

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

March 19, 2007

Members of Community Development Committee present: Preston Stearns, Donna Shirey, Antoinette Newman, Doug Joseph.

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

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

Mr. Stearns: The next item on the agenda is approval of the agenda. Are there any deletions or anything anybody wants to add to the agenda? (No response). If not, then we will accept the agenda as has been presented.

Number 3 is the approval of the minutes of the March 5, 2007 Community Development Committee. Any changes or additions? (No response). If not, then we will accept that as it has been presented.

Item number 4 is a Discussion, Resolution declaring April as Fair Housing Month. This came from the Safety/Service Director. Mr. DeBolt, would you like to present this please?

Mr. DeBolt: Yes, Mr. Chairman. The purpose of the resolution is again, to declare April Fair Housing Month. This is a benefit to the city because it allows us to get I guess what they call bonus points, from Franklin County when we have Community Development Block Grants. And other than basically promoting the Fair Housing Month proposal, it's something benefitting the city. So it's something that we'd like to see passed.

Mr. Stearns: Okay. Thank you. It sounds very nice to me. Is there anyone from committee that would like to make a comment? Questions on it? (No response). Anyone from Council? (No response). If not then, I will offer a motion then that we will move this on to Council for next week, and hopefully the resolution will be ready for us. Is there a second? Second by Councilwoman Shirey. All in favor, say aye. (All voted Aye). Opposed? (No response). Okay. It's been approved, then we'll be moving it on to Council for next week's presentation.

Item number 5 is the YMCA Facility in Reynoldsburg. First held on February 20, 2007, and then again on March 5, 2007. At the last committee meeting on the 5th of March, we had some information that was due back from the YMCA. It was a letter of commitment to present, that we were to sign and send back to them. And I talked with Mr. Hood today, and he told me that that was in the Mayor's office. So I'm going to ask that Mr. Hood come forward at this time and tell us a little bit about that please.

Mr. Hood: Thank you, Chairman Stearns. That's correct. Shortly before your last committee meeting, I did receive the letter of correspondence from the YMCA. I was unable to review it at

that time, but I've had the chance in the last week, to review the document. I do approve as to its form. I do believe the Mayor is willing to sign this. I spoke to him via his office today. He's under the weather. That's why he's not with us tonight. But he is willing to sign this document. I don't believe that any Councilmatic action is necessary at this point, although I do foresee some in the future. But this letter of engagement does not bind the city in any financial or other manner.

Mr. Stearns: Okay. Are there any questions from Council for Mr. Hood? Council? (No response). I guess then, the next progress for the Community Development, or for some action to be done on the YMCA, is to get the other information that we've already discussed. Such as, location and financing. So I guess really what we need to do now is decide, do we hold this again for another two weeks? Or do we go ahead on and get the other pertinent information before that we can present it to Council? So I guess since you're here, I will ask you those questions.

Mr. Hood: Well, I think that once the Mayor signs this and return it to the YMCA, as we learned in our instructional, or our informative meeting, that they will be involved forming this focus group or committee, who's going to explore the possibilities of bringing this to our city? So I do envision that they would kind of take the leadership role at the forefront, at least to get us organized in that regard. So what I would suggest Chairman Stearns is, once the Mayor signs this document and sends it back to the YMCA and they receive it, that we contact them either through the Mayor's office, or through you sir, and get another meeting together to start choosing people. I understand you've expressed people in the community that you'd like to see on this committee and then go from there.

Mr. Stearns: Okay. That's about what I had in mind to do.

Mr. Hood: I think once this is signed, the YMCA will feel like both parties are engaged, and then we'll go from there.

Mr. Stearns: Okay. Alright. Thank you very much.

Mr. Hood: Yes, sir.

Mr. Stearns: Any other questions? Councilman Stake.

Mr. Stake: Thank you, Chairman Stearns. I guess, I just want to make sure I've got this straight. All they're looking for is a commitment. I guess not even a commitment from the city, but the city to sign a letter of intent to go forward to check out the feasibility of this and maybe find some locations.

Mr. Hood: That's correct. I call this an engagement letter. It's not a contract. I don't know what else to call it honestly. There's no financial commitment of the city for city resources at

this time. What it says is, both of these parties would like to come together to explore the opportunity of bringing a YMCA to the city. That=s all it says.

Mr. Stake: Okay. Thank you.

Mr. Hood: And we use our good faith effort to do that, and they will as well.

Mr. Stake: Okay. Thank you Mr. Hood. And Chairman Stearns, I would just like to say, under those circumstances, I have no problem with going forward to see, to explore this opportunity.

Mr. Stearns: Thank you. Councilman Baxter.

Mr. Baxter: Councilman Stearns, thank you. And I think it=s also, I believe, it=s the Administration that=s going to be running this. Correct? You=re going to be taking the lead on this and putting together the committee to discuss these types of issues, identify what the pitfalls are?

Mr. Hood: I don=t want to speak out of turn. I think the Mayor would be better to address that question. But I do believe that he planned on working with Chairman Stearns in doing that. So I do believe it=ll be a concerted effort between both of them. But I=m not sure.

Mr. Baxter: Okay. I just wanted to make sure then. It=s on both sides and we=re going to be working together to try to make this happen.

Mr. Hood: I hope so.

Mr. Baxter: And I think you=re absolutely right. The next step after showing that we have interest, this letter of interest, to move forward and begin some type of committee to look at the feasibility of even having this happen. We=re not saying it=s going to. We=re not saying that we=re approving it. We=re saying we=d like to look at what the possibilities are. If that=s what you=re saying, I=m good with this as well.

Mr. Hood: Absolutely. That=s what the engagement letter says.

Mr. Baxter: Very good. Thank you.

Mr. Stearns: We certainly hope that that is the way it will be. That the Administration and the Council would be working hand in hand on this issue and trying to get it solved. And so that we could get it explained and processed so that it could go before the general public at a later date. I=m looking forward to that myself because I think that it=s a great venture for the city.

Mrs. Frazier: Mr. Hood, when would Council action be warranted?

Mr. Hood: I don't see any imminent Council action that would need to happen in the near future. I would think....

Mrs. Frazier: I was just thinking that in the past, the Mayor got into a situation a couple of times where he thought he had authority to go ahead and get stuff together, and he brings in a big proposal, and Council says, well, hold the fort. So even with an intention, I thought out of that meeting, they wanted to see that Council was behind the Administration in doing that. So would it not, I mean, would it hurt anything if they did?

Mr. Hood: Like a resolution in support or anything like that?

Mrs. Frazier: ...so that the Mayor=s just not out there on his own, doing whatever.

Mr. Hood: Yeah. A resolution in support I believe, in this situation, it would be non-binding. But it would be definitely something to show the YMCA that there is a majority of Council that is behind the Mayor when he signs this letter of intent. But as far as the committee, that=s why I don't want to speak out of turn, the Mayor should be addressing whether or not he would like to work with Council in appointing this committee. It would be a, I know not an Ad Hoc Committee, but a committee appointed by the Chairman of the Community Development Committee. So any needed, I guess I would say, Councilmatic action, is not necessarily in the imminent future. But a resolution of support I think, would achieve that purpose that you stated Mrs. Frazier.

Mrs. Frazier: Thanks.

Mr. Stearns: Does anyone else have any questions? Mrs. Shirey.

Mrs. Shirey: Thank you Chairman Stearns. Mr. Hood, a couple of questions I have. Number one, what time frame are we looking to as far as getting everything together as far as like the committee, and looking at this as even feasible, and then possibly going forward?

Mr. Hood: Well, there=s not a time frame that=s designated in the actual agreement. And like I said, I would defer to the YMCA. This is their business. They would know better than I would. There are dates that we discussed in the information gathering meeting.

Mr. Stake: Chairman Stearns and Mr. Hood, if I could just interrupt. I think we=re not, you know, we=re talking about 2008 before...

Mr. Hood: Yeah. I think that any ballot issue....

Mr. Stake: Any conclusions would even be made at that point.

Mr. Hood: Yes. Any ballot issue would be at the earliest, they stressed earliest, would be 2008.

Mrs. Shirey: Okay. Well the only reason why I was asking is, I would like to see a YMCA come here. But in my opinion, I feel that we have other things that are priority as far as more Police Officers and others. So I just wanted to find out what time frame we were looking at.

Mr. Hood: I understand those concerns. They ought to be debated. But I think that with this preliminary engagement letter that doesn't bind the city financially, I think that it's something that we ought to explore. Whether or not we choose to go forward with it later or not.

Mr. Stearns: Councilwoman Newman.

Mrs. Newman: I just feel that it's too early really, for anybody to be making a decision on this. After all this committee that's going to be formed, it's going to explore the feasibility. And then a recommendation will be made. So I think that's the way we should all try to keep open minds and just look at the information.

Mr. Hood: That's what I foresee in this process as well.

Mr. Stearns: I agree. President Hills.

Mr. Hills: If I could add, and Mrs. Newman, I think you're right. Part of this committee is not our normal committee members you may see on community projects. This is hopefully to pull in some committee members from possibly institutions, businesses, not just located in Reynoldsburg, but maybe have branches here in Reynoldsburg. So the desire of this committee is not just to have the same I believe, 8 or 10 people that often volunteer for committees. This is a search to come up with a committee who may be able to assist us and I think the gentleman from the Y explained that. You need to have partnerships with a number of private entities in order to make this go successfully. So I think before we can even move forward on that, I think we have to have some agreement that we're going to work with the Y. And it's my indication that with discussions with the Y, they will assist to try to bring in some of the people that may have an interest or could be beneficial in this area.

Mrs. Newman: And we do need people on the committee who can make this kind of thing happen.

Mr. Hills: Absolutely.

Mr. Stearns: One thing that we're not really going to do, we're not going to rush into this thing. We've got until all of next year. This year, next year. It's not something that we have to do right now. And you don't want to rush in any way, shape or form. I was supposed to meet with the Mayor this week but, last week, but he was under the weather and so was I. And I certainly hope that when he returns, that we can get together and we can get something going on this. He's already spoken to the fact that Mr. Walsh would be heavily involved, which would be rightfully so, that he should be. And I will work with him, and work together, and hopefully we

can get everybody involved to come up with a good solution to try to make this YMCA venture come to a feasibility in the near future. But like I say, it is no rush and we're just going to look at all the pros and cons against it as we go along. Does anyone else have any comments, questions? (No response). If not, thank you Mr. Hood. And what we'll do then, we'll hold this for another two weeks and then we'll, after we have a discussion with the Mayor, if a resolution is necessary to commit ourselves, then I think we can do that within a week's time. So thank you very much.

With that, we will close the Community Development meeting at 7:45.

Community Development Committee
March 19, 2007
- - -Nancy C. Frazier, Clerk of Council
(Transcribed - Susie Lyday)

SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

March 19, 2007

Members of Safety Committee present: Ron Stake, Antoinette Newman, Donna Shirey, Brett Baxter.

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

Mr. Stake: And I will call the Safety Committee to order at 7:46.

Item number 2 on the agenda is the approval of the agenda. Are there any changes to the agenda this evening? (No response). None being heard, the agenda will stand.

Item number 3 is approval of the minutes of the March 5, 2007 Safety Committee meeting. Are there any changes to those minutes? (No response). None being heard, the minutes will stand as submitted.

Before we get to item number 4, I would just like to say that I do have two speaker slip requests. One is on the sex offender issue; that's been dealt with, and obviously, Community Comments time during the Council meetings, you're welcome to address that issue. But it's not on the agenda this evening, so I'm not going to add it. The other speaker slip I have is on traffic on Priestley. That has been put in Other Legislation and that also can be added at the Community Comments time next week during the regular Council meeting. Those two issues can be addressed at Community Comments. And I also denied, so people know that I'm trying to be fair here, I also denied a request by Safety Director Mr. DeBolt to talk about Priestley Drive this evening, because that item is in Other Legislation. So he can address that during Reports I guess, next week if he'd like to.

Item number 4 is Discussion, Liquor Permit Request - STCK - Logans Roadhouse Inc., 2364 Taylor Park Dr., Reynoldsburg, Ohio 43068. Chief.

Chief Suci: Chairman Stake, we did do an investigation into this Liquor Permit application and it's a standard stock transfer. We have no objection to this transfer.

Mr. Stake: Okay, Chief. Thank you very much. Any questions from members of the Safety Committee? (No response). Members of Council? (No response). None being heard, then we'll return this back to the Clerk with no action. Thank you, Chief.

Item number 5 is Discussion, FOP Contract.

Chief Suci: I figured I'd just stay here.

Mr. Stake: Chief, you can stay up for the next one, too. Go ahead.

Chief Suci: Well again, this has been discussed in Executive Session and if there are any questions, I'll stand for any questions, but I believe this is a very amicable contract that we've come to and would recommend that it be approved by Council when it moves to Council session.

Mr. Stake: Thank you, Chief. I would just like to add that I reviewed the contract. I think it's a fair contract for the rank and file and the management, the City of Reynoldsburg. I have no problems with it. Does anybody else on the Safety Committee like to address the contract at all? (No response). Members of Council? President of Council.

Mr. Hills: The only thing I ask, I assume we will be getting a corrected copy of some of the typographical errors that were going to be done. At least we were, that was indicated last week. So we haven't seen that.

Mr. DeBolt: Okay. Well, if you didn't get it yet, we'll make sure you do. I'll make sure.

Mr. Hills: Thank you, Mr. DeBolt.

Mr. Stake: Thank you, President Hills. Let me ask a question of the Clerk or maybe the President, does this go for three readings? Or do we, how do we work this?

Mr. Hills: I believe, I'd check with the Clerk, but I think this is a motion. Is that not correct?

Mrs. Frazier: No. It's an ordinance.

Mr. Hills: But it does, it needs to be done within 30 days, correct?

Mrs. Frazier: Yes. You need to act within 30 days of Council receiving it..

Mr. Hills: From the time it's formally been presented and....

Mrs. Frazier: ..and that was March 2nd.

Mr. Hills: March 2nd. So we would need to send it forward for passage next week as an emergency because there is a 30 day time frame.

Mr. Stake: Okay. As I said before, we've had opportunities, members of Council have had opportunities to discuss it with the Administration. I do know that we are waiting for a corrected version. Some typos and those kinds of things. But the meat of the contract is acceptable I think, from what I've heard from some of the other Council members to us. So I'll make a motion that we send this forward with recommendation for adoption as an emergency. We need to get this done right away. Second by Councilwoman Newman. Any further discussion? (No response). All in favor, please state aye. (All voted Aye). Opposed? (No response). Motion passes. Thank you.

And Chief, next we have item number 6, Authorization of Intergovernmental Agreement (Franklin County Board of Commissioners) sub grant - Franklin County 9-1-1 Wireless Fund. If you=d explain that to us briefly, I=d appreciate it.

Chief Suci: I=ll certainly try. This is an upgrade to our existing 9-1-1 system. It=s what they call a level 2 upgrade, which will allow us to actually geomap 9-1-1 calls when they come in. And the primary advantage to this would be the fact that when we receive a transfer cell phone 9-1-1 call, we will actually be able to plot them on map to figure out where they are. The really nice thing about this Intergovernmental Agreement through Franklin County 9-1-1, we front the money, they pay us back. This is part of that 9-1-1 surcharge that you pay that goes into that kitty from Franklin County. And this will reimburse us for the money spent for this upgrade to our 9-1-1 system. It makes an outstanding way to move. All the 9-1-1 _____ centers are all heading that way. We=re one of the ones on the front end of this which is quite honestly where I think we should be with something like that. And I think it=s something that will greatly benefit the citizens of Reynoldsburg when they make a 9-1-1 phone call to our communications center.

Mrs. Newman: Well, that=s just what I wanted to ask. Where is it, how does this whole thing work? They call 9-1-1 and....

Chief Suci: It comes right into our, it=ll actually be a mapping system that we=ll have right in our com center. When the 9-1-1 call is either transferred or we receive it directly into our 9-1-1 center, it=ll actually populate right onto the map so we can actually, like I say, especially with a cell phone call which are continually going up, and up, and up. With regard to the number of cell phone calls we receive, we can actually figure out where they are and not have to ask 20 questions as to, where are you? Which we cannot do right now.

Mrs. Newman: So are you saying that a cell phone call, 9-1-1 calls come directly into the communications center?

Chief Suci: It will go to Franklin County, but then they will be transferred to us with the proper information provided that the cell phone has the technology and the cell phone provider has the technology. And then we=ll get those x, y coordinates, longitude and latitude, and we can actually, they will actually plot out on the map where they are. We don=t have that capability right now.

Mrs. Newman: Well, I think we need that.

Mr. Stake: And Chief, that has been a major problem in the past is, a lot of cell phone calls, 9-1-1 calls, you don=t know where they are. And obviously, if it=s a life threatening situation, it=s kind of tough to get directions from somebody.

Chief Suci: It=s all timeliness and whether or not they actually know where they=re at or not.

And of course, in a stressful situation, that gets somewhat difficult.

Mr. Stake: And we are getting a grant for this?

Chief Suci: What it is is, it's through a sub-grant through the 9-1-1 center. We pay for it and then they reimburse us.

Mr. Stake: Reimburse us.

Chief Suci: That's correct.

Mr. Stake: Okay. Any questions from members of the Safety Committee? Councilman Baxter.

Mr. Baxter: Thank you. Question I have, I notice that there's a \$4133 estimated second year maintenance on this. They're paying for the second year as well?

Chief Suci: Actually, I spoke with Ken Borrer, the 9-1-1 director, Franklin County Director, on Friday, and the thought is that, as long as the money is there, they will actually pick up the tab for our maintenance item.

Mr. Baxter: That's great.

Mr. Stake: Well, and that was going to be my question. I mean, if there's money being collected, why wouldn't it be included in that maintenance being paid for?

Chief Suci: He can't make any promises that he can't fulfill right at this point in time. But the way it's set up, that as long as the money continues to come in from the 9-1-1 surcharge, they're going to pay for the maintenance of that system.

Mr. Stake: Okay. Great. Any other questions from members of Safety Committee or members of Council? (No response). And I guess, and are we doing two ordinances here? One, the authorization to enter into the agreement? And the other to appropriate the money? Mrs. Frazier, is this all one?

Mrs. Frazier: It's one.

Mr. Stake: Okay. If there are no more questions then, I will make the motion that we authorize the Mayor to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Franklin County Board of Commissioners for receipt of sub-grant award, Franklin County 9-1-1 Wireless Fund, and we appropriate \$36,904 from the unappropriated General Fund monies to account number 110.111.5639 which will be reimbursed to the City of Reynoldsburg General Fund by the Franklin County 9-1-1 Wireless Fund upon completion of this project. Do we need emergency or anything on this?

Chief Suci: It=s not necessary. We would like to move forward with this. I did ask for a rule suspension at the second reading if possible so that we could continue this moving forward. We are up against somewhat of a time line with regard to the quote. But I did check with Emergitech and they will hold that quote. So it=s not necessary, but it=s something, I guess I=d like to move forward as quickly as possible.

Mr. Stake: Okay. But at this time, we can send it forward for its first reading then?

Chief Suci: Yes, sir.

Mr. Stake: Then I make that motion to send it forward for its first reading. Do I have a second? Second by Councilwoman Shirey. Any further discussion? (No response). All in favor, please state aye. (All voted AAye@). Opposed? (No response). Motion passes. Thank you, Chief.

Mrs. Frazier: Mr. Stake, you need to send that to Finance.

Mr. Stake: Okay. I knew my agenda was going to grow. I need to make a motion to refer this to Finance for funding. Do I have a second? Second by Councilwoman Shirey. Any further discussion? (No response). All in favor, please state aye. (All voted AAye@). Opposed? (No response). Motion passes.

And I will adjourn the Safety Committee meeting at 7:56.

Ms. Thompson: Mr. Stake, I have one question. I=m Jodi Thompson. I was here to speak on Priestley Drive. I=m a little confused. Mr. Hills, at our last Council meeting last week said that we should come tonight to talk to the committee if we had any more issues. Are you stating that Priestley will be back on the agenda next week during Council?

Mr. Stake: No. What I stated was, that Priestley Drive is in Other Legislation. We had no motions from anybody to put it on the agenda tonight. It=s still in Other Legislation. So it=s not on our regular agenda. If you=d like to speak on it, you should come to Community Comments to speak on it. President Hills can explain what he said.

Mr. Hills: I believe, and I=d like to check the minutes, but I believe that you made your statements. And I said, if it=s added to Safety. It takes a member to put it on to Safety and there=s nothing on Safety tonight on Priestley. So it is not on the agenda. And that is why as Chair of Safety, certainly Mr. Stake can say, we=re not going to talk about that tonight. You can bring it back to Community Comments and that=s the time you can speak to things that are not on the agenda. If members of Safety decide to put it on, they can get it on the Safety agenda, but it=s not on there tonight.

Ms. Thompson: Okay. And to get it on the agenda I speak to the Chairperson on that committee?

Mr. Hills: That=s a good place to start.

Ms. Thompson: Thank you.

Mr. Stake: And I just would like to add, that I also had a request from Safety Director DeBolt to address this issue and I declined him as well.

But, meeting=s adjourned.

Safety Committee

March 19, 2007

- - -Nancy C. Frazier, Clerk of Council

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SERVICE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

March 19, 2007

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

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

Mr. Clemens: I'd like to call the Service Committee meeting to order at 7:59.

The first item on the agenda is approval of the agenda. Do we have any additions or deletions? (No response). If not, it'll stand approved.

The next item on the agenda is the approval of the minutes of the Service Committee meeting held March 5, 2007. Do I have any additions or deletions? (No response). If not, they'll stand approved.

Item number 4, Discussion, Acceptance of annexation of 0.65+/- acres; David and Sharon Black, owners; approved by Franklin County Commissioners on January 2, 2007; rec'd. By Clerk of Council on 1-12-07; can go to committee to begin the acceptance process on March 19, 2007. I've had discussion with our City Attorney on this piece of legislation and from our discussion, I would like to hold this for two weeks for further study. Do I have a second on that please? Second by Mr. Stearns. All in favor, say aye. (All voted Aye). Opposed? (No response). Thank you.

Next item, Discussion, Authorization to bid Taylor Road Sanitary Sewer Phase 2. Mr. Kipp.

Mr. Kipp: Yeah. I'd like to request authorization to bid the Taylor Road Sanitary Sewer Phase 2. It's also known as, we talked about it before when I was here, it was the Kroger sewer. This is a sewer that goes from CVS, underneath the road, across to the north end of Kroger's. We attempted to do this project before. We took informal bids. Those bids came in way too high. We looked at going underneath Main Street with part of Taylor Road. That bid also came in too high. So this is a combination of those two projects going from CVS, underneath Main Street, to the north end of Kroger's.

Mr. Clemens: And this will be paid for by the Taylor Road TIF proceeds. The remainder if any, would be by the Sewer Capacity Fund.

Mr. Kipp: Right. And it'll probably be paid out of the Sewer Capacity Fund initially until we start getting the money in from the TIF project.

Mr. Clemens: Mr. Harris.

Mr. Harris: Yeah. I have checked with Licking County on that. There are currently 12 condos that have been built on that Taylor Road property. Three of which have been sold. Now what we can do, I talked with Mr. Franzmann on this, we can go ahead and do the bonding for it with the TIF payments, and fund it from the Sewer Capacity Fund. And then as the payments are available, they can start coming back in to repay the Sewer Capacity Fund. But at this point, there=s only 12 out there. There are no more Building Permits that have been taken out. So there is a possibility, I don=t know how many of those things are going to be built, and nobody else does either. So there is a possibility that the majority of this may be paid for out of the Sewer Fund or the Sewer Capacity Fund if those condos don=t get built.

Mr. Clemens: Okay. And it=s my understanding, this will, by installing this sewer, will open up commercial property that will, we hope that will help pay for it?

Mr. Harris: Um hum.

Mr. Kipp: Yes. From the entryway of the town homes towards south is zoned commercial. They have to have this sewer in order to build those.

Mr. Clemens: On this Mark, and I don=t know, now will this sewer line continue later?

Mr. Kipp: Yes.

Mr. Clemens: That will not be part of the TIF though?

Mr. Kipp: No. Not at this time.

Mr. Clemens: Not at this time. But it could eventually if something would come in possibly?

Mr. Kipp: Yeah.

Mr. Clemens: So it basically has to be paid for by the, either the condominiums and the commercial property.

Mr. Kipp: Commercial that would develop along there.

Mr. Clemens: Would pay for the TIF on this?

Mr. Kipp: Yes.

Mr. Clemens: Are there any other questions for Mr. Kipp pertaining to the sewer line? I know this is something we=ve been discussing for years. Are there any questions from the committee for Mr. Kipp? (No response). Members of Council? Mr. Hills.

Mr. Hills: Assuming the best of all worlds, where is this sanitary sewer going to go when you say it=s going to go on north?

Mr. Kipp: It would, the undeveloped farm that=s still there, past this sewer, it drains to this sewer.

Mr. Hills: The farm drains to this sewer. So it=s going to go up on the west side of Taylor Road, or west side of Taylor Road, cut under Taylor Road at some point to get that....

Mr. Kipp: And diagonals to the northeast is the tributary area for it.

Mr. Hills: And up to our limits? Our northeastern limits?

Mr. Kipp: Yes. It goes, the land that Mr. Dugger annexed for the schools is, actually falls into this tributary here.

Mr. Hills: That would be a good time for Mr. Dugger and those people to develop the sewer, wouldn=t it?

Mr. Kipp: Well, that may be the case at that point. Yeah. I mean, from taking it that point farther, yeah, somebody else hopefully will be doing that.

Mr. Hills: Well, oftentimes we do try to have our developers put in these sanitary sewers. And here, we=re not. We=re getting ready to spend three quarters of a million dollars to run underneath Main Street, across the Kroger parking lot, well we don=t even go into that one. I was here when that happened, and then up to units that are not developed for the hope of getting some commercial. And I realize there are times when I guess, did the city work themselves into this problem because there wasn=t enough foresight to say, why didn=t we do this earlier? We kind of got caught off-guard? Or do we not want to ask Kroger to run the sewer..to run it themselves. I=m sorry, it=s a tough question.

Mr. Kipp: No. I can answer the question. It=s a long question starting back several years.

Mr. Hills: Well let=s start, you be narrative for a while and then I=ll be narrative.

Mr. Kipp: Okay. When Kroger=s was built, the sewer, CVS was not in the picture. And the sewer was down by Windsor Forest. There where the tributary goes through there where we did the bridge, that=s where the sewer was. Kroger=s built on the back portion of their site. Now we could have tried, you know, it wasn=t worthwhile for Kroger=s to bring that sewer all the way up to Main Street and then across their property to serve them. We worked it out with them and it was part of the discussion at the time. Because we did discuss that they were in the other tributary area. They only had one building. They weren=t going to build any outlots at the front. And they arranged with Mr. Young to get an easement across to The Reserve.

Mr. Hills: The Reserve sewer system.

Mr. Kipp: Yeah. And they ran a line just to serve strictly the Kroger store at that time when that was....

Mr. Hills: Into a different sanitary sewer system.

Mr. Kipp: Right. In a different tributary area.

Mr. Hills: And how did the line get to Main Street? CVS had to bring the line up out of the Windsor Forest up to Main?

Mr. Kipp: Paid for it to bring it all the way to that point.

Mr. Hills: Did we just not anticipate that if one corner of a major intersection is developing, the other one wouldn't?

Mr. Kipp: Well, now we tried to get it underneath with the Kroger job, or with the widening of Main Street.

Mr. Hills: It helps if you do that before they pave the parking lot. Not afterwards.

Mr. Kipp: Well, yeah. There=s just, we anticipated it, yeah. I mean, it=s been part of our Capital Improvements for a long time.

Mr. Hills: Yeah. What are we doing in our future expansion of this sewer? Where are we planning trying to put things together to go northeast? We=re going to be up-front with the developers as you go northeast. Here=s our sewer. You need to run it to tie into it. Correct?

Mr. Kipp: Yes. And when we dealt with the condos that are being built, we discussed this whole thing with the sewer also. And they are also going into The Reserve. But their sewer is built so that it flows, when this sewer comes across, the commercial=s developed, they=re going to connect to this tributary where they would, where we want them to be. And so their flow will flow in another direction and flow to this trunk sewer.

Mr. Hills: We can=t get anybody to go where we want them to go until we put something for them to run into?

Mr. Kipp: Yeah. I mean, it=s, we=ve looked at this all along and we=ve talked to all the developers. At this point, when it didn=t come across from Kroger=s, we=ve looked at doing it. Running it under Main Street to the, and we=re going to the north edge of Kroger=s. We=re not running it under the creek ourselves. That=ll be picked up, from that point, when they develop the commercial.

Mr. Hills: Okay.

Mr. Kipp: They can't pick that up.

Mr. Hills: So we kind of got ourselves between a rock and a hard place and the only way to get out of it, we have to offer a sanitary sewer system.

Mr. Kipp: Right. And it's of the size that will allow expansion there in the future.

Mr. Hills: Okay. Thank you, Mr. Clemens.

Mr. Clemens: Thank you, Mr. Hills. Are there any other questions from the members of committee or members of Council? (No response). Okay. Where will they tie their gas station into?

Mr. Kipp: They typically don't have bathroom or water. Sometimes you just run a hose out to them and that's about it.

Mr. Clemens: Um hum. Hose and a bucket.

Mr. Kipp: Yeah. That's what they've got at Sam's Club.

Mr. Clemens: Okay. Just curious. I understand what Mr. Hills is talking about. Because I know that this has been a subject for discussion for a few years on what's transpired and bidding it out and so forth. I know that we did make a commitment to the developers of the condominiums for this and for commercial and so forth. So if there's no other questions on it, I would like to send this as a motion for acceptance. Send it to Council for a first reading.

Mrs. Frazier: You say you don't need money to advertise it?

Mr. Kipp: No.

Mrs. Frazier: Just a motion, Mel. It's just a motion.

Mr. Clemens: Alright. Then I'd like to make a motion for approval for this piece of legislation. Do I have a second? Second by Mr. Joseph. All in favor, say aye. (All voted Aye@). Opposed? (No response). Thank you, Mark.

Mr. Kipp: You're welcome.

Mr. Clemens: The next item on the agenda, Discussion, Acceptance of Unrecorded General Warranty Deed (NW corner Taylor & Main .180 ac); The Kroger Co. Mr. DeBolt.

Mr. DeBolt: Okay. As you see in the legislation, we have the Warranty Deed on the tract of land

available here. And we want to move forward and request legislation so we can go ahead and have it recorded in the Licking County Recorder=s Office.

Mr. Clemens: Are there any questions from the committee for Mr. DeBolt? (No response). Members of Council? (No response). If not, I=ll make a motion that we send this to Council for acceptance. Do I have a second? Second by Mr. Stearns. All in favor, say aye. (All voted AAYe@). Opposed? (No response). Thank you.

The next item on the agenda, Discussion, Authorization of contract - construction of Broad Street 24" water line; and appropriation of funds. Mr. Kipp.

Mr. Kipp: This is the Broad Street water line. And this is the request authorization for the Mayor to enter into contract with Trucco Companies for the construction of the water line on Broad Street.

Mr. Clemens: And is the money already in....

Mr. Kipp: Yes. We=ve addressed the money.

Mr. Clemens: Okay. Now this come in 80,000 over, but it wasn=t within the 10%.

Mr. Kipp: With the 10%. Yes.

Mr. Clemens: Mr. Harris.

Mr. Harris: Yeah. Mr. Stake has on later this evening, the financing for this. This is the bond and the note for the 900,000 each that we=ve already competitively bid, which will have to be passed prior to the passage of this so that the money will be available before you do it. So yeah, this, we=ve been talking several weeks about the financing for this. This is the construction, the bid for the construction. And Mark can speak to the bid on the construction bid.

Mr. Clemens: Are there any questions for Mr. Kipp or Mr. Harris pertaining to this subject from members of the committee? (No response). Members of Council? (No response). If not, I=d like to make a motion that we send this to Council for approval. Do I have a second? Second by Mr. Joseph. All in favor, say aye. (All voted AAYe@). Opposed? (No response). And this also will be on the Finance Committee. Thank you.

Next item, Discussion, Authorization of professional engineering services - Graham Road (from palmer Road south to bridge) Storm Water Study, and appropriation of funds. Mr. DeBolt.

Mr. DeBolt: I=ll start it out. As you know, the CIP Project=s been submitted to Council and we have these storm water projects that we=ve identified as priorities to move forward for construction this year. And there=s obviously a number of them here. But the first one that=s

listed on the agenda is Graham Road. And for a number of years, there=s been some drainage problems on the, I guess it=s mainly on the east side of Graham Road affecting the water way and affecting the road as well. And so we=d like to move forward to have that reconstructed. And it is a major thoroughfare, and it is a pretty steep slope if you=ve been up there. So it does get a pretty good amount of drainage. I went out and looked at most of these projects and this is one that we feel would need to be done this year.

Mr. Clemens: I=ve got a question. One question on this. I=ve got a couple of questions. The first question is, is a part of this in Franklin County? Part of Graham Road?

Mr. DeBolt: Larry, do you know?

Mr. Ward: (Inaudible. Speaking off mike).

Mr. Clemens: The problem is on our property. Okay. Second question is, and I=ve been going over some of this, this is a study. It=s 18,900 for the engineering firm to do the study?

Mr. DeBolt: That=s correct.

Mr. Clemens: And I=m looking at our CIP and going over this, and I don=t know what this involves really but, \$18,900 and I _____ what they do, then I see as I read the project, I see further it says, environmental 5,000, right-of-way and utilities 5,000 and design engineering 28,900, and contract administration and inspections 7,000. If that=s true and that follows that, it comes up to 45,000, 45,900. And another 18,900 I think brings it up to around sixty-four thousand and some. For the engineering and so forth to proceed on this job, and the construction down here is only estimated at 70,000. So would somebody please explain to me what the process is on this? And I suppose Dave can do it because I realize the CIP may be just _____ or something like that. If it is, I want to know why that is.

Mr. DeBolt: Mr. Parkinson and I have talked about this. So I=ll let him explain it.

Mr. Parkinson: The design engineering fee that is shown in the CIP book, I think you mentioned it was 28,000.

Mr. Clemens: Twenty-eight nine or something like that.

Mr. Parkinson: Includes anticipation of some study to define, to delineate the issues at hand. What=s been brought to our attention is something fairly simple. We have a storm water problem along Graham Road. There=s very little additional information to go with that. And we=re asked to put a CIP together, or project, to develop a CIP Project for our book. And it=s done with as much information as we have available without, at the time that we generate these, doing a lot of studies and spending a lot of money trying to figure out exactly what the issue is. We=ll do that when the city=s prepared to undertake the program. So we take our best efforts to

come up with reasonable figures to include in your CIP book. Some times we have a better handle on the work to be done. The water line and the sewer line for example. Pretty easy to define the cost of those. Something as hard to get your arms around as a storm water problem. Very nondescript. It=s hard to really get a good feel. So we use our best efforts to get our best number to put in there. And then, when the city is prepared to move forward on a project, we take the time, our time, not yours, to look into this to see what=s really involved in getting the understanding and to developing this project. And that=s what we=ve done here. And so we=ve looked at this and we=ve better articulated in our own mind, the study area. Mr. DeBolt has asked us to expand it a little bit which we think we can do within this price, so that we know what we=re dealing with. We know what it is we, how much water do we have to capture? And how much water do we have to convey down to the river to the creek? Right now, no one knows. And that=s the first thing we have to do before we can design and improve, is to identify what it is we need to do. And that=s why the number gets a little heavy. But that 28,900 that is in the CIP anticipated some level of study in order to identify the problem.

Mrs. Newman: Are you saying this 18,900 is included in the 28,900?

Mr. Parkinson: Yes.

Mrs. Newman: Oh, okay.

Mr. Clemens: I=m sorry, I didn=t get the question. What did you ask him please?

Mrs. Newman: Okay. Well, the CIP includes 28,900 for design and engineering, and I asked him if the 18,900 for the study was included in the 28,900 for the design and engineering. And he said yes.

Mr. Clemens: It is. And I don=t blame you for this, don=t get me wrong. That=s why when I voted on the CIP last week I said I=ll dance around this a little bit. Because really these figures don=t really come right down and mean anything. It=s something they just said we=re going to do and you didn=t have a chance to, you didn=t really have a chance to come up with anything. The thing that worries me about it Dave, and don=t get me wrong, the construction=s 70,000. Really the construction may be more than 70,000. It could be less than 70,000.

Mr. Parkinson: Correct. That=s absolutely correct.

Mr. Clemens: I mean, that=s what I mean. So really all we=re getting into right now is you doing a study. Find out what the problem is. Come back and then we=ll go into a design review and environmental and such things as that. Bid and so forth. Am I correct on this? I just want to get the process right.

Mr. Parkinson: Yes. You are correct.

Mr. Clemens: And let everybody know that the 18,900 is a study. After you do the study, then you'll come back with a study and it'll be up to us to accept this on whether we want you to do the design, and engineering, and environmental, and right-of-way, and utilities and so forth. (Tape Change). And we don't know what that'll be. So this is a study to do the _____. I read your proposal and your proposal's fine on what you're going to do. I just want to get the two cleared up in my mind. Because if you start adding up these things that's in the CIP, it comes out like we're spending 65,000 for engineering and doing a 70,000 job. And that doesn't really make any sense I don't think.

Mr. Parkinson: It sounds awful. I cannot dispute that. But I also cannot dispute that there are just certain things that you have to do in every project like this. And your SFHAD Permit and defending it, it's a very onerous effort. The Army Corp of Engineers Permit, if you need a nationwide permit, and you will need a nationwide permit if you take the outfall down to the creek. If you bid the project. There's just a certain number of elements that you can't escape and it kills us every time.

Mr. Clemens: I understand all of it about the permits that we went through. Would this project, to your knowledge right now, would this involve anything of removing any part of the road or doing any drainage through the road and things such as that?

Mr. Parkinson: I have an expectation that we'll be jumping to the north side of Palmer Road with some inlets or inlets short of long section of storm sewer. But I don't know yet. But I have an expectation that we will do that. My other expectation is that for the most part, we will keep the improvements south of Palmer on the east side of Graham. And so there'll be no work getting into the Graham Road that we're going to repave this summer. I don't anticipate any issue there. As the issue that has been articulated to me that needs to be addressed.

Mr. Clemens: And if we jump across, and say we, with drainage tile on the west side of the road to go to the east, is that what you mean to pick up the drainage?

Mr. Parkinson: I would not anticipate, I anticipate the problem coming from the east of the _____. And I don't anticipate needing to go to the west side of Graham Road to address any issues.

Mr. Clemens: That's good. Because if we do, I want to get the county involved.

Mr. Parkinson: There is a short section of county on the west side.

Mr. Clemens: That's correct. Okay. Just so Council knows then, this is to do a study that was in the CIP, that don't pay any attention what was in the CIP because that was really, something really, didn't know what was going on at that time. So those figures, you can forget about. This is a study to come back and show us what has to be done and so forth to do this project so that we can follow through to design and so forth, and environmental and see what that would cost. So this is a study to do the Graham Road sewer from Palmer Road to the bridge on Graham

Road. Do I have any questions from the committee? (No response). Any questions from Council? Yes, Mr. Baxter.

Mr. Baxter: Thank you, Chairman. The only question I have is, I guess it=s the obvious one, and you mentioned somewhat the issue of paving Graham Road. And the concern I would have is that, if there is going to require work to be done, and that would then require us to tear up the road we just paved, it would make sense to me, we might want to see this through to the conclusion of the study prior to initiating the work on Waggoner so thereby understanding if it will or will not potentially cause impact to the freshly paved road we just did. Thereby maybe even saving some money by putting those two together if it does require some changes to the road or under the road. That=s my comment.

Mr. Clemens: That=s what I had brought up before.

Mr. Baxter: I thought you were getting to that point.

Mr. Clemens: I wanted to know if it was going to interfere with that plus the county. Are there any other?

Mr. Stake: Thank you, Chairman Clemens. And I=m not saying at this point I=m for or against this. I just want Council members to think about the fact that if we authorize money for a study and you know, we=re talking about spending a good chunk of money here, before we spend 18,900 to do the study, we should think about whether we might be in favor or opposed to this. And studies are all, they=re great, but I mean, normally we see these studies, we=re looking at much higher cost down the road. So I just want Council members to consider that, that=s all.

Mr. Clemens: Thank you, Mr. Stake. And one question I wanted to ask is, I=m _____ and so forth, what is the problem? Explain what the problem is.

Mr. Parkinson: It=s been explained to me, there is storm water that is sheet flowing either from the north of Palmer or down along Palmer. It jumps Palmer Road and it concentrates its flow then along the berm of Graham Road on its way down to the creek at the bottom of the hill Livingston House. And when it does that, it washes away the berm and the dirt around beside it. And then the Street Department then is kind of an ongoing battle against Mother Nature to put the berm back, and put the dirt back, and kind of keep it seeded. And the goal is to capture that water, and to pipe it then down to the creek so that we don=t continue to erode away the berm of the road. Good enough, Larry?

Mr. Ward: In addition, the tile from Palmer down to the bridge is old clay tile. It separates. We go in there at least once a year to repair that tile. And it=s just so old that it just really needs to be replaced in addition to the other work.

Mr. Clemens: Thank you. Are there any other questions for the Street Department

Superintendent?

Mr. Hills: Mr. Clemens, that just raised a question. Is the collapsing tile what=s causing the sheets of water? Are we looking at replacing our existing drainage system? Or are we talking about spending \$20,000 to go figure out how to dig the hole and replace the system?

Mr. Parkinson: We are, I don=t know the answer to the first question. I don=t know what=s causing the sheet flow. But what we=re asking to do with this proposal is to identify exactly what the problem is. I mean, there may be observations and conclusions drawn from those observations as to what the problem is. But that may or may not actually be the case. And so what we=re asking for is, an opportunity to truly study and identify what the issues are. And to prepare a solution to the issues that we find.

Mr. Hills: Our Street Department has indicated that they=re going back in and replacing the tiles that are collapsing every year. Right? I mean, that=s we just were told.

Mr. Parkinson: I believe that=s what Mr. Ward just indicated.

Mr. Clemens: That=s what Larry said.

Mr. Hills: And so your study more likely than not is going to say, we ought to replace those tiles with something else.

Mr. Parkinson: I believe that the study will, my expectation is, and I hate to go into any study with expectation like this, but my expectation is that we=re going to find that the existing tile system is undersized to handle the water that comes to it. Open or not open. And in that case, we will propose a remedy that will provide for an adequate amount of conveyance to get that water down to the creek.

Mr. Clemens: Thank you, Dave. Yes.

Mrs. Newman: Thank you, Mr. Clemens. Could I ask Mr. Ward, how long has this problem been, have you noticed this problem occurring? And do you know of any changes in the topography of the land that could have made it worse or caused it? I=d just like a little history about this particular problem.

Mr. Ward: This has really been an ongoing problem every since we started the storm water, even prior to starting the Storm Water Utility. In 1997, about a year after we started Utility, some people from EMH&T went out with our Storm Water Department personnel and looked at some problems, known problems that we had. And this is one of the original problems that was listed back in 1997. And it=s just been something we deal with every year along with the other issues that will be coming up on the agenda. They=ve all been on the original list since 1997. And some of these problems go back into the middle and late 80's. So that=s why we=re trying to get all these projects started.

Mrs. Newman: Okay. Thank you.

Mr. Clemens: Thank you, Mrs. Newman. Are there any more questions for Mr. Parkinson? (No response). If not, I'd like to make a motion we send this to Council for the first reading. Do I have a second? Second by Mr. Stearns. All in favor, say aye. (All voted Aye). Also send this to the Finance Committee for appropriation.

Next item is Discussion, Authorization of professional engineering services - French Run Footbridge Erosion Protection, and appropriation of funds. Mr. Ward or Mr. Parkinson, whichever. And this is the same situation that we talked about. I just want to ask a question. This says request authorization for Service Director to move forward with and direct EMH&T to obtain the necessary data, prepare for bid documents, estimate construction costs, supply bid documents for distribution, advertise for bids, review bids received, and preparation for bid tabs for French Run Footbridge Erosion Protection. On this, and I'm referring back to CIP, this is for \$31,500. Now, will this be the, or do you have to, back here you've got design and engineering. Will there be any design and engineering? Or is this all taken care of in this 31,500?

Mr. Parkinson: That's all of it.

Mr. Clemens: This is all of it.

Mr. Parkinson: It does the environmental design and easements....

Mr. Clemens: It didn't say design review. It didn't say anything about designing this. It says....

Mr. Parkinson: Well, I'm sorry. I guess prepare bid documents to me is designing the improvement for you.

Mr. Clemens: Okay. I just wanted to make sure. The only thing left would be the inspection then.

Mr. Parkinson: And we would work that up when we got our bid with the contract.

Mr. Clemens: Right. I understand. So that basically works out about, and again, again we're talking about here as the job estimated of 30,000. Which probably, I would hope be, I don't know. Because we're spending 31,500 plus inspection which is maybe another 3 there. So we maybe end up spending \$35,000 to do the engineering part of it for a job that's only \$30,000. That kind of, and I'm not blaming you, don't get me wrong on what you're charging. It's just a piddly little job that is costing us....

Mr. Parkinson: I don't know that, I will say this with all of sincerity in the world, that when I write these, and when we work out the numbers, and we work out the man hours, and we work

out \$9500 worth of SFHAD requirements, and the Army Corp of Engineer requirements, I shudder. I know what you're going to say when you see this. I would say the same thing. It just, but these little projects in the creek are, if I said a challenge, it would be an understatement. They're just hard. And I don't, I've not been able to figure out a way to get around it. We have tried on two occasions in the past, probably before many of your time, to work with ODNR, which is the FEMA representative there, they're FEMA's arm here in Central Ohio, to work up a better way of permitting when we're working in the creek. And the representatives listen to us and they say, those are wonderful ideas. That makes a lot of sense. I don't know why we can't do that except that we can't. It's not in our regulations. I like it but we can't do it. And so we're forced back into the round peg in the round hole. And I can't get us, I've not been smart enough to figure out how to get us away from this. And you're right Mr. Clemens, it's a lot of money to do a little project. In this particular case, we felt this project was important. Because as you know, the city paid a lot of money to put that bridge back once. And we didn't want to have to pay money to put it back again. So we thought doing something now to kind of hold the creek at bay would be a better solution. But I can't get around this. So again, I pointed out in my proposal, and I know you read it, that of the 31,500, 9500 of that is environmental permitting. And so I'm asking for 22,000 to design the documents, put it out to bid, and pay the advertising, and help you select a contractor.

Mr. Clemens: And I understand that. I've been through this with you when we did that project. I mean, I know what you have to go through. The only thing I'm trying to say, and I understand the different permits and how tough they are and the way they treat us and so forth. The only thing I'm talking about, have you looked at the job?

Mr. Parkinson: We have looked at the job in the past. I have not looked at it recently.

Mr. Clemens: I'm just wondering whether it needs to be done is my question. I mean, we're talking about, and I'll ask Larry, Mr. Ward I mean. And I know the job that we did, and I know why we did it and so forth. The only thing I'm asking you, has it eroded enough to spend 70,000 bucks on it or more?

Mr. Ward: Well, it would be the city's determination if you want to keep that bridge there or not.

Mr. Clemens: Well, that's what I'm asking. If we don't do it the bridge is going to be gone?

Mr. Ward: Yes. Since we replaced that bridge, well we replaced the abutments, it's still the original bridge, and forgive me, I lose track of time too, it was at least I think 10 years ago, maybe 12, since that time, the creek has eroded the bank on the south side. I'm probably guessing, but I'd say 12 to 15 feet from where it was. Shortly after we did that work years ago, we had some flooding. And it wasn't a couple of years that the creek started heading toward the new abutment. And it has just continued over the years. There's been some trees along that bank that has fallen into the creek we've had to cut up and take away. It's eating into the property owners land. And the big thing is, if it's not corrected, it's just a matter of time that it

will eat away behind the abutment and the bridge will be gone again. So if we want to keep the bridge, this work definitely needs to be done. If the city decides the bridge needs to go then, you know.

Mr. DeBolt: Mr. Chairman.

Mr. Clemens: That=s what I wanted to know really. I know that we did the bridge years ago and we did the embankment. Yes, Mr. DeBolt.

Mr. DeBolt: We went out to the site to most of these last week, and again, it=s the first time that I=ve been involved in it, and we try to prioritize the projects and this one I believe, is the one we ranked as the highest priority. And the roots are exposed on the tree. You can see how it=s taking out the side of the creek bed. And the Assistant Superintendent lives in that area and he mentioned to me when we had the rain the other day, on Thursday, which flooded some of this area here, that the water was pretty much like 2 feet from the bridge. And I think it was 2 feet from going over the banks out here in Blacklick. So it doesn=t take a lot of water to maybe make a major difference each time we get one of those rains. So I would say that yeah, it is something that needs to be done. And I had the same questions with Mr. Parkinson that you had regarding the cost and what needs to be done. But again, any time you get into the water ways there are permitting and agencies that we have to deal with that basically run up the cost unfortunately.

Mr. Clemens: Thank you, Mr. DeBolt. The only reason I=m bringing this up is, a lot of us don=t know what these projects are. And it=s good to have them explained to us, and what they are and why we=re doing them, and why we=re spending 70 or \$75,000 to do a project like this. I realize we have the money in our Storm Water Fund and that=s there to do these projects. But I think you know, when it comes before us, that it should be explained to us what the project is, what the problem is, and what we=re doing to correct it. And that=s why I=m asking the questions. Yes, Mrs. Newman.

Mrs. Newman: I=d just like to know, does anybody know if anybody has ever walked across that footbridge?

Mr. Clemens: I think that, I wouldn=t want to count them. But I do think that they use it and I think some of the kids use it to go to middle school. And that=s basically why we always did it and kept it safe. And there are people that use it.

Mrs. Newman: Well, if we=re going to have it there, then we ought to keep it in a good state of repair so it doesn=t become an attracted nuisance for the kids then.

Mr. Clemens: And I don=t really know what it looks like. At one time it looked really nice. I hope we=re keeping it up.

Mr. DeBolt: It=s in good shape right now.

Mr. Clemens: It=s in good shape?

Mr. DeBolt: Yes.

Mr. Clemens: I mean, as long as we keep it painted and keep it up you know, to spend this kind of money into it, I think we should keep the bridge up. Mr. Hills.

Mr. Hills: If I could, 10 or 12 years ago or whenever that was replaced, it was closed for a while because it was unsafe at that time it reached that point. And I think we did some of the work we=re talking about here. But when we talk about floods and creeks, I think anyone that lives in this city that is near a creek, if they=ve lived there for over 5, 6 years, they=ve watched a sizeable change in the creek. I mean, I had a little tiny creek that runs right into that same area behind my house and right now, you certainly can=t jump across the creek. That comes with development. And that=s one of the things we all pay for. As we grow and we put in more roads, and you get into more yards, the drainage going to the creeks is going to increase. And that=s why, it=s not that these, there isn=t more water falling from the sky going down this creek, it just doesn=t have anywhere to soak in and it=s running to the creek. I know you can=t predict what it=s like 15 years from now. But I bet if we went back to the 12 years, we may have done something a little different when we put the bridge back together, we wouldn=t be here quite as early. We=re going to be here any time. Because it is a maintenance. And when you have it out there, you=ve got to maintain it, as you=re saying.

Mr. Clemens: It=s true. And as you say, development makes it, but being an old man, I can remember living out here forty some years ago when they took out the bridge on 256 on Lancaster Avenue. So water=s always came down through there and came down through, and went over the Main Street bridge. But it is a problem. Like I said, I think it should be explained to us what these are about because we are spending money. What the problem is and what they=re going to cost altogether. And that=s what I=m trying to bring out. I just wanted to know what they=re about. So no further discussion on that, I=d like to make a motion that we move this to Council for a first reading and also send it to the Finance Committee. Do I have a second? Second by Mrs. Newman. All in favor, say aye. (All voted AAye@). Opposed? (No response).

Next item, same situation, and I know where this problem is. Request Authorization for the Service Director to move forward, and to direct EMH&T to obtain the necessary data, prepare bid documents, estimate construction cost, supply bid documents for distribution, advertise for bids, review bids received, preparation of bid tab for the Wind River Drive Erosion Protection and appropriate \$17,800 from the unappropriated Storm Water Fund to account 740.111.5659. This project was listed on the CIP. And don=t pay any attention to the CIP because we=ll just forget about that. I won=t get into that discussion again, because those figures aren=t right. But I understand this one, and go ahead and explain it to us Dave so we know what we=re talking about.

Mr. Parkinson: Thank you, Mr. Clemens. This project is very similar in many respects to the

footbridge that we just discussed. And it is a creek that has eroded, or begun eroding its banks. And there was, at the time that this was prepared, a fear that if the erosion continued, it would get behind the wing wall, a big concrete wall that deflects the water under the bridge. And once it gets behind there, there=s no protection of the road or the bridge. And we=re afraid if that erosion continued and got behind our wing wall, the only bridge back into that little subdivision would be gone. And so we felt it important to secure that embankment of the creek, along the creek there, very much in the same manner as we have proposed to secure the embankment with a footbridge. A very similar project in all regards. Again, environmental permitting, which we lump in the SFHAD and the Army Corp of Engineer environmental _____ permits all under that category. And then the design engineering to get you bid documents and secure a contract for that. We=ve got about 18,000 is what we=re requesting. And that is consistent with the figures that are presented in the CIP. We can debate perhaps, whether our \$30,000 estimate is an appropriate figure for securing an embankment. In many cases, that number relies heavily on whether the contractor feels he has good access to the site or not. We think in this particular case, reasonable access is off of the right-of-way. But notwithstanding, those are simply our best efforts to provide you a budget number for that project. And that=s what we=ve asked.

Mr. Clemens: This project will probably be closer to 70,000 - \$75,000 too. Are there any questions for Mr. Parkinson from the committee? (No response). Members of Council? (No response). If not, I=ll make a motion we send this to Council for the first reading, and also to the Finance Committee. Do I have a second? Second by Mr. Stearns. All in favor, say aye. (All voted AAye@). Opposed? (No response). Thank you.

The next item is Discussion, Authorization of professional engineering services, Glencrest Storm Sewer Outlet, and Dawn Drive Storm Sewer, and appropriation of funds. And this one is engineering for 14,100. Dave on this one, I know what some of the problem is. Will this correct our problem on Dawn Drive?

Mr. Parkinson: The short answer is, I don=t know. The longer answer is, there is a perception by many at the city that this is the cause of the problem on Dawn Drive. I=m not as quick to come to that conclusion based on the evaluation of some of the record plans for the storm sewer system. But part of what we intend to do here, is to try to get a better understanding, and to give you an engineering answer to that question. That it is, or it is not related. And prior to moving into the final design.

Mr. Clemens: What pertains to the storm sewer outlet? The other part of it?

Mr. Parkinson: Well, when the subdivision was constructed, they built a storm sewer through the subdivision. They outletted to a creek that was to the south of the subdivision. And at the time, it was pretty much just a creek out in the middle of nothing. And they were supposed to kind of cut in a temporary ditch along that way so that we would have a free outlet, what=s called a free outfall. The bottom of the pipe would be above the water level of the ditch. And so we get a nice free outfall. Well, somebody got lazy I think in the process of this, and they put the storm

sewer in and they didn't bother to fix the creek. And so now, the creek level is about half way up the pipe. So the whole pipe can't empty it. It fights against the creek as it's trying to empty. That's about as best a picture as I can paint for you. And so what we hope to do, is create a free outfall and the end so the water isn't backing up. As it's fighting its way out of the pipe, it can just kind of rush on out. And we want to look at how we can best do that. There's a couple of things you can do. We could look at over sizing the pipe and raising it up a foot or whatever we need to raise it up. The existing pipe, that is. They make something called a squash pipe. Basically, it's an elliptical pipe. So it's not round. And so again, you have an ability to squash the pipe up from the bottom and buy a little, some inches, which may be all you really need to do. The other thing is whether we can actually go into the creek and regrade the creek. We dredge the creek out, if you will from where it comes into the creek now to some point downstream. Much more difficult to do that last thing in today's world. Back in the 80's, it would just come in and just drag that thing on out and it would be done and be happy. And that's what I think they were supposed to do. In today's world, there's a 200 foot limit. And then you've got to get a 401 permit and it's just really, really nasty stuff. So we're going to try to, we're going to look at that. We're going to look and see what is feasible. What is available to us to do that is the cheapest and easiest to do. And that, like I said, two approaches. So yes, we are going to look at that for you.

Mr. Clemens: And I do know the situation there and the situation on Dawn. And the only thing I ask is, when we put this into this perspective and do these projects, even if it costs more, let's do it and correct it. Because I know what kind of a situation you'll be in and the rest of us will be in if we put >x= number of dollars into something and it doesn't work.

Mr. Parkinson: Absolutely.

Mr. Clemens: So you know, I would like to see them correct it. Are there any questions for Mr. Parkinson on this issue from the committee? (No response). Members of Council? Yes, Mr. Baxter.

Mr. Baxter: I know you still have one more to go through. But my concern here is, I would like to have a listing of these in a priority. Which ones are more important? Like we said, the bridge is something that's very important. The kids go across it. It looks like we're heading toward a position where we may need to do that soon. Could we have some additional information about, these are CIP Projects. I know they're listed in the CIP, but based upon emergency, based upon need from the city to act out of this years budget. What should we be reaching for?

Mr. Clemens: Would you do that for us, Steve?

Mr. DeBolt: Yes. I think we have. And Dave, I know I talked to Don about it. Did I talk to you about it as well? The priorities that we set up on those five?

Mr. Parkinson: You mentioned to me that you are looking at them. I have not seen them.

Mr. DeBolt: Okay. Well, I=d like to talk to Dave. But I have talked with Don Turley and we=ve established it, but I want to talk to Dave as well and I=ll get it to you.

Mr. Clemens: You could get us a copy?

Mr. DeBolt: Yes.

Mr. Clemens: Alright.

Mr. Baxter: Thank you, Chairman.

Mr. Clemens: Thank you, Mr. Baxter. And are there any other questions from members of Council? (No response). If not, I would like to make a motion that we send this to Council for a first reading, and also to the Finance Committee for funding. Do I have a second? Second by Mr. Joseph. All in favor, say aye. (All voted AAye@). Opposed? (No response). Thank you.

Next item, Discussion, Authorization of professional engineering services - Bartlett Court Storm Sewer Outlet, and appropriation of funds. Dave, would you explain? This is for \$14,100 for the engineering. And that includes the bids and all this. Would you explain what this project is, please?

Mr. Parkinson: This is about as small a project as we could ever develop. It=s a storm sewer that was put in with the subdivision. The storm sewer was installed. The term is >off site=. Basically, went across somebody else=s property in order to get to a creek with the sewer. They got an easement for it and everything is okay that way. But it=s kind of away from everything. It=s out, it=s kind of hidden in the back woods if you will. And they put in a head wall, which is the last wall that the pipe kind of sits on there. And that supports the pipe and protects it. Allows you to grade up to the head wall. Well apparently, the head wall has fallen over and fallen into the creek, and it=s taken a couple of sections of pipe with it. And every time a pipe breaks open, it creates an erosion path for water to kind of come out and flow around and it breaks the next pipe off. And that=s what=s happened. This is simply a project to reestablish the storm sewer in its, if you will, original condition. The difficulties here are as same issues that we=ve discussed on two occasions here this evening. We=re in the creek. And so we=ve got SFHAD and Army Corp of Engineer issues. This is a tough site to get to. It=s again, it=s on private property. And so it=s a challenge. For such a simple project, it=s an incredible challenge.

Mr. Clemens: Alright. Thank you. Are there any questions for Mr. Parkinson from the committee pertaining to this? (No response). Members of Council? (No response). If not, I=d like to move this to Council for a first reading and send it to the Finance Committee for appropriation. It=s \$14,100. Do I have a second? Second by Mr. Stearns. All in favor, say aye. (All voted AAye@). Opposed? (No response). Thank you, Dave.

Next item, and I don't know what this falls under. Request to Amend Chapter 1335, Flood Damage Prevention Code. And I believe Chet was to handle this.

Mr. DeBolt: Do you want to do 13?

Mr. Clemens: I'm sorry?

Mr. Baxter: Matterhorn's 13, Councilman Clemens.

Mr. Clemens: I'm sorry. I skipped Matterhorn. I didn't mean to. I'm sorry. That's the big one I have underneath this one. Okay. Next item, Discussion, Authorization of professional engineering services, Matterhorn Drive Storm Sewer Project, and appropriation of funds. This one was one that I added to the agenda at the request of Councilman Stearns, for discussion. It's one that we've had problems with in the past. And I know that Mr. Parkinson's been involved in this prior to now. Because there was a study done on this. And it was questioned why this was not brought up also. And I know this is a more expensive project. Why this was not brought up or where this stands as far as the city's concerned. So I don't know who's going to speak. Steve, are you?

Mr. DeBolt: I'll start if I could.

Mr. Clemens: I know you weren't here when this transpired.

Mr. DeBolt: Dave can maybe explain the project in a little more detail on the technical end. But again, with the projects that we've listed, we've determined that there's basically, an overriding public interest to move forward with these projects. And with the Matterhorn Project, the determination was that that overriding public interest wasn't there for that project. Again, for those individuals that live in that immediate area, as limited as they may be, it's probably something important to them, but again, in order to pay, use tax dollars to fund that project in a situation where there's very many similar situations around the city, we just felt that would be something that we couldn't put forth for that reason. However, we realized it was going to be discussed and we're willing to discuss it. As a matter of fact, I went out, had the opportunity on Thursday when we had the rain, to look at a number of projects. And this is one of them. And took some pictures I'll pass around here to the committee of that particular project. Plus, some others that were similar to I think, maybe you've looked at in the past. I just think it's a challenge to have to justify that one project over another when we have many that are in this similar circumstance.

Mr. Clemens: I think one of the problem situations with this, and I can be corrected, and Mr. Stearns can correct me if he could, that this is a problem that's caused basically, by Rosehill Road if I'm not mistaken. And of course all along, we have planned for this to be taken care of when we widen Rosehill Road and much to our dismay, of course, the Administration's opposed that completely. So that is kind of puts the _____ to it as far as that's concerned. As far as Rosehill Road being

widened in that section. If this is a fault of the city as far as the drainage, that I don't know. I mean, I'm just saying that I assume it's something that we should look into serious. That's something that Mr. Parkinson can speak about. Or Mr. Stearns can. I know he's been involved in it. And I know Mrs. Newman lives in that section. Mr. Stearns. Either one of you.

Mrs. Newman: Well, I'd just like to say, from this report done by Evans, Mechwart, it seems to me, and this subdivision is of an age where the swales seem to have been eroded. You know, that were put there originally to provide for the natural drainage of the property. You know, the swales that go between the houses and along the back end of the property? We see this in our neighborhood too. But there are times when you do get pondage like this when you've had a lot of rain. And as people plant flower beds, they plant trees, they build fences, and then the drainage that was originally provided for is no longer there. It doesn't operate properly. Now maybe I'm wrong, but that's what it looks like to me.

Mr. Clemens: And as I read your report, I understand, I've seen the pictures and so forth. I also understand there's a section there that pertains to the Rosehill Road section of it. The drainage problem on it. Mr. Stearns.

Mr. Stearns: Chairman Clemens, thank you. If you all have had an opportunity to look at the report there that EMH&T did for us a few months ago, and there is a request for 385 feet I guess, with 3 catch basins that would try to alleviate some of the problems going on back there. The city looked at this situation years ago, and it was discovered the problem was coming from the erosion coming off of Rosehill Road. And the answer that the city gave was that it would be taken care of when Rosehill Road is completed. Well now, it's getting to the point where it doesn't look like Rosehill Road is ever going to get done. And this is a part of the infrastructure of the City of Reynoldsburg that needs to be taken care of. The storm sewer is part of the infrastructure. And if we don't take care of it now, we're going to have problems further and further on down the line. The money that goes into this project where this funding will come from, is something that we pay each month, or each time we pay our water bill. Now to say that this is not an important issue, or for whatever reason Mr. DeBolt says there, I can't go along with that. Because if you were to go into some of those houses of the residents that live along that side of the street, they've got steel beams in their basements. And this is holding the walls up and keeping further damage done to their structure of the houses. So I think right now, it would be wise for the city to go ahead on and invest some money in making this a project that needs to be done. Like I said, it's on the CIP Project any how. Something that we need to do now. If not then, it's going to be something that's going to be worse later on down the line. Now we've had problems like this in other parts of the city. Yes, we have. Some sections that we had in the Huber area on Bartlett Road, we had to bond money to repair that. There was no problem with that whatsoever. Now we need to look at each section that comes before us. We need to look at doing something to improve the infrastructure of our city. So that's all I have to say. I mean, there's some residents here tonight. I'm sure that, I certainly hope this is going to move on to Council and everything and be other opportunities to have more discussion on this. So I think right now, it's something that we need to say yes, it's a problem. But we need to do something to correct this problem before it gets any worse. That's all I've got to say.

Mr. Clemens: Thank you, Mr. Stearns. And I do know the residents are here. They've been here before on this same subject. And we've discussed it before. I think it's something that should be looked into. It is a problem. Because we did not, we are not going to do the work on Rosehill Road that would correct this issue. I know it's an expensive proposition as I look at the book. And possibly there could be a way that it could be done cheaper. But I think, since it was brought up this evening, I think it's a project that we should think about. I would like to hold it since it was put on for this evening. But I don't want it to go away. And I would like to hold it for a couple of weeks and possibly I could meet with Mr. DeBolt, or Mr. Parkinson, and Larry and discuss this and see what their feelings are. And also see where it stacks as far as the criteria that they were going to give us listing which was number one, and which was number two, and which was number three for Mr. Baxter. We do have people that are interested in this and they have suffered on this. We have repaired issues like this in the past that pertain to not, this pertains to more than one family. I know that where we spent a lot of money just to, on the storm water project that pertained only to one home. So there is a criteria on doing such things as this. After all, we do pay into each month and we do have a fund to take care of this. I'm not saying this project's going to be done that Council will approve, but I think it's something that we should look into and for further discussion. We do have a lot of these other items on that was put on earlier. This, I added just this last week for Mr. Stearns, and I felt it's something we should look into. So I would like to hold it for two weeks Preston, if that would be alright with you?

Mr. Stearns: That's fine.

Mr. Clemens: Give Council a little more time to think about it. And also, give the Administration a little more time to look into it. Yes, Mr. Stake.

Mr. Stake: Thank you, Chairman Clemens. I just would like to make one clarification. And I too am in agreement with Councilman Stearns and yourself that we should look into this further. But we talked, Councilman Stearns talked about the Bartlett Road situation and I just would like to point out that there was quite a bit of water in the road there, and that was a safety issue to the vehicles, to the people. Manhole covers were popping off in that section. So it was a little bit different situation in this. And I just wanted to make that clarification. But I am in favor of looking into this further.

Mr. Clemens: You're correct in that situation. And that's a project, and as Preston knows, that was a project that had been there for 20 years I've been trying to get it taken care of. We finally got that taken care of after that length of time. So sometimes it does take a longer time to get these issues taken care of. We do have these smaller ones to take care of. Yes, Mrs. Newman.

Mrs. Newman: I'd just like to ask Mr. Parkinson, this problem with the basement and foundation walls bowing along Matterhorn, now that's due to hydrostatic pressure, is it not? And the soil? And would that be corrected with anything other than like a storm water detention drain or something like that?

Mr. Parkinson: Very good questions. I think the answer to your first question is, yes it=s hydrostatic pressure that forces on the wall that causes them to bow in. The question is, the next question is, why? And is it the water sheet flowing between the houses? Is it just wet soils? Will a detention basin or rerouting of water fix that? That, I don=t know. I do know that there are other houses in Reynoldsburg, other houses all through Franklin County, that have the steel I-beams to keep the walls from bowing in. Or walls that have bowed in and they get pushed back and the steel reinforcement gets put in. I owned one down in western Columbus for a year. I visited one on the east side of, I=m sorry, on the west side of Rosehill Road where the gentleman felt that expansion of the city street was causing his wall to bow. And he had steel in his house and mentioned that some of his neighbors do too. So there are other places that have the steel as well. And so there are, probably many reasons why walls bow. Is the water bowing between houses one of them? Quite possibly.

Mr. Clemens: I think if you look at it, everything we discussed tonight as far as storm water on these different projects are hypothetical until you do a study on it to figure out really what=s wrong.

Mr. Parkinson: I=d be happy to do a study on it.

Mr. Clemens: No. I=m just saying. I just want you to know. But any how, I would like to hold this for two weeks if that=s alright with the committee. Then we=ll hold this for two weeks. And thank you, Dave. Thank you, Preston.

The next item on the agenda is the request to Amend Chapter 1335, Flood Damage Prevention Code. And are you handling this, Steve?

Mr. DeBolt: Yes. Mr. Hopper=s under the weather as well tonight. And we=d like to ask the Council to adopt this legislation in order to allow us, as a community, to be included in the FEMA Program. And it=s important because, especially this time of year when we have a lot of rain as we saw last Thursday and probably tonight too, there=s flooding involved and you have to be one of the, in the FEMA organization in order to be able to buy flood insurance. And again, with many low lying areas that we have around here, and some that I saw first hand for the first time on Thursday, I did a little tour around the city, there=s residents that definitely need that. So this will allow us to replace the existing regulations that we have for flood prevention. And it=s somewhat of an urgency by the beginning of May so we can update our maps. Licking County=s updating theirs. Franklin County will be updating theirs in the near future as well. So we=d basically like to see if we can get that as soon as we could.

Mr. Clemens: It=s an emergency for updating the maps?

Mr. DeBolt: Yes. Well, we need it to be part of the FEMA community I guess, as they call it. The FEMA organization. FEMA town. And Licking County updates their flood plain maps and we=re doing ours as well. So we have to basically, have these regulations in compliance with the maps.

Mr. Clemens: Is there a cost situated to this?

Mr. DeBolt: No. It=s just a regulation. And if we want the benefits, we have to be on board.

Mr. Clemens: Okay. We=re going to update them ourself? Is that it?

Mr. DeBolt: Well, actually we will be coming forward, we=ll be doing it through EMH&T and updating the maps.

Mr. Clemens: That=s what I asked.

Mr. DeBolt: Not as part of this legislation.

Mr. Clemens: Not as far, later on you=re going to hit us with it.

Mr. DeBolt: Well, we have some funds that we=re going to be using I believe.

Mr. Clemens: That=s good. That=s why I like you to use the funds you=ve got.

Mr. DeBolt: We=re trying.

Mr. Clemens: Okay. Are there any questions for Mr. DeBolt pertaining to this? Mr. Hills.

Mr. Hills: I do have, just to try to clarify what I=m seeing, we have Chapter 1335, Flood Damage Prevention, which apparently was our ordinance, regulations, whatever, have been totally lined out. Then we=ve got a substitute which is Special Proposed Flood Damage Reduction Ordinance, such and such. And we have Reynoldsburgized portions of that. Who=s is this? Where did this come from? Is this FEMA=s?

Mr. DeBolt: I believe so. It=s FEMA=s.

Mr. Hills: Is this what they=re saying, you must follow our guidelines and you can tweak it some? That just helps us know what it is. Is this what FEMA=s saying? If you=re going to play in our game, this is the document you need to pass. Go throw out what you had before?

Mr. DeBolt: Yes. And I think, I haven=t had a chance to look at it line for line, but I know that it=s adopting, just like we=ve adopted other national standards, I think we=re adopting FEMA=s standards as well.

Mr. Clemens: Would you do us a favor, and as we send this on as an emergency, just send us a memo on really, who=s this is and why we=re adopting this? I mean, this could be coming from China or some place. We don=t know.

Mr. Hills: There=s a lot of words here. Just that we have no idea who originated them.

Mr. Clemens: This came from New Orleans. Any how, just let us know where it came from.

Mr. DeBolt: Yeah. We will.

Mr. Clemens: Any how, are there any other questions for Mr. DeBolt on this from the committee? (No response). From members of Council? (No response). If not, I=d like to send this to Council for its first reading as an emergency. Do I have a second on it? Second by Mr. Joseph. All in favor, say aye. (All voted AYe@).

I=d like to call an end to the Service Committee meeting at 9:10.

Service Committee

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FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

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Members of Finance Committee present: Ron Stake, Mel Clemens, Preston Stearns.

Other members of Council present: Brett Baxter, Doug Joseph, Antoinette Newman, Donna Shirey, Council President William L. Hills.

Mr. Stake: I=ll call to order, the Finance Committee at 9:11.

Item number 2 is approval of the agenda. I have 7 additions thanks to Mr. Clemens, to the agenda. I=d like to add as 3b, the 9-1-1 Wireless Fund. I=m sorry that=s mine. I only have 6, Mr. Clemens. 3c would be the Broad Street Water Line Appropriation; 3d, Graham Road Storm Sewer Appropriation; e would be French Run Footbridge Erosion Appropriation; f would be the Wind River Drive Erosion Appropriation; g, Glencrest Storm Sewer Outlet Appropriation. And h, the Bartlett Court Storm Sewer Outlet Appropriation. Do I have a second? Second by Mr. Clemens. Any further discussion? (No response). All in favor, please state aye. (All voted AAye@). Opposed? (No response). Motion passes. Thank you for amending the agenda.

Item number 3 is approval of the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting (Tape Change). (The minutes were approved without objection).

..9-1-1 Wireless. It=ll be \$36,904 to account number 110.111.5639. Are there any questions or comments from members of the Finance Committee? (No response). Members of Council? (No response). Okay. None being heard, I make a motion that we approve this appropriation. Is there a second? Second by Councilman Stearns. Any further discussion? (No response). All in favor, please state aye. (All voted AAye@). Opposed? (No response). Motion passes. Thank you.

Item 3c is the Broad Street Water Line Appropriation. Bid amount of \$1,486,846.30. Engineering. Mr. Harris, help me out here? How much actually are we appropriating totally?

Mr. Harris: I didn=t have anything to do with the appropriation. All I did is the funding. The funding is going to be a million-nine. But there was about a million-four, plus the engineering, and then there=s another \$121,000 of the initial engineering that has to be reimbursed back to the Water Fund pursuant to 55-06. So Dave, do you have the number from the total on that one?

Mr. Parkinson: No.

Mr. Harris: Thank you, Dave.

Mr. Stake: Yeah. Maybe this one wasn=t supposed to go to Finance.

Mr. Hills: I think your other two ordinances are doing it.

Mr. Clemens: I wanted to get it off of my back.

Mr. Stake: Okay. Well that's alright. I'm going to jump the gun. It just says, project will be paid with bond proceeds and appropriated to account 710.108.5621. I make a motion that we approve that. Do I have a second? Second by Mr. Clemens. Any further discussion? (No response). All in favor, please state aye. (All voted "Aye"). Opposed? (No response). Motion passes. Okay. We took care of that one.

Item 3d is the Graham Road Storm Sewer Appropriation. This is appropriation I believe. This would appropriate \$18,900 from the unappropriated Storm Water Fund to account number 740.109.5659. Are there any questions or comments from members of the committee in regards to this? Mr. Clemens.

Mr. Clemens: That comes from committee with approval from the Service Committee.

Mr. Stake: Okay. It did come from the Service Committee with approval. Any other questions or comments from members of Council? (No response). Okay then, I'll make a motion that we approve the appropriation. Is there a second? Second by Councilman Stearns. Any further discussion? (No response). All in favor, please state aye. (All voted "Aye"). Opposed? (No response). Motion passes.

3e would be the French Run Footbridge Erosion Appropriation. It came from the Service Committee earlier. Mr. Clemens.

Mr. Clemens: This comes from the Service Committee with motion for approval.

Mr. Stake: Okay. And what we would do is, we'd be appropriating \$31,500 from the unappropriated Storm Water Fund to account number 740.110.5659. It has been approved by the Service Committee. I'll make a motion that the Finance Committee approves this. Do I have a second? Second by Councilman Clemens. Any further discussion? (No response). All in favor, please state aye. (All voted "Aye"). Opposed? (No response). Motion passes.

3f is the Wind River Drive Erosion Appropriation. Mr. Clemens.

Mr. Clemens: This comes from the Service Committee with a motion for approval.

Mr. Stake: Okay. And this would appropriate \$17,800 from the unappropriated Storm Water Fund to account number 740.111.5659. Any questions or comments from members of the Finance Committee? (No response). Members of Council? (No response). Then I make a motion that we approve this appropriation. Do I have a second? Second by Councilman Stearns. Any further discussion? (No response). All in favor, please state aye. (All voted "Aye"). Opposed? (No

response). Motion passes. Thank you.

3g is the proposal for Professional Engineering Services for the Glencrest Storm Sewer Outlet and the Appropriation. This also comes from Mr. Clemens.

Mr. Clemens: This comes from the Service Committee with a motion for approval.

Mr. Stake: Okay. And what we would be doing here is appropriating \$18,100 from the unappropriated Storm Water Fund to account number 740.112.5659. Are there any questions or comments from members of the Finance Committee or members of Council? (No response). None being heard, I=ll make a motion that we approve this appropriation. Do I have a second? Second by Councilman Clemens. Any further discussion? (No response). All in favor, please state aye. (All voted AAYe@). Opposed? (No response). Motion passes.

3h would be the Bartlett Court Storm Sewer Appropriation. Mr. Clemens.

Mr. Clemens: This comes from the Service Committee with a motion for approval.

Mr. Stake: And we would be appropriating \$14,100 from the unappropriated Storm Water Fund to account number 740.113.5659. Any questions or comments from members of the Finance Committee or members of Council? (No response). Then I=ll make a motion that we approve this appropriation. Do I have a second? Second by Councilman Stearns. Any further discussion? (No response). All in favor, please state aye. (All voted AAYe@). Opposed? (No response). Motion passes.

Item number 4 is AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF NOTES IN THE MAXIMUM PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$900,000, IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING THE COSTS OF IMPROVING THE MUNICIPAL WATERWORKS SYSTEM BY REPLACING WATER LINES AND ACQUIRING ANY NECESSARY INTERESTS IN REAL PROPERTY, TOGETHER WITH ALL NECESSARY APPURTENANCES THERETO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. This was amended at the second reading. And it was read the second time on 3-12-07. Mr. Harris.

Mr. Harris: That is correct. And as we have been through this a couple of times, I=ll go over this real quickly. Not to get anybody bored with it, but the project for the Broad Street Water Line is going to be split into two different funding sources. The notes, which I believe this one is, which will be reimbursed by the City of Columbus. When the water line is put in, Columbus will pay their half of it including all the engineering costs. That will be the note part of it. The bond part of it will be the part that the city is going to be paying. And we=re going to be paying that over the next 10 years, and this was competitively bid. And if there=s any questions on it, I=ll be certainly glad to answer them.

Mr. Stake: Any questions or comments for the Auditor? Councilman Baxter.

Mr. Baxter: I just have one question. That=s dealing with the portion of the notes. And the City of Columbus is going to pay us back. But in the interim during that time frame, is there any payments that the city will be required to make back?

Mr. Harris: No. As a note, generally is, and this is the same thing, we will borrow the money. We held the closing date off on this until June 15 to make sure we had enough time to get the money paid back. Even if they ran into some small construction problems. There is no interest payments in the meantime. When we get the money from them, we turn around and pay the notes off. We did put in the note ordinance, that there is no pre-payment penalty if we get the money back early and are able to pay it prior to June 15 of >08.

Mr. Baxter: And the second portion is, with the bond. And we already have had conversations about having difficulty with repayment of bonds. The city had \$400,000 at the end of the year. What is this going to add to that? And is it an amount that has to be paid back in a debt?

Mr. Harris: The bond payments first of all, would be coming out of the Water Fund and not the General Fund or General Debt Retirement. And when Mike, and I, and Mark worked on the pro forma, when they brought the rate schedules in, in the last year, early part of this year, the amount in order to repay that was all figured in that.

Mr. Baxter: So we=re not going to increase our debt we=re required at the end of the year to pay?

Mr. Harris: Not the General Debt Retirement where it=s paid by the General Fund. This will be repaid by the Water Fund.

Mr. Baxter: I wanted to make sure it was clear. Okay. Thank you.

Mr. Harris: Even though it=s a general obligation, the Water Fund is the fund, the source for the repayment of the lump.

Mr. Stake: That=s a good point, Councilman Baxter. This is coming from the Water Fund, not the General Fund.

Mr. Harris: That is absolutely correct.

Mr. Stake: Okay. Are there any other questions or comments for the City Auditor? Councilwoman Newman.

Mrs. Newman: To the interest on the notes, if we do have any interest accruing on these notes, will the City of Columbus pay that?

Mr. Harris: No. We will be paying that.

Mrs. Newman: Alright.

Mr. Stake: Okay. Does that raise any other questions from members of Council? (No response).

Mrs. Frazier: Mr. Stake, would you just kind of help me here with this money?

Mr. Stake: Um hum.

Mrs. Frazier: He said the bonds are, what? A million-nine?

Mr. Harris: It=s going to be, we=ve got authorized up to a million-eight. 900,000 on each end. 900,000 in notes. 900,000 in bonds.

Mrs. Frazier: So if we write this and just say that the money=s, we=re authorizing this contract, you=ve got a million-four, and you=ve got 125, then you=ve got 93. And then if you say that this is paid for from the notes in anticipation of bonds or whatever, then that=s going to be good enough? That=s going to cover it? And then all we=ll have to do is list this following the two that are passed here.

Mr. Harris: Right. Because these have to be passed prior to the contract. Because otherwise, the money to pay the contract has not actually been approved by Council.

Mrs. Frazier: Okay.

Mr. Stake: Does that help you?

Mrs. Frazier: Yes. Thanks.

Mr. Stake: Okay. Any other questions or comments from anybody here at the table? (No response). Then I=ll make a motion that we send this forward with recommendation for adoption as an emergency. Do I have a second? Second by Councilman Clemens. Any further discussion? (No response). All in favor, please state aye. (All voted AAye@). Opposed? (No response). Motion passes.

And this is the second half of this piece, AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF BONDS IN THE MAXIMUM PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$900,000, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING THE COSTS OF IMPROVING THE MUNICIPAL WATERWORKS SYSTEM BY REPLACING WATER LINES AND ACQUIRING ANY NECESSARY INTERESTS IN REAL PROPERTY, TOGETHER WITH ALL NECESSARY APPURTENANCES THERETO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. It was amended and read for the second time on 3-12-07.

Mr. Harris: Can you tell a lawyer wrote that?

Mr. Stake: Must have. They just copied the first part.

Mr. Harris: Yes, they did.

Mr. Stake: Okay. Any questions or comments from members of the Finance Committee for Mr. Harris, or anybody else? (No response). Other members of Council? (No response). Then I'll make a motion that we send this ordinance forward with a recommendation for adoption as an emergency. Do I have a second? Second by Councilman Stearns. Any further discussion? (No response). All in favor, please state aye. (All voted "Aye"). Opposed? (No response). Motion passes.

And I'll adjourn the Finance Committee at 9:22.

Finance Committee

March 19, 2007

- - -Nancy C. Frazier, Clerk of Council

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