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ITEM 1: CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Flaute called the City of Riverside, Ohio Council Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. at the Riverside Municipal Center located at 1791 Harshman Road, Riverside, Ohio.

ITEM 2: ROLL CALL: Council attendance was as follows: Mr. Curp, present; Mr. Denning, present; Mayor Flaute, present; Mr. Fullenkamp, absent; Mrs. Lommatzsch, present; Deputy Mayor Reynolds, present; and Mr. Smith, present.

Staff present was as follows: Bryan Chodkowski, City Manager; Emily Christian, Assistant City Manager; Mitch Miller, Service Department; Chief Frank Robinson, Police Department; Tom Garrett, Finance Department; Bob Murray, Economic Development Director; Mark Carpenter, Fire Department and Brock Taylor, Planning and Program Management Director.

ITEM 3: EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS: A motion was made by Mr. Denning to excuse Mr. Fullenkamp. Mrs. Lommatzsch seconded the motion. With no further discussion a vote was taken. All were in favor; none were opposed. **Motion Passed.**

ITEM 4: ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO AGENDA: There were no additions or corrections to the agenda.

ITEM 5: APPROVAL OF AGENDA: A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Reynolds to approve the agenda as submitted. Mr. Denning seconded the motion. With no further discussion a vote was taken. All were in favor; none were opposed. **Motion Passed.**

ITEM 6: WORK SESSION ITEMS:

a) DISCUSSION: 2016 Capital Budget

Mr. Chodkowski: Tonight's discussion is about the larger aspect of the budget, specifically the operational components of the big four; general, fire, police and services. Tonight I have put together a very vanilla presentation to just kind of highlight some of the information that is already in the packet for Council just so we could kind of all look at the same information at the same time. I have the presentation laid out to just kind of review the information that is in the budget and set the conversation up towards the end. That's how I put the presentation together so if Council wants to provide any dialogue or questions as we go along please feel free to do so. So diving right in, the general fund, starting with the revenue; and I've tried to cut and paste this information from the actual spreadsheet to the slides. There may be some formatting issues. It may be a little whopper jawed but I will do my best to point those out for you. Revenue wise, there is no substantial change from what you saw from last year. By and large the reason for that and I noted it in my initial memo is that while we did see a slight uptick in income tax from where we projected it to be in 2015 and we assume that trend will continue in 2016; new provisions of House Bill Five will take effect in 2016 so we are not quite sure what that is going to look like. So we go from the 12 day rule to the 20 day rule. We go from a part of the day rule now to the preponderance of the day. So whereas today if I'm working at Riverside and I'm here for two hours, I fill out my form for two hours and I ship that to my employer and my employer takes Riverside income tax out for two hours after I have been here for 12 consecutive days. 12 times two equals income tax to Riverside. Now the way that the provision in house Bill five works is that I have to work 20 consecutive days in Riverside. And then on the 21st day and moving forward they can take income tax out on behalf of Riverside but that is only if I work the majority of my work day here in Riverside. A bunch of other hokey little changes are going to come into effect but we just don't know what that is going to look like yet so we thought it was safe to leave income tax revenue flat from 2015. Two anomalies which I did highlight, real estate tax and local government revenue fund; they are projected to increase. The real estate

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number is direct from Karl Keith so we are fairly confident that that number is about as accurate as we are going to be. Mr. Garrett, correct me if I'm wrong but in years past we typically tend to be close to that number by 2% or 3%. So we have every reason to believe that there is more property, it is more valuable or all of the above as it relates to property tax. Local government revenue, the state auditor's office has not released the assignments of local government revenues yet. That Bill is still on the floor and so we are not quite sure why the county auditor has provided us this estimate but it's the best number that we have as of today so that number went into that line item. And then the only other change is actually the deduction down here at the bottom which is the Safe Routes to School Grant. When we originally put this budget together in 2015 we assumed that this would be a reimbursable grant. We pay first and then we get the money back from the state. That is not that is actually not the case. All we had to do was pay our proportion which we did do in 2015 and now the state will financially manage this project moving forward. So we were able to remove this revenue and you will note later on we also did remove that expense.

Not much changing again in the fire fund but do note that again real estate tax is up quite significantly for fire. And then we've also included this line item here which is the SCBA grant, the self-contained breathing apparatus grant that the Chief announced two meetings ago. So that revenue is recorded here and there is an offsetting expense later on in the budget. The service fund; not a lot changing here. A slight uptick but nothing significant and then the Police Fund again and uptake in real estate but no other real changes. And then last, we also wanted to include 410 just because that does fund 201 and 203 which is fire and police and again revenue remains flat. I know it's exciting times when we talk about revenue. Moving on to expense, city council, which is account 101 in the general fund, no real change. You can see down here there is a whopping \$800 or \$900 and that accounts for proposed wage increases for the clerk. So that is the only change that we have there. The City Manager, this is a big change from what we've seen in years past. You will notice that wages and employment figures are up significantly over 2015 and all the prior years. The largest reason for that is that we have staff currently assigned to public service, to fire and I know I'm missing someone else, that are all coming over now to the City Manager's office under the title of administrative assistant. So we have transferred those folks over to this account and that is by and large why this number is up. Additionally there was also some ACA requirements; issues that we had which I can share with you via email and we needed to account for that as well. So some of those funds are the reason for this increase of about \$20,000 related to those ACA requirements. The finance department and law department, there is really no change. The big change here again is the wages that accounts for Mr. Garrett and Ms. Hitchens salary adjustments later on in the year and then the law director, we dialed down labor fees just because we are through contract negotiations now so we are not anticipating nearly as much expense expenditure in that category. Planning and program management, wages you will notice are down for 2015. 2015 is when we stood this department up and when we programmed the budget we assumed the maximum financial responsibility for personnel hired. Luckily for us I think Ms. Christian really is a master negotiator and was able to get quality people for significantly less than we had hoped so that's why those numbers are down as compared to 2015. The rest of these functional accounts; these operational accounts, these are our estimates of what those expenses will be based not only on what Mr. Taylor did throughout this year while he was here and after his department was stood up but also what Mr. Murray has done in years past and some of those correlated areas. So that's where those figures came from. The big highlight here is the \$50,000 under the contracted services and this accounts for the items that Mr. Taylor would like to undertake in 2016 with regards to improving the Springfield Corridor. I referenced in my memo to you on Monday that the explanation for all of this figure was in a memo that you received tonight. So not wanting to force you to speed read this memo, Mr. Taylor could you briefly touch on real quickly for Council how we got to this \$50,000 please?

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Mr. Taylor: Springfield is kind of a six-year plan to try and get us to the point where we want to do the repaving; where we bring the current four lanes down to three lanes where one would be a turn lane and kind of create a better corridor there. So to get to that point we kind of start out small and what we wanted to is a lot of landscaping. There are a lot of trees on the Wright Point Office Park that we will want to lift the canopies. There is a lot of sidewalks and gutter especially on property that the city owns that is overgrown and hasn't been maintained and we want to clean up those areas. We also want to do some screening of some properties. And then we also talked about doing prairie grass and the natural wild flowers on maybe some of our right of way areas throughout the city. We will have a test plot right there between Springfield and Old Harshman so that you can see it from Woodman and Springfield when you come off the ramp. So we can highlight that and kind of see what that looks like. It is a good exposure area because there will be a lot of salt right there and it is open and exposed to traffic. So that's kind of what gets us there. And then in addition, we will have new signage for the new City Hall. We are going to add signage to Springfield Street and Harshman and those figures are on there as well.

Mayor Flaute: What do you mean by screening of properties? What is that going to look like?

Mr. Taylor: We have some vacant properties, like the Danis properties back there we want to kind of try and create landscaped areas that detract the eye from these vacant properties that we may or may not have control of so that it builds a better visual aspect as you drive down the street.

Mayor Flaute: So do you mean mostly flowering plants?

Mr. Taylor: We will do some arborvitae, some evergreens to create an aesthetics that draw your eyes to that.

Mr. Denning: So you are going to replace the honeysuckle garbage with something that looks good.

Mr. Taylor: Yes, thank you. Precisely.

Mayor Flaute: Okay, thank you.

Mr. Chodkowski: So there is \$50,000. And then economic development, again up at the top not much changed, just to account for wage increases for Mr. Murray after his evaluation next week. So there is that and then down here in the actual operating accounts some increase in expenses for the project that he is now working on which Council has been briefed. We are affecting code and project business so that's what those figures are for. My understanding is that Mr. Murray has an executive session update for Council at the next meeting and if you all would like us to dive a little deeper into these numbers we can do so at that time. Moving forward, the general government fund, not significant changes here in the context of all of our operating expenses. Office supplies, we have up a little bit to account for the move. We are going to forget something somewhere along the ways; staplers, extra utility bins for our drawers or whatever the case might be. We are going to have some extra expenses beyond what we normally do so we have added that as well. You will note; I think it was highlighted in your packet, at least I had intended to do so, the utilities change quite substantially in the general fund. As I noted in my memo to you, with administration moving over to Wright Point we have always talked about considering ourselves as a tenant. So all of these utilities; gas, electric, and water are paid for by the landlord which is fund 402 and so we were able to reduce those expenses. Now the one thing that did come up and will be a little bit more expensive over the next 18 months is Telcom. So we currently have several contracts for service with Cincinnati Bell however the new Voice Over Internet Protocol System that is going in will be

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through AT&T. So this \$33,000 and change will be an annual cost and this effectively sets up our operation over at 5200. So there will still be an existing Cincinnati Bell contract here to serve this facility. Once the Cincinnati Bell contracts go away we will be able to buy the next module up in the AT&T packet, which I believe is \$7000. So all of the phones here will be taking that number to \$40,000 and that will be the total Telcom bill for all of the city's Telcom needs. So in the short-term we are a little expensive; the total Telcom is going up by about \$12,000-\$13,000 over the next year but after that the expense will drop overall by about \$9000 or \$10,000 from what we are paying today. So in the short-term a little more expensive and long-term cheaper. Miscellaneous, this accounts for the old village's portion of street lighting. We believe that number is going to come down. You will notice it is decreasing from last year and that is because we have set up the general assessment district to account for; I can't recall the number of lights but there were several that were scattered throughout the city. So that's what that figure is for. IT is up and that's because we want to move to a more consistent and elevated level of machine rotation. There is some website updates in there and then again as always there is our ongoing maintenance contract and service contract with CDO. Off-site records management, while I was not part of the discussion at the last Council meeting my understanding is that Council has asked both the clerk and staff to begin going through our files that are currently off-site at Access Management, formally Cintas and formally Iron Mountain over on Monument. So these funds here are for us to be able to contract; I believe I described it my memo. Basically we want to bring in an intern from Wright State or University of Dayton who has some semblance of what we do; some semblance of what is going to be important to us and help us go through identifying that. That is based on the memorandum that Ms. Christian put out to Council and that Ms. Arrigoni was consulted on. That is our proposal at this time but I recognize that Council may have a different directive or concept of how to address that. But we did want to let you know that we are trying to account for your directive on this matter so that is why it is there. Contracted services, the big number here is the \$100,000 for the storm water utility study that Council requested that we undertake in 2016. Assuming this budget line item is approved we will put together an RFP in January and release it in February or March and go forward from there. And then as I indicated on the revenue side we had removed the Safe Routes and here's where that reciprocal deletion shows up.

Mr. Denning: Let me ask a question and it's kind of off subject but does that mean that the state is taking care of the rest of it, it is going to end up being like Spinning Road was when the state controlled everything and that we don't have a whole lot of say on how things get done or when they get done?

Mr. Chodkowski: That is correct. Our responsibility under this contract; they manage the project and our responsibility in the contract is to cover cost overruns.

Mr. Denning: All right. That just seems like, oh well you're going to have a wedding and I'm going to take care of it and yeah I know your budget is only this but anything over that we are going to send a bill for.

Mr. Chodkowski: Yeah, I believe the phrases is, he who foots the bill gets the say. That's what that line item issue is all about there. And then slightly removed in the series; I think this will be about another page or 2 on your budget, is the boards and commissions as well as parks. Not a significant change. We did bump up both Health and Safety and Parks and Rec. Health and Safety will have a need to buy some more helmets next year so that's in there as well as the Kid Card ID and Parks and Recreation has made a decision to be a little more proactive and they would like to do some kind of event next year. Maybe moving the park item; activity so we put some money in the budget for them to be able to do that. Speaking of parks, the big add on in the parks budget right here is \$100,000. For those of you that make it to Avondale and Rohrer Park on Saturdays and Sundays soccer is all the rage and it is a rage that goes about four blocks in every direction from Rohrer Park. We have continued to get

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an uptick in complaints on parking and additionally some of the neighbors that are on that south property line have voiced concerns over the popular basketball courts. So in an attempt to solve two problems with one project these funds are to expand the parking lot onto what is now the surface of the basketball courts and then relocate one basketball court up into what would be the north west corner of the park kind of away from the residents and the high use.

Mr. Denning: Where the baseball diamond used to be or is?

Mr. Chodkowski: Correct. So now that RABA is in partnership with Huber Heights and they have moved the majority of their RABA fields over there behind Beverly Gardens they have effectively ended those fields. So that's what we are proposing there.

Mayor Flaute: So we are taking out one basketball court?

Mr. Chodkowski: We are taking out two and then we are putting back one.

Mr. Denning: Will it be lighted?

Mr. Chodkowski: No. The plan is to provide the benefit of the basketball court but to limit the accessibility of that court after hours and to minimize the effect of some of the behaviors that go on there to the residents. And that's why we are proposing that we move it up to that northwest corner.

Mayor Flaute: So when will we see that?

Mr. Chodkowski: Well this would be a project that we would undertake next year assuming this is a project that you want to do. So this is anything that we have had a discussion about with Council up to this point so we put it in the budget to convey that we are responding to concerns that we have heard. Now whether or not this is an item that you want us to pursue in 2016 we will find out if you approve the budget later this year. So that effectively covers the general fund and its accounts. This is now fire, so this will be at the top of your page. No real change here to wages. I should note that the 2016 wage and benefit numbers are close to 2015 because the assistant to the Fire Chief, Anne Wood in 2016 will be an administrative assistant. So when you saw that large increase in the city manager's account for payroll that is Ms. Wood's salary being transferred. Otherwise this number would be larger. But by and large there are no real significant changes here. The fire fund, again no real large changes throughout most of these other than what is highlighted here in green. Calling your attention to utilities, these are going up because we factored utilities based on your square footage with on our organizational facilities. So because fire not only has what is currently station five it also has station six and then is going to pick up this westerly block of offices here. That's why that number is going up. So effectively electric use is down and gas use is down overall. So our utilities are going down but his number is going up because its footprint in the organization is expanding.

Deputy Mayor Reynolds: Mr. City Manager, before you leave that page can we go back to your Telecom discussion. The \$40,000.

Mr. Chodkowski: In the general fund, account 110?

Deputy Mayor Reynolds: In the general fund.

Mr. Chodkowski: Yes Ma'am.

Deputy Mayor Reynolds: So this building will be part of that system correct?

Mr. Chodkowski: Not initially. It will be once our Cincinnati Bell contracts fall off. This system will be absorbed under the AT&T VoIP system.

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Deputy Mayor Reynolds: Okay and so the AT&T pricing, this building is already included in their pricing when we leave Cincinnati Bell.

Mr. Chodkowski: Yes Ma'am.

Deputy Mayor Reynolds: So there will be no additional costs.

Mr. Chodkowski: No, the \$30,000 will go up to about \$40,000.

Deputy Mayor Reynolds: You said about \$40,000.

Mr. Chodkowski: Right, and that will be total. So right now in fire, telecom is \$13,000 and about \$7000 of that will go away. When you look at service, Telcom is about \$6700 so about \$3000 of that will go away. And then when you look at police, Telcom there is \$22,000 and about \$10,000 of that will go away. So once we leave Cincinnati Bell \$20,000 will come off from Cincinnati Bell and we will add \$7000 to AT&T.

Mr. Denning: So what will it cost us to just cancel Cincinnati Bell's contract and go ahead and start AT&T?

Mr. Chodkowski: I don't have the answer to that question. Ms. Christian and Mr. Taylor worked on those discussions so I don't know the answer to that question.

Mr. Denning: I mean if it is less than \$20,000.

Ms. Christian: I would have to look over the contract again to see.

Mr. Denning: Okay. They are not going to supply the service, they are just going to charge us for canceling a contract. I mean as long as it isn't a huge, huge amount of money and we are going to be able to save this kind of money we need to at least consider it and look at it.

Mr. Taylor: The way the contract reads for Cincinnati Bell; there is a provision there that says if we cancel our contract there is a fee plus we have to pay the remaining months. So I don't know what that would be.

Mr. Denning: I would just be curious. If it is that much more; if we could save \$20,000. Even if we had to pay them \$10,000 to get out of it we are still saving \$10,000 is my thought. Now that might not be the case but it is something that we at least need to look at.

Mr. Taylor: And one other issue that might be with that is that with AT&T and the way the VoIP system works I don't know if this building as it sits now; the infrastructure would be capable of handling that.

Mr. Denning: So it is only going to be able to do that once the modifications are done?

Mr. Taylor: Possibly. I'm not sure.

Mr. Denning: Okay.

Mr. Taylor: That is just one thing to think about. I will check it out.

Deputy Mayor Reynolds: We've not had any conversations with Cincinnati Bell to terminate that contract without a forfeiture of the last seven or eight months? Because I know sometimes government agencies they allow; I think it might be something we can at least look into because I don't know how the system will work together. I don't know if there will be any problem. Are you anticipating any problem with the changeover with communications? And Mr. Taylor I see you shaking your head no. How are we going to prevent that?

Mr. Chodkowski: No we are not anticipating problems or no we haven't planned for ?

Mr. Taylor: No we are not anticipating problems. If you want I can go into how that system will work in theory as it has been explained to me.

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Deputy Mayor Reynolds: I think that is something we all need to know. You all especially.

Mr. Taylor: So the new AT&T VoIP system that we have that will be at Wright Point will have one incoming number that will be imported over from the Cincinnati Bell which is the 233-1801 number. From that number we will all get our extensions so no one will have a direct dial. As soon as you call the 1801 number it will go directly to one of the support staff up front or you will have a choice to go into an automated voice system where you can get to whoever you need or you can direct dial that extension. So the way it is going to be set up currently with the two contracts is when you call over to the 1801 we will give the numbers here; there are 10 numbers between station number six and 1791 and the service station will have an extension through that VoIP system and it will be forwarded to those Cincinnati Bell systems so you will have a seemingly seamless process even though it is two different contracts. So is that is clear as mud?

Deputy Mayor Reynolds: I understand. My concern is failures on one or the other's part; either Cincinnati Bell or AT&T's part.

Mr. Taylor: There should not be.

Mr. Chodkowski: There should not be but in the event that there is, that's the reason why we planned the move for Friday and Saturday and to set up on Monday so in the event that something happens everybody at CDO is across the hall; everybody in theory at AT&T and everybody in theory has gone to work at Cincinnati Bell. We have had issues here in the past, I can recall two occasions since I've worked here. We were able to call Cincinnati Bell and we provided them cell phone numbers and they routed calls right away to those cell numbers until they were resolved. So we know that was Cincinnati Bell at least right away we will be able to address those issues and communications with CDO who is coordinating all of this and AT&T should have the ability to do the same thing.

Deputy Mayor Reynolds: Thank you.

Mr. Taylor: And then if the VoIP system doesn't work and you call the 1801 number you will still be able to direct all those numbers that we forwarded them to. So you will have two systems basically so there would have to be a catastrophic failure; I think the way CDO has explained it to me.

Deputy Mayor Reynolds: It always worries me.

Mr. Chodkowski: What I'm not worried about DP&L though.

Deputy Mayor Reynolds: Thank you very much.

Mr. Chodkowski: Fire, the only other change; two other changes I should say is here with dispatch and radio fees. There is a minor tick up in dispatch fees. We will have legislation to you probably at the next meeting regarding renewal of our dispatch contract with Huber Heights. I think the projected increase is about 2%. I did have contact with Kettering who was able to quote service. They did have the capacity but that was \$350,000 is what they quoted us. So almost \$100,000 more. I did have contact with Centerville, they were interested in quoting us but instead took on West Carrollton so now they no longer have capacity. And I did have a conversation with Deputy County Administrator Wiedeman and they have not made any changes to the terms and conditions of their contract so we will not be pursuing dispatch with them. So I did want to let you know that we had staff looking into that and seeing what other service vendors we had for that service. But Huber has provided us with a very good price.

Deputy Mayor Reynolds: Do you feel like in those conversations with Huber Heights that the problems that we've been having with dispatch have been resolved?

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Mr. Chodkowski: We are making progress on resolving those. I think a lot of it has to do with reinforcing on a regular basis our expectations to administration and making sure that gets down to dispatch and making sure that operational decisions by dispatch are not being driven by in field personnel. And so we are making progress on that and we continue to communicate with City Manager Schommer and the Chief over there has requested a meeting with us prior to executing this contract and going over all of our issues to make sure that we get those documented and known before we get into this contract so that they can start addressing those on a more consistent basis.

Deputy Mayor Reynolds: And you will be bringing a contract to us when Sir?

Mr. Chodkowski: I anticipate bringing it to you at the next meeting.

Deputy Mayor Reynolds: And you anticipate bringing that assurance from Huber Heights at the same time?

Mr. Chodkowski: I can't guarantee that but if you would like to have that contract at that meeting I can make that happen.

Deputy Mayor Reynolds: Well I would. We are the ones that get this call on dispatching. I don't know how to answer people anymore when they tell me, well the lady on the phone told me I need to call somebody else. No you need to call this number.

Mr. Chodkowski: We will have that meeting and we will have it soon and we will let you know that outcome when we present the legislation.

Deputy Mayor Reynolds: Thank you.

Mr. Chodkowski: And then the other item here, Chief has requested some additional equipment. Most of these funds are directly related to the SCBA, (Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus) and the grant that we noted earlier on the revenue side and then some additional more modern extrication equipment is also included in this line item and then some other smaller items. And then the Chief has also requested to replace the staff car here at station five which I think is a 2003 trailblazer. He would like to replace that with a quad utility truck very similar to what we purchased for the code enforcement officer a few years back; something that would be more conducive to running equipment from one place to another; from here to station six or from the Mud Run; they had to borrow a truck from service department and that would eliminate the need to do that. And then we would take that vehicle, the 2003 Trailblazer and we would cycle that in over here on the administrative side as part of our fleet. So we would put that back to good use. So those are the capital expenses for fire. Service, again no real changes here on the salaries. Notice this number here is down a little bit. We were not able to negotiate decreases in wages as a result of the contract. This is Pam Rice, the current Service Department Secretary who is now coming over to be an administrative assistant. So that again is another reason why the wages are up in the city manager's line item back in the general fund. Expense wise, the utilities again, the same reason for the change in these items. The road salt, you will notice we are down substantially over 2015 and that's a result of the lower bid price. I think we paid Kettering \$99 a ton and our bid this year was \$65 a ton so this is 1500 tons of salt which is on average what we use. So hopefully NOAA is correct, not as cold and little bit more snow and hopefully that is a lot less salt. Last but not least, capital equipment. Mr. Miller and his crew have requested a slope mower and I believe there was discussion about that during the capital budget if I remember the minutes correctly from the last meeting. And then the hotbox, the trailer that carries warm asphalt so we can patch potholes with the correct material in the warmer weather.

Mr. Denning: The slope mower, are we getting the big one?

Mr. Chodkowski: This is the daddy from what I understand.

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Mr. Miller: It is 88 inches.

Mr. Denning: It is the 88 inch one that I saw?

Mr. Miller: Yes.

Mr. Denning: Well here's the question, we can get like a \$40,000 discount if we buy it this year, right?

Mr. Miller: That is correct.

Deputy Mayor Reynolds: I thought we were buying it this year. I thought we are going to see a supplemental Sir to buy that little black box.

Mr. Denning: No, to me, the hotbox I don't think we get a discount on. To me, if we can get a \$40,000 discount on that slope mower, the \$40,000 would pay for the hotbox. It is a group decision but when we can save that kind of money I would like to see it go into this year's budget or work something out; however we do it to get us that discount on that piece of equipment because from what I understand that may never happen again.

Mr. Chodkowski: I can tell you that we are already planning to have the 2016 budget at our next staff meeting on Wednesday so we will be able to identify.

Mr. Denning: The deadline on that; what's the deadline on that discount?

Mr. Miller: It is actually this week. We can contact the vendor.

Mr. Denning: I would appreciate that because when we can get that kind of discount.

Mrs. Lommatzsch: What is the discount for?

Mr. Denning: For the slope mower.

Mrs. Lommatzsch: I understand that but I mean why is it discounted? Is it an end of the year model?

Mr. Denning: They are trying to sell their product and it is the first time they have done that in 30 or 40 years that they've sold these. I just happened to be working at the haunted house the day they were testing and showing it off on the slopes along Harshman and that's the reason I have so much information. But if we can get that kind of discount I think we need to at least consider it.

Mr. Chodkowski: We can contact the vendor and see if they are willing to honor that through whatever the next meeting date is and if they are then we will put something together. And if you want to make the purchase you can vote for it and if you don't want to make the purchase you can vote against it.

Mr. Denning: To me, if we are going to make the purchase next year what does a few months difference make one way or the other when we can save that kind of money?

Deputy Mayor Reynolds: Well could I just ask one question along that line? This is a large piece of equipment, where we going to store something brand new like that until next year? Do we have a place?

Mrs. Lommatzsch: Do we have to take delivery?

Deputy Mayor Reynolds: Yeah, that's what I'm wondering.

Mr. Miller: We can discuss that. At Wake Avenue if we move some things around it would be a good place to store it. It has a good roof now where before it was kind of like Swiss cheese. That was replaced with the Honeywell contract.

Deputy Mayor Reynolds: I wouldn't want something's like that sitting out.

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Mr. Denning: No I wouldn't want that either. And get us exact figures on what the discount is. I am ball parking it at \$40,000 but I'm not sure that is correct. It may be a little less but it was quite a decent discount.

Mr. Miller: Would you like that now?

Mr. Denning: If you've got it.

Mr. Miller: I just happened to have it right here.

Deputy Mayor Reynolds: Your memo says that it is \$120,000 for the slope mower so if there is a \$40,000 discount.

Mr. Denning: Well I am ball parking it.

Deputy Mayor Reynolds: Well even at that, that pays for that little black box that we need to have.

Mr. Denning: Right.

Mr. Miller: The normal list price is about \$92,000. With the add-ons which are really pretty important, the add-ons probably put on another \$18,000. Their price after discussing pretty long and hard with them, they would be willing to sell it for \$89,004.

Mrs. Lommatzsch: Down from what?

Mr. Miller: Well, their list price is almost \$92,000.

Mr. Chodkowski: What does it cost with all the add-ons?

Mr. Miller: With all of the add-ons, right now based on the quote that they gave us is \$89,004.

Mr. Denning: Okay, and the original was \$92,000 plus \$18,000, right? So that is \$110,000. Right and we are going to get it for \$89,000.

Mrs. Lommatzsch: That is \$20,000 in savings.

Mr. Denning: Yeah, \$21,000 in savings.

Mrs. Lommatzsch: Not \$40,000.

Mr. Denning: It is still a substantial savings for a few months in time.

Mrs. Lommatzsch: Where is the money in the budget?

Mr. Chodkowski: In the 2015?

Mrs. Lommatzsch: Right.

Mr. Chodkowski: I don't have the answer to that question yet.

Mrs. Lommatzsch: That would be my question. How are you going to pay for it? There are things we would like to do.

Mr. Miller: We could discuss with the vendor and see if they would extend that to the first of the year. That would maybe be an option. Maybe they would and maybe they wouldn't.

Mr. Chodkowski: Police; I'm sorry where there any other questions?

Mr. Denning: Sorry I didn't mean to get us off track.

Mr. Chodkowski: No you're fine. It is your meeting.

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Mr. Curp: Utilities. Why are the utilities going down here? If we are allocating out the utility cost for this building the existing building is still out there so why would the utilities go down instead of up?

Mr. Chodkowski: In this instance because we are looking at the total square footage. So overall, the space that is currently occupied by Council and administration and the service department picks up the smallest portion of that. So because they are picking up the smallest portion it redistributes the formula in that way. So this room effectively becomes police's responsibility and so now you're just looking at this little front office space here. So you are talking collectively the square footage.

Mr. Curp: I understand that. But if the \$8100 includes electric for public services for that building out there and in 2016 you're still going to have that building out there and you're still going to have utilities going out and that building out there and they are also going to pick up some allocation for space in here, why would it go down by 50% instead of going up?

Mr. Chodkowski: I can double check the math on that. I will have an answer for you the next time.

Mr. Curp: There is no rush. It's just one of those things that kind of catches your eye.

Mr. Chodkowski: Curiosity. We can do that. On the police side, the revenue figures are up. The revenue figures are up because there are two employees who are eligible to retire next year and we believe that they will. So this does account for those two individuals and then there is a third who is seeking separation from the department in another manner which would also require pay out. So we have also included that here as well. So these increases are by and large one time increases. The number did go up as a result of wage increases and insurance premiums and whatnot.

Mr. Curp: That is in 5111? The payouts are in 5111?

Mr. Chodkowski: Correct. Yes Sir that is correct.

Mr. Curp: Could we maybe create a different subaccount for those so that we can compare salaries and wages to apples and apples?

Mr. Chodkowski: We sure can. We can give you that break down.

Deputy Mayor Reynolds: Do we have separation dates yet or are we just anticipating?

Mr. Chodkowski: We are anticipating. Again, this is the lower two thirds of the expense sheet. Again the utilities; the change here and then down here regarding evidence collection and lab fees for Mike DeWine has been lauding BCI and their services at no cost to local jurisdictions. In light of some of the financial issues that we have had through legislative action at state, this is a good way for us to save \$30,000-\$40,000 and still have the same service that we have available today to do crime lab where we pay \$52,000 annually. At this point in time several local jurisdictions have already moved to the crime labs; to BCI. Xenia is one, Moraine is one, Huber Heights is one, Englewood is another one. Several jurisdictions are already talking about making the move next year. I think it would be appropriate also for us to make that move which is why we have budgeted the funds the way that they are. While we are prepared to make the move to BCI at the end of our contract with Miami Valley Regional Crime Lab, I recognize that there are other issues which Council may need to consider. So this is just our recommendation. But if Council would like to remain and utilize the crime lab in its full capacity we still have the ability to do that. The crime lab, additionally for forensic lab fees and costs, part of the reason this number is up is that right now the crime lab only offers flat fee services. So you pay the full bill any get the full service or you don't get any bill and you get no service. In light of the communities that have already left the crime lab and the communities that have announced their intent to leave the crime lab, the executive director for the lab has

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finally announced that he will offer an à la carte service. So if we have something that is a rush we can go right downtown and he will charge us \$100 for a DNA, he will charge us \$175 for a fingerprint scan or whatever that might be. We have not seen that à la carte menu but we expect that at some point in time we will take advantage of those services so that's why we have put this price up the way that we have. I also want to make Council aware that I highlighted that in the memo to you on Monday. Weapons and munitions, Chief Robinson would like to increase firearms training for the department to twice year as opposed to once a year. Everybody has seen the news and everybody knows what's going on so Chief Robinson thought this would be beneficial for our department and our community and that's why that number has increased. Additionally, in the capital account the Chief has requested funds for an additional drive for audio/visual storage and backup. This is in an effort to provide full audio/visual capability for both in car and body camera. We also have some on-site audio/video recording equipment. We have had some interface issues in the last month or so and the initial assumption from CDO was that our storage capacity may be an issue for our ability to download information. We are continuing to work through that. This may wind up being a smaller expense or no expense at all but we are waiting for the final analysis from CDO. And then last but not least, Chief has requested the opportunity to purchase four vehicles next year to keep the fleet rotation moving. I know that there was some discussion at the last meeting about the need to purchase vehicles in the rotation and its effects. I know Chief has prepared information for Council later on in his report so he will be able to address your concerns from that last meeting. Last but not least is 410 and how we split out the revenue from the Public Safety Income Tax. This year's split is highly similar to last year's split. Basically what we do is take the revenue that we get minus the retainer fee we pay and that leaves us X dollars. We look at the total personnel and operating expenses for each department as a whole and then as a percentage. So the police department is I think 61% or something and then the fire department is 39%. So the fire gets 39% of the money and PD get 61% so that's how we calculate this dispersion every year. It'll be based on each department's cost to operate. So that is in a nutshell the information that we included in your packet. I know we did field question but staff and I would be more than happy to answer any other questions that you may have about any of the information that is in the budget.

Mr. Smith: In one of the budget discussions either last year or maybe the year before last, there was an exorbitant amount of money spent on munitions and we were told at that time we wouldn't have to buy ammo again for quite a number of years. Do you remember that?

Mr. Chodkowski: I remember that there was a year that we did purchase ammunition and I do remember that it was a larger number. I believe; I would have to go back but it was a few years back now. I know it was when Chief Reese was here. Part of that was, at that time we had an indoor practice facility so we had to buy frangible ammo and then there was a stockpile that we had here that effectively expired.

Mr. Denning: Ammo expires? It's not a pill it's a bullet.

Mr. Chodkowski: I'm not sure what the reason was. I don't know whether or not it was ammunition that they had seized that was forfeited or had to do with multiple calibers. I don't know what that reason was.

Mrs. Lommatzsch: They threw away some ammo is what you are saying.

Mr. Chodkowski: I believe that is correct but I would have to go back and take a look.

Mrs. Lommatzsch: We are using fancy words but they threw away some ammo.

Mayor Flaute: The income tax that we were talking about there, the credit has nothing to do with the credit that is coming in? How does that work?

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Mr. Chodkowski: No, the credit would be included in this figure here and I believe it is \$750,000; \$780,000.

Mr. Garrett: \$780,000.

Mayor Flaute: So that doesn't change the amount that goes to police and fire?

Mr. Chodkowski: No.

Mr. Curp: In the police department for educational training there is a small increase but one of the things that I saw on the news over the last several days; I think it came out of the Attorney General's office was a study that there were some soft skills areas that were added to either recommended or mandatory training areas. Is this enough money to cover that?

Mr. Chodkowski: I will effectively at this time throw under the bus Chief Robinson and Assistant City Manager Christian largely because I think Chief will be able to explain to you better than I can the reason for his increase in training and I know that Ms. Christian and our conversation has been talking with Sinclair about soft skill training in a lot of ways. So Chief I will yield the floor to you first.

Chief Robinson: I think the training that you are talking about, the mandatory training is actually offered through OPOTA and you can get a lot of that stuff for free. So like this year for instance, every officer has to have four different classes. We can actually take every one of those at OPOTA and we can do it for free. The reason there is an increase in the budget is that some of the classes we want to send our people to are more to improve their skill set and it is a little bit more expensive. Sometimes it cost \$495 to send one person to this class so if you sent two people you're up to around \$1000 for this class. The whole premise behind this is to send those to folks to training and they are supposed to come back here and train everybody in the whole department. That's where the increase comes from.

Mr. Curp: And I'm not complaining or questioning that. I'm just asking if we have enough.

Chief Robinson: I think so, I think we do. We have increased that the last two years I think by about \$6000. And also with Major Hughes being here, he is a trainer kind of guy. He is very well known throughout the country for training and he is going to bring us access to some training from outside which actually allows us to get some seats in that training for free where we couldn't have done that before. As a matter fact we've already had one of those trainings at one of the local hotels; there is some training and we had some folks in on that. We should be fine.

Mr. Curp: Because I know you mentioned getting some of this training from OPOTA and that's all well and good but I think sometimes it is good to look to outside organizations who aren't embedded heavily in law enforcement, fire service, public works because they can provide different insight.

Chief Robinson: I agree with you. As a matter fact where I came from we actually went to a training every year; I think it was in November and it was the craziest training because the gal would use animals, like stuffed animals like rhinoceroses and monkeys and stuff like that. It was a management training but it wasn't geared just towards police it was geared towards everyone. I had the hardest time talking to my sergeants about it and going to that class because they are going, how does that affect me. So I had to start naming off things. This is what the man is saying. So I understand what you're saying and you are right. We can use other avenues to get your point across for what you want to get done.

Mrs. Lommatzsch: Tell me OPOTA.

Chief Robinson: What is it?

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Mrs. Lommatzsch: Yes. Ohio.

Chief Robinson: Ohio Peace Officer Training Academy.

Mrs. Lommatzsch: There are acronyms that I don't read everyday.

Chief Robinson: I apologize.

Deputy Mayor Reynolds: Chief Robinson, I'm glad you brought this training. I understand that Major Hughes is a trainer and provides training to other communities now. Is that true? How does that work?

Mr. Chodkowski: In his capacity here?

Deputy Mayor Reynolds: Yes. Do we loan him out?

Mr. Chodkowski: It depends on the capacity in which the Major would be teaching. So if he is teaching in his capacity as train the trainer; so if he is going to go into a regional class for the Miami Valley then yes we would effectively loan him to other departments for that training. If he is providing training in his secondary employment capacity then that is something he does on his time when he is either on a weekend or on a vacation day. But by and large when he is here it is some kind of reciprocal agreement where he is putting on a class and three other communities are paying just the base fee for just materials and not his time. And that's how those arrangements tend to work.

Deputy Mayor Reynolds: So he is out of the district on his vacation time doing training.

Mr. Chodkowski: Yes Ma'am.

Deputy Mayor Reynolds: Also I understand that we have officers or one officer in training now; and maybe I just need to look at the documentation before I ask anything else because I don't know what I really need to say. Could you give us a listing of all officer training this past year and what they have taken and the cost of that and the purpose behind it?

Mr. Chodkowski: Yes Ma'am we can do that.

Deputy Mayor Reynolds: Thank you very much.

Mayor Flaute: Any other questions for the Manager?

Mr. Denning: When we passed the additional tax; the rule that says we are going to take that extra three quarters of a percent income tax from folks we promised that we would take care of residential streets with that money. In the services budget I didn't see anything in there that says we are going to spend \$750,000 on residential streets.

Mr. Chodkowski: First of all the commitment that the Council made was that we would spend whatever income we made from the credit on capital expenditures. So when you took a look in whole at what our capital expenditures are you will see that we are well in excess of the \$780,000. I would like to point out that I was able to sneak past you another half \$1 million right here for roads.

Mr. Denning: As long as we are doing something on the roads that we can point to that says this is why we are doing this. I think we have to be able to tell that story, right Mrs. Reynolds?

Mr. Chodkowski: All kidding aside, I did not highlight this contracted services item to you because it is like and similar in value.

Mr. Denning: And I appreciate that but I was looking for something in that neighborhood to say this is what we are spending and this is why we are keeping that credit where it is.

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Mr. Chodkowski: And you will see in the budget notes once we finalize the budget it will highlight that; this half \$1 million right here for residential road ways; for road improvements.

Mr. Denning: I'm good with that. Thank you.

Deputy Mayor Reynolds: Mr. City Manager, when do you anticipate having carryover figures?

Mr. Chodkowski: Refresh my memory; I know staff meeting was just a mere 24 hours ago. Is it next week? Next week we should have an initial swag on where we think we will be able to operate in and where we will have additional revenues identified.

Deputy Mayor Reynolds: And when would you like to have any recommendations that we would want to make. Do you want them in writing or what would you like?

Mr. Chodkowski: What is the pleasure of Council? We can bring you our number two weeks from tonight and you can bring us your numbers or your requests two weeks from tonight. We can do it that way. I think last year, I think Council sent emails. Those Council members that were interested in offering suggestions sent emails and we kind of compiled a packet if you would on how much money we have and here's what you guys want to do and here are some suggestions from staff so tell us how you want us to assign this money. So we can do that if you all think that went well last year.

Mrs. Lommatzsch: We might've just spent \$89,000.

Mr. Chodkowski: Oh the mower.

Mayor Flaute: So you are going to send us the amount that was maybe over budgeted and how we might find ways to spend it?

Mr. Chodkowski: I think what you're really asking for is for us to show you the funds that we did not spend but intended to spend because we were exceptionally awesome at watching the money that we are entrusted to watch. I think that is really what you are asking for. We will know that number; we should have a good guess at what that number should be on Wednesday of next week. It might be a little tight for us to get it out in the packet but we can get it to you in advance of the meeting so if you guys have suggestions on what you would like to see that money go for; we would obviously talk about the slope mower. That has been a discussion. The hotbox has also been a discussion item. I know Mr. Fullenkamp couldn't be with us tonight but I know he had requested some upgraded traffic counters in relation to the Major Thoroughfares Plan. So there are some suggestions already out there and we can do some note taking on those over the next few days while we are getting together our numbers.

Mayor Flaute: And you will give us advice also. Or are you just going to wait for us?

Mr. Chodkowski: Sir when have you ever known me to give you advice?

Mayor Flaute: So you are going to wait for us to give it to you and then we will have discussion?

Mr. Chodkowski: Not knowing what Councils' priorities are it is tough for myself or any member of staff to say, hey we think this would be a good expenditure for these unexpensed dollars.

Mayor Flaute: I'm just trying to see how this is going to work.

Mr. Chodkowski: So what I would say is based on what we have shown you tonight and what we are talking about programming for 2016; some of the comments that we've heard about the mower, the truck or whatever you guys send us we will take a

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look at that list that you send us and compare it to the money that we identify and we can say, hey if you want to buy the most stuff in 2015 yet this is what you can buy. If you are looking to improve the capital assets of the city, maybe instead of buying these 15 things you can just buy these two things or this one thing and then at least you are prepared to have an educated discussion when you arrive at the Council meeting in two weeks; three weeks.

Deputy Mayor Reynolds: There is only one thing I would like Council to consider and I think we all know; we have all seen the email traffic over the last few days and we have a \$45,000 expenditure that we were not planning on. And so Mr. City Manager, my recommendation; sorry Chief one of the cars have got to go. One of the cars have got to go.

Mrs. Lommatzsch: Well I just think that none of us are in a position to recommend to you. You are the professionals and you should be the ones who are telling us what the priority needs are. I am not in the position to know what you as professionals think is the priority to spend money. I am not in favor of spending money just because it's there.

Mayor Flaute: I don't want to insult any of the Councilmembers either.

Mrs. Lommatzsch: I'm not insulting anybody I'm just saying that these are professional people that we hire and that we should expect that they would give us the proper information and the priorities for the city. I am not in a position to decide what is the most important thing. So I would like to see recommendations from staff.

Mr. Curp: I understand the comments; I don't know that I totally agree. I think the staff's role is to identify what they need for basic service delivery and the nice to have things that they include in the budget. And it is up to the staff whether there is sufficient funding and have the staff go back and sit down and develop their own priorities within their departments and across the departments. This Council is for other things that need to be going on in the community. Whether that is providing more money for street repairs or that is providing more money for community development. Those are things we're supposed be doing because that is our role. Now shame on us for not having done our strategic planning this year because those things come out of strategic planning. Shame on us for not doing any higher level of detail in establishing goals and objectives because those things come out of setting more detailed goals and objectives. And I do think that is our role because that is what the citizens have sent us here to do. There were people either during the session or after the session who talked about things they would like to see in the community and those are the citizens', that is not my priority, that is the citizens' priorities and we are supposed to take this into consideration and see if there is room in the budget process to put those things in there. I understand other Councilmember's comments, I respect them but I think we have a role in this too because I don't want to necessarily establish priorities for departments because I don't want to be the bad guy. I want those department heads and the city manager and the staff to get together and address the conflicts where there is not enough money to go across all the desires; those services within the departments. I don't want those things to come here and say, okay Council you sort this out, you be the bad guys. I want that settle before it even gets here.

Mayor Flaute: That's what I'm thinking. I'm looking for a process here of how we would do that. So everyone is going to give you their favorites. Do we discuss each one; you're saying we should discuss each one.

Mr. Curp: No I'm saying if there were projects that we as Council members think are important to the community.

Mayor Flaute: We give them to the City Manager.

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Mr. Curp: And he will collate those; he and staff will compile those and those will be on the agenda for Council to discuss.

Mayor Flaute: We will fight for our project.

Mr. Curp: We might fight for somebody else's project. The thing is to take a look at; if we agree that there are some things to address and how much we want to put forward and then take a look at what has been proffered by the staff for the operating budget and see whether our desires cause us to go into a deficit situation and if so where do we go back and make adjustments.

Mayor Flaute: Does that process work for everybody?

Mr. Smith: I think so.

Mayor Flaute: Does that work for you Mr. Manager?

Mr. Chodkowski: We can do that, yes Sir. We can do that.

Mayor Flaute: Okay. All right anything else?

ITEM 7: RECESS: The Council took a recess at 7:14 p.m.

ITEM 8: RECONVENE: The meeting reconvened at 7:26 p.m.

ITEM 9: PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/MOMENT OF SILENCE Mr. Mike Smith, Council Member, led all those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Flaute: As many of you already know, Councilmember Fullenkamp lost his mother this week which is the reason his not here this evening. So at this time I would like to have a moment of silence for him and his family. A moment of silence please. Thank you very much.

ITEM 10: MINUTES: Consider approval of the minutes of the October 1, 2015 regular Council meeting.

A motion was made by Mr. Denning to approve the minutes as written. Mrs. Lommatzsch seconded the motion. With no further discussion a vote was taken. 5 were in favor; none were opposed. (Mr. Curp was not in the room for the vote but returned to the meeting shortly thereafter). **Motion passed.**

ITEM 11: ACCEPTANCE OF WRITTEN CITIZEN PETITIONS

There were no petitions.

ITEM 12: CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

a) FYI

i) Council Request Sheets

ii) Council Agenda Calendar

iii) City Manager's Project and Activities Report

iv) Memo – Records Storage Project Proposed Timeline

Mr. Chodkowski: Included in your packet is my project and activities report as well as several other pieces of information from staff. I would be more than happy to answer any questions about those items. A couple of notes from the project and activities report, John R Jurgensen was in town last week and did finish all of the crack sealing on Burkhardt. So they will be submitting documents to close out that project as well this year. So we are finally making some resolution to that project. And then I also received a call from MS Consultants yesterday. MS Consultants is working on the Eintracht Boat Launch Project. They are all complete with engineering. They have

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submitted all of the environmental paperwork and that project should be ready to bid whenever we are ready to go. At this point we will most likely bid that project in January or February. We could bid it today but we couldn't start until next year. Best bid pricing would dictate that we bid it late winter for next year.

Deputy Mayor Reynolds: Chief Carpenter that is a good time to buy a boat, in January.

Mr. Chodkowski: So I want to bring that your attention. With that being said staff I will answer any other questions Council may have.

Mr. Denning: I saw JR Jurgensen working over here at Valley Street in front of the McDonald's.

Mr. Chodkowski: Barrett Construction. We had a sinkhole develop there and then one of the concrete panels on the walk was whopper jawed so they were here to fix that sinkhole in that concrete panel.

Mr. Denning: Is that under warranty work?

Mr. Chodkowski: The warranty expired last year.

Mr. Denning: Okay.

Deputy Mayor Reynolds: Is there reason why that area would've been so compromised in a sinkhole form?

Mr. Chodkowski: Our best guess is that one of the subsurface sprinkler lines in McDonald's broke and pressure washed that all out and collapsed it.

Deputy Mayor Reynolds: I wondered if that could be a problem.

Mayor Flaute: I noticed there was one on Spinning Road right by Eastman. There is one starting to sink there. I've had a few residents ask about it. I'm sure that road's not under guarantee. It might be something you want to look at. Right the middle of the intersection at Eastman and Spinning. Okay, any other questions?

Deputy Mayor Reynolds: Mr. City Manager, I noticed there is some roadway work; street way right-of-way work going on at Brantwood project. Is that for their new sprinkler system?

Mr. Chodkowski: I'm not familiar with that project. Mr. Miller are you aware of that?

Mr. Miller: They are still constructing houses in that subdivision.

Deputy Mayor Reynolds: No it is coming down from Dr. Sefton's area and so I was wondering if that is a system going in at Brantwood.

Mr. Miller: There should be infrastructure already set up for Brantwood.

Deputy Mayor Reynolds: Okay, then it is something different. Thank you.

Mr. Miller: It could be repair work. AT&T has been out working on a lot of different underground structures. I would have to look at it and find out who the contractor is. We will try and find out for you.

Deputy Mayor Reynolds: Thank you Sir.

Mr. Curp: It is AT&T communication lines. I don't know who's doing the work but that is what it is.

Deputy Mayor Reynolds: Is it, okay.

Mr. Miller: They have a tremendous number of lines that run through the city.

Mayor Flaute: Okay, very good. Any other questions from members of Council? Seeing none thank you Mr. Manager.

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Mr. Chodkowski: Thank you Sir. At this point in time I will yield the floor to Chief Robinson for his monthly update to Council.

b) Monthly Verbal Updates

i) Police Department

Chief Robinson: I mentioned to you last time about the cyber bullying class at Carroll High School. It went off without a hitch. It was very well done. We had a lot of participation with the students and faculty and with our police officers there and they have asked us to come back and do some other stuff like some domestic violence and some drug awareness kind of things so we will be entertaining that later in the year. Just to make sure you understand what the cyber bullying thing was all about, cyber bullying they talk about the bullying law, sexting and anything having to do with online dangers of being online and the kids with their phones and all that stuff. So it is pretty thorough. We talked about body cameras; the City Manager hit on that a little while ago. We are having some issues with the downloads. We do need that backup to ensure that we don't lose any of our data that we have and right now we're not exactly sure how we are going to get all six of those or seven or whatever we have to download like the cars do; as quickly as they do I should say. Right now we're having the issue where we are not able to do more than one of the cameras at the time. So basically we are still on a trial basis with that and see where we are going to go, how much it is going to take, how many terabytes we are going to need and that kind of thing. I am not an IT guy so don't hold me to this but it has something to do with a 2.0 that needs to be a 3.0 to make this thing work the way it is supposed to work so that is the technical term. That's all I know about it. But we will get there and we will get this thing working correctly and get all of our folks in these body cameras. Narcan, I just want to touch on that a little bit. Unfortunately we have had; the police officers in this department have used that six times since the inception of the usage of it. The unfortunate thing is I think we lost a couple of those folks. So the drugs are still out there and putting Narcan in the cars has made a difference so I'm very happy about that. So I think it was money well spent. The victims advocate also went to Carroll High School and she spoke to them about; the teachers and the teachers aides. The last time she was there she spoke to the students and this one she went to Carroll and she actually spoke with the teachers and the aides and explain what her job function was, what she can provide for them if they have some incidents that they're having at school where they have a victim of some sort and what avenues they should take and where they should go. She had all that information. The resource guide book that I gave everyone of you, she gave them a cut down version of that resource guide. Some of the numbers that you folks have are the same numbers that we are going to give everybody else. The Air Force Marathon went off without a hitch. There was no problem there. I think was very well done. I promised Major Hughes that I would mention this, I know it is near and dear to his heart, is the social media. If you have seen our website it has really taken off. If you have seen that all in reference to Officer Toscani and the aid that he provided to a homeless veteran here in our city has really gone viral. So I would be remiss if I didn't say that there were 67,000 views at this point of folks that have looked in on that. So it has given us some really good PR. It was really well done for him and I think he has actually helped that person more than just once actually. So this is just the time that they actually saw him do it. You may have also seen on social media that we had a couple drug raids in the city. We put them out there and the reason why we put them out there is because we want people to know that we are busy. We are out there and we are going to get these drug dealers and we can get these people that are out there poisoning our kids. We are going to make that effort all the time. So we put that out there so you can see that we are making that effort. We are going to make a dent in this drug problem that we have. So we want them to see that. That also is on the social media which is something that is near and dear to Major Hughes's heart. This month the sergeant is trying to increase

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our professionalism. We sent them all including the detectives to a class on case law updates, search and seizure laws and interview and interrogation do's and don'ts. They came back with a lot of information for the whole department. I mentioned the train the trainer kind of thing so they brought all the information back to actually give out to everyone here in the department. So I think it was a very good class. I have just one more thing before I talk about vehicles and that is the Pumpkin Chuck, which my understanding is Mr. Murray is no longer allowed to go to. It will be tomorrow from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. There will be some traffic issues on Airway so if anyone asks that's what's going on it is the Pumpkin Chuck going on tomorrow. And Airway will be blocked off at the gate there. The right lane is going to be cordoned off where people can go into the event and it will be blocked off so that people can only come out and go right. So they will go in right and they will come out right. So last but not least, vehicles. I gave you this printout in these beautiful colors and then I tried confuse you tremendously by putting the numbers upside down. And I confused myself and when my secretary looked at it I said those numbers are upside down and she said I know. And I said why did you do that for. But anyways that's another story altogether. But if you look at where my concern is; and the City Manager can help me with this. I was not here in 2006. But if you see the numbers are at \$50,000 allocated to pay the expenses for cruiser repairs. You see how they went over \$16,000. Now if you fast-forward and this is when they bought multiple vehicles at one time, they bought like nine. So as you see the years go by, you don't even have to look at the start right here. It's pretty but the numbers over here are what counts. So it goes up from 2006 to 2010 when the cars get their time in. When they get four years on the road as you see the amount of the budget went up from \$50,000 to \$90,000 and it still went over that by \$104,000. It was \$104,000 on repairs on vehicles. I've never seen anybody in my life spend that much money on repairs on a vehicle. That is unbelievable to me. So then the following year it starts going down. And as you see in the last few years from 2013, 2014 and 2015 the budget has been between \$50,000 and \$60,000 but as you see in 2012 they spent \$25,000, \$39,000, \$33,000 and \$25,000 this year and I would like to guesstimate that I will spend \$5,000 more on vehicles this year. That is my guesstimation. So about \$35,000. You can see the difference from 2010 to 2015 because we purchased more vehicles and had newer vehicles so the repair bill is going to go down dramatically as you can see as it has happened. So from 2010 to 2015, \$104,000 I can buy two cars with that amount of money. So that's why we want to have the rotation that I have. You have to remember this too, I talk about how many miles the vehicles have on them. They have 72,000 to 75,000 miles. One has 84,000 miles. In that range. But the vehicles we are going to get will be here in four months so by the time that comes round; we have 14 cars. We had 12 when I started here and now we have 14 and I'll tell you why we have that. It's because the cars ran nonstop because there weren't enough cars for people working. So we were running them 24 hours a day. So now we're down to where we are cutting that in half. Obviously we're still running the cars quite a bit but it's not as bad as it would've been if we hadn't bought two cars extra and put two more in the rotation. We would've seen cars; that one car that had 84,000 miles probably would've had 99,000 miles on it because we would've been running it to death. So that's why we jump from 12 to 14. Now we have one car in the fleet that only has one person drive it. That's it. All the others have at least two people driving this vehicles. So you figure if I have cars go down and we've had several accidents this year; we've had several things where the vehicles have gone down that last four or five days or even two weeks and I have multiple people driving that same vehicle so they are killing it on the miles. Now we're talking about miles and I'm not even talking about idle time. If we figured out idle time we probably could. But when I talk about the vehicles having 84,000 miles right now, by the time it gets to June these vehicles are going to be in the 90 some thousand mile range at that point. The other vehicles are probably going to be somewhere in the 80,000 mile range and those are not easy miles. Those are hard miles. The stop and go,

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sitting in traffic for hours at a time and things like that. So these vehicles get used harsh.

Mayor Flaute: So these 14 cars are all cruisers?

Chief Robinson: Those are 14 cruisers.

Mayor Flaute: We have 14 cruisers.

Chief Robinson: Yes Sir. I mean if we didn't have that many we would be running the cars 24 hours a day, every car. So you can imagine if you're putting 60,000, 80,000 to 100,000 miles on a car two times a day. 160 miles a day on one car it adds up so fast it's not even funny. So that's my spiel on cars.

Mayor Flaute: Okay, all right. Thank you Chief. Any questions for the Chief? Okay thank you very much. Mr. Manager back to you.

Mr. Chodkowski: Thank you Sir. At this point in time I will now yield the floor to Chief Carpenter for his monthly report.

ii) Fire Department

Chief Carpenter: If we are talking vehicles I will give you an update on some of our equipment. Our new medic is still at the dealer. The reason we don't have it in our hands right now is because Battalion Chief Turner and I went up there to form a punch list and we found several things that we wanted corrected before we took ownership. Two of the biggest items were a consul where our radios are installed; it wasn't the proper consul so it had to be shipped from Florida. And then also the drawer that we have our hand tools in was smaller than what we speced so the engineers had to get together and figure it out. From what I understand the problem has been corrected and so it should be here next Tuesday. And once it is here we have it scheduled to go get striped and the radio installed. So the expectation is to have it on the road and in service by November. As far as the fire engines, the final change orders, I need to approve those. Just today I got the color samples. The red was not the correct red and I'm not sure; there are 900 different colors of red but there is a code and we gave them the proper code. There was some confusion evidently and we got the wrong red. But I talked to the sales rep and that information is going to get back to the factory and we'll get the correct sample. So once I approve the change orders then we will get a set of the production specs. So I do expect those by the end of the month. And in the conversations that I've had back-and-forth we are still on target to receive the first engine some time in March or April. I will talk about some of our personnel. We have our seventh part-timer of the year actually finding full-time employment and he will be leaving us in the beginning of November and going to Richmond, Indiana. So it's just kind of one of those mixed emotions. We hire good people and they find good full-time employment somewhere. Some of our outreach activities, we had the Mud Run. I know the first Saturday in October for whatever reason is cold, windy and rainy.

Mr. Denning: Sunday would've been beautiful.

Chief Carpenter: Isn't that amazing, a 24-hour difference. But we did have 41 finishers so participation was down a little bit but we did have 41 finishers and a lot of good feedback from everyone that did participate. We continue to do our CPR, we had class today but I didn't include those numbers but through September we've had 77 people get certified. Upcoming in the next week, I'm going to attend the Jaycees Haunted House matinee. I'm going to do a demonstration on vehicle extrication and also we will have representation at the Dayton Autism Society Trunk or Treat there on Springfield Street. And then next week we plan, along with the police to be represented at STEM night at Mad River Schools. I sent a memo in your mailbox concerning a program that we would like to introduce next year concerning diet and

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nutrition and fall prevention and some home safety for seniors. We will organize it and I plan on contacting the Riverside Seniors and pick their brain on the best way to get the word out; maximize the number of seniors to participate. Also we did get feedback; we had an ISO rating back in February. I had not received anything so I made a phone call and by golly it was on somebody's desk. So I did receive it, we were classified as an 03. So we're classified as a three and then my plan is to contact ISO and find out areas that we can make some improvements. Once I have that conversation I definitely want to try to get to the next level.

Mayor Flaute: What were we before?

Chief Carpenter: I want to say we were a three before. I could not find that in writing but I had discussions with Chief Turner before and I believe it was a three.

Mr. Curp: I will look on my homeowner's insurance policy and I will tell you what it is.

Chief Carpenter: Okay. And that's all I have today.

Mayor Flaute: Okay, great. Thank you Chief. Any questions for the Chief?

Mrs. Lommatzsch: I just wanted to say the Mud Run was my first experience with that sort of thing and it was delightful and a lot of people worked really hard. I had one of the runners; I was serving food and I had one of the runners who was from Enon and she said this is an awesome event and next year I'm going to bring 30 runners. They outdid themselves with food. The runners were all; they were very cold and they were ready for some hot food. The guys that you had running it, I was just very proud to say that they were Riverside.

Chief Carpenter: Well they did a great job and the Jaycees did a wonderful job with the food and the volunteering.

Mrs. Lommatzsch: They did.

Chief Carpenter: The guys did great and I felt really bad because I bailed out on them this year. I took a lot of heat for that.

Mr. Denning: The temperature went down about 5°.

Chief Carpenter: I attended my nephew's wedding in Indianapolis. They had an outdoor reception and so I was out there with the cold as you all experienced.

Mrs. Lommatzsch: Congratulations to the EMS being recognized by Channel 2. It's nice that the kids appreciate them because the kids vote for that. It does make their presence valuable.

Mr. Denning: I just wanted to; and neither one of the Chiefs brought it up, the Bravest Versus the Finest flag football game on November 7. You bring canned goods and you watch the firemen and policemen. Hopefully we don't get anybody off duty but it is what it is. They will have fun.

Chief Carpenter: They sign waivers.

Mr. Denning: Hopefully it will be the youngins, not the oldins because the old ones don't repair as quickly as we used to.

Mr. Smith: We had one of those football games back in the late 70s. It broke one of our firefighter's legs and put a couple of our other firefighters in the hospital. But we put three of the policeman in the hospital too. But that was full tackle.

Chief Carpenter: Who won?

Mr. Smith: The police did.

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Mrs. Lommatzsch: Well the basketball game was pretty fierce last year. I can imagine what a football game is going to be like.

Chief Carpenter: Well the basketball game was pretty brutal to watch.

Mrs. Lommatzsch: It was. When I got that notice I thought, now they are going to beat each other at football.

Mr. Denning: It is flag football.

Mrs. Lommatzsch: I hope nobody gets hurt. It will be fun to watch that because those guys are great.

Mayor Flaute: Any other questions? How many miles does that 2003 car that you are going to give to them? Do you know how many miles that has on it?

Chief Carpenter: I don't know off the top of my head. I will find out.

Mayor Flaute: Okay. I'd like to know. Any other questions or comments? Okay seeing none thank you Chief. Back to you Mr. Manager.

Mr. Chodkowski: Last but certainly not least, Mr. Miller with his monthly update from the service department.

iii) Service Department

Mr. Miller: Thank you Mr. City Manager. Some of my thunder was already stolen by the City Manager but that's quite all right. Burkhardt Road is complete. RJR, we do have some invoices in hand. The Woodman median is finished except for crack sealing and for paint striping. Barrett of course is working at the McDonald's there doing some repairs and it is complete. They have part of it narrowed so that people don't drive up on the curb right now because they will mess it up pretty bad with the concrete work that was done there; they did both concrete and blacktop. The crew has got a sealer, we bought about 10,000 pounds of tar that comes in block form. The sealer melted down. They got Springfield done today and they are moving on to other areas. They are doing it pretty quick; it is going pretty quick for them. Just about one pallet was used so far. One pallet equals about 2500 pounds; a lot of material. We got a check the other day from the Ohio Attorney General Mike De Wine. He sent a check for \$10,172.26 as a result of the rock salt antitrust litigation settlement fund distribution which was a nice thing to get.

Mrs. Lommatzsch: I was going to ask if we got any money from that.

Mr. Miller: With the tremendous assistance in coordination with the Assistant City Manager we had an equipment operator selection process. It took a day. There was an interview portion and there was a practical application portion where they went out and actually operated equipment. We went over some of the functions that they will do on a daily basis. And the position was awarded to believe it or not one of our newer hires, Jim Reherman. They did a very fine job all of them. We had four participants; internal candidates which is a good thing. So it went really well I think. I've been getting calls; I'm sure if you drive around Springfield Street and Pleasant Valley we paved almost a mile lane with the assistance of Trotwood. Trotwood had the equipment. And of course we provided the materials and the workers. Trotwood had the technology; they had three workers there. It takes one of those mechanical spreader boxes to fix quite a bit. You have two sides that need to be continually leveled. You have to watch the hopper level and there is a lot to look at while you're doing that. The thing goes real fast. To give you an example, we consumed, or used or put down 520 tons of blacktop and the cost was right around \$39,000 for the blacktop. It is about \$73 a ton. We would like to continue to do that. We are trading with Trotwood right now. They have issues with the trucking and that. A little interesting footnote, a couple of our trucks, the older ones are being replaced and the drivers back

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there got plate metal and welded it into the beds because the blacktop probably would've been spread out all over other streets other than the intended target; which will do as well when we start spreading salt. But they were able to put over an 8 inch thick plate into the trucks and weld them in place. Those beds will be good for a couple seasons if we need them. Hopefully we won't. Our trucks, based on our last conversation with the manufacturer that we have on order are still on schedule. We are looking at probably the middle of November to receive those. I had the Base civil engineer call me; specifically on Springfield Street and they're asking an excellent question. They wanted to know, well are you going to do the rest of the street that way, it won't need rebuilt, it won't need money. And I said, well wait a minute, there is some functional structural issues. We did some repairs but we only put probably an inch and a half a blacktop on there and my guesstimate is that probably in a couple of years you're going to start seeing the bad base from underneath starting to rear its head again. Springfield Street needs a full reconstruct not just a band-aid and basically what I've been telling the Base is, we are putting band-aids on things to make it safe to drive but when you have roads that are structurally failing you need to do a reconstruct. And with a reconstruct, what you do with that is base replacement and a lot of other things including curbs, gutters, storm water systems and a lot of infrastructure that needs to be addressed to keep the road in the proper condition for the 15 to 18 years that it should be serviceable without major repairs. We had two ped signals that were; while one was completely totaled and the other was hit and they probably need to be replaced. They are about \$3000 so sometimes when I ask for more appropriation in some areas it is due to drivers; a lot of our infrastructure. If we had one of our computers hit where it totaled it out with a vehicle, you're talking \$75,000-\$100,000 to replace those whole things on an intersection. We had one that was damaged last year and our vendor was able to get a cabinet that was basically discarded when somebody else replaced an intersection and it cost us about \$27,000 to fix that. They were able to reuse a lot of the parts and reclaim a lot of it. We are going to be busy all over the city probably crack sealing with the crack sealer. We still have three pallets left; one is almost gone. We basically went to ODOT central. I'm sure the Mayor may have shared with you. To me it is a little bit of a disappointment. Mr. Taylor went, myself and of course the Mayor was there. The emphasis seems to be on Greene County for State Route 35 and not on our city. They spent very little time talking about our city. The paradox is that our city has all of the engineering done, it has been done and complete for year, it is sitting on a shelf, all they have to do is go out to bid and start construction so it is a shovel ready project. Yet the Greene County project, they need a preliminary and final engineering before it can go forward. Our project was what, about \$29,000?

Mayor Flaute: \$26,000.

Mr. Taylor: 26 something.

Mr. Miller: Okay, they were talking about something in the \$80,000 range.

Mayor Flaute: \$87,000.

Mr. Miller: So I don't know what influence we can exert but I think the Dayton/Riverside corridor is a little more important than the Greene County area, but that's my opinion. But I was very disappointed. We've gone through a lot of meetings on State Route 35 and that, all of their preconstruction and other meetings that they had. I'm concerned if they get the political wherewithal to be able to orchestrate funding for that that we are going to be kind of left out. The funding that they are looking at is expanding three lanes; three lanes in each direction on 35. But I was disappointed more when we went to the meeting, Mayor you may have a different viewpoint on that.

Mayor Flaute: No, it's about the same. I believe our project has so much more merit.

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Mr. Miller: The Base is dependent upon it, the surrounding industry, the city of Dayton and the city of Riverside both would benefit greatly with enhanced transportation capabilities. It would save a tremendous amount of time and resources and you are not stuck in traffic waiting for traffic to move. Just from a national defense standpoint alone, the project should weigh a little heavier than going out into; I hate to say the country but that is my opinion. I have some contacts at ODOT and I'm probably going to call them to find out what their reasoning is for that. We had MVRPC present it and I was not too happy with the presentation but that is my opinion. Do you have any questions at all?

Mr. Denning: Mr. Miller, you said you put down \$39,000 worth of asphalt, right?

Mr. Miller: Approximately.

Mr. Denning: Approximately. So what would that have cost us if we would've had somebody else do it?

Mr. Miller: Probably about two and half times that.

Mr. Denning: So our cost even if you include our labor we save quite a bit

Mr. Chodkowski: It was about \$90,000 which was the estimate from the contractor. We asked them to quote that same work, it was around \$90,000

Mr. Denning: Excellent, okay good. I just wanted to make sure that we had something to compare it to.

Mr. Miller: And that was just for Springfield Street not for other parts.

Mr. Denning: Okay so it was \$90,000 just for Springfield Street and we did Springfield Street and Pleasant Valley.

Mr. Miller: A good portion of Pleasant Valley. I think if you take an opportunity and drive over.

Mr. Denning: Oh I drive over it. Every day.

Mr. Miller: Trotwood employees are just like us they multitask on things. Its not something they completely dedicate themselves to so they might be doing concrete work one day. They're just like us; they're very similar. But I have to congratulate the City Manager, I think he is the one responsible for getting with the Trotwood City Manager and coordinating this. It turned out very well. The guys got a lot from it and I think it is a good partnership.

Mayor Flaute: Any other questions or comments?

Mr. Chodkowski: Are we done now with our return of service to Trotwood or do we still have a little bit of work left?

Mr. Miller: We probably have a little more. They had three guys and three days and they even provided a truck the size; they had a tandem axle truck plus an automated spreader. The hopper, to give you an idea of the size of it, well one of our trucks could empty almost fully into that hopper on that blacktop machine. So it was pretty much of a monster of a machine. It did about a 12 foot width which is a normal lane width. Unfortunately with the weather coming and that and some of our other expenses it kind of limits how much more we can do this year. But if you're willing to give me money next year.

Mayor Flaute: We'll see, we'll see.

Mr. Curp: You can talk to the Fire Chief about that truck.

Chief Carpenter: Wait a minute.

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Deputy Mayor Reynolds: Mr. Miller, I think the City Manager has already given you money for next year.

Mr. Miller: He has. But you know the thing is, I don't want to get the firemen or the police men upset at you; last year we had a contractor out here their equipment caught on fire and you guys were right there so I try and tread lightly around them.

Mayor Flaute: Got to keep working together.

Mr. Denning: It is a team effort.

Mayor Flaute: With that team effort I know; you are very much in tune with the Miami Valley Regional Planning Commission. If there is anything we can do; if you hear anything Mr. Manager. Mrs. Lommatzsch if you hear anything, any kind of influence that anybody here can do please, please let us know. Please we want to push this project as hard as we can.

Mr. Miller: I do want to say one more thing. There is a timeline that those plans need to be executed on. If they are not what happens is it goes back through the whole ODOT cycle; they have to do an environmental, they do preliminary, they do final design, they have their public meetings and everything else. So a lot of money and resources have really been devoted to that and in my opinion it needs to be scheduled.

Mr. Denning: So all of that information has a shelf life so if the project doesn't happen within a certain amount of time it has to start over?

Mayor Flaute: Especially the environmental part.

Mr. Miller: Yes.

Mrs. Lommatzsch: This would be the third time because this all started in 97 when I was on the MVRPC before. So this is the second go around already.

Mr. Miller: And the Greene County project it is not even preliminary plans.

Mrs. Lommatzsch: They haven't even gotten their real estate yet.

Mr. Miller: They have right-of-way acquisition, they have all kinds of things that would take them years to get.

Mayor Flaute: They want \$32 million just to get all of the stuff that we already have. And ours is going to be 26 million to complete.

Mrs. Lommatzsch: Well it is the exchanges out there. It is not just straight highway it is the exchanges that are so expensive and where they need to acquire property if they are going to make exchanges like Fairfield's exchange and Factory; all three roads.

Mayor Flaute: Yeah and they have rivers; they have two rivers there that make it more difficult. And the car dealers are supposedly working a little better. Mr. Hidy has retired so someone else has bought him out and I guess they're being more cooperative than what they used to be. But still there is good reason for them to finish our project. So anything that we can do; any influence that we can have.

Mrs. Lommatzsch: Well the car dealers don't want the improvement.

Mayor Flaute: Right but they said at the ODOT meeting that they had become more cooperative.

Mrs. Lommatzsch: That is a stretch.

Mayor Flaute: But we need to be on top of that. All of us need to be ready to jump in and support that.

Mrs. Lommatzsch: I think the vote at the MVRPC showed a lot of support for the Montgomery project so I hope that those people have gone back to their communities

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to exert some pressure because that is where it is coming from. It is all politically exerted from the powers that be in Greene County not at this level. I mean this level has exerted power to the next level so we need to get ours on the hot seat.

Mayor Flaute: Right, right. Thank you. Thank you Mr. Miller. I appreciate it.

ITEM 13: PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

There were no public comments.

ITEM 14: UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a) ORDINANCE

- i) Ordinance No. 15-O-575 an ordinance providing for the construction of certain public infrastructure improvements within the city by creating an Incentive District encompassing a certain parcel of real property, declaring improvements to such parcel to be a public purpose, exempting such improvements from taxation, requiring the owners of such parcel to make service payments in lieu of taxes, providing for the distribution of the applicable portion of such service payments to the Mad River Local School District, establishing a Municipal Public Improvement Tax Increment Equivalent Fund for the deposit of the remainder of such service payments, describing the public infrastructure improvements made or to be made that benefit or serve the parcel and approving and authorizing the execution of one or more project and development agreements. (First Reading/Tabled on May 21, 2015)**

Mr. Chodkowski: This ordinance is brought forth to establish a tax increment finance district. As an item of note, this legislation was tabled back on May 21 and parliamentary procedure requires it be removed from the table before it can be voted on.

Mr. Denning made a motion to remove Ordinance No. 15-O-575 from the table. Mr. Curp seconded the motion. With no further discussion a roll call vote was taken as follows: Mr. Denning, yes; Mr. Curp, yes; Mrs. Lommatzsch, yes; Deputy Mayor Reynolds, no; Mr. Smith, no and Mayor Flaute, yes. **Motion passed.**

A motion was made by Mr. Denning to approve Ordinance No. 15-O-575. Mr. Curp seconded the motion. The clerk read the ordinance in its entirety.

Mr. Curp: Back in 2005 there was the land use plan that was put together. It was the examination of what was the best thing to do with the property that we referred to as the Business Park and it ended up that the consultant recommended that that wasn't the best use because of the well field issues and that's one thing. The best use of the property would be a residential and so that sat for a while and then in 2008 the Council that was seated at that time gave direction and started looking at the real estate; the property owned by the city and throughout the city and trying to unload those properties because the Council didn't want to pay the maintenance costs and all of that sort of thing. And so they gave the direction to the City Manager to unload certain properties and this was one of them. And so the direction was given by these people who were on the Council at that time, some of whom are on the Council now and the City Manager and staff went out and worked at doing that. It took them a while because of the economy and maybe because of things about this community. We often wonder why everything is going on in other communities but not happening here and maybe this was part of it. But they went out and worked an arrangement with an organization that would come in and make this happen and now we are where we are. But as part of that arrangement with the organization and the contract that the city approved not too long ago with them for phase 1 and phase 2 of it came about was that

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there would be this TIF for phase 1 and if the organization or developer decided to go with phase 2 that the city would also grant a TIF for phase 2 subject to the approval of the Council but that the city would grant a TIF. There has been discussion about, well should it be 10 years or 30 years or something less than 30 and there has been discussion about, well how much do we want to take from the local school district; the predominant school district and that sort of thing. And the issue about all of the taxpayers in the community will have to forgo the benefit of having 100% of the taxes as opposed to a lesser value of abated property taxes and only one school district as opposed to the entire community and that whole discussion that we had but what's kind of lost in the discussion is that as part of staff's working of the numbers on this project originally they gave the Council some incentive to approve the contract and go with this residential developments was that there would be other revenues generated off of the residents who lived there; income taxes, revenues that they would spend in the city, the economic multiplier effect and that sort of thing so the city would benefit in the end. And so regardless of the fact that we are concerned about perhaps the length of the TIF or one school district versus the entire community, the entire community does benefit by having this here because we looked at trying to develop the Center of Flight and we looked at why we couldn't get some other retailer in here and in various parts of the community and what we were told by those retail developers is we don't have enough rooftops; we don't have enough population within certain radii in order to support retail of the kind that we're talking about. Whether it is a neighborhood restaurant or nicer restaurant or whatever we would need more rooftops and population. So here we are trying to get more rooftops and more population and we are struggling over the arrangements that we set in the contract with the developer that we would provide. I think we need to take a look at what we've done as far as sending the staff out to do something and they did what we asked them to do and now we're looking at, well halfway through the whole thing do we want to stop at this point. I am supportive of going on and I hope we do that.

Mayor Flaute: Thank you Mr. Curp. Any other discussion?

Mr. Smith: My thoughts are, yes I am okay with giving the developer a TIF. I would be more comfortable with a ten-year TIF as opposed to a 30 year TIF. I just feel that 30 years is an awful long time for the city to go without any income from the development to pay for administrative costs, fire and police and road service to that community. That's why I would prefer a ten-year TIF as opposed to a 30 year.

With no further discussion a roll call vote was taken as follows: Mr. Denning, yes; Mr. Curp, yes; Mrs. Lommatzsch, yes; Deputy Mayor Reynolds, no; Mr. Smith, no and Mayor Flaute, yes. **Motion passed.**

ITEM 15: NEW BUSINESS

a) ORDINANCES

- i) Ordinance No. 15-O-586 an ordinance enacting a new Chapter 182, Sections 182.01 through 182.99 and amending existing Chapter 181, Section 181.04, effective period, of the Code of Ordinance of the City of Riverside, Ohio pertaining to the levy and collection of income tax.
(First Reading)**

Mr. Chodkowski: In reference to the House Bill Five matter which was discussed earlier as part of the budget process this ordinance is required to update our income tax law in conformance with House Bill Five statutes. So we would request; myself, the finance director and the law director.

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Reynolds to approve Ordinance No. 15-O-586. Mr. Denning seconded the motion. The clerk read Ordinance No. 15-O-586 in its entirety.

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Mayor Flaute: Are there any comments from Council? All I have to say is I am voting under protest, of home rule.

Mr. Curp: It is if your temporary home is in Columbus a few days a week.

With no further discussion a roll call vote was taken as follows: Deputy Mayor Reynolds, yes Mr. Denning, yes; Mr. Curp, yes; Mrs. Lommatzsch, yes; Mr. Smith, yes and Mayor Flaute, yes. **Motion passed.**

b) RESOLUTIONS

- i) Resolution No. 15-R-2102 a resolution recognizing the Riverside Area Chamber of Commerce's "Hometown Holiday in Riverside Ohio" as a function that promotes the public health, general welfare, and contentment of the citizens of the City of Riverside.**

Mr. Chodkowski: Pursuant to Council's request this resolution is brought forth to recognize the Hometown Holiday event as one that promotes the public health, general welfare and contentment.

A motion was made by Mrs. Lommatzsch to approve Resolution No. 15-R-2102. Mr. Denning seconded the motion. With no further discussion a vote was taken. All were in favor; none were opposed. **Motion passed.**

- ii) Resolution No 15-R-2103 a resolution appointing the City of Riverside's 2015 representatives to the Montgomery County Regional Radio Council.**

Mr. Chodkowski: Pursuant to Council's request this resolution was brought forth to appoint the city's delegates to the Montgomery County Radio Council.

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Reynolds to approve Resolution No. 15-R-2103. Mr. Denning seconded the motion.

Mr. Denning: What is the Radio Council?

Mr. Chodkowski: Right now it is the council of government that will own the new radio system that is being constructed in Montgomery County for emergency dispatch.

Mr. Denning: Okay but we don't use that, we use Huber Heights.

Mr. Chodkowski: Everyone; whether or not you run your own dispatch center, it operates off the County's radio system.

Mr. Denning: Okay. So it is their towers.

Mr. Chodkowski: No it will be everyone's towers. So right now they are currently owned by the county. The county is doing away with traditional communications. The FCC is taking back the license and now we move into the narrowband 800 MHz.

Mr. Denning: The digital stuff.

Mr. Chodkowski: Correct. So now every jurisdiction owns part of these towers and now we have a council of government. We are the owners and we will be represented.

Mr. Denning: Okay.

Mayor Flaute: So in the blanks will be City Manager and Assistant City Manager.

Mr. Chodkowski: Yes, I am the primary delegate and Ms. Christian is the alternate.

Mrs. Lommatzsch: Well they should just be titles like city manager and not persons.

Mayor Flaute: Okay, good point. Thank you.

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With no further discussion a vote was taken. All were in favor; none were opposed.
Motion passed.

ITEM 16: PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Mayor Flaute: One person has asked to speak and that is Mr. John Schnieders. Mr. Schnieders would you please come forth with your issue? You can stay there if you like. If you want to stay right there you can.

Mr. Schnieders: Thank you. Good evening Council members. John Schnieders from the Riverside Neighborhood Watch. First of all I think the feeling that the Riverside Watch persistence over there expressed in the past of not being totally fond of the actions of the police department. I want to thank Chief Robinson, Major Hughes you guys did a great job and the response I've got from them. I think you guys put a crack in that thing. Keep up the good work. That's the only thing I have got to say. I think they did a wonderful job.

Mayor Flaute: Thank you Mr. Schnieders. Thank you very much and thank you for your work.

Deputy Mayor Reynolds: May I add something to that? Ms. Christian, I believe the neighborhoods talked to you; in this Council room on the first Wednesday. Have they been cleared for that Ma'am?

Ms. Christian: Yes.

Deputy Mayor Reynolds: Mr. Schnieders you have been cleared for the first Wednesday of the month. Thank you very much.

Mr. Schnieders: At 6 p.m.

Deputy Mayor Reynolds: Mr. Schnieders had a very good meeting. He had quite a few people here from the community. It went very well. Looking at what they are going to do in the Avondale community to reinvigorate that Neighborhood Watch that they have had off and on for many years. So Mr. Schnieders has done a good job to bring people together and I appreciate that John.

Mr. Schnieders: Thank you.

Mayor Flaute: Thank you Mr. Schnieders.

ITEM 17: COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS

Mr. Denning: The Fire Chief alluded to it, this weekend is the Riverside Jaycee's matinee. It is from noon until 4 p.m. We run anywhere depending on the weather, anywhere from 400 to 800 people through it. It is just a lights on for the little ones and those of you are too scared to go through it in the dark. The funding that they make off of that goes back into; we will be collecting food items that are going to go to a local food pantry and then the money will go towards our Christmas projects. And it is a good time with the kids. The fire department will be doing an extrication. I think the K-9 is going to be there, right Chief?

Chief Robinson: Yes Sir.

Mr. Denning: I'm not sure exactly what he is going to do this year but last year I was in the bite suit so if you want to come and see that. I'm not sure I will do that again. I will get in if the Chief will. It is a good time, the kids have a good time and it is very community oriented and I think it is very important for all of us to participate.

Deputy Mayor Reynolds: I want again to thank Mrs. Lommatzsch and Mr. Smith for their participation last night in our Meet the Candidates evening. We had a great turnout and I want to thank all of the candidates that were there. I think that the community enjoyed last night. I think there was a good turnout; people that we had not

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seen in the past. I met a very nice couple, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver. They were here with their daughter and she was very interested in politics and in working with the community and Mr. Oliver had a form in his hand. Mme. Clerk you will enjoy seeing it. He is going to volunteer her for one of our committees. I just thought that was so neat, an 18-year-old and daddy and getting her involved. Daddy and mama came with her because she wanted to be here and she wanted to see the process. So you all as candidates, thank you very much. You showed her the process last night and you taught her a little bit more about government so thank you. And thanks to both of you for helping out so much last night.

Mr. Smith: I would like to thank Councilwoman Mrs. Reynolds for her part in putting together the Candidates' Night. A lot of work was involved in that and she did an excellent job. I just want to thank her.

Deputy Mayor Reynolds: I appreciate that.

Mr. Denning: I agree with that 100%.

Mrs. Lommatzsch: Kudos.

Mayor Flaute: Very good. Okay I just have a few things. I represented you at the Aviation Hall of Fame dinner. That was a very nice event. We already talked about the ODOT trip. Also I went to the Great Miami River Corridor study, as many of you might know there is an organization, it is kind of a loose organization now headed under the Rivers Institute and they want to put together a real organization and they want us to be part of that so now we are having a choice between two groups that are going to do the study as to how this Great Miami River Corridor group will look. So we will be asked to donate a little bit of money to this organization so we will be hearing about that in the near future.

Mr. Curp: \$250.

Mayor Flaute: Okay, it might be more than that. So anyways, a great Candidates' Night. I only had one wedding in the last two weeks, so I had that. And also Riverside Pay It Forward day is on October 25 and this is put on by Hope for Riverside and also with the schools. Bring donations to a church service by October 25, 2015 otherwise bring it here, right?

Mr. Denning: This building. This is the only drop off point.

Mayor Flaute: Yeah, this is the only drop off point. They want hats, gloves, mittens those kind of things that many of our children come to school without. So please if you can do that and help our kids stay warm that would be very much appreciated. A letter from Mr. John Husted, our Ohio Secretary of State wanting us to announce at our meetings that it is important to vote for the issues; issue one, issue two, and issue three. And unfortunately I forgot to talk about issue one last night that is a proposed amendment that creates a bipartisan public process for drawing legislative districts. It is a very important issue. It is not a great way of doing it now. It has been done this way for many, many years but it is not good; it is not good when the Republicans are in control and it is not good when the Democrats are in control. But anyways, you have to decide whether that public process for drawing legislative districts is something that you want to change. So anyways, he just wants to encourage everyone to put this on their webpage and we will talk about it after the meeting. So that's all I have. Anything else from members of Council?

Mr. Smith: When is Halloween?

Mr. Denning: The 31st.

Mayor Flaute: Saturday night, October 31.

Mr. Smith: Okay.

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Mr. Chodkowski: Rain or shine, warm or cold, Saturday the 31st.

Mayor Flaute: So that's all I have.

ITEM 19: ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Denning to adjourn. Mr. Curp seconded the motion. With no further discussion a vote was taken. All were in favor; none were opposed. **Motion passed.**

The meeting ended at 8:46 p.m.

William R. Flaute, Mayor

Clerk of Council