coming. I hope it was informative and entertaining. You have an idea of what the candidates are. I'm proud that we can have a nice slate, a good slate, I think that all of these people are good people. If I'm able to serve you as Mayor, I look forward to a very productive 4 years. I hope I can earn your vote. I'll do a good job for you.

MS. KATHRYN YOUNG: Thank you very much for coning. In closing, I just want to say, I'm not a politician. No politician ever initiates term limits. I advocated for democracy in 2018 when after a mere 7 months the council reversed the voters wishes and submitted, with a stroke of a pen that which reversed all the hard work and financial outlay of a fellow Canfield citizen. Once again, the votes have the right to decide in favor or not of term limits. Per the League of Women Voters Newspaper in the hallway, there are other local communities that have 2-year terms. During the previous forum on October 13<sup>th</sup>, Mr. Dragish stated that the city manager's job would be politicized should the voters be given the right to decide whether he, the

unelected city manager, the most powerful official position in the city should be subject to recall by the voters at the ballot box. The city manager's response on Page 23 of that forum clearly refutes all the arguments echoing throughout the council that this amendment politicizes his job, when he himself states, it won't change my behavior, I operate under a code from the International City Manager's Association. Another thing to keep in mind, the Mayoral position is a tie-breaking position on Council. There are 4 members and 1 Mayor. Is it fair to a community, if by electing a certain candidate, a disproportional amount of council members would belong to a certain club, also affiliated the city manager? Impartiality in the legislation branch could potentially be at risk. You be the judge. I'm for transparency and accountability. I recently calculated we spent \$138.00 per square inch. That's without grants and the COVID money. When is enough enough? Can't we just spend \$137.00 per square inch? It's time to bring balance and harmony to a great masterpiece being played out of tune. Let me bring my unique skillset and experience to serve as Mayor. I would appreciate your vote, for me, Kathryn Young on Election Day. Thank you.

MR. DRAGISH: I'm going to go through a few things that I prepared and then I'll add to it. I want to continue to work closely and support the police and fire departments to keep our streets and neighborhoods safe; and get rid of all the speeders. I will continue to work with zoning and design boards to keep Canfield the best place to live and raise a family. I will continue to want to work with the schools and the boards to support their needs moving forward. Whether that means building new schools or anything else that they decide they're going to do into the future. I'm up here and I'm looking for the vote, so I'd like to say, I want to keep Canfield Canfield. I believe I am a good choice for that. I believe I showed my experience. I believe I showed in the 4 years that I was on Council that I was able to get a job done and I got it done. Those are jobs that are actually still there. I think that works very, very well. If you elect me as Mayor, I can bring more of that and I will make that happen. With that, Dragish for Mayor. Thank you very much. See you guys on November 2<sup>nd</sup>.

MR. ANDREW DIPAOLO: We thank all 3 of you for your insight over the last hour and a half. Let's go ahead and give everyone a round of applause.

MR. CALHOUN: From a procedural standpoint, technically it's still a City Council Meeting, so we would have the next agenda item; which I believe is council comments. If any members of council would like to make. Then we do have to have that motion for adjournment to officially end the meeting.

MR. NACARATO: I'd like to make one comment. This is for you Ms. Young. I found it very offensive that you would bring up a civil organization in this community that has done a lot for this community, in a poor way, when just because there are two members currently on city council and the city manager belong to that organization. That organization has done several major projects within this community. I personally take offense because being a part of that organization, I've done a lot for this community, based upon that organization. I really, really find it appalling that you would think that our involvement in a civil organization that cares for this community, it would change anything as far as, the relationships and what we do for this

community. I think you really need to look at making a comment such as that, before you ever, ever, make one again. If that organization backs down from doing things for this community, it can really hurt Canfield.

MR. TIECHE: I'd like to make one comment as well. It relates somewhat to what you're saying but I think it is imperative in the City of Canfield that our candidates stress the positive aspects of their campaign, period. Next issue. Thank you.

MR. DUFFETT: I'd just like to say, I think everybody here realizes we have a great city. When you look around (inaudible) Boardman, Austintown, Youngstown. We are becoming a magnet. But we've always been a magnet. Canfield has always been that way. I think you've heard tonight the Mayor candidates talk about smart growth and we already go it here. We just have to now refine things and be careful on how we grow. Because people want to come here. Canfield has always been that top city in this area. It's always been the top educational in this area. We are still safe; while other communities are not. We need to be thankful for that. I agree about positive. We got a lot of positive going, sure we have problems but they're fixable. Sometimes it takes a little bit of time.

MR. JOE LOCICERO: I think that it's important that we don't confuse change with progress. You can't have progress without change but you can have a lot of change without progress. I think as we look at what people are saying, we need to look at the impact of that change. That's all I have to say about that.

MR. TIECHE: Move to adjourn.

MR. NACARATO: Second.

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PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

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CLERK OF COUNCIL





MINUTES  
CANFIELD CITY COUNCIL  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
OCTOBER 20, 2021-5:30 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. John Morvay, President of Council, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. The Clerk called the roll to which a quorum responded as follows: Mr. Duffett, Mr. Morvay, Mr. Nacarato, Mr. Neff and Mr. Tieche.

Staff present: Christine Stack-Clayton, Finance Director; Charles Colucci, Chief of Police, Mike Cook, Zoning Inspector and John Rapp, Public Works Superintendent.

Under **Proclamations & Presentations**, there were none.

Under **MINUTES**, there were none.

Under **READING OF COMMUNICATIONS**:

MR. TIECHE: I have none.

MR. NEFF: I have a letter that I wanted to read. It's from me, so I don't know if this is the appropriate time to read it or not. I guess. I don't see Mr. Wertz here. This is an apology to Mr. Tim Wertz on my comment in council chambers last week calling him a character. He took offense. The term was meant as an endearment, not in any derogatory manner whatsoever. I consider myself a character and most of my closest friends are characters, including many in this room. There is more than a score of definitions for the word character in the dictionary and nearly all are positive in their connotation. The utterance was a response to a question from the community: What can be done with eyesores on the Green? I mentioned his property specifically. What Mr. Wertz may not realize is the fact that this question (in my opinion) the most asked question of all council members. It has been asked of me, since I moved back to Canfield 22 years ago. It seems a legitimate question. Perhaps, it is not evidence why everyone considers its appearance such as distraction, as beauty is in the eye of the beholder. I see this as an opportunity. The property could receive our help to properly insure there is absolutely no environmental issues with buried infrastructure in play, i.e. buried storage tanks and pipes. With the present interest in economic grants and assistance available for electric vehicle charging stations, this might be a wonderful spot for such a refueling station. I ask Council, let's get behind in an effort to lead Canfield to a better future for our environment and country.

MR. DUFFETT: I have none.

MR. NACARATO: I have none.

MR. MORVAY: Just the comments that I've heard around town about how the Green looks, John it's a tribute to your crew. The leaves seem to come down and then they're gone. It's like

our roads, we have heaters underneath them. That's the only comments I hear so, I'll pass those onto you.

MR. MORVAY: Wade, do you have anything?

MR. CALHOUN: Just two items, we'll be hosting our third November ballot issue meeting on Tuesday, October 26<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 pm at City Hall. Much like the first meeting, a little bit more comprehensive. We'll allot time for the police and fire departments -10-15 minutes to go into details on their renewal levies. We'll do the comprehensive dive into the charter amendments and then allow the three Mayoral Candidates 10 to 15 minutes to speak about their mayoral platform and potentially entertain questions from the audience.

In November on the 10<sup>th</sup>, we will have a public Open House informational meeting on the Sawmill Creek drainage improvements, that are going to impact residents along the Sawmill Creek, most specifically, Bradford, Briarcliff, Verdant, Garwood all the way up to Glenview. That meeting will be on November 10<sup>th</sup> from 5:00-6:30 PM. It's going to be formatted much like the Comprehensive Plan with Public Open House, there will be boards on easels to give a big picture of where the proposed detention areas are going to be and some of the upsizing improvements that are going to be proposed for Bradford and Briarcliff. Those are the only two communications that I have.

MR. TIECHE: Can I presume that MS Consultants will be in attendance for that?

MR. CALHOUN: Correct.

MR. MORVAY: Wade, are we sending letters out to those individuals that live around there?

MR. CALHOUN: We have sent letters to the 5 affected property owners of the proposed detention areas; which will require either an easement or a right-of-way acquire or acquirement.

ATTY. FORTUNATO: Acquisition.

MR. CALHOUN: As far as notifications to any and all other property owners, it's not required. We are not sending those notifications out. But we are advertising. We'll let everybody know, in this forum or on social media, as well as our website, to make sure that anybody that needs to find the information, can have it. It will be livestreamed on our website and then archived, so that anybody can view it thereafter.

MR. TIECHE: Wade, in your next memo could you give me the property owners that will be involved in this?

MR. CALHOUN: Sure.

**Under Reports of Committees, Boards, Mayor's Report, City Manager, Finance Director, Chief of Police, Zoning Inspector and Public Works Superintendent.**

MR. TIECHE: I have none.

MR. NEFF: I have none.

MR. DUFFETT: I have the Mayor's Monthly Report. Gross collections, \$720.03. Total payouts \$84.00. Net collections to the City, \$636.03.

MR. NACARATO: Design & Review has not met, so I have no report.

MR. MORVAY: The Fire District, I think it was in Monday nights paper, we had a firefighter, Gio Melia, this was a tribute that the Tribune, the Vindicator, and Servpro asked to nominate firefighter of the year. We were fortunate enough that Gio was selected. I had a little bit to do with that, in that, I've gotten to know this fellow over the last couple of years, he is a part-time firefighter but anything is asked of him, he is always willing to do. He has the traits of a really fine person. He knows his skills. He fits in with all the other firefighters. This is his passion. It just comes across when you talk to him. So, I sent some letters in to the Vindicator and the Tribune and he might have gotten some other recommendations too. But anyway, they selected him and it was in the Vindicator. If you get a chance read about it. Our whole department is like that. Sometimes singling out one person, doesn't do the justice that it needs because all of our guys, being on that board for so long, our guys are the best of the best. So, we're very fortunate to have them. That's all I have with the Fire District. I'll move over to Mr. John Rapp, our Public Works Superintendent.

PUBLIC WORKS SUPERINTENDENT: The salt dome construction has begun. If you drove by you can look up in there, they started the pillars. They'll probably be up there for another week or two, then we'll be looking to get the asphalt laid and then be able to use it. The Columbarium pad is complete in the Cemetery. Now, we're just awaiting the actual columbarium itself. Last I heard, we're still about 6 to 8 weeks out. It looks really nice. Two water breaks last night, well actually this morning early on Bradford. The crews were able to get those done, I think we had the water back on by 10:00 this morning. The first call came at about 1:00 last night. We were able to get those taken care of. Leaf pick-up, crews were out getting the leaves. I just want to remind about the grass again. We're seeing a lot of people mowing their grass and dumping it out front. We're hanging door hangers to make them aware of what can happen to our leaf vacuum if that happens. So, we encourage people not to do that. If one of those vacs breaks, we're all hurting. We're doing very well. We have nice weather for it. So, keep putting them out and we'll keep picking them up.

MR. MORVAY: Every time I go by a pile and I see that they have grass in there, I'm like, oh, John's going to cringe.

PUBLIC WORKS SUPERINTENDENT: You try to put the door hanger on and educate.

FINANCE DIRECTOR: Today I uploaded the September Check Register and the year-to-date, Cash Basis Fund Summary through September. The Audit Report for the Canfield Community Improvement Corporation for the period February 15, 2019 through December 31, 2020 was released by the Ohio State Auditor's on October 12<sup>th</sup>.

ZONING INSPECTOR: For the month of October we issued 9 permits for a total valuation of \$184,796.00. This is the best year we've had so far, since 2016. Charlie Master's is working up on Lake Wobegon. They cut a bunch of trees back there for 14 homes they're building there and they're starting to cut in the road.

CHIEF OF POLICE: Thank you, President Morvay. Just to catch you up to speed on our stats since January. I realized and I can't believe I wasn't asked where they've been but I realized that I haven't give you updates, I apologize.

- Since, January 2021, the police department initiated 1,429 traffic stops.
- There have been 37 drug charges.
- 25 OVI's.
- 89 driving under suspensions and no operators license.
- 73 other proactive arrests.
- Our officers have taken 242 reports-that could be persons reports, property reports or mutual aid reports.
- Accidents, we've investigated 95 accidents.
- Residence check-20,499 logged
- COP's- we make our officers document every shift how many community oriented policing contacts they've had. There has been a total of 2,090.
- Radar zones-4,011
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That's kind of a snapshot of what we do. If there is anything else specific you're more than welcome to ask for it. In the past that's what I've provided. Again, my apologies. Frank, I'm disappointed you haven't called me out on that. Halloween. I think this will be our last meeting before Halloween. As most of you know, it's been posted by the city that Halloween is October 31<sup>st</sup>, which is Sunday, 5p to 7p. All of our officers will be out. A lot on their own time donating, giving back, they'll have bikes and police officers in each neighborhood and typically either businesses within the community donate, well, that's where we're at this year, we have a business that is going to donate a lot of candy that we're able to give out. Fresh candy. We're excited for that. Last week, I think it was Thursday, our dispatch center received quite a few phone calls, I don't have a number specific. But it was residents concerned about solicitors. In the past, we joke about this but it's been awhile since we've had a Kirby Sweeper phone call. I'm sure you guys remember that. Kirby Sweeper sales people going door to door. We found out that it was the UWUA. They hired a group of people from Columbus to go door to door to promote their Charter Amendment changes. It's perfectly okay to do. I just wanted to make sure people knew. Whenever we get anybody going door to door, no matter what it is, we get

phone calls. There was a few. I had personal calls. I wanted to make sure everybody knew that. We figured it out. We talked to a few of the people, they are from Columbus. That's what they were here for. Last, Bruce I feel compelled to say this, I appreciate you apologizing. I don't know that it was needed because your right, we are all characters. I will say it, I'm a character, Tim is a character, I know you didn't mean that in a negative sense. I've known you too long to think that it was anything personal. I'd be more than happy to talk to him and take that further. It's part of the community. I've worked here 26 years, lived here 8 years, it's part of the community. I appreciate you saying that. Thank you.

MR. TIECHE: Chief, can you tell me the last time that you talked to somebody that was a door-to-door solicitor that was talking about something for Canfield that wasn't a Canfield resident?

CHIEF OF POLICE: Never. We made sure that everybody that called knew what it was about.

MR. TIECHE: To a certain degree, I'd have to say, shame on us as a community to allow that to happen. Second question. Did you get complaints at all about speeding on Hilltop, recently?

CHIEF OF POLICE: Hilltop just got paved, right?

MR. CALHOUN: Correct.

CHIEF OF POLICE: Not that I'm aware of, since the paving.

MR. TIECHE: There have been a couple of folks on Facebook inquiring about sidewalks and that kind of thing. I guess my next question is, have you had any inquiries from any residents wanting to circulate a petition for sidewalks?

MR. CALHOUN: Not recently. A couple of months ago, I believe on Callahan, Neff. There is a process, section 9.09 of the Ordinances, it walks through the petition for sidewalks. So many people, submit it, we need an estimate from the city engineer of the cost. That is of course spread across everybody that will have the sidewalk in front of them. So, there is a process. If anybody has any interest in getting sidewalks installed, we're more than happy to sit down and talk to them.

CHIEF OF POLICE: Is it the assessment process?

MR. CALHOUN: Yes.

CHIEF OF POLICE: Similar to the lights?

MR. CALHOUN: Correct. Streetlight assessment. We will be hopefully within next year, March is the deadline for the Safe Routes to School Safety Grant. I know a couple years ago prior to me starting here, the city tried for that Safety Grant (Safe Routes to School) I've been in contact with the school superintendent of our intent to try to do that again. It requires a lot of data

from the school as far as, commuters, both pedestrian, bicycles, and school bus traffic on those routes to then qualify for potential grant money to install those sidewalks. The city side, we're looking at trying to do that. But from the citizens side, anybody that wants to initiate a petition to get a sidewalk installed on their street, we got a process for that and we're more than happy to sit down educate and walk people through that process.

CLERK: No report.

MR. CALHOUN: John had already touched on some of them which were the columbarium and the salt dome. We have the Red Gate Sanitary Sewer Extension Project west on 224 that's wrapping up. They've done the final paving, so now there are just some restoration items that need to be done and then we'll go through a punch list, walk through with our city engineer as well as the contractor to address any issues that we have fielded complaints or calls from citizens along that route or anything that the city engineer's inspector notated in the daily inspection reports.

MR. TIECHE: I have one question in regards to that. There is one section where they repaved; where there is a dip in it. It's collecting water. I don't know if anybody else noticed that or not. But, I thought, oh, that's something I can talk about tonight.

MR. CALHOUN: Do you remember the approximate location?

MR. TIECHE: West Main Street.

MR. CALHOUN: Good enough. (laughter)

MR. TIECHE: If you drive down West Main Street, you will see it.

MR. CALHOUN: So, we selected a candidate for our part-time, I.T. Technician position. The background investigation began. We handed that over to the police department to do what they do and fully vett the candidate, before we make him a formal offer to join our team on a part-time basis. Finally, just a quick website related updates, new content being added to the city's website, I explained to Mayor Duffett just before the meeting, we added a lot of the comp. plan stuff, that was previously housed on the CanfieldCompplan.com website, is now being migrated over. There is a page specific to our Canfield Comprehensive Plan on our website. The police department is working with our vendor, 45Press to get a lot more content, migrate it over from the old police department website, as well as add new content to the city police department website. I know Chief Colucci is working on a real time stat update page that will integrate with our dispatching numbers, so you can see all those stats. It's just a matter of formatting, how to present that on the webpage.

CHIEF COLUCCI: I don't know that we've talked about that in council yet. It's something for the community and certainly for council to know that our reporting software, we bought a module on that software that will automatically populate, our website as things change, as we take new

reports, as we make traffic stops. We thought that was in the best interest for the community, for your knowledge, for ours.

MR. CALHOUN: Just in general adding more and more content. The live stream stuff we've added to the website, those are all archived. We're trying to get any and all city related information on the website. It's a long process, piece by piece and anybody who has sat down, even with user-friendly website software, WordPress is very user friendly, but if you're doing any sort of content management, you're in it for at least 2 hours, just to do a simple page. Be patient as we try to get any and all information on there. That's all I have.

MR. NEFF: I had a couple constituents ask, they couldn't find the livestreaming. I don't know, it might be a suggestion to ask 45Press if a button could be on the front in some way.

MR. CALHOUN: That's one of the things we're working on. If you're under Our Government, on the drop down it says, LiveStream Council. Once you're on that page, if you're looking for archives, it's a little corkscrew from the Swagit software. You have to click on the red bar that says, City Council. But if it's live like this evening, it shows it flashing. One of the things we're working on, on the Homepage is we're currently there is the video of the drone that flies over the Village Green when you first go to it. That's going to move to more of a carousel, so the news and announcement things, the things that we want to be on that front page for people to be able to easily access, whether it's council meeting night, or something going on in the community. Those will be featured there and just kind of carousel around. That is one of the things that 45Press is working on. It's a little bit more in-depth to make sure that functions properly. Once the bones are built, we can just go in and just load the content that we want to feature on that.

MR. TIECHE: If we're live streaming tonight, shouldn't microphones be on?

MR. CALHOUN: Yes.

MR. TIECHE: I don't have a blue light on.

MR. MORVAY: Press the button.

MR. TIECHE: Okay.

ATTY. FORTUNATO: I'll reserve my comments and my report for executive session.

MR. MORVAY: Chief, I just had a question about the dispatch center. Is it finished now?

CHIEF OF POLICE: It is just about finished. We're waiting on 2, 911 consoles, from Mahoning County. It's nobody's fault. The two systems, the two computers are on hold. This is from a receiving standpoint. They could be on a crate. We don't know where it's at. It's a shipping issue. Nobody is more frustrated than us. We are, that's for sure. There is one other issue. A part that's on hold for one of the consoles. But we're really close. I just can't sit here and tell

you when. The computers are so important. We can't take the current system down, until the other systems are up and running, so there is no lag in service. We don't want to reroute our 911 calls. It's done. Bruce and I talked about ultimately, when this is over, having an Open House. I look forward to letting the community see what they got. Where the people are at that is taking their phone calls.

MR. NEFF: Wade, you mentioned in our informational meeting that candidates were going to get 15 minutes. I thought the memo said 3 minutes. Do you mean 15 minutes between the 3 candidates?

MR. CALHOUN: For this last one, it's 10 minutes. The presentations by the police department, Canfield Fire Department and the Charter Amendments will be 10-15. Then we'll allow 10 minutes for each candidate.

KATHRYN YOUNG: I thought I seen 5 minutes.

MR. CALHOUN: I can resend the email out if there is that much confusion.

Under **QUESTIONS ON REPORTS:**

FRANK MICCHIA: Frank Micchia, 220 Glenview. I think one or two times in the past, I've been referred to as a character. I accept that as a compliment. In regards to Tuesday's meeting, is there going to be any provisions for residents to ask any questions to the candidates? Or will it be possible for the residents to submit written questions that could be asked?

MR. CALHOUN: So, the next comprehensive meeting is planned. That is at the candidates discretion, in their 10-minute allotment. The questions from citizens was the forum that we just conducted that we had the moderator ask those questions.

FRANK MICCHIA: There will be a moderator?

MR. CALHOUN: There will not be a moderator.

FRANK MICCHIA: So, can citizens submit questions ahead of time that you or somebody could present to them?

MR. CALHOUN: We hadn't planned on that being the format since that was the format of the meeting we just had. This is just meant for more informational in-depth and then based on the discretion of the candidates, police, fire, and the city for Charter Amendments, open it up for Q&A but try to keep time mitigated because once you open it up, it tends to become a 45-minute conversation.

FRANK MICCHIA: Consider it, if you can. Item #2, in regard to the Columbarium, (inaudible), is the city resources involved in assembling this thing?



MR. CALHOUN: It comes fully assembled.

MR. MICCHIA: It comes fully assembled.

MR. CALHOUN: They place it on the pad.

MR. MICCHIA: Great, okay. In regard to the Chief of Police, I think you mentioned something like 1,400 traffic stops?

CHIEF OF POLICE: Yes.

MR. MICCHIA: How many citations in regards to the 1,400 traffic stops?

CHIEF OF POLICE: I don't have citations but I don't have a problem with getting that number for you. My guess is, it's still going to be consistent with where we were; which was about every 7 to 9 traffic stops, a citation. More education and warnings.

MR. MICCHIA: That sort of rings a bell. One in 10 or 1 in 9, something like that.

CHIEF OF POLICE: Right.

MR. MICCHIA: In regard to the Glenview speedway, I think that number is a whole lot less.

CHIEF OF POLICE: 1 in 15.

MR. MICCHIA: I'm not sure it happens.

CHIEF OF POLICE: Okay.

MR. MORVAY: I'll open it up to residents.

KATHRYN YOUNG: Kathryn Young, 570 Barbcliff. John, are there 3 domes we're going to have, or is one coming down and one going up that's larger?

PUBLIC WORKS SUPERINTENDENT: The one that is going up is larger than the current one that we have.

KATHRYN YOUNG: So, do you have 3 total?

PUBLIC WORKS SUPERINTENDENT: No. Right now, we only have one and we're building another one, so that's two. But we're going to repurpose the other salt dome for storage for equipment.

KATHRYN YOUNG: Okay, so there is three total in a certain....

PUBLIC WORKS SUPERINTENDENT: There is only two. But we're going to just have one.

KATHRYN YOUNG: But 3 domes. Two salt domes, one storage dome?

COLLECTIVELY: No.

PUBLIC WORKS SUPERINTENDENT: No, two total. We have one salt dome and the other one is going to be shaped, it's going to have the canopy on it. If you go south on 11, on the right, where that old rest station used to be at, it's canvas with concrete walls, that's what's going in for us. It will have more capacity, double the capacity, three times the capacity as the old one.

MR. CALHOUN: We'll have one place that all of the salt is stored. That's the new salt dome storage.

KATHRYN YOUNG: Previous, was some of it stored at Red Gate?

MR. CALHOUN: Correct.

MR. TIECHE: That is where the third one is coming from. Red Gate, the one at Public Works and then the new one.

PUBLIC WORKS SUPERINTENDENT: We haven't stored salt out there for probably 2 years.

KATHRYN YOUNG: Thank you.

MR. MORVAY: Again, I'll open it up to residents that have a question about anyone of these particular reports. Hearing none, we'll move on.

**Under Person's Desiring to Appear Before Council:**

KARYN FREDERICK: I'm Karyn Frederick, I live at 20-B, Hunter's Woods Blvd. I am here tonight to speak in opposition of the 3 proposed Charter Amendments. I had the privilege of being appointed to the Charter Review Commission by Mayor Duffett. Contrary to what you may have heard here or read in the newspaper, the Commission Members knew exactly what our charge was in reviewing the Charter and recommending changes that we felt would benefit the citizens of Canfield. In addition to changing terms of Council, we also recommended adding language updating the Charter to allow for electronic transmission of notices. After much discussion and deliberation, the Commission determined that changing the terms of Council from two years to four years would be beneficial for the following reasons:

To allow a reasonable time for newly elected council members to learn the ins and outs of city government.

To avoid the financial and time burden of having to run every two years, effectively discouraging new candidates from running.

To allow council members to follow through on initiatives begun during their terms and assure continuity.

The proposed Charter Amendments accomplish none of these objectives. Additionally, the proposed amendments attempt to further politicize our government by subjecting the City Manager to a recall.

Like many places all over the country special interest groups are trying to change, influence and even take over government. Don't let them do this in our community.

Vote NO on the 3 Charter Amendments to protect Canfield's Charter.

MR. MORVAY: Thank you, Karyn.

KATHRYN YOUNG: I'd like to reply to that. I'm not a special interest person and I am for all 3 charter amendments. I stated that during the forums. Kathryn Young, 570 Barbcliff. Please hold all your comments until the end. I would like to begin by stating how appalled and upset by the way Mr. Nacarato spoke to me in his closing statements last Wednesday, following the Mayoral Candidate Forum. You assume and twisted what I meant and then later went on social media with Mr. Dragish to make statements as if you were speaking for me. You never asked for clarification that day, or since. The two to three council members and Wade being in the same club, the good ol' boys club, in my opinion, has been quite evident over the years. As I've stated, the voters will be the judge. I felt, as other's did that evening, Mr. Nacarato, you did a disservice to your civil organization through your attack on me with your condescending attitude. I'm well-aware and appreciate all of Rotary's many contributions to Canfield and worldwide. I see it's hard work in monies; which have gone into the local Library and Fair Park; which I was responsible for last year. I am currently working with them to build a high-tech state-of-the-art, new gazebo on the Green; which will look stunning with the Lighting of the Green, next Christmas. So, your comments were way out of line. Now, if you'd like to delve into where my opinion, of where club has worked it's overtones in the last 5 years, we can do that, but it won't be pretty and it won't be positive. Like Mr. Tieche likes to keep things. To Mr. Tieche's pointed comments last Wednesday, I would like to add that I was offended Mr. Tieche that you thought it appropriate to dictate to limit a candidates freedom of speech. Last I checked, one of the oldest books written has 10 things thou shalt not do. Through the shalt not's, very positive behavior is achieved. Very simply, I'm not a politician, I shall not use my public office for personal gain, I shall not be a Yes person. I shall not be on social media spreading misinformation. Accountability and transparency, as you would say, Mr. Tieche, period. One last thing I'd like to add, to Mr. Neff's comments implying that my information concerning the 85% of the budget goes to salaries and benefits, as being incorrect, I will refer you to Wade Calhoun's comments, June 16<sup>th</sup> of this year, in the minutes on page 21. Thank you.

MR. JOE LOCICERO: Joe Locicero, I live at 60 White Oak Court. I want to speak on a couple of things. First of all, I know you're never supposed to apologize when you start out but I'm a much better writer than a speaker. I'm going to do the best I can. I want to talk about our city in general, and I want to talk about the proposed amendments and I want to talk about who is behind these changes.

First of all, a while back, I don't know if you're aware of this or not, there is a company online, it's called Areavibes. You go there, if you're looking for a place to live. They evaluate 45,000 cities in the U.S. and Canada. Canfield livability scores 93/100. That's the people on the outside looking in. A lot of times when you're inside something, you don't appreciate what you have. I think that's our human nature. Hudson, Ohio was one point behind us, by the way. Everybody raves about Hudson. Our crime rate, 72% lower than the Ohio average. Cost of living is 6% higher than the Ohio average. Canfield real estate prices are a little bit higher. Our rent is a little bit lower.

Canfield livability we're #28 ranked in Ohio. We have 1215 cities. We're 28.

We're #87 ranked in the U.S.A. 99% better than all the other areas. There are almost 20,000 cities in the United States. Here is how they rate us:

Amenities: B plus (shopping, hospitals)  
 Cost of Living C plus  
 Crime A plus  
 Schools A plus  
 Employment B minus

This is not your fault:

Weather D plus

Here is my take on this. Canfield is a safe city, a clean city, good employees including our Public Works I know there is controversy going on but they're good folks, leaves are picked up in the Fall, streets are plowed in the Winter, pot holes are hard to find, we have a walking trail, fine city parks, our city Green bustles... family events, summer concerts, we have a July 4<sup>th</sup> parade that people come from all over, we have Memorial Day Events, we have a beautiful Public Library, good schools, I know this personally and many here might know you dial 911 and before you hang up, you can hear the siren our response is phenomenal, that especially important for us old folks, open council meetings, council members are readily accessible, our web page is robust and getting better, I don't use it much but the younger people I know are really excited, our city expenditures are on line. So, when you want to talk about transparency and accountability and honestly and all these buzz words that people use, to fire up mobs, we are accountable and we are transparent, and we're getting better. That's about our city, right. A good place to be.

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MR. MORVAY: Joe, we allow 3 minutes.

MR. JOE LOCICERO: Am I done?

MR. MORVAY: I'll let you continue but just kind of.....

MR. JOE LOCICERO: I'm not a very fast talker. Here is a letter that we received. The top of it says, Citizens for a better Canfield. Remember in History class, after the Civil War there were carpetbagger that went down south and told them how to run their cities, we got the reverse. We got a person from Nashville coming up here telling us how we ought to run our city. That's like reverse. Better is also one of those mushy words. Here's what it says:

Dear Canfield Voters,

We are long-term voters and taxpayers in the City of Canfield. I don't mean to disparage anybody, certainly not Mr. Micchia, I know he loves this city as much as anybody. Here is a line in this letter that is an absolute lie. Although we typically stay out of local politics, we are writing to explain why we support these amendments. Frank Micchia's signature is on here. Everybody knows Frank and he's very deeply involved in our politics. They're going to give us a bigger voice. That's more pablum. You come here, we have bigger voices. One amendment is, we can't spend taxpayer dollars on resources for political purposes. There is already a law against that. Am I right? If they're breaking the law, then, you know.

ATTY. FORTUNATO: Christine's perfect Audit run would end.

MR. JOE LOCICERO: So, that's B.S. That's just to make the city look bad. We don't need that law. The second one is to take these people up here and take them to two years, instead of 4. I think Christine Oliver made it very clear when she was here. She was talking about how difficult it is to learn all the complexities there are about this city before you can do something productive up here. The Charter group agreed with that. These folks here have full-time jobs, except for Chuck. If Walmart accepts his, you're going to be a greeter, right?

MR. TIECHE: No

MR. JOE LOCICERO: He's the only one that doesn't work. They all have families. They're up here 2 hours, twice a month, for 22 meetings a year, maybe 44 in two years, 88 hours is just not enough time. Nobody is that smart. If you disagree with that, get up there and see if you could do it. If you want to make change, get on one of these committees, get up there and make change. Don't turn our Charter inside-out. The last thing has to do with the City Manager. The Charter is clear and it's simple. We elect them, they hire him. If we don't like them, we can recall them. They hire him, they can fire him. Nice and clean. He's not beholding to small disgruntled groups. Because there is something they don't like about him, they're going to recall him. It doesn't make any sense. Our City Manage makes decisions without worrying about small groups. He does what's best for everyone. The other thing about this group up

here, that's significant, that people don't realize, we don't have precincts. In other words, Chuck doesn't take care of my street. We're not broken up into smaller groups, so we fight for resources. All of them are responsible for all of us. That's the genius of our Charter. I think it's a big mistake to mess with it. The last thing I want to say, my advice for the 6 Public Works Employees, and I love every one of them, we don't need a new charter, maybe you need a new union, if you're not getting what you want. Keep up the good work because you're negotiating for taxpayers. It's our money you're trying to save. I think that's about all I have to say. Thank you for the extra time.

MR. MORVAY: Thank you, Joe. I don't have anybody else on the list. Frank.

MR. FRANK MICCHIA: Frank Micchia, 220 Glenview. It was my impression that this portion of the meeting was for the citizens to respond to the things that might have been said during the reports.

COLLECTIVELY: No.

ATTY. FORTUNATO: We're already past that.

MR. MICCHIA: I guess I'm a little behind. Thank you.

MR. MORVAY: Any other person that would want to address council? I just have a couple comments. I guess I'm going to direct them at you Kathryn. For the record, Donny is not in Rotary. The other thing is, I hope that people will recognize that leaders come out of Rotary. Those are the shakers and the movers. So, if you talk about cause and effect, the good ol' boy network, look at where the leaders are coming from and it's Rotary. Yes, we do a lot. That's my only two comments. Anybody else? Hearing none, we'll move on.

Under **OLD BUSINESS**, there was none.

Under **NEW BUSINESS**:

ITEM A: An Ordinance Amending the Canfield Codified Ordinance Section 1161.01 (i) regarding the parking of recreational vehicles.

MR. MORVAY: As per the provisions of Section 4.05 of the Charter of the City of Canfield, I move that Council dispense with the requirement of a full reading of the proposed Ordinance and authorize reading by title only.

MR. TIECHE: Second.

ROLL CALL ON MOTION:

5 Votes-Yes

0 Votes-No

Motion passes.

MR. TIECHE: Mr. President, I have an Ordinance Amending the Canfield Codified Ordinance Section 1161.01 (i) regarding the parking of recreational vehicles. This constitutes first reading.

MR. MORVAY: Patty, we'll set a public meeting for this and that date is?

CLERK: November 17, 2021 @ 5:10 pm.

MR. MORVAY: Thank you.

MR. MORVAY: As per the provisions of Section 4.05 of the Charter of the City of Canfield, I move that Council dispense with the requirement of a full reading of the proposed Ordinance and authorize reading by title only.

MR. NEFF: Second.

ROLL CALL ON MOTION:

5 Votes-Yes

0 Votes-No

Motion passes.

MR. NEFF: Mr. President, I have an Ordinance amending Canfield Codified Ordinance Section 1183 (C) (i) regarding temporary construction signs. This constitutes first reading.

MR. MORVAY: Patty, we'll set a public meeting for this and that is?

CLERK: November 17, 2021 @ 5:20 pm.

MR. MORVAY: Thank you. Before we go into Executive Session any comments gentlemen?

**Council Comments:**

MR. TIECHE: I have none.

MR. NEFF: I did forget that I had a couple of phone calls, one was about speeding on Hilltop. The other was what's happening with Red Gate. A resident from Maplevale said it used to be a picture-perfect farm and it's really a mess now. I said, we were working on it and hopefully it will be soon.

MR. DUFFETT: I have none.

MR. NACARATO: I have none.

MR. MORVAY: The only thing I would add is, it's a full moon tonight, it's October, so if you got garlic, put it in tonight. With that, I'm going to ask for a Motion to go into Executive Session. When we come out, we will not be taking any action.

MR. TIECHE: Mr. Chairman, I have a Motion to adjourn into Executive Session pursuant to ORC Section 121.22(g) (8) to consider information related to plans, financial statements, of an applicant for economic development assistance. I move for passage.

MR. NACARATO: Second.

ROLL CALL ON MOTION: 5 Votes-Yes  
0 Votes-No  
Motion passes.

MR. TIECHE: Mr. President, I have a Motion determining that the Executive Session is necessary to protect possible investment or expenditure of public funds in connection with an economic development project. I move for passage.

MR. NEFF: Second.

ROLL CALL ON MOTION: 5 Votes-Yes  
0 Votes-No  
Motion passes.

Council convened into Executive Session at 6:20 pm.

Council reconvened from Executive Session at 6:48 PM.

MR. MORVAY: We're back in regular session it's 6:48PM. I'll entertain a Motion to adjourn.

MR. TIECHE: So, moved.

MR. NEFF: Second.

MR. MORVAY: We are adjourned.

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PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

ATTEST:

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CLERK OF COUNCIL



