

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING
MASSILLON CITY COUNCIL
HELD, MONDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2015
6:00 p.m.**

COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND – This meeting will come to order. This Special Meeting was called by members of the Finance Committee for the purpose to discuss Resolution No. 13 – 2015. Madam Clerk, roll call please.

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, Megan Starrett and Shaddrick Stinson.

Roll call of 8 present

COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND – Okay. I need a motion to excuse Councilwoman Scassa.

COUNCILWOMAN CUNNINGHAM-HEDDERLY – I so move.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND – Seconded by Councilman Chovan. Roll call to excuse Councilwoman Scassa.

8 yes to excuse Councilwoman Scassa

COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND – Thank you, Madam Clerk. Councilwoman Scassa has been excused. Resolution No. 13.

RESOLUTION NO. 13 – 2015

BY: FINANCE COMMITTEE

A RESOLUTION directing the Stark County Board of Elections to conduct an election at the primary election on March 15, 2016, for the purpose of providing the electors of the City of Massillon, Ohio, with the opportunity to approve or disapprove an Ordinance providing for a proposed increase in the City of Massillon, Ohio, income tax ordinance of one-fifth of one percent (0.20 percent) effective for collection commencing January 1, 2017, for the purpose of funding the City Vehicle Replacement Plan, City Street Repair and Repaving, and funding the General Fund for the City of Massillon, Ohio, and declaring an emergency.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND – Councilman Lewis.

COUNCILMAN LEWIS – Yes. I spoke with Law Director Stergios this afternoon about this resolution. He explained to me that we did pass the ordinance, obviously, already to have this placed on the ballot in March. However, in speaking with members of the Board of Elections for Stark County, it was stated that we would also have to pass a resolution. He wasn't certain about that being necessary, but he felt that if it was going to make process easier and one less obstacle, go ahead and just pass a resolution to the same effect of what we had passed in an ordinance earlier in this year and that's what we have before us today. Are there any questions or concerns?

COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND – Councilwoman Halter.

COUNCILWOMAN HALTER – I just wanted to mention that the Council Clerk read was November 15, 2016. It should be March.

COUNCIL CLERK ROLLAND – Okay. I stand corrected, March 15, 2016.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND – That should be corrected in the minutes. Are there any questions? Councilman Lewis.

COUNCILMAN LEWIS – I make a motion that we suspend the rules requiring three readings, bringing Resolution No. 13 – 2015 forward for a vote.

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

7 yes; 1 no – Lewis voted “no”

COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND – And for passage.

7 yes; 1 no – Lewis voted “no”

COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOWNSEND – Thank you, Madam Clerk. Resolution No. 13 has passed. This Special Meeting is adjourned.

DIANE ROLLAND, CLERK OF COUNCIL TONY M. TOWNSEND, PRESIDENT