

Mayor McPherson swore in new Chief of Police David Suci before the Community Development Committee meeting.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES DECEMBER 5, 2005

Members of Community Development Committee present: Brett Baxter, Antoinette Newman, Preston Stearns, Doug Joseph.

Other members of Council present: Mel Clemens, Ron Stake, Council President William L. Hills.

Meeting was called to order at 7:36 p.m.

Mr. Baxter: With that, I'll go ahead and call to order, the Community Development Committee. The first item on the agenda is the approval of the minutes of the October 17, 2005 Community Development Committee meeting. I ask if there are any updates or changes? (No response). Hearing none, I request that they be accepted as submitted.

Next is the approval of the agenda. Are there any changes to the agenda? (No response). Okay. With that said, I will make note that we have the Administration Oath of Office and that's no longer on the agenda since the Mayor's already done that. And I think the first request I'd have of the Chief is you arrest the Mayor for using good judgement.

With that said, I'll move on to the next item, number 5 is Discussion Summit Rd. Economic Development Plan. I ask, do we have anybody here to discuss that? And I do see Mr. Brandt in the back.

Mr. Brandt: Thank you, Mr. Baxter, members of Council. What we have before us this evening is a little different than what some of you are probably used to in previous situations where we've used the states statutes to create a TIF district. Wherein the revenue is generated, it goes into an Infrastructure Fund to be used for either current or future improvements that are detailed in the legislation. The I guess difference if you will, in this process is that inasmuch as this will incorporate residential area, the law requires that a plan be adopted with a statement signed by the engineer that the infrastructure that is contemplated is required to enable the development. So therein lies the difference between the TIF's that we've done before, be it Taylor Square, Home Depot, and assorted other ones, and most recently probably, the Kroger one that impacted traffic signals etc. out at Taylor and Main. These are being used, or have been used in many communities. The timely of this, we do regret, but a change in the law will make the utilization of this type of vehicle, probably non-usable after the first of the year. The law was passed earlier in the year that changed I believe, is part of the Budget Bill that the Ohio House passed. And it did add a lot of twists and turns in the legislative requirements to do one that encompasses, or incorporates any residential development. And based on the opinions that we had that indicated that it was going to make it a point where most communities won't even go through the exercise. Because it then would require also approval of the Commissioners in whatever county you deemed suitable for establishing a TIF district, additional revenue requirements, and so on. So this is kind

of clean and easy. And both projects, or at least areas that are proposed to develop, both for today and tomorrow, would provide a revenue stream for the improvements that are contemplated, or potentially required for improvement down the road. So basically what we have is an opportunity to garner a revenue stream which after the first of the year won't be available, but to provide funding for future improvements in both areas that would be required.

Mr. Baxter: Well, thank you. You said funding for things that are to be acquired in those areas. Do we know what those things are at this point?

Mr. Brandt: For example, on Summit Road, we included one of the areas, or one of the potential projects would be the improvement of the culvert up on Summit Road just north of Refugee. Potential future improvements to Summit and Main. When development reaches that particular area. This is all kind of long range stuff. But if you look 5 years down the road, I don't think it's too hard to envision that there'll be some activity comparable to Main and Taylor. And the improvements that will be required to be made by our own engineering staff. And more than likely, our good friends at the Ohio Department of Transportation will have their hands in it as well. And with this opportunity available, it seems somewhat fool hearted to let it pass by. And then those who follow all of us may be sitting here some days figuring out, try to pay for some or a part of any required improvements. Given the fact that this opportunity, from what we've been told, basically won't be available. Or if it is available, by the time they get done chopping it all up, you'll have more into paperwork than you will have money in your pocket. And it doesn't impact the school district. So they will be a non-school, what they refer to as non-school TIF.

Mr. Baxter: That's the same thing with Kroger's. Correct?

Mr. Brandt: Kroger's was a school, but it was below the minimum threshold amount. This runs out 30 years. And there's estimates that over the course of the time, it could generate as high as twelve million dollars.

Mr. Baxter: I see they're broken into 5 different pieces of legislation, and they're two projects. Why are they broken up that way?

Mr. Brandt: Well the plans are separate in themselves, and at the time of passage, it's required that they be passed before the establishment of the TIF district which would be the other legislation. The engineer has required, and we've discussed this with Mr. Parkinson, to sign a statement that's included in this document that the current needs aren't being met, and this would provide them being met. Then subsequently to that passage and signature, the next set of documents would be approved. So it's kind of a one, two step. And we ran a little bit behind because one of our learned counsel at Squires that we've been working with on this got drawn into jury duty. And that's part of our lack of timeliness I guess, in bringing this forward. But inasmuch as these have been used in conjunction with bonding packages before, and that's been the normal process if we followed through with their guidance and expertise in assisting them in completing these things.

Mr. Baxter: Thank you, John. Any questions from the members of the committee?

Mr. Stearns: Yes. Thank you, Chairman Baxter. Mr. Brandt, you say there's some changes going to be made in the first of the year? Do you have any idea as to the specifics as to why, what they're going to be like? I understand you want to get this done before 2006. Is that correct?

Mr. Brandt: That would be in the city's best interest. It's something we bring forward with a recommendation. The changes from what I've read and been told are substantial. Require a lot more participation. You wouldn't be the only approving body in this case. It's my understanding it would be the Licking County Commissioners inasmuch as this is in Licking County. There would be additional revenue requirements, or splitting if you will. And it's been determined in most cases, it wouldn't even make the exercise worth while.

Mr. Stearns: Okay. Thank you.

Mr. Brandt: As a matter of fact, I saw in the paper the other day, I believe Grove City's got one in the hopper right now, or two in the hopper. They're trying to get through the process before the time line change.

Mr. Stearns: Thank you.

Mrs. Newman: I found this memorandum we were given from Squires Sanders very explanatory as to the changes. And it's good to help us understand and read this. A couple of things I had, do we have a specific time, or is there a time limit by which we have to start these improvements?

Mr. Brandt: None that I'm aware of. Other than our own need.

Mrs. Newman: Okay. So we can just go out to the future whenever we need to start this or do this?

Mr. Brandt: Well, I think also, and this would have to come from the bond counsel and the Auditor's Office, there may be for example, the Summit Road Bridge once this is in place and it's determined it'll generate a revenue stream. Maybe there would be a point where a bond might be issued, that this would retire the bond.

Mrs. Newman: Right. But in the TIF Agreement itself, we're not required by it. Okay then, are we also limited as to the amount of money? How is that determined? Will that be determined at the time the costs are estimated for the project when we start to do the project?

Mr. Brandt: Well, it's kind of two different things as far as the actual cost of the project. That would be the engineers estimate. We will have an estimate of what this would generate. And then hopefully, they would either match or, the cash flow or the revenue flow downstream would support the bond issuance.

Mrs. Newman: Okay. Well I want to thank you for your vigilance in seeing that we get these things in a timely fashion.

Mr. Brandt: Thank you.

Mr. Baxter: Any other questions? Mr. Joseph.

Mr. Joseph: Thank you, Chairman Baxter. Mr. Brandt, on page 2 of this memo, it talks about additional roadway improvements we made to Summit Road and the Summit Road and East Main Street intersection. That area I don't believe is in the city. Is there a plan to bring that into the city? Or what's the rationale for doing work in an area that's not in the city?

Mr. Brandt: I don't think it indicates it would be done prior to being included in the city. But the Summit and Main intersection is kind of envisioned to follow along with Main and Taylor. And as I said, this is more of a longer range approach in that the property that's being included in this activity is in the city. It couldn't be done. And that's part of why this, the Taylor Road issue, had to be held up until the annexation issues were complete and so on. But the improvements that are likely to be needed, I don't think are hard to envision looking down the road with the growth heading to the east and with that particular area. Coming down Summit Road, there's already one annexation which this one's involved. I believe there's another 79 acres. So it's coming down the road slowly. And the money can be held in the Auditor's account for a certain point in time that those improvements would be needed or maybe required.

Mr. Joseph: So the improvements would only occur where there has been annexation. Correct?

Mr. Brandt: Correct.

Mr. Joseph: Okay.

Mr. Baxter: Any other questions from the Chair or from Council? (No response). Well John, I thank you. We have 5 through 8 on this. And number 6 is the Taylor Road Economic Development Plan. You kind of discussed that as a total project between them both. Correct?

Mr. Brandt: Right. Yes, sir.

Mr. Baxter: And that's why I wanted to make sure that everyone here realized that Discussion items 6, 7, 8, and 9 is discussion of Taylor Road Economic Development Plan. The discussion of TIF Agreement for Taylor Road Municipal Improvement, the residential portion of it. Number 8 is the same. Discussion of TIF Agreement for Taylor Road Municipal Improvement, commercial. And then discussion of TIF Agreement for Summit Road Incentive District #1. So that was a discussion that encompasses it all. Then it made sense to do it in that fashion as it's the same plan for both. Correct?

Mr. Brandt: Yes, sir.

Mr. Baxter: And it's the same TIF for both.

Mr. Brandt: No. There's two separate TIF's.

Mr. Baxter: They're separate TIF's but they're the same type of TIF.

Mr. Brandt: Same. The whole thing just happened to show up at the same time.

Mr. Baxter: Okay. Are there any questions from, Mr. Hills.

Mr. Hills: If I could. Each of these development plans are in a specific area that must be under 300 acres.

Mr. Brandt: That's correct.

Mr. Hills: And it has to say, this is what we're planning on, it needs improvement in order to be economically developed.

Mr. Brandt: Right.

Mr. Hills: And I just did happen to know that, a portion of that from Mr. Baxter noted that the Summit Road, I think you may want to look under proposed development. Because you talk about single family residential condominiums.

Mr. Brandt: Right.

Mr. Hills: And then but you go in the next paragraph about single family residential uses. I'm assuming there will be single family homes in that 200 and some acres, or 150 acres. Not just condominiums. Correct?

Mr. Brandt: I think it's envisioned possibly depending on market and so on, maybe a 55 type condo potential deal. But I don't know that there's anybody really step forward and said, yeah, that's what we want to do.

Mr. Hills: But it's going to be condominiums and residential independent?

Mr. Brandt: That's correct. Right.

Mr. Hills: But one paragraph I think says, the planning area will be developed as a combination of single family residential condominiums, local service, retail, commercial, and possibly institutional uses. So it doesn't refer to the residential. All this acreage and all this plan is not just condominiums.

Mr. Brandt: No, sir.

Mr. Hills: Okay. So you may want to take a...

Mr. Brandt: Yeah. We can look at that and if need be we can clean it up.

Mr. Hills: But this is the development district. This is what we have to do in order to qualify under the statute that's going away by the first of the year to say that it needs to be developed economically and improvements need to be made. And so this is the plan on how to do that. And then the TIF's come in as how those funds are going to be moved from one another within that district that has to be approved.

Mr. Brandt: That's correct.

Mr. Hills: The districts have to be approved in essence, before the TIF's are approved. Or at least the same time.

Mr. Brandt: Right. The plans have to be approved before the TIF's approved. And given the fact that we had previously applied for OPWC money for that Summit Road Bridge up there, it looked like a natural opportunity to at least clear up one problem. And I think the alignment of Summit Road doesn't require probably an engineering background to figure out that ought to be straightened out a little bit too at some point in time.

Mr. Baxter: Councilman Clemens.

Mr. Clemens: Yes, John. A couple of questions. On the infrastructure, would Reynoldsburg be improving the roads, or improving the sewer and water lines to that and then we would be paid back through by the TIF?

Mr. Brandt: Any of the improvements that are outlined would be, compensation would be via the TIF mechanism. That's the reason, kind of like what we did with the Kroger issues wherein what we really did there was a little different. We got a state infrastructure bank loan. And then we got the TIF to pay the state back. So in essence, we got a quarter of a million dollars worth of traffic signals done out there for improvements to the intersection at virtually no cost to the General Fund.

Mr. Clemens: So in other words, say the trunk line had to be ran out to this acreage, the city would put the trunk line in? Or borrow the money and put the trunk line in and then the TIF would pay us back?

Mr. Brandt: That is correct. Any improvements that would be paid for via this mechanism would be paid back...

Mr. Clemens: Through the TIF program.

Mr. Brandt: Correct. But one of the thoughts was one, or culvert, or whatever you call it up there on Summit Road, eventually or in the very near future, would seem to me to look like based on the pictures we have. And secondly, the potential for down the road improvements at Main and Taylor, which the other one covers. Because there are some commitments, long range commitments to the Ohio Department of Transportation for that as well.

Mr. Clemens: Alright. Say on this that, this development would want to go. Would we be obligated to run the trunk line out there? Or would we be obligated to do this? In other words, just because the TIF was out there, will we be obligated to do these infrastructure things to do it immediately? Or how does that operate?

Mr. Brandt: No. I don't think there's any obligation implied or granted to do anything within a certain time frame. I think it would be based on the need as it came about.

Mr. Clemens: One other thing on this acreage that we annexed that we're speaking about. And this may have to be done in the zoning. There is an agreement that some property would be set aside or donated for a sub station police department, fire department sub stationed together. Is that something we work out now? Is that when we work it out? When they come in and want their zoning?

Mr. Brandt: It's my understanding, and I was not a party to the conversation, there had been conversation about with somebody on Council at one time with respect to a fire house. I didn't hear anything about a police sub station.

Mr. Clemens: Yeah. It was going to be so they could be together. But I suppose they work that out when it comes time for the zoning. Make sure that we get this worked out if we do get a piece of property for that.

Mr. Brandt: Yeah. I think the only thing that we're trying to accomplish here is get this in place before the law changes and there's nothing to require us probably to file this if we find that there's a... But the one developer is aware of the, at least, fire department. And I believe there has been possibly some conversation between them and the school district regarding some acreage as well. But I wasn't a party to that.

Mr. Clemens: Okay. Alright. Thank you.

Mr. Baxter: Any other question? (No response). The question I have here is, these are all marked as emergencies. When did you plan to have these passed?

Mr. Brandt: Before the end of the year.

Mr. Baxter: Before the end of the year?

Mr. Brandt: The notification we sent to the school districts inasmuch as they're not schools but somebody can explain why you'd still notify them if it's not theirs. But any how, we're required to notify. We showed the 26th not knowing if there was going to be a meeting on the 26th of December or not. If it's after that, that's probably even...

Mr. Hills: Let me try to clarify that. First of all, the 26th is a holiday. That's the legal holiday of Christmas. So there won't be a meeting on the 26th. If everything is in order, I think the

preference would be is on the 19th to have the second committee meeting of the month and then also the last Council meeting of the month. That will be what the attempt is rather than be here on the 27th. Now, that will depend on what work load the administration has accomplished by the 19th like these TIF's and Economic Development District. That would be the preference, not to be here the last week of the month. Last year we had to be here the last week. But this year we'd like to avoid that.

Mr. Brandt: I can see your reasoning.

Mr. Hills: Because you all like to avoid it too. It's not just...

Mr. Brandt: No. No. No.

Mr. Hills: As you say as you come back from your cruise. That is the goal of Council. Now, that may not be possible depending upon what the agendas are.

Mr. Baxter: And so then, do I need to move these on to Council for a first reading for the 12th? Would that be fair to go with one reading? Would you be alright with that John?

Mr. Brandt: Sure.

Mr. Baxter: Alright then. I would move that we move these, should I do them all separately, Nancy?

Mrs. Frazier: Yes.

Mr. Baxter: Okay. Thank you. For number 5, the Discussion for Summit Road, Economic Development Plan. I move that we send these to Council for the first reading. Do I have a second? Mr. Joseph with the second. All in favor? (All voted "Aye"). All opposed? (No response). Motion carries.

Move on to item number 6. The discussion, Taylor Road Economic Development Plan. I move that we send this to Council for its first reading. Second, Mr. Joseph. All in favor? (All voted "Aye"). All opposed? (No response). Motion carries.

Thirdly, The discussion of TIF Agreement (Taylor Road Municipal Improvement) (residential). I move that we send it to Council for a first reading. I have a second from Mrs. Newman. Thank you. All in favor? (All voted "Aye"). All opposed? (No response). Motion carries.

Discussion number 8, TIF Agreement (Taylor Road Municipal Improvement) (commercial). I move that we send this to committee for its first reading. Do I have a second? And Mr. Stearns will have that second. All in favor? (All voted "Aye"). All opposed? (No response). Motion carries.

Discussion, TIF Agreement (Summit Rd. Incentive District #1). I move that we send it to

Council for its first reading. Do I have a second? Mr. Stearns has the second. All in favor? (All voted "Aye"). All opposed? (No response). Motion carries.

And with that, I will close the Community Development Committee meeting at 7:56. And, thank you.

Community Development Committee
December 5, 2005

- - -Nancy C. Frazier, Clerk of Council
(Transcribed - Susie Smith)

SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 5, 2005

Members of Safety Committee present: Ron Stake, Antoinette Newman, Doug Joseph.
Other members of Council present: Mel Clemens, Preston Stearns, Brett Baxter, Council President William L. Hills.

Mr. Stake: And I would like to call the Safety Committee to order at 7:57.

The second item on the agenda is approval of the minutes of the November 21, 2005 Safety Committee meeting. Are there any changes to those minutes? (No response). None being heard, they'll stand as submitted.

Item number 3 is approval of the agenda. Does anybody on the committee have any changes to the agenda? (No response). I have two additions to the agenda. We have two speaker slips. One from Robert Kelley in regards to environmental and safety. I'd like to make that 3a. And the second one is from Greg Popper, public awareness scams. I make that motion. All in favor, state aye. (All voted "Aye"). Opposed? (No response). Motion passes.

3a, Robert Kelley, Mr. Kelley.

Mr. Kelley: (See attached).

Mr. Stake: Item 3b is public awareness scams. Greg Popper. Mr. Popper, would you come up please? Mr. Popper, if you could please give us your address also please.

Mr. Popper: Yes. My name is Gregory Popper. I live at 6488 Blackhaw Drive in Reynoldsburg. Mayor McPherson, President Hills, members of City Council, and citizens of Reynoldsburg. On I believe, Tuesday of last week, I not only received a phone call middle of the day, I also received in the mail, notification of actually was two separate scams that were being played out, at least in this area that I know of and possibly nation wide. I then again, received a phone call on Thursday, Friday, and one again today from scam artists trying to get, solicit funds from me. I called the Reynoldsburg Police Department with this, what I believed to be a scam and they verified the fact that it was and they have suggested that I call the State Attorney General's Office which I did, and gave them some information. They asked me to send copies of this which actually, they wanted the originals. I made copies for myself. And I would like to at least read in short, and I can't, naturally with the phone calls I can't give you too much good on. But this is the letter that I had received. 'Attention Gregory Popper. We are pleased to inform you that you are one of the second category winners of the Canadian Series 696 Lottery Draw held on September 15, 2005. Your ticket with serial number 31240448870CCL drew the lucky winning numbers 49, 33, 52, 79, and 81. You are therefore, entitled to the sum of 250,000 U S dollars payable to you either by bank draft, money order, or certified check by request'. It goes on to give the claim number. 'We have secured for you through one of our financial sponsors, the required amount of \$2,960 which is for payment of the non-residential government service tax on your winnings. Saving you the trouble of trying to raise the amount yourself. The tax amount of \$2,960 to be paid either by Western Union or Money Gram. You are required to contact your assigned claim agent immediately as indicated below as soon as you receive this for further instructions on finalizing the payment and your claim'. And it gives name Pierre Smith, direct line phone number. 'And please quote your claim number and all correspondence with your agent. Congratulations, Yours truly, Tim Howard, Promotion Manager'. I also have made a copy of the check which is labeled as a cashier's check from Chase Bank for the \$2,960. So just as a matter of public awareness, and there are a lot of scams going out there right now, this was just one written. And I've received 4 over the phone. One of them was for \$450,000 and they said they needed 1% down for taxes. And they wanted to know if I could send them \$404,500. And I said no and hung up. They called me two days later and wanted to decrease that to ½% amount that I would send them. So, please members of City Council and citizens of Reynoldsburg, if you get any of these letters or phone calls, please do not send anybody any money, give them any information over the phone, bank account numbers, names, addresses, nothing. These are scams. Please call the Reynoldsburg Police and/or your State Attorney General's Office as soon as you get them. Thank you.

Mr. Stake: Thank you, Mr. Popper. Are there any questions or comments for Mr. Popper from members of the committee or members of Council? (No response). I will just add that you spoke about a check there. Those are counterfeit checks. They're fairly easy to do on a computer. This is a huge problem. Especially with senior citizens. I have a friend who gets probably 20 of these things a week. He's about 80 years old. He doesn't have any money and he's always looking to win one of these things. He gets about 20 of these things a week. And

they're from foreign countries. I've even had a conversation with the FBI in regards to this. And I was told that there's really, the only thing that you can do is just ignore them. There's nothing really that can be done unless the country of origin wants to do something about it. But I appreciate you bringing this to the public's attention.

Mr. Popper: That's not a problem. In conversation with the State Attorney Generals Office, they asked for me to send the originals to them, which I did. And I made copies for myself before I sent that to them. And I told them I had not heard anything on the news or seen anything in the paper. They assured me that there had been items in the paper and on the news about these scams. Whether or not they had been, I don't know. Because I certainly haven't heard them. But I just wanted to make this a matter of public awareness so that people in the City of Reynoldsburg are not thrown by this.

Mr. Stake: Okay. Thank you, sir. Okay. Item number 4 is an ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT TO PURCHASE ROAD SALT. It had its second reading on November 28, 2005. This does come from the Street Superintendent. We've had several conversations on this. Are there any questions from members of the committee in regards to this? (No response). Members of Council? (No response). I see this is just going the normal route. So I will make a motion that we send this on to Council for its third reading with recommendation for adoption. Do I have a second? Second by Mrs. Newman. Any further discussion? (No response). All in favor, state aye. (All voted "Aye"). Opposed? (No response). Motion passes.

And I will adjourn the Safety Committee at 8:11.

Safety Committee

December 5, 2005

- - -Nancy C. Frazier, Clerk of Council

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SERVICE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

DECEMBER 5, 2005

Members of Service Committee present: Mel Clemens, Antoinette Newman, Preston Stearns, Doug Joseph.

Other members of Council present: Ron Stake, Brett Baxter, Council President William L. Hills.

Mr. Clemens: I'd like to call the Service Committee meeting to order at 8:12.

The first item on the agenda, approval of the minutes of the November 21, 2005 Service Committee meeting. Are there any corrections or deletions? (No response). If not, it'll stand approved.

The next item is the approval of the agenda. Are there any additions or deletions? (No response). If not, it will stand approved.

Item number 4, ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT FOR THE COMPOSTING OF YARD WASTE GENERATED IN AND COLLECTED FROM THE CITY OF REYNOLDSBURG, OHIO. It had its first reading 11-28-05. Are there any questions for Mrs. Reichard on this subject? (No response). If not, I'd like to send it to Council for a second reading. Do I have a second? Second from Mr. Joseph. All in favor, say aye. (All voted "Aye"). Opposed? (No response).

I do have a speaker slip. Am I correct? On items 5 and 7? Antoine Wright.

Mr. Wright: Hello. My name is Antoine Wright and I live at 1740 Brice Road in Reynoldsburg, Ohio. I just have a few questions about articles 5, 6, and 7. And I don't know if I should address it to you directly.

Mr. Clemens: That's fine.

Mr. Wright: Okay. On items 5, 6, and 7, I just want to know, who are we entering into contract with? The name of the company? It just wasn't on the agenda and I didn't know if that had been announced.

Mr. Clemens: Yes. Rumpke will be picking up our trash and it would be disposed at SWACO which is Solid Waste Authority.

Mr. Wright: And the second question I had, how many bids were solicited for the trash pickup and removal for items 5 through 7?

Mr. Clemens: Mrs. Reichard.

Mr. Wright: And I guess also in conjunction with that, what were the dates?

Mr. Clemens: Let Mrs. Reichard, she's our Service Director. Let her answer this for you, please.

Mrs. Reichard: We only had, in terms of the trash pickup itself, we only had one bid and that was from Rumpke. And in the other instances, I would have to go through each one of them. But I think there were approximately 3 for each of the others.

Mr. Wright: Okay. Do we openly announce that there was an open bid process for the soliciting of residential trash removal?

Mrs. Reichard: Yes sir, we did. And it was in the newspaper.

Mr. Wright: Okay. Thank you. That's it. My questions are answered.

Mr. Clemens: Thank you, Mr. Wright.

Mr. Wright: Thank you.

Mr. Clemens: Item number 5, ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT FOR THE DISPOSAL OF RESIDENTIAL SOLID WASTE GENERATED IN AND COLLECTED FROM THE CITY OF REYNOLDSBURG, OHIO. It had its first reading 11-28-05. Do I have any questions on this for Mrs. Reichard from the committee or members of Council? (No response). If not, I'd like to send this to Council for its second reading. Do I have a second? Second by Mr. Stearns. All in favor, say aye. (All voted "Aye"). Opposed? (No response). Thank you.

Number 6, ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT FOR THE PROCESSING OF RECYCLABLE MATERIALS GENERATED IN AND COLLECTED FROM WITHIN THE CITY OF REYNOLDSBURG, OHIO. It had its first

reading 11-28-05. Are there any questions from members of the committee? Yes, Mr. Baxter.

Mr. Baxter: I'm not on your committee but I do have a question, Councilman Clemens.

Mr. Clemens: That's fine.

Mr. Baxter: Chairman Clemens, the question I have is of Mrs. Reichard. And it's dealing with the blue tubs. And is there a time frame we're going to have the new ones distributed as part of this? Or is that part of the contract? I know you were doing it as a test plan. So I'm curious to see when you're going to roll this out.

Mrs. Reichard: We only have 1500 that are involved in the pilot project. Those have all been distributed. And we do not plan on, those were given to us. They were received from SWACO and they received them through a grant. If we were to get any more, we would have to purchase them.

Mr. Baxter: How, if I can follow up, as I've known to, how is that program going?

Mrs. Reichard: Pretty well I think. I don't know, I did notice something that I haven't, I guess, noticed before and that is, in a couple of the neighborhoods where those bins are at, the new recycling bins, they're leaving them out front for some reason. And that's a no, no. So we're going to have to send our, it's up next to the house, but it's just, they don't do that with the brown, with the regular trash receptacles, but they're doing it with the recycling receptacles. And I'm not really sure why. But they need to put them in a place behind their house or to the side of the house. So we're having a little bit of a problem there. But I for one, am doing a lot more recycling than I've ever done before. And I'm hoping that our tonage is going to go up in that area. But we're going to be watching that very carefully.

Mr. Baxter: One follow up, Councilman Clemens. I also notice with the recyclables, I've been watching them, that cars will park their cars up in front of their house right where they put it out. So that if we intend to have a truck pick these up and try to cut the cost of pickup, we want to make sure that as we move forward with this, we might want to have some ground rules laid into place as how to use them and explain the importance of where we're going to save the money at. Because I'm noticing my own neighborhood is one of those pilot programs. I've seen some of these odd things happening myself.

Mrs. Reichard: Now, I would have to check with a couple of folks here at city hall. But to my knowledge, we haven't had any complaints from Rumpke about people parking their cars where they're picking up those receptacles. Because I think you all know, there's a truck and one person that does this. Comes along and picks those up. But also, as you will recall, when we distributed those, there was a letter that went out, not only what you can put in them, but sort of the care, and feeding, and nurturing, and whatever else that goes with this program. So, in the beginning, we had some complaints. And people were concerned. And I think once they found out they easily roll out no matter how much you put in them, those complaints have gone down. So far, I would consider it a success. But we'll have to wait and see how much tonage we get from it.

Mr. Baxter: Well, thank you.

Mr. Joseph: I want to follow up on Mr. Baxter's question. If the city were to buy more of those bins, what kind of cost are we looking at per bin?

Mrs. Reichard: I could not quote you that tonight. But I can tell you, that when SWACO went out for bids, one of the things that they asked of the bidders was to keep it open, keep that bid open for a year. So the communities wanted to come back in and purchase them at a very minimal cost, they could do that. And it's my understanding, they were extremely reasonable. What the city had to do was, they were all delivered out to the Street Department. And we had to put, I think the lids on them. It was either the lids or the wheels we had to put on them. And then distribute them. And but, Rumpke was very helpful with all of that. Rumpke's actually the one that picked the neighborhoods. Because their trucks are out and they know which streets that they can get up the closest to the houses and etc. And also, the neighbors. The neighborhoods that had the highest amount of recycling. So they look at those two issues together and pick the neighborhoods. Because what they want to do is, I think the theory was, if you have a neighborhood that is higher in recycling, if you give them these larger bins, will it even increase even more. Because these people might be more aware of whatever, or more into the recycling. So those are the two issues that they looked at to do this with. But so far so good. It was always my hope that if this goes well, that perhaps one day in the future we could get them for, out of our Trash Fund, we could purchase those very ones. They call it curb side appeal. You know, when everything matches and you have it out at the curb rather than having a lot of bags and boxes and so forth. So we'll have to see how it goes. We should have probably a pretty good handle after the first 6 months of how it's going.

Mr. Clemens: Are there any other questions for Mrs. Reichard? Mrs. Newman.

Mrs. Newman: Did I understand you to say that these 65 gallon containers, would you have one per household? Is that the idea?

Mrs. Reichard: That's correct.

Mrs. Newman: Okay. I would think they would be terribly awkward to clean. Because I know, I wash my bins. And I like my little bins. And I didn't have, I needed an extra one for some recyclables. And I called Rumpke and they sent it. I just don't see any need for this, frankly.

Mrs. Reichard: For which? The blue ones? Or the red ones?

Mrs. Newman: The blue ones. The way we do it now...

Mrs. Reichard: They encourage greater amounts of paper, etc., recyclables into the bins.

Mrs. Newman: I just don't understand why. Because we have one for paper and one for everything else.

Mrs. Reichard: These bins, you just throw everything in.

Mrs. Newman: It seems like a mess to me.

Mrs. Reichard: I'll tell you what Mrs. Newman, they're wonderful. I have one and we just throw everything in. We don't even think twice now about it. Because we keep it in the garage next to the brown one. Right outside the door from the kitchen. And keep the lid open on it. You can't do that on the trash receptacle because they get kind of smelly. But you can do that on the recyclables. And you just pitch everything in there. And we put far more, far more. I can tell you that my bin is like, three quarters full and this is Monday.

Mrs. Newman: We recycle everything as far as we can.

Mrs. Reichard: So we'll see.

Mr. Baxter: Councilman Clemens, I'll follow up with that and support you on that statement. Being the person who has to take it out at night on Tuesday or Wednesday nights, that says to me, that's one trip. Not four. Because I do quite a bit of recycling with my family. And it's made our life a lot easier just having one bin to take out. It works.

Mrs. Reichard: Yeah. If we really mature in this program, maybe one of these days we can have a great big recycling bin at our apartment complexes too. So I'm looking forward to that any way.

Mrs. Newman: I think that's the important thing. Because when you consider the number of people and the recyclables they could generate, if we could just concentrate on that, that would be a big improvement.

Mrs. Reichard: Well you know we started (Tape Change). And emphasizing the litter pickup etc. to keep our community clean. And now we've moved into that next phase which is recycling. So we really want to do a lot of good things next year. Hopefully, we can have a day in our community, a clean up day, and really look at recycling and littering, anti-littering all at the same time. But there will be a big push for that in this next year.

Mr. Clemens: Thank you, Mrs. Reichard. Next item on the agenda, item number 7, ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT FOR THE COLLECTION, TRANSPORTATION AND DELIVERY FOR DISPOSAL OR PROCESSING OF RESIDENTIAL SOLID WASTE, RECYCLABLE MATERIALS AND YARD WASTE GENERATED WITHIN THE CITY OF REYNOLDSBURG, OHIO. It had its first reading 11-28-05. Do I have any questions from the committee? (No response). Members of Council? (No response). If not, I'd like to move this on to Council for the second reading. Do I have a second? Second by Mr. Joseph. All in favor, say aye. (All voted "Aye"). Opposed? (No response).

Nancy, did I move item number 6 on to Council?

Mrs. Frazier: No.

Mr. Clemens: I didn't think I did. I'd like to make a motion to move item number 6 on to Council for its second reading. Do I have a second? Second by Mr. Stearns. All in favor, say aye. (All voted "Aye"). Opposed? (No response). Thank you.

Item number 8, ORDINANCE APPROVING SPECIAL EXCEPTION USE PERMIT - (6493 East Main Street, proposed use of land/structure - restaurant, bar, and nightclub); applicant, Frida Njunchop. Second reading 11-28-05. Had been sent to Council with recommendation for a rule suspension but there were not enough votes for the rule suspension. Mrs. Njunchop? She is also represented by Mr. Goldman, her attorney this evening. So if we have any questions we can direct to either of them. First, I'd like to thank you for all the information you sent to Council. It was very helpful and everything I had asked you to do, you sent to Council and gave us an explanation on what would be done and so forth. So I do want to thank you on that. Are there any questions from members of the committee? Mrs. Newman.

Mrs. Newman: Well, I just have a comment. I spoke with Ms. VanKley today and asked her if we actually have anything in our code allowing for a nightclub or describing the activities of a nightclub, and she said no. We have dining and drinking establishments but nothing for a nightclub. So I don't see how we can approve anything for a nightclub if we don't even have that category in our zoning code.

Mr. Clemens: I think that's something Mr. Underwood could probably speak of. I don't know the difference personally, between a nightclub and a lounge.

Mrs. Newman: Well, I don't either. I think we need to know that before we approve one.

Mr. Clemens: I don't know any difference between a nightclub and a lounge that allows dancing in which we have all of Reynoldsburg. We'll have a bar that has a band and they allow dancing. So if there's a difference, I don't know either. So I don't know if Mr. Underwood can answer that or not.

Mrs. Newman: Could I just say something else here?

Mr. Clemens: Yes. Certainly.

Mrs. Newman: Mrs. Njunchop has repeatedly spoken to the fact that people, about people staying on and dancing. And we have repeatedly told her that her establishment would have to be closed by 2:30. Now when does she mean they're going to be staying on and dancing?

Mr. Goldman: We'll agree to the 2:30 closing.

Mr. Clemens: This will be closed at 2:30, period.

Mr. Goldman: That's no problem. No problem.

Mr. Clemens: Mr. Underwood.

Mr. Underwood: Well, this is the first time I've heard the question on a nightclub. I'd have to check the code on that. I don't know what the question is. And talk to Jerry and Frida. But as far as a bar and dancing, I don't see a problem with this. I would hate to hang it on the terminology of a nightclub. I mean, that's common terminology. Our code does allow bars, dancing, and other types of entertainment. So I don't see a problem. But I can check it.

Mrs. Newman: I just don't feel like approving something if we don't even know what it is.

Mr. Underwood: Now if there's a question, it would have been nice to have a phone call. If that was a question, during the day time so it could have been looked up.

Mrs. Newman: I spoke with the Zoning Officer.

Mr. Underwood: Nobody called me to look this up.

Mrs. Newman: Well, maybe she didn't need a call to look it up. Maybe she knew herself.

Mr. Clemens: No. She didn't know it because she didn't give you an answer.

Mrs. Newman: She gave me an answer.

Mr. Clemens: As Mr. Underwood said, it's how you want to phrase, what's the difference between a nightclub and the difference between a bar that has a band. They're both the same thing.

Mrs. Newman: Well, I don't know that it is.

Mr. Clemens: That's what Mr. Underwood...

Mr. Goldman: And that word was put in by Mrs. Njunchop not knowing, I mean for the lack of a better term. It's a restaurant. They serve alcohol and people may get up and dance. I don't know if that's a nightclub. I mean, if you wanted us to remove that terminology, we don't have a problem with that. But that's basically what we are looking for. We've not looking for the Copa Cabana or something like that.

Mrs. Newman: I think I would be more comfortable if you did remove it. Particularly, when I read articles in the paper. 'Second man slain in 6 months at nightclub, 3:18 in the morning'. That makes me a little nervous.

Mrs. Njunchop: I can answer that. I just want to say that I put that word because I thought people would dance. But it's not in the books _____. They can take it out. I don't mind about the word. It's just a restaurant with a liquor license that allows people to drink. And I was hoping that people can dance too. But maybe the word 'nightclub' is not appropriate. We can

take it out. We don't have any problem taking that out. Then about the time, I already agreed to the suggestion that we close at 2:30. I don't have any problem with us closing at 2:30 at all.

Mrs. Newman: Alright.

Mr. Clemens: You have it in your application but, what you're saying is, you'll take the word off. And I don't think we know what the word meaning nightclub is different than a lounge. So I don't know what we'd be asking you to do. You can take the, I don't know whether it's too late to take the word out of the application or not. I don't know. But Mr. Underwood could probably speak on that. But I don't know whether she can remove the word. I don't think the word 'nightclub' is in the Special Exception Use Permit.

Mr. Underwood: Well, it can be amended.

Mr. Clemens: Yes. It can.

Mr. Underwood: It can certainly be amended. There's no problem with that.

Mr. Clemens: So that part Mrs. Newman, and Mr. Underwood, and I, we'll look into it. And if you feel you want to make a change before next Monday night, it can be amended and removed from the Special Exception Use Permit.

Mrs. Njunchop: That's fine with us.

Mr. Clemens: Do we have any other questions from the committee for the applicant or her attorney? (No response). Members of Council? Yes, Mr. Baxter.

Mr. Baxter: Mr. Clemens, just one question. And I did see come across in our packet, the discussion that the awning and repairs to the parking lot will be done next year. Is that something you have in writing? Or something that they've guaranteed to you it will be taken care of? Because again, I know it was discussed. Gee, why are you given such a hard time about trying to open a business? The answer is, there is no other time in which Council has an opportunity to insure that we can keep our surrounding areas looking nice. So it's unfortunate for a new business owner taking over that position. You're getting a hassle, I understand that. And I apologize for you. And I don't feel like I'm going to hassle you. That's not my role here. But on the other side of it, it is my role to protect the city. And that's one way we have to do that. So again to the question, do you know if that's something you can get done? Or has it been guaranteed?

Mrs. Newman: We have this letter.

Mr. Baxter: It's in writing that it will be done?

Mr. Hills: In receiving, writing a letter from _____ Ricketts, LLC.

Mr. Baxter: But I thought I read it, that was his intention. It doesn't bind him, does it?

Mr. Hills: It says, 'we will repair, replace, or remove the awning in front of the building per your request'.

Mr. Baxter: Okay. I read that as if it wasn't a binding contract but more as an agreement.

Mr. Hills: I don't know there's a contractual relationship but the landlord has said, we're going to pave the parking lot and we're going to fix the awning. I'm not sure how far we go. I don't have any desire to go put up the awning myself.

Mr. Goldman: It's also in the lease.

Mr. Baxter: It is in the lease. That's what I was trying to get at. It's on your lease and we're covered that these things are going to be taken care of. I would have no problem with the Special Use Permit then.

Mr. Clemens: Thank you, Mr. Baxter. Are there any other questions from members of the committee or members of Council? Mr. Stake.

Mr. Stake: Thank you, Chairman Clemens. I guess, Mrs. Njunchop, what type of liquor permit? What class of liquor permit have you applied for?

Mrs. Njunchop: I got the D5.

Mr. Stake: D5?

Mrs. Njunchop: Yes. Which covers beer, wine, and liquor.

Mr. Stake: I think maybe to clarify a little bit of the nightclub language, I think the Liquor Department refers to that as a restaurant/nightclub. Or it falls under the restaurant and nightclub classification. Yeah, D5 does. And I wasn't prepared to pass this last week because I had some questions in regards to how many liquor permits we could have in Reynoldsburg and how that all worked. And I guess, in some of the research I did, just for, I'll share this information with everybody else. They issue permits based on your population. So for instance, D5, the ratio is 2,000 permits _____ 17. Permits issued currently are 12. There's 5 available and 1 application on file. So that kind of, when I looked into that myself, that cleared things up for me. Thank you, Chairman Clemens.

Mr. Clemens: Thank you, Mr. Stake. Are there any other questions from committee members, members of Council for Mrs. Njunchop or her attorney, Mr. Goldman? (No response). If not, I'd like to make a motion to send this on to Council for adoption and third reading. Do I have a second? Second by Mr. Stearns. All in favor, say aye. (All voted "Aye"). Opposed? (No response). Thank you.

Item number 9, ORDINANCE APPROVING SPECIAL EXCEPTION USE PERMIT - (6525 East Main Street; proposed use of land/structure - tavern); applicant, Nick Vuticeuski. It's

been requested that we hold item 9 for two more weeks. So we're going to do that.

At that, I would like to call the Service Committee meeting over at 8:35.

Service Committee

December 5, 2005

- - -Nancy C. Frazier, Clerk of Council

(Transcribed - Susie Smith)

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

DECEMBER 5, 2005

Members of Finance Committee present: Ron Stake, Mel Clemens, Brett Baxter.

Other members of Council present: Doug Joseph, Antoinette Newman, Preston Stearns, Council President William L. Hills.

Mr. Stake: I'd like to call to order, the Finance Committee at 8:36.

The second item on the agenda is approval of the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held November 21, 2005. Are there any changes to those minutes? (No response). None being heard, they'll stand as submitted.

Item number 3 is approval of the agenda. Are there any changes to the agenda from members of the committee? (No response). I have an item I'd like to add to the agenda as 3a. And that would be the Appropriation for various payroll accounts to pay for remainder of 2005. We don't need a second on that. All in favor, state aye. (All voted "Aye"). Opposed? (No response). Motion passes.

3a is the item to appropriate various payroll accounts to pay the remainder of 2005. In the packet over the weekend, members received information, a legislative request from Dr. Whitney, the City Auditor to appropriate some money to various accounts. One was from the unappropriated General Fund to Police Department 110.111.5105. That would be \$70,000. I'd just like to add that members had on the table this evening, a memo from Mike Turner to Howard Whitney in regards to this legislative request that outlines what these monies are for. And in addition to that at the back, the account balances are also attached. Also, from the General Fund, the Development Department 110.580.5102, \$3,000. Computer Department 110.584.5105, \$500. From the unappropriated Street Fund, Street Department 260.268.5102, \$20,000. Again, Street Department 260.268.5105, \$15,000. And from the unappropriated Perm Tax Fund, MVR Audit, 230.545.5333, \$1500. This is requested as an emergency. I just have it on the agenda this evening for discussion purposes. Are there any questions or comments from members of the committee? (No response). Members of Council? (No response). I know the explanation is just received this evening so I want you to have some time to look at these. If there are not further questions from anybody, then I will make a motion that we hold this for two weeks, the next committee meeting. Is there a second? Second by Mr. Clemens. Any further discussion? (No response). All in favor, state aye. (All voted "Aye"). Opposed? (No response). Motion passes. Thank you.

Item number 4 is, Discussion, Appointment to BZBA. It's Council's appointment. I believe that Mr. Feeny, his term is up. I think Mr. Brandt, I think you sent a message that he's willing to serve.

Mr. Brandt: That's correct, sir.

Mr. Stake: Can he continue to serve? Which is okay with me. Any questions or comments from members of the committee? (No response). Members of Council? Mr. Baxter.

Mr. Baxter: Do we have anybody else who's showing an interest? Or should we post it to let them know that this position is available? And if anybody is interested in that position, they should solicit us? And hold this for two weeks to give an opportunity for the public to see if there's any other fresh ideas out there that might want to join?

Mr. Stake: I don't have a problem with that. Mr. Stearns.

Mr. Stearns: Yes, Chairman Stake. You say Mr. Feeney does not want to serve any longer?

Mr. Stake: He does want to serve.

Mr. Stearns: I see. Thank you. That's all I needed to know.

Mr. Baxter: And I have no problem with having him serve again, Mr. Stake. So I just think it's an opportunity to let the rest of the residents of the City of Reynoldsburg who may have an interest, know that there's a position.

Mr. Stake: Okay.

Mr. Hills: Mr. Stake, if I could add. This came originally from a memo to the Mayor and myself. And it's my understanding that he is willing to serve. And you all have been pleased with his service and attendance. Whom ever, if we're talking about somebody applying, they must be a Democrat in order to keep the balance correct on the committee. Is that correct?

Mr. Brandt: Or an Independent.

Mr. Hills: Or an Independent? But we have just had replaced one brand new member on BZA. Correct? That was the Mayor's appointment as of last week. And I'm not opposed to anybody that has an interest. But we kind of look at our volunteer members and if they are willing to serve another 4 years, sometimes that isn't all bad in that we do have a brand new member on BZA now. And I think that was my input from the Mayor and Mr. Brandt is that Mr. Feeney has done a fine job in his position. I have attended some BZA meetings and Mr. Feeney asks some very pertinent questions that I have seen. But if there's a feeling among Council, let's open it up for a week and see, you can certainly do that. We still have time to do it. But whoever does apply, if that's what the choice of Council is, it must be an Independent or a Democrat.

Mr. Stake: Mrs. Newman.

Mrs. Newman: I'd just like to say that I've heard some good things about Mr. Feeney too, and I really feel like this would be sort of an exercise of utility. I think he's, from what I hear, he's done a very good job and is willing to continue. So we should be gratified.

Mr. Stearns: I'd agree with that too.

Mr. Stake: Okay. Mr. Clemens, do you concur with that?

Mr. Clemens: Yeah. I've heard good things about him. And I would be for holding it open if it was for a Republican. But since we do have a Democrat that's willing to serve, I think that some times that's hard to find. And I think we should keep him. He has done a good job.

Mr. Brandt: My only thought would be if Council would like to go to that format, that after the first of the year when any appointments come up or expire, or someone decides to resign for business reasons or whatever, that we could possibly go to that. But inasmuch as we've got the proverbial bird in the hand right now. And Mr. Fenney's attendance is excellent. He's always well prepared. I think it may be counter productive to take an existing person and kind of slap them in the face and say, well, we're going to go look for somebody else. Even if we don't find anybody else. Because we've had a lot of people volunteer. But when it came down to it, attendance on occasion, has been a problem. But if in the future, that's the way we want to go, I certainly see no problem with that. We could post a letter the first of the year and have people send in updating current information, maintain a file, and if and when that opportunity came about, we could proceed that way.

Mr. Stake: Thank you, Mr. Brandt. Your point's well taken as well as President Hills, Mrs. Newman.

Mr. Baxter: I'm okay with that, Mr. Stake.

Mr. Stake: Okay. I agree. I think we have somebody who's qualified. He's willing to serve. Let's, if he's willing to do that, my inclination then would be to go ahead and make a motion that we re-appoint him for four more years. You second that, Mr. Baxter?

Mr. Baxter: Yes.

Mr. Stake: Okay. Any further discussion? (No response). All in favor, state aye. (All voted "Aye"). Opposed? (No response). Motion passes. Thank you. President Hills.

Mr. Hills: If I could add one thing. I know we have, and I've given to Council, and I know the Mayor has, and I would encourage any one who has an interest to serve as a volunteer on these committees, send a letter to the Mayor and send a letter to myself or Clerk of Council so that we have a pool of people who may have an interest. That doesn't mean you wouldn't need to do it again. But it helps to have that pool in hand. I know Bob, you have a few up there that have indicated, citizens that they would like to serve as a volunteer on these boards. And we have a few down stairs. So it's nice to have that available. I know the recent appointment on BZA was someone who needed to resign the position. And the Mayor was able to appoint from whatever group you had available that you had indicated an interest. Correct, Mayor? On your most recent one?

Mayor McPherson: (Inaudible).

Mr. Hills: So if someone does have an interest, it doesn't keep you from documenting that interest now to both the Mayor and the Clerk of Council so that we have a pool of people that we know have an interest.

Mr. Stake: Thank you, President Hills. The next item on the agenda is ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF REYNOLDSBURG, OHIO:

Amending Subsection (a) of Section 953.01 "Water Rate Schedule" OF CHAPTER 953 Water Charges. It had its first reading 11-28-05. This is something that we need to do due to the fact that the City of Columbus is raising their rates that they're charging us. Are there any questions or comments from members of the committee? (No response). Members of Council? (No response). Okay. Then none being heard, I will make a motion that we send this on to Council for its second reading. Do I have a second? Mr. Baxter with the second. Any further discussion? (No response). All in favor, state aye. (All voted "Aye"). Opposed? (No response). Motion passes.

And the second part of this is ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF REYNOLDSBURG, OHIO: Amending Subsection (c) of Section 945.02 "Rate Schedule" OF CHAPTER 945 SEWER CHARGES. This also had its first reading on 11-28-05. And again, this is something that we need to do in order to keep up with the increase that's being passed on to us by the City of Columbus. Are there any questions or comments from members of the Finance Committee? (No response). Members of Council? (No response). Then I will make a motion that we send this on to Council for its second reading. Do I have a second? Second by Mr. Clemens. Any further discussion? (No response). All in favor, state aye. (All voted "Aye"). Opposed? (No response). Motion passes. Thank you.

Item number 7 is ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF REYNOLDSBURG, OHIO: SECTION 143.01 "COMPENSATION" OF CHAPTER 143 DEPARTMENT OF CITY AUDITOR. This also had its first reading on 11-28-05. This is something that has to be changed because we do not allow in our current ordinance for the Auditor to be paid beyond this year. And I'm sure Mr. Harris would like to be paid in 2006 and subsequent years. Are there any questions or comments from members of the committee? Mr. Clemens.

Mr. Clemens: Yes. Now, we have discussed this in the same light that we do the City Attorney and the Mayor as far as an increase each year the same way that they get their increase?

Mr. Stake: That would be my intention. My intention I guess, would be to increase this amount by the same amount that we would be increasing the Mayor or City Attorney for 2006. Same percentage amount. And then put language in there for increases in subsequent years. I believe in the Mayor and City Attorney, it allows for an increase based on the CPI. I'd like to broaden this a little bit. Not only this here but, and I don't know if we do this under this subject or a new subject Mrs. Frazier but, I think that in the City Attorney and the Mayor's ordinance, we tie into the CPI. I would also like to include a percentage amount and it having being the lesser of either one for the City Auditor, Mayor, and City Attorney for subsequent years. And the Mayor and City Attorney may have something to say on that. I don't know. I was thinking, the CPI this year is 5.2%. I was thinking adding 4% and it being the lesser amount. Mayor, I don't know if you have a problem with that. Or Bill, if you have a problem with that.

Mr. Underwood: Well I don't obviously, because I'm retiring. But by law, you're prohibited from changing up or down. Once you set the salary, in the Ohio Revised Code, you can't go down or up. Once it's set, it's set. And so you have to do that prior to the term starting. Once it

starts, it's set.

Mr. Stake: Okay. So when would we be able to change the City Attorney and Mayor?

Mr. Underwood: Prior to the next term.

Mr. Stake: So we could change it and then in the next term it would be applicable, but not in this term?

Mr. Underwood: Right.

Mr. Stake: Or we can just hold off on those until...

Mr. Underwood: Until the next term.

Mr. Stake: Until the next term.

Mr. Underwood: Right.

Mr. Stake: Okay. Also, I thought that given the fact that there are no increases built in, I would like to, I guess my goal here is to treat all elected officials equally. City Council members, President of Council, City Attorney, Mayor, and City Auditor. And to put some language in the ordinances for the President of Council and City Council also, the same way that the amounts would be increased by the CPI or 4% for those positions. Those are my thoughts. Are there any comments or questions from members of the committee? (No response). Members of Council? President Hills.

Mr. Hills: I would note, I think the President of Council is in the same position as the Mayor and the City Attorney as far as it has to be two years. But Council, I'm sure, and Bill may correct me here, Council is set at a rate which has not changed. And I know that you could change the Council rate and do the CPI and the 4%, and what would happen is, your At Large Council people for two years would get an increase that the Ward people would not. And everybody says, wait a minute. We can't do that. Well, we did last time we did it. And the Ward people got it for two years before the At Large did because they are staggered. But Bill, I think since it is an ordinance that covers all of Council, that could be worded appropriately to start the CPI and the 4%. Correct?

Mr. Underwood: Certainly. Depending on your years you've got to do it. But you can do it.

Mr. Hills: Because the term commences, right? Is when the fact would be.

Mr. Underwood: When the term commences. You have to be careful how you word it for those serving now.

Mr. Hills: So Mr. Stake, I think the Auditor and all Council members can be addressed. And I

believe the President, City Attorney, and Mayor would have to be addressed two years from now. Am I gathering that correct, Mr. Underwood?

Mr. Underwood: Excuse me. I didn't hear you.

Mr. Hills: You can address the Auditor and all Council members through ordinances at this time. The City Attorney, President of Council, and Mayor would have to be addressed as commencing in '07.

Mr. Underwood: You could do the Auditor, Council members, but only the At Large coming in would have increases to start. And the others would go two years from now.

Mr. Hills: But that could be written into it.

Mr. Underwood: That could be written into it but they wouldn't start.

Mr. Hills: The turn of commencing.

Mr. Underwood: Right.

Mr. Clemens: All of them could be written that way. The Mayor, City Attorney, President of Council. Because it would be the same situation as the members of, the Ward Councilmen which will be 2 years from now. The Mayor will be 2 years from now. And the City Attorney will be 2 years from now. And the President of Council 2 years from now. So it could be written in one ordinance. But the At Large would get the increase, and the Auditor will get the increase this year. The other members will get the increase the following election is what it would be.

Mr. Brandt: I guess we'll hold up for a little while on the passage.

Mr. Hills: That one, I think we need to get clarified. Because I think the Mayor and the City Attorney has said, you can if it's a reduction in his pay.

Mr. Clemens: Well there would be a reduction.

Mr. Hills: If we put it at 4%.

Mr. Clemens: Yeah. But I mean, it's not a reduction in their pay. Their pay would go up 4%.

Mr. Hills: Ideally, if we could put them all in one ordinance is the best way to do it. And that equalizes them.

Mr. Clemens: In other words, we couldn't reduce their pay. But we could increase it 4%.

Mr. Stake: So Mrs. Frazier, what you're saying is, we need to do separate ordinances.

Mrs. Frazier: You have to do separate because they're separate sections in the code.

Mr. Clemens: But they could be worded the same way.

Mrs. Frazier: But he says, right, you could still put the language in there. It just wouldn't start until the next time. You just don't affect anything you're doing now.

Mr. Hills: You just write it for what it would be in '07 on the others.

Mrs. Frazier: Yes.

Mr. Hills: Do them all at once so it's over and done with.

Mr. Stake: Okay. Boy, I hope I didn't bite off more than I can chew here.

Mrs. Frazier: Me too.

Mr. Stake: I just thought to get it all done at once. Well, any ways, in regards to the Auditor's, we would be putting into the Auditor's ordinance here that commencing 2006. And I guess the way we would do this for 2006 is, we add the 5.2% for 2006. And then after that it would be 5.2 or 4%, whichever's less.

Mr. Hills: CPI.

Mr. Stake: Right. The CPI or 4%. Whichever's less. Would that be alright with the committee, members of Council? Well then, I will make a motion that we send this on to Council for its second reading with that in mind. Is there a second? Second by Mr. Clemens. Any further discussion?

Mrs. Frazier: The CPI or what?

Mr. Stake: Or 4%, whichever is less.

Mrs. Frazier: Okay. And you're just sending them on as it is right now and then work on the wording for the next time? Or do you want new wording in the ones you're going to send next week?

Mr. Stake: New wording in the ones we're going to send next week.

Mrs. Frazier: Alright.

Mr. Stake: Is that okay?

Mrs. Frazier: Yes.

Mr. Stake: Is that okay with everybody? All in favor, state aye. (All voted "Aye"). Opposed? (No response). Motion passes.

The next item on the agenda is ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF REYNOLDSBURG, OHIO: SECTION 160.03 "SALARY SCHEDULE" Subsections (a) and (b) of CHAPTER 160 EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION. This had its first reading on 11-28-05. This is something that's in our Chapter 160 that we at least look at this. And this has to do with the salary ranges. Depending on how much we increase this, if we do increase the ranges, it may affect some employees. And then again, it may not. Depending on how much we increase this. I've been thinking about this. And 5.2% right now seemed kind of high to me. I'd like the folks to think about what amount they'd like to have. I have some additional information I'd like to share with everybody this week on this. To take a look at some of the numbers. So I'll get that to the Clerk and copies for everybody and take a look at that. But this is something we can do nothing, or we can do up to the CPI which is 5.2%. And with that, are there any questions or comments from members of the committee? (No response). Members of Council? Yes, Mr. Clemens.

Mr. Clemens: Yeah. I think you phrased it right. We don't want everybody to understand that we're not talking about increases for employees. We're just talking about an adjustment to the wage schedule. I mean, we're not taking anything away or giving anything right now.

Mr. Stake: Right now. That's correct. Thank you, Mr. Clemens. Mr. Baxter.

Mr. Baxter: So the only one who'd be, it would be new hires or people taking on new positions, correct?

Mr. Stake: Excuse me.

Mr. Baxter: The only one who would receive those changes if we implement those would be new hires or those taking on new positions?

Mr. Stake: Well, the ranges would go up. So if a new hire came in, the minimum amount would be more than what it is now if we increase that. Yes.

Mr. Baxter: That's what I thought. Okay.

Mr. Stake: I'm leaning right now towards about 2%. But everybody can have this information and digest it themselves and take a look at that. But any other questions or comments from the members of committee or Council? (No response). Then I will make a motion, now this did have its first reading on 11-28. And I will make a motion that we send this on to Council for its second reading. Do I have a second? Second by Mr. Clemens. All in favor, state aye. (All voted "Aye"). Opposed? (No response). Motion passes.

Item number 9 is ORDINANCE MAKING FINAL APPROPRIATION FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF REYNOLDSBURG, STATE

OF OHIO, DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2006 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. This ordinance has emergency language included but was read for the second time. We forwarded on some additional questions to the Mayor today. And I know the Mayor's working on those. So my intention would be to hold this for two weeks. But are there any questions or comments from members of the committee? (No response). Members of Council? (No response). Anybody else? (No response). Okay. Then Mayor, I know you said you'd have those back before the next committee meeting. Then I will make a motion that we hold this for two weeks. Do I have a second? Second by Mr. Clemens. Any further discussion? (No response). All in favor, state aye. (All voted "Aye"). Opposed? (No response). Motion passes.

Item number 10 is RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE REVISED CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM FOR THE CITY OF REYNOLDSBURG, OHIO FOR THE YEARS 2006 THROUGH 2010. This item had a second reading on 11-28. This is kind of a blueprint for the next 5 years. But there's nothing carved in stone, as I've heard the Mayor say several times. But this is kind of the plan that guides us for the next 5 years. Are there any questions or comments from members of the committee? (No response). Members of Council? (No response). Hearing none, then I will make a motion that we send this on for its third reading with a recommendation for adoption. Is there a second? Second by Mr. Baxter. Any further discussion? (No response). All in favor, state aye. (All voted "Aye"). Opposed? (No response). Motion passes.

And item number 11, ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT FOR CITY INSURANCE. This had its second reading on 11-28-05. We received, along the way, we received what the actual amount would be for the insurance. It seems to be very, very reasonable to me. And I'm very happy to see that rate fairly stable. Are there any questions or comments from members of the committee? (No response). Members of Council? (No response). Then I will make a motion that we send this on to Council for its third reading with recommendation for adoption. Do I have a second? Second by Mr. Clemens. Any further discussion? Mrs. Frazier.

Mrs. Frazier: Does that amount need changed? I was thinking the Mayor had said the 212, do you want that changed because of the document that you gave?

Mr. Stake: Yeah. But when I spoke to him about it he said there may be some additions during the year that might have to be added to it that might push the rate up a little bit.

Mrs. Frazier: Do you just want to leave it there?

Mr. Stake: That amount. The 212.

Mayor McPherson: That would allow for additional inventory to be bought and put on to the policy. Trucks that we've got in the budget that we'll have to insure. So that should provide an adequate cushion if you will, for other items that we get during the year.

Mrs. Frazier: Okay.

Mr. Stake: Alright then. Did I have a second on that? I had a second from Mr. Clemens, didn't I? All in favor, state aye. (All voted "Aye"). Opposed? (No response). Motion passes.

I will adjourn the Finance Committee at 9:03.

Finance Committee

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- - -Nancy C. Frazier, Clerk of Council

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