

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
MASSILLON CITY COUNCIL  
HELD, MONDAY, MARCH 2, 2015**

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – Welcome to the Massillon City Council Meeting for Monday, March 2, 2015. We have in attendance with us the following city officials: Law Director, Perry Stergios, Parks & Recreation Superintendent, Doug Nist, Police Chief, Keith Moser and Income Tax Administrator, Ken Koher. On the wall to your left are agendas for anyone who wishes to follow tonight’s meeting. Also if you look at the agenda, under item #5 is where the public can speak on any item that appears on tonight’s agenda and then under item #17 is where the public can speak on any item that does NOT appear on tonight’s agenda. I want remind anyone with cell phones, please turn them down or set them to vibrate.

**1. ROLL CALL**

Roll call for the evening found the following Council Members present: Milan Chovan, Sarita Cunningham-Hedderly, Michelle Del Rio-Keller, Nancy Halter, Ed Lewis, Paul Manson, Andrea Scassa, Megan Starrett and Shaddrick Stinson.

Roll call of 9 present

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – Thank you, Madam Clerk. I would like to recognize Councilwoman Michelle Del Rio-Keller for tonight’s invocation and pledge of allegiance.

**2. INVOCATION**

**COUNCILWOMAN MICHELLE DEL RIO-KELLER** - Gave the invocation for tonight.

**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**COUNCILWOMAN DEL RIO-KELLER** – Chairperson of the Parks and Recreation Committee led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**4. READING OF THE JOURNAL**

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – Madam Clerk, are the minutes of the previous meeting transcribed and open for public viewing?

**COUNCIL CLERK ROLLAND** – Yes, they are.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – Are there any additions or corrections to be made?

**COUNCIL CLERK ROLLAND** – No, there are not.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – If not, then the minutes stand approved.

**5. REMARKS OF DELEGATIONS AND CITIZENS TO MATTERS ON THE AGENDA**

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – We have arrived at #5. This is the part of the agenda where citizens may speak on a topic that appears on tonight’s agenda. If you would like

to come forward to the microphone and comment, please come forward at this time. Give your name and address for the record and the topic you want to discuss. Seeing no one, will move into Introduction of ordinances and resolutions.

**JAMES RUFFIN** – My address is 7998 Chablis Drive N.W., Massillon, Ohio and I'm here to talk about Ordinance No. 23 for private collection license. I'd like to transfer my father's license to myself. He's 77 years old and he needs to retire and I'd like to take it over. It's been in the family for over 60 years and I'd just like to take it over and keeping going in the family. I also have a son who at some point would like to probably take it over as well. So, I want to be able to transfer within the family the license. Thank you.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – Is there anyone else? Oh, we have to amend the agenda.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – Correct.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – I need a motion.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – Yes, Ordinance No. 30 has been placed on the agenda erroneously. It was not signed to be on this week's agenda and at this week's meeting. So I would make a motion that we amend the agenda by removing the Ordinance listed as Ordinance No. 30 – 2015 from the agenda.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – Thank you. Seconded by Councilwoman Del Rio-Keller. Roll call to amend the agenda.

9 yes to amend agenda

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – Thank you, Madam Clerk. The removal of Ordinance No. 30 is reflected on the amended agenda.

## 6. **INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

### **ORDINANCE NO. 23 – 2015**

### **BY: ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE**

**AN ORDINANCE** amending Chapter 965 “STREETS, UTILITIES AND PUBLIC SERVICES” of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Massillon, Ohio, by enacting a new Section 965.05(b) “PRIVATE COLLECTION LICENSE”, and declaring an emergency.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – Thank you. Councilwoman Starrett.

**COUNCILWOMAN STARRETT** – Thank you, Mr. President. As was stated, this ordinance will amend the private garbage collection license to be able to transfer licenses to immediate family members. At the work session there was a few questions that needed answered. I don't see any major opposition, but we do have some questions that we wanted to speak with Mr. Hennon about, so I would ask that we just give this first reading today.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – Alright, thank you. Ordinance No. 23 has received first reading. Ordinance No. 24

### **ORDINANCE NO. 24 – 2015**

### **BY: PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE**

**AN ORDINANCE** authorizing the Director of Parks and Recreation of the City of Massillon, Ohio, to enter into a one (1) year agreement with GolfNow Plus for the marketing and sales of The Legends Golf Course using various forms of social media, and declaring an emergency.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – Thank you. Councilwoman Del Rio-Keller.

**COUNCILWOMAN DEL RIO-KELLER** – Thank you, Mr. President. As we discussed at the work session last Monday, this is an agreement with GolfNow. It's a marketing tool, they

use e-mails and social media tools to send blasts out letting people know if there's golf times available and things like that. It's beneficial to The Legends because, hopefully, it will increase rounds played and get people to fill those slots that normally wouldn't be filled. Mr. Nist is here; are there any questions? Seeing that there are no questions, I would like to suspend the rules requiring three (3) readings and bring issue No. 24 forward for a vote.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – Seconded by Councilman Stinson. Roll call for suspension.

9 yes for suspension

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – And for passage.

9 yes for passage

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – Thank you, Madam Clerk. Ordinance No. 24 has passed. Ordinance No. 25.

**ORDINANCE NO. 25 – 2015**                      **BY: POLICE AND FIRE COMMITTEE**

**AN ORDINANCE** establishing the number of police officers to be on the force within the next eighteen (18) months.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – Thank you, Councilman Chovan.

**COUNCILMAN CHOVAN** – Thank you, Mr. President. If you take a look at Ordinance No. 25, the wording of it; there are some...I talked to the Law Director this morning about this. And I think I might want to change some wording in here. The intent is there, but I'm not sure I'm reading this the right way. What I want to do is create an ordinance that basically supersedes Ordinance No. 240 – 1995 and what I'm trying to do is to set a minimum number of Police Dept. personnel at 44. So, I think if we look at Section 2, and I changed the wording, I guess I'm moving that I'm going to amend this, is what I want to do. I'm going to change the reading. So in Section 2 it should read: "In order to reduce overtime costs and provide increased public safety, the Council of the City of Massillon, Ohio, determines that within 18 months of passing this Ordinance, a minimum of 44 total officers shall be on the Police force". And I don't know, Mr. Stergios, can I ask you a question?

**PERRY STERGIOS** – Sure.

**COUNCILMAN CHOVAN** – How do we word that so that this becomes the new ordinance? We don't have a maximum number any longer, we create an ordinance that sets this as a minimum number. That's the intent, that's what I'm trying to do. I mean, if I just change that wording...

**PERRY STERGIOS** – Well, you're going to give it first reading anyhow, so let's figure it out and amend next time after we discuss it at committee on Monday. I'd feel more comfortable doing it that way.

**COUNCILMAN CHOVAN** – Okay, let's do that. I'm going to give this first reading and on Monday I will have a spreadsheet with all of the overtime numbers and the calculations that I will pass out to all of you and I'll be able to discuss it better with you then. So, I'm just going to give this first reading.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – Could you include a copy of that ordinance you just spoke of, No. 244 or 245?

**COUNCILMAN CHOVAN** – It was 240 – 1995, that the one that I'm going to change. That set a maximum number on the Police Dept. I'm not concerned with what the maximum is, but I am concerned what the minimum number is and all of our calculations, plus I understand the State Auditor is in agreement, that 44 is that number that would eliminate or reduce, well,

eliminate the short shift overtime and it would allow us to have some flexibility so that additional people, depending on what happens in the next negotiation that's going on, it's eminent, might allow us to staff differently; give supervisors some different personnel they maybe could move around maybe into detective bureau, special investigations and so forth. But the main purpose of this, which we'll deal with at the work session Monday, is to establish the minimum number of 44 people and so, first reading for this.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – Thank you. Ordinance No. 25 has received first reading. Ordinance No. 26.

**ORDINANCE NO. 26 – 2015**                      **BY: FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**AN ORDINANCE** amending Section 2(D) OCCUPATION LIST OF CLASS TITLES – RECREATION DEPARTMENT of Ordinance No. 127 – 1997 by repealing Section 2(D) OCCUPATION LIST OF CLASS TITLES – RECREATION DEPARTMENT, and enacting a new Section 2(D) OCCUPATION LIST OF CLASS TITLES – RECREATION DEPARTMENT in the City of Massillon, Ohio, and declaring an emergency.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – Thank you, Councilman Lewis.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – Yes, many of you may remember that this particular ordinance was discussed during the Parks and Recreation Committee meeting, however, upon further review, it is more appropriately placed in the Finance Committee. Having said that, first reading.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – Thank you. Ordinance No. 26 has received first reading. Ordinance No. 27.

**ORDINANCE NO. 27 – 2015**                      **BY: FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**AN ORDINANCE** making certain appropriations from the unappropriated balance of the 1234 Parks and Recreation Dept. Improvement Fund for the year ending December 31, 2015, and declaring an emergency.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – Councilman Lewis.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – Yes, Mr. Nist, could you please come forward?

**DOUG NIST** – Sure.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – In this ordinance, if you remember, is an appropriation in which the Park and Recreation Dept. does have a carry-over that they would like to use this year for multiple projects. The Park and Recreation Board did send over their approved list and we did request that there was some adjustments made. In Section 1, Mr. Nist, of this ordinance, would you be in agreement that all of those pieces were approved by your Board, the first seven (7)?

**DOUG NIST** – Good evening Mr. President, Council. Yes, that is correct sir.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – Okay. So we are in line then and I guess I just wanted to point that out. Then in Section 2 we have the \$65,000 which is The Legends Golf Course manager. That was something that Council had voted upon a while ago. The Park and Recreation Board was in disagreement with us and removed it from their request and at that last meeting, it was by the request of the Park and Recreation Committee of Council that it be placed back in. I just wanted to point everyone's attention to that because that was not a Board approved but that is a Council initiative. And in the last two (2) pieces, they had a \$250,000 tree program that they wanted to fund. They also have a \$70,000 Master Plan that will be in Ordinance No. 28 to be discussed at that time. With all that said, is there any discussion about this particular ordinance among Council members or any questions for Mr. Nist, since he is still on the floor? None, thank you, Mr. Nist.

**DOUG NIST** – Thank you.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – Seeing there is no discussion, I would make a motion that we suspend the rules requiring three (3) readings bringing Ordinance No. 27 – 2015 forward for a vote.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – Thank you. Seconded by Councilwoman Del Rio-Keller. Roll call for suspension.

9 yes for suspension

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – And for passage.

9 yes for passage

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – Thank you, Madam Clerk. Ordinance No. 27 has passed. Ordinance No. 28.

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**ORDINANCE NO. 28 – 2015**                      **BY: FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**AN ORDINANCE** making certain appropriations from the unappropriated balance of the 1234 Parks and Recreation Dept. Improvement Fund, for the year ending December 31, 2015, and declaring an emergency.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – Councilman Lewis.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – Yes. These two (2) pieces were separated out for very good reasons. The first one with the Master Plan, I think people had more questions. They wanted to see a presentation of getting more information as to what that Master Plan would include before we appropriated \$70,000. The second piece that was brought over was the request for \$250,000 for tree removal at various parks. There were questions as to which trees, which parks, what estimates have we received, where did this number of \$250,000 come from? And I believe those are all very good questions before we go appropriating a quarter of a million dollars, it is important to know how that number came about. I will say that in that discussion and in discussing with other Council members, I do believe that we were all in agreement that taking care of the trees and other safety concerns of our parks is an utmost priority for the City Council. We do want our citizens to be safe as well as their friends, family and any other visitors to the City. We just need more paperwork and more understanding of where this number came from. I say all that only to give this first reading.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – Thank you very much. Ordinance No. 28 has received first reading. Ordinance No. 29.

**ORDINANCE NO. 29 - 2015**

**AN ORDINANCE** authorizing the Chief of Police of the City of Massillon, Ohio, to accept a grant from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security/State of Ohio Homeland Security Program for the Massillon Police Department, and declaring an emergency.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – Councilman Lewis.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – In Ordinance No. 29 we're simply accepting a grant from the Dept. of Homeland Security which will allow us to put improved technology into our cruisers for our police officers to improve their efficiency and ability to do their job. Two (2) of these MDT units will go into existing cruisers, the newer ones, and the remaining two (2) will be installed into the SUV cruisers that we passed last year as a Council when they do arrive or delivered from the dealership. There was not much discussion about this at the last committee meeting seeing how it's simply a grant that we are allowing or having the City accept. Is there any discussion this evening? Seeing none, I make a motion that we suspend the rules requiring three (3) readings and bring Ordinance No. 29 – 2015 forward for a vote.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – Seconded by Councilwoman Scassa. Roll call for suspension.

9 yes for suspension

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – And for passage.

9 yes for passage

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – Thank you. Ordinance No. 29 has passed. Ordinance No. 31.

**ORDINANCE NO. 31 – 2015**                      **BY: FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**AN ORDINANCE** making certain appropriations from the unappropriated balance of the 1100 General Fund, for the year ending December 31, 2015, and declaring an emergency.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – Councilman Lewis.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – We discussed this piece of legislation with Mr. Koher at the last committee meeting. This is how we help fund and support Worker’s Compensation claims that come to the City. If you remember from the read-out that we all had at that committee meeting, this has saved us hundreds of thousands over the years. This is essentially a premium that we pay for the service that assist us and we’ve been doing it every year for the past few years. Are there any questions or discussion to be had on this particular topic? Seeing none, I make a motion that we suspend the rules requiring three (3) readings and bring Ordinance No. 31 – 2015 forward for a vote.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – Thank you. Seconded by Councilwoman Del Rio-Keller. Roll call for suspension.

9 yes for suspension

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – And for passage.

9 yes for passage

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – Thank you, Madam Clerk. Ordinance No. 31 has passed. Ordinance No. 32.

**ORDINANCE NO. 32 – 2015**                      **BY: FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**AN ORDINANCE** making certain appropriations from the unappropriated balance of the 2105 Stormwater Utility Fund and the 1206 Municipal Motor Vehicle License Plate Fund, for the year ending December 31, 2015, and declaring an emergency.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – Thank you. Councilman Lewis.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – Yes, this is a fairly standard ordinance as well. We receive these on a regular basis where take the Stormwater Utility Fund and Motor Vehicle License Plate Funds. These are separate funds outside of the General Fund that are collected by the City for various reasons and used for different projects, capital projects and what sort. I believe a portion of this is going to be going to the grass clippings that were received over the summer or actually this upcoming summer from doing the street sweepings and other things. We’ve done this before and like I said, it’s fairly standard. Is there any discussion or questions this evening? Seeing none, I make a motion that we suspend the rules requiring three (3) readings bringing Ordinance No. 32 – 2015 forward for a vote.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – Thank you. Seconded by Councilwoman Scassa. Roll call for suspension.

9 yes for suspension

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – And for passage.

9 yes for passage

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – Thank you, Madam Clerk. Ordinance No. 32 has passed.

7. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

8. **PETITIONS & GENERAL COMMUNICATIONS**

1. New application for Liquor License for the Lions Club of Massillon, Lincoln Theatre Project DBA Lions Lincoln Theatre located at 156 Lincoln Way E., Massillon, OH 44646

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**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – Thank you, Councilwoman Halter do you have a copy of that? Thank you.

**COUNCILWOMAN HALTER** – Yes I do.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – Thank you.

9. **BILLS, ACCOUNTS & CLAIMS**

10. **REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICIALS**

1. Mayor's December 2014 Report
2. Mayor's January 2015 Report

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – Thank you, Madam Clerk and those reports will be filed in the appropriate place.

11. **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – I just wanted to clarify for my fellow committee members, the Finance Committee and the rest of Council. I did speak with Judge Eddie Elum this morning pertaining to a legislation request which was placed as Ordinance No. 30 on tonight's agenda. It really is not that complicated and we'll be able to discuss that at next Monday's meeting. He is fully aware that we did not sign those and that there may be a two (2) week delay. But it wasn't something that was a rush order, from my understanding.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – Thank you. Anyone else? Just want to remind City Council and our constituents that our next work session will be held on Monday, March 9th.

12. **RESOLUTIONS & REQUESTS OF COUNCIL MEMBERS**

13. **CALL OF CALENDAR**

14. **THIRD READING OF ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS**

15. **SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

AN ORDINANCE appropriating money for current expenses and other expenses of the City of Massillon, Ohio, for fiscal period ending December 31, 2015, and declaring an emergency.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – Councilman Lewis.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – This is the budget ordinance, again, that will help fund the City or appropriate the funds for the City until year's end. I will restate that we have yet to receive the Fiscal Plan that we are required to have into the Fiscal Commission. I have stated that we cannot pass any budget until we see the Fiscal Plan because the two (2) go together. I will anticipate that next Monday we may have a very robust conversation about the budget because if we don't have a fiscal plan, we may have to make some serious adjustments to compensate for that and make sure we are prepared for the Fiscal Commission. I'll be in contact with the State Auditor tomorrow morning making a request for them to please send me a printout of our current status and how our five (5) year projections are if we were to remain status quo since we are lacking a Fiscal Plan at this time to review. With that said, I give this second reading.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – Alright. Councilman Stinson.

**COUNCILMAN STINSON** – What's the plan date?

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – I believe the 18th.

**COUNCILMAN STINSON** – Of?

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – March.

**COUNCILMAN MANSON** – What's that now?

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – He asked when the plan was due.

**COUNCILMAN MANSON** – 19th.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – 19th.

**COUNCILMAN STINSON** – March 19th, okay.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – Let me ask you something, Councilman Lewis. Are you apart of the e-mail list that they send out from Columbus to the Fiscal Committee?

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – I have not received anything recently.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – Okay. Because the e-mail just went out so, I'll make sure you get on that list.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – Thank you. I appreciate that, Mr. President.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – Ordinance No. 21 has received second reading. Councilman Manson.

**COUNCILMAN MANSON** – Could you forward that to the Clerk and have her forward it to all of us, please?

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – Sure, I can do that. Okay.

**16. NEW & MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS**

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – Councilman Manson.

**COUNCILMAN MANSON** – Yes, this is no fun what I'm going to talk about here, but it has



to do with our regular Council meeting two (2) weeks ago. And when we got to #17 here, there was kind of a nasty discussion or one-sided discussion, I guess, comments and there were a number of personal attacks and insults and stuff like that. And it was Mr. Daut and I don't think that's called for in a meeting that's supposed to be an orderly meeting and on top of it, he was very out of line of what he was saying. He's got his right to his opinion, but he brought up about an ordinance, No. 22, that we talked about the Cottrill property and having to do with Stark Parks and stuff like that. That was brought to us through our Parks and Rec Dept. Our Director led that through, I believe it was unanimous with your Board to vote for that, so there's five (5) people involved. The Mayor approved it; I'm sure if she would have had any short comings with it, she would have brought them up to us. So, there's like six (6) people and then there was nine (9) of us here, I think it was a 9 – 0 vote; unanimous. But then he still chose to personally attack some people and I don't think that should go on. I don't believe, I believe we have a right to put a stop to that type of behavior and it's just going to create for problems outside of here. I just think we need to sit on those people a little bit harder.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – Here's my opinion on that. Most of the people that come here 9 out of 10 times, don't have all of the information correct that they think they have. And in this profession, you're going to get people that's going to come in here and will disagree with your position on a certain issue. Now far as if, you know, if they don't result to name calling or personal attacks, I didn't hear any personal attacks.

**COUNCILMAN MANSON** – Oh yeah.

**COUNCILMAN LEWIS** – Yes, there were personal attacks.

**COUNCILMAN MANSON** – That's why I'm bringing this up, Tony. There were personal attacks and I think all nine (9) people here agree to that.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – Well, I'm just saying, I didn't hear any and there may have been, but, when I spoke with Councilwoman Del Rio-Keller after the meeting and asked her how did she feel about that? Because, yeah, I did feel a little uneasy. But I will allow people to come in and speak their minds, however, I will pay closer attention to what they are saying to Council members. I noticed how he was really focusing on the Councilwoman, that's why I made the comment for him to make his comments to me. But in the future, I will pay closer attention to that, but I say, this is a type of profession, you got to have some tough skin.

**COUNCILMAN MANSON** – There's nobody disagreeing with that.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – People are going to come in here, they're going to express their opinion and if they disagree with you, they're going to let you know and that's just part of it.

**COUNCILMAN MANSON** – Tough skin and taking criticism is fine. But when someone's totally off the wall, you know, just because they don't get their own way, they don't have a right to come in here and insult and personally attack any individual here and you know, it's not going to happen, it's just not going to happen. I wanted to talk to him afterwards and he ran out the door. But I did find him at T.J. Dillon's.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – I take your word, I take it, I understand what you're saying.

**COUNCILMAN MANSON** – Well, I mean, there's no sense in that. There were other people here in the crowd and afterwards they said they agree with what we're doing. Their talking about, you know, we're trying to create a synergy here between Massillon Parks and Stark Parks and get more out of the land and stuff we have. Nobody's talking about giving it away. It was given to, it was paid for by the State Natural Resource Dept. and Aultman Hospital and it's still going to remain used as a park and, you know, we're looking right now, they have a better structure right now to do something with it right now. I believe it's a wise decision and I really don't think, well, that was out of line. That kind of behavior is totally out of line.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – Well, I don't think you have to apologize for the decision you made, I mean...

**COUNCILMAN MANSON** – No, I don't want him to apologize; I want him to stop the next time he does it.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – I mean, if you understand why you cast your "yes" vote, but Mr. Daut, I will continue to allow him to speak,

**COUNCILMAN MANSON** – Oh yeah, he's got a right to speak.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – However, like I stated earlier, if I feel he's getting a little out of hand, I will stop him. I have stopped people in the past and in the future, I will pay closer attention to what people are saying. At times when people are up there talking I do get distracted with the paperwork that's up here that I have to sign and shuffle and all this other stuff. So, in the future, yes, I'll pay closer attention to that. Is there anyone else?  
Councilwoman Del Rio-Keller?

**COUNCILWOMAN DEL RIO-KELLER** – I make a motion that we adjourn.

**COUNCILMEMBERS** – Hold on, we're not done yet. We have remarks from delegates.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – Well, after Paul, I was ready to go. I was ready to get out of here.

#### **17. REMARKS OF DELEGATIONS AND CITIZENS TO MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – Okay, we have arrived at No. 17. This is the section of the agenda where the public can speak on a topic that did NOT appear on tonight's agenda. If you would like to speak on a topic, please come to the microphone at this time and give your name and address and the topic you wish to discuss. There's no one? Okay, see Paul done ran people off already. Councilwoman Del Rio-Keller, I need a motion to adjourn.

#### **18. ADJOURNMENT**

**COUNCILWOMAN DEL RIO-KELLER** – I make a motion we adjourn.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND** – Seconded by Councilwoman Starrett. This meeting is adjourned.

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DIANE ROLLAND, CLERK OF COUNCIL

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TONY M. TOWNSEND, PRESIDENT

