

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH CANTON

Minutes of

SPECIAL Meeting

DAYTON LEGAL BLANK, INC., FORM NO. 10148

Held Monday, December 15, 20 03

CALL TO ORDER:

1. The Special Council meeting was called to order immediately following the Council of the Whole meeting (7:54 p.m.) by President of Council Jon Snyder.
 2. The opening prayer was delivered by President of Council Jon Snyder.
 3. All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Mr. Snyder: Madam Clerk, please call the roll.

ROLL CALL:

4. The following members of council responded to roll call: Foltz, Kiesling, Lane, Lindower, Peters, Sarbach and Snyder: Also present were: Mayor Rice, Director of Administration Held, Director of Law Pusateri, Director of Finance Herr, City Engineer Benekos and Clerk of Council Bittle.
5. Consideration
Minutes of Special Council Meeting - December 3, 2003
Minutes of Council Meeting - December 8, 2003
Consideration of Financial Statement - November, 2003
Consideration of Mayor's Court Receipts - November, 2003

Mr. Sarbach moved and Mr. Lane seconded to approve the minutes of the special council meeting, minutes of the council meeting, the financial statement and mayor's court receipts as presented. All members present voting:
Yes: Kiesling, Lane, Lindower, Peters, Sarbach, Snyder and Foltz.
No: 0
6. Committee Reports

Finance & Property Committee: Refer to the minutes on file in the Council Office of the Finance & Property Committee meeting held December 8, 2003.

Personnel & Safety Committee: Refer to the minutes on file in the Council Office of the Personnel & Safety Committee meeting held December 8, 2003.

Mrs. Kiesling moved and Mr. Foltz seconded to approve the committee reports minutes as presented. All members present voting:
Yes: Lane, Lindower, Peters, Sarbach, Snyder, Foltz and Kiesling.
No: 0
7. Recognition of Visitors

Mr. Snyder: Is there anyone in the audience wishing to speak to the council this evening?
Seeing none...

OLD BUSINESS:

8. Mrs. Kiesling moved and Mr. Foltz seconded to **read by title only, third reading** of Ordinance No. 127-03. All members present voting:
Yes: Lindower, Peters, Sarbach, Snyder, Foltz, Kiesling and Lane.
No: 0

Ordinance No. 127-03 - Third Reading

An ordinance authorizing the vacation of a portion of McKinley Avenue S.E., (0.238 acres) and 45 feet in width, a portion of Hartman Street S.E. (0.581 acres) located east of McKinley Avenue S.E. (to be vacated) and a portion of Alley No. 41 (0.015 acres) and 14 feet in width, located within the corporate limits of the City of North Canton.

Mr. Snyder: Chairman Lane.

Mr. Lane: This is the what's affectionately known as the "Y" project. So this is where we get everything organized for their parking lot and I certainly recommend passage on the third reading.

Mr. Snyder: Any comment? If not...

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Mr. Foltz moved and Mrs. Kiesling seconded to **adopt the third reading** of Ordinance No. 127-03. All members present voting:

Yes: Peters, Sarbach, Snyder, Foltz, Kiesling, Lane and Lindower.

No: 0

9. Mr. Foltz moved and Mr. Peters seconded to **read by title only, third reading** of Ordinance No. 127-03. All members present voting:

Yes: Sarbach, Snyder, Foltz, Kiesling, Lane, Lindower and Peters.

No: 0

Ordinance No. 128-03 - Third Reading

An ordinance approving, confirming and accepting the Bitzer Widening dedication plat, a 0.040 acre tract and known as being part of Lots 113 and 112 in the City of North Canton, Stark County, Ohio, for public use purposes.

Mr. Snyder: Chairman Lane.

Mr. Lane: This is the tandem to the McKinley Avenue project where we're going to vacate, move and do some rearranging on Bitzer in order to better accommodate the entrances to the parking lot and where McKinley is going to join up with that parking lot. So I recommend approval on the third reading.

Mr. Snyder: Any other questions? If not...

Mr. Foltz moved and Mr. Sarbach seconded to **adopt the third reading** of Ordinance No. 128-03. All members present voting:

Yes: Snyder, Foltz, Kiesling, Lane, Lindower, Peters and Sarbach.

No: 0

10. Ordinance No. 129-03 read by Law Director without motion to read.

Ordinance No. 129-03 - Third Reading

Ordinance No. 129-03 authorizing the Mayor of the City of North Canton, through the Board of Control, to enter into an Agreement by and between the City of North Canton and the Stark County Board of Commissioners for reimbursement to the City for costs to extend the sanitary sewer outside the corporate limits of the City of North Canton.

Mr. Snyder: Chairman Sarbach.

Mr. Sarbach: This is a mechanism to recoup some of the expenditures for the sewer line. And I support and move that we adopt the third reading of Ordinance 129-03.

Mr. Sarbach moved and Mr. Foltz seconded to **adopt the third reading** of Ordinance No. 129-03. All members present voting:

Yes: Foltz, Kiesling, Lane, Lindower, Peters, Sarbach and Snyder.

No: 0

Mr. Snyder: May I have a motion to read by title only, the second reading of Ordinance No. 145-03?

11. Mr. Sarbach moved and Mr. Foltz seconded to **read by title only, second reading, as amended** of Ordinance No. 145-03, (amended in committee meeting held this date).

Mr. Snyder: Excuse me, as amended.

Mr. Sarbach: I'll second that as amended.

Mr. Snyder: Thank you. I apologize...

All members present voting:

Yes: Foltz, Kiesling, Lane, Lindower, Peters, Sarbach and Snyder

No: 0

Ordinance No. 145-03 - Second Reading

An ordinance to make appropriations for current expenses and other expenditures of the City of North Canton, Ohio, for the period beginning January 1, 2004 and ending December 31, 2004; and, declaring the same to be an emergency.

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Mr. Snyder: We have changed the Appendix "A" there to read \$41,214,680.45. We've been through th budget, we've redacted some of it, some of it we've increased and that's basically it. If there's no questions I would ask that - entertain a motion to adopt ...

Mr. Sarbach moved and Mr. Foltz seconded to **adopt the second reading, as amended**, of Ordinance No. 145-03. All members present voting:
Yes: Kiesling, Lane, Lindower, Peters, Sarbach, Snyder and Foltz.

Mr. Foltz moved and Mr. Lane seconded to **suspend the rules, as amended**, for Ordinance No. 145-03. All members present voting:
Yes: Lane, Lindower, Peters, Sarbach, Snyder, Foltz and Kiesling.
No: 0

Mr. Foltz moved and Mrs. Kiesling seconded to **adopt under suspension of the rules, as amended**, Ordinance No. 145-03. All members present voting:
Yes: Lindower, Peters, Sarbach, Snyder, Foltz, Kiesling and Lane.
No: 0

Mr. Snyder: May I have a motion to suspend the rules of council to entertain Ordinance No. 147 through No. 156 without minutes of the committee?

Mr. Sarbach moved and Mr. Foltz seconded to suspend the rules of council requiring committee minutes for Ordinance Nos. 147-03 through 156-03. All members present voting:
Yes: Peters, Sarbach, Snyder, Foltz, Kiesling, Lane and Lindower.
No: 0

NEW BUSINESS:

12. Mr. Sarbach moved and Mr. Foltz seconded to **read by title only, first reading** of Ordinance No. 147-03. All members present voting:
Yes: Sarbach, Snyder, Foltz, Kiesling, Lane, Lindower and Peters.
No: 0

Ordinance No. 147-03 - First Reading

An ordinance to adopt 2004 Amendment to the Traffic and General Offenses Codes and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Snyder: Chairman Peters.

Mr. Peters: Yea, this is what we discussed earlier. This just brings us into compliance with state law and being as such I support it.

Mr. Snyder: Any questions?

Mr. Peters moved and Mr. Foltz seconded to **adopt the first reading** of Ordinance No. 147-03. All members present voting:
Yes: Snyder, Foltz, Kiesling, Lane, Lindower, Peters and Sarbach.
No: 0

Mr. Sarbach moved and Mr. Foltz seconded to **suspend the rules** for Ordinance No. 147-03. All members present voting:
Yes: Foltz, Kiesling, Lane, Lindower, Peters, Sarbach and Snyder.
No: 0

Mr. Sarbach moved and Mr. Peters seconded to **adopt under suspension of the rules** Ordinance No. 147-03. All members present voting:
Yes: Kiesling, Lane, Lindower, Peters, Sarbach, Snyder and Foltz.

13. Mr. Sarbach moved and Mr. Foltz seconded to **read by title only, first reading** of Resolution No. 148-03. All members present voting:
Yes: Lane, Lindower, Peters, Sarbach, Snyder, Foltz and Kiesling.
No: 0

Resolution No. 148-03 - First Reading

A resolution appointing Jordan Greenwald to the North Canton Civil Service Commission.

Mr. Snyder: Chairman Lindower.

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Mr. Lindower: Yes, as we discussed before, Mr. Greenwald has expressed interest in becoming a member of the Civil Service Commission and I recommend that we pass the resolution.

Mr. Snyder: Okay. You only need one reading on a resolution. Is ...
Mr. Pusateri: Yes.

Mr. Snyder: Okay, two, three – Please, Mr. Sarbach...

Mr. Sarbach: I've - I wholeheartedly endorse this. I've known Mr. Greenwald for several years and I know him to be a very open minded and fair minded individual and I think he brings a lot to the table. And I think he'll grow in this position in Civil Service and be a good servant or a great servant in the community. And I appreciate him for volunteering to come forward to do something for the city; and we had something that fits your talents very well. And I'm pleased to have you onboard Mr. Greenwald.

Mr. Greenwald: Thank you.

Mr. Snyder: Any other comments?

Mr. Sarbach moved and Mrs. Kiesling seconded to **adopt the first reading** of Ordinance No. 148-03. All members present voting:

Yes: Peters, Sarbach, Snyder, Foltz, Kiesling, Lane and Lindower.
No: 0

Mr. Snyder: Congratulations Mr. Greenwald.

Mr. Greenwald: Thank you very much.

14. Mr. Foltz moved and Mr. Sarbach seconded to **read by title only, first reading** of Ordinance No. 149-03. All members present voting:

Yes: Sarbach, Snyder, Foltz, Kiesling, Lane, Lindower and Peters.
No: 0

Ordinance No. 149-03 - First Reading

An ordinance authorizing the Mayor, Director of Administration and Personnel & Safety Committee of North Canton City Council to enter into a Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City of North Canton and the Clerical, Fiscal and Accounting Specialists (CF&AS) and declaring the same to be an emergency.

Mr. Snyder: Chairman Lindower.

Mr. Lindower: Yea, once again this is a collective bargaining agreement between the Clerical, Fiscal and Accounting Specialists for the City and the City Administration. I recommend that we pass this on an emergency to get it on going - moving on.

Mr. Snyder: Okay. Is that in the form of a motion sir? You want that as a motion?

Mr. Lindower: Yes, I do.

Mr. Snyder: Okay, is there a second?

Mr. Foltz: Second.

Mr. Lindower moved and Mr. Foltz seconded to **adopt the first reading** of Ordinance No. 149-03. All members present voting:

Yes: Snyder, Foltz, Kiesling, Lane, Lindower, Peters and Sarbach.
No: 0

Mr. Sarbach moved and Mrs. Kiesling seconded to **suspend the rules** for Ordinance No. 149-03. All members present voting:

Yes: Foltz, Kiesling, Lane, Lindower, Peters, Sarbach and Snyder.
No: 0

Mr. Foltz moved and Mr. Lane seconded to **adopt under suspension of the rules** Ordinance No. 149-03. All members present voting:

Yes: Kiesling, Lane, Lindower, Peters, Sarbach, Snyder and Foltz.
No: 0

15. Mr. Foltz moved and Mrs. Kiesling seconded to **read by title only, first reading** of Ordinance No. 150-03. All members present voting:

Yes: Lane, Lindower, Peters, Sarbach, Snyder, Foltz and Kiesling.
No: 0

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Ordinance No. 150-03 - First Reading

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Mr. Snyder: Chairman Lindower.

Mr. Lindower: Again, this is a collective bargaining agreement between the clerical employees and the City. And I'd like to make a motion that we adopt this on an emergency.

Mr. Lindower moved and Mr. Peters seconded to **adopt the first reading** of Ordinance No. 150-03. All members present voting:

Yes: Lindower, Peters, Sarbach, Snyder, Foltz, Kiesling and Lane.

No: 0

Mr. Sarbach moved and Mr. Foltz seconded to **suspend the rules** for Ordinance No. 150-03. All members present voting:

Yes: Peters, Sarbach, Snyder, Foltz, Kiesling, Lane and Lindower.

No: 0

Mr. Sarbach moved and Mr. Foltz seconded to **adopt under suspension of the rules** Ordinance No. 150-03. All members present voting:

Yes: Sarbach, Snyder, Foltz, Kiesling, Lane, Lindower and Peters.

No: 0

16. Mrs. Kiesling moved and Mr. Foltz seconded to **read by title only, first reading** of Ordinance No. 151-03. All members present voting:

Yes: Snyder, Foltz, Kiesling, Lane, Lindower, Peters and Sarbach.

No: 0

Ordinance No. 151-03 - First Reading

An ordinance amending Chapter 155 Personnel Regulations of Part One-Administrative Code of the Codified Ordinances of the City of North Canton for the exempt personnel of the City of North Canton and declaring the same to be an emergency.

Mr. Snyder: Chairman Lindower.

Mr. Lindower: Again, this is an ordinance to amend the Chapter 155 of the Personnel Ordinance to bring it in align - the exempt employees. I'd like to move that we adopt this on an emergency also.

Mr. Snyder: Okay.

Mr. Lindower moved and Mr. Peters seconded to **adopt the first reading** of Ordinance No. 151-03. All members present voting:

Yes: Foltz, Kiesling, Lane, Lindower, Peters, Sarbach and Snyder.

No: 0

Mr. Sarbach moved and Mr. Foltz seconded to **suspend the rules** for Ordinance No. 151-03. All members present voting:

Yes: Kiesling, Lane, Lindower, Peters, Sarbach, Snyder and Foltz.

No: 0

Mr. Sarbach moved and Mr. Foltz seconded to **adopt under suspension of the rules** Ordinance No. 151-03. All members present voting:

Yes: Lane, Lindower, Peters, Sarbach, Snyder, Foltz and Kiesling.

No: 0

17. Mr. Peters moved and Mr. Foltz seconded to **read by title only, first reading** of Ordinance No. 152-03. All members present voting:

Yes: Lindower, Peters, Sarbach, Snyder, Foltz, Kiesling and Lane.

No: 0

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Ordinance No. 152-03 - First Reading

An ordinance authorizing the Mayor, Director of Administration and Personnel & Safety Committee of North Canton City Council to enter into a Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City of North Canton and The Ohio Patrolmen's Benevolent Association (OPBA) (Dispatcher Unit) and declaring the same to be an emergency.

Mr. Snyder: Chairman Lindower.

Mr. Lindower: Again, this is another collective bargaining agreement between the radio dispatchers and the City. On collective bargaining both sides have agreed to the contracts. I'd like to move that we pass this on an emergency also.

Mr. Lindower moved and Mrs. Kiesling seconded to **adopt the first reading** of Ordinance No. 152-03. All members present voting:

Yes: Peters, Sarbach, Snyder, Foltz, Kiesling, Lane and Lindower.

No: 0

Mr. Sarbach moved and Mrs. Kiesling seconded to **suspend the rules** for Ordinance No. 152-03. All members present voting:

Yes: Sarbach, Snyder, Foltz, Kiesling, Lane, Lindower and Peters.

No: 0

Mr. Sarbach moved and Mr. Peters seconded to **adopt under suspension of the rules** Ordinance No. 152-03. All members present voting:

Yes: Snyder, Foltz, Kiesling, Lane, Lindower, Peters and Sarbach.

No: 0

18. Mr. Sarbach moved and Mrs. Kiesling seconded to **read by title only, first reading of** Ordinance No. 153-03. All members present voting:

Yes: Foltz, Kiesling, Lane, Lindower, Peters, Sarbach and Snyder.

No: 0

Ordinance No. 153-03 - First Reading

An ordinance authorizing the Mayor, Director of Administration and Personnel & Safety Committee of North Canton City Council to enter into a Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City of North Canton and The Ohio Patrolmen's Benevolent Association (OPBA) (Patrolmen) and declaring the same to be an emergency.

Mr. Snyder: Chairman Lindower.

Mr. Lindower: Collective bargaining agreement between the City and the patrol officers for the Police Department - both sides have agreed. I'd ask that this be passed on an emergency also.

Mr. Sarbach: Second.

Mr. Lindower: I move that it be moved - passed on an emergency.

Mr. Lindower moved and Mr. Foltz seconded to **adopt the first reading** of Ordinance No. 153-03.

Unidentified: Wake up.

Mr. Snyder: Inaudible... magic words.

All members present voting:

Yes: Kiesling, Lane, Lindower, Peters, Sarbach, Snyder and Foltz.

No: 0

Mr. Sarbach moved and Mr. Peters seconded to **suspend the rules** for Ordinance No. 153-03. All members present voting:

Yes: Lane, Lindower, Peters, Sarbach, Snyder, Foltz and Kiesling.

No: 0

Mr. Sarbach moved and Mr. Foltz seconded to **adopt under suspension of the rules** Ordinance No. 153-03. All members present voting:

Yes: Lindower, Peters, Sarbach, Snyder, Foltz, Kiesling and Lane.

No: 0

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19. Mr. Sarbach moved and Mr. Foltz seconded to **read by title only, first reading** of Ordinance No. 154-03. All members present voting:
Yes: Peters, Sarbach, Snyder, Foltz, Kiesling, Lane and Lindower.
No: 0

Ordinance No. 154-03 - First Reading

An ordinance authorizing the Mayor, Director of Administration and Personnel & Safety Committee of North Canton City Council to enter into a Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City of North Canton and The Ohio Patrolmen's Benevolent Association (OPBA) (Chief Dispatcher Unit) and declaring the same to be an emergency.

Mr. Snyder: Chairman Lindower.

Mr. Lindower: Yes, this is the Chief Radio Dispatcher, as I stated to Mr. Sarbach, she also falls under the agreement or the collective bargaining unit with the OPBA. All have agreed upon the contract on both sides, City and her. And I request this would also be passed on an emergency.

Mr. Lindower moved and Mr. Peters seconded to **adopt the first reading** of Ordinance No. 154-03. All members present voting:
Yes: Sarbach, Snyder, Foltz, Kiesling, Lane, Lindower and Peters.
No: 0

Mr. Sarbach moved and Mrs. Kiesling seconded to **suspend the rules** for Ordinance No. 154-03. All members present voting:
Yes: Snyder, Foltz, Kiesling, Lane, Lindower, Peters and Sarbach.
No: 0

Mrs. Kiesling moved and Mr. Sarbach seconded to **adopt under suspension of the rules** Ordinance No. 154-03. All members present voting:
Yes: Foltz, Kiesling, Lane, Lindower, Peters, Sarbach and Snyder.
No: 0

20. Mr. Sarbach moved and Mrs. Kiesling seconded to **read by title only, first reading** of Ordinance No. 155-03. All members present voting:
Yes: Kiesling, Lane, Lindower, Peters, Sarbach, Snyder and Foltz.
No: 0

Ordinance No. 155-03 - First Reading

An ordinance authorizing the Mayor, Director of Administration and Personnel & Safety Committee of North Canton City Council to enter into a Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City of North Canton and The North Canton Professional Paramedic Association, IAFF Local 3489 and declaring the same to be an emergency.

Mr. Snyder: Chairman Lindower.

Mr. Lindower: This is the collect - excuse me, collective bargaining agreement between the EMS personnel. Discussed and agreed upon between both parties the City and the association. And I move this be passed on an emergency also.

Mr. Lindower moved and Mr. Sarbach seconded to **adopt the first reading** of Ordinance No. 155-03. All members present voting:
Yes: Lane, Lindower, Peters, Sarbach, Snyder, Foltz and Kiesling.
No: 0

Mrs. Kiesling: Inaudible...
Mr. Snyder: I know I follow him and I just - but I am paying attention, I just wanted to see if you were.
Mayor Rice: Yea, right.
Mr. Sarbach: Say maybe and see what ...inaudible... do.

Mr. Sarbach moved and Mr. Peters seconded to **suspend the rules of council** for Ordinance No. 155-03. All members present voting:
Yes: Lindower, Peters, Sarbach, Snyder, Foltz, Kiesling and Lane.
No: 0

Mr. Sarbach moved and Mrs. Kiesling seconded to **adopt under suspension of the rules** Ordinance No. 155-03. All members present voting:
Yes: Peters, Sarbach, Snyder, Foltz, Kiesling, Lane and Lindower.
No: 0

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21. Mr. Foltz moved and Mr. Lane seconded to **read by title only, first reading** of Ordinance No. 156-03.
- Mayor Rice: Mary Louise, do you need to amend that?
- Mrs. Bittle: Yes, but we read it first...
- Mr. Foltz: We need to read it.
- Mrs. Bittle: and then amend it.
- Mayor Rice: Oh, okay, sorry.
- All members present voting:
Yes: Sarbach, Snyder, Foltz, Kiesling, Lane, Lindower and Peters.
No: 0
- Ordinance No. 156-03 - First Reading**
- An ordinance amending Section 20. SALARIES of Ordinance No. 151-03 to provide for the additional classification of Director of Economic Development and a rate of compensation for same, effective January 1, 2004 and upon appointment by the Mayor, and declaring the same to be an emergency.
- Mr. Snyder: Before we - may I have a motion to amend Ordinance No. 156-03 to reflect the increases 8-1-04 and 8-1-05 to that of Department Heads the City of North Canton.
- Mr. Lindower moved and Mr. Peters seconded to **amend** Ordinance No. 156-03. All members present voting:
Yes: Snyder, Foltz, Kiesling, Lane, Lindower, Peters and Sarbach.
No: 0
- Mr. Snyder: Inaudible... Chairman Lindower.
- Mr. Lindower: Yea, it seems like we just finished passing this, before it's printed we have to pass it again. This is an ordinance to amend 151-03 to add the position - not necessarily the position, the wages for the Director of Economic - Community and Economic Development and the rate of compensation for same, as amended. I would move that we pass this on an emergency also.
- Mr. Lindower moved and Mr. Peters seconded to **adopt the first reading** of Ordinance No. 156-03. All members present voting:
Yes: Foltz, Kiesling, Lane, Lindower, Peters, Sarbach and Snyder.
No: 0
- Mr. Snyder: Thank you. I just would like to take a moment to thank Director Held, Director Herr and Chairman Lindower and his committee on the great job on those collective bargaining contracts. The other council is indebted to you for some great work there.
- Mrs. Bittle: Excuse me...
- Mr. Snyder: Any report, Director of Law?
Mr. Pusateri: No, I do not.
- Mr. Sarbach: We need to finish this.
Mrs. Bittle: Inaudible... Did you ...
Mr. Snyder: Do we have one ...inaudible...
Mr. Sarbach: Suspend the rules and adopt under suspension.
Mr. Snyder: Oh, didn't I finish that?
Mr. Sarbach: No, we didn't do that.
Mr. Snyder: Oh, I'm sorry.
Mr. Sarbach: You got too far ahead of yourself.
- Mr. Snyder: Inaudible... proud of myself. We were flying along and ...
- Mr. Sarbach moved and Mr. Lane seconded to **suspend the rules** for Ordinance No. 156-03. All members present voting:
Yes: Foltz, Kiesling, Lane, Lindower, Peters, Sarbach and Snyder.
No: 0
- Mr. Sarbach moved and Mr. Foltz seconded to **adopt under suspension of the rules** Ordinance No. 156-03. All members present voting:
Yes: Kiesling, Lane, Lindower, Peters, Sarbach, Snyder and Foltz.
No: 0
- Mr. Sarbach: Mr. Chairman...
Mr. Snyder: Sir.
- Mr. Sarbach: I might suggest that if our Law Director took a speed reading course, we might be able to speed these successions up just a little bit.
- Mr. Pusateri: Inaudible... clearly understands what the ordinance is about.
Mr. Sarbach: Thank you sir.

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REPORTS:

Mr. Snyder: Any reports, Director of Law?
Mr. Pusateri: I do not have any report.

Mr. Snyder: Director of Finance.

Mrs. Herr: Yes. You will probably be receiving some time this week invitations to attend a preaudit meeting. It's scheduled for this Friday at 9:00. I just wanted to give you heads up in case any of you would to attend.

Mr. Sarbach: Are there refreshments? Are there refreshments at this one?

Mr. Lindower: Preaudit meeting, that sounds exciting.

Mrs. Herr: Unless you bring them.
Mr. Sarbach: That's what I thought.

Mrs. Herr: That's it.

Mr. Snyder: Director Held.

Mr. Sarbach: Sounds exciting.
Unidentified: Yea.
Mr. Sarbach: Inaudible... take off work to do that.

Mr. Held: Yes, first I'd like to thank the members of City Council and the Mayor for their support in allowing us to hire Johnson and Angelo, which gave us our expertise to get through this long and extensive process of our labor agreements. We started back in July and now tonight we're completed, with the exception of the lieutenants, which will take place in January. I also appreciate the fact that you passed it on an emergency basis, which I know the employees will - certainly are looking forward to the paychecks and so forth that will be able to go through now. Also, I'd like to recognize Bud Philippi, who is in the audience, and Pete Calder, they were two of the negotiators that provided a lot of cooperation and support through this process. And without those two gentlemen and also the others that represented the unions, we would not have been able to find agreement with all seven labor agreements. It's not often that you find that area of agreement when you have administration and the unions that are negotiating back and forth, but we were able to do that in all seven labor agreements. And I'm very proud of the city workers and everybody did a fantastic job. And we're certainly happy to see this process behind us and moving forward. And that's all. Thank you.

Mr. Snyder: Thanks. Mr. Mayor, you have any comment?

Mayor Rice: I would just echo what David said. And especially thanks to Dave Lindower and Jon as Council President and David and all his work. Cause the three of you guys did an awful lot of work to get those things accomplished and it's not a fun job all the time. But I appreciate everybody's work and council's vote to adopt those. I'd also like to express my appreciation to all members of City Council for your cooperation on the and passage of the new position for economic development director. And I look forward to working with City Council to further insure the economic vitality of the City of North Canton over the next year and years ahead. I think we're going to get a lot of good, positive things done here. So we're excited about that. And other than that just wish everybody a happy holiday season and a happy New Year.

Mr. Snyder: Thank you Mr. Mayor. Mr. Engineer.

Mr. Benekos: Just passed out a copy of the status report for the Water Treatment Plant construction project Phase 1. If you have any questions feel free to ask. That's all I have. Thank you.

Mr. Snyder: Thank you sir. Madam Clerk.
Mrs. Bittle: No report.

REPORTS - COUNCIL:

Mr. Snyder: Member Foltz.

Mr. Foltz: Mayor Rice, maybe you can add the - didn't you have Santa go out? Is that ... want you to bring us to date on that.

Mayor Rice: Oh yea, that's right. You're right Doug, I'm sorry, I forgot to mention that. But we did have our second annual Santa delivery program last evening. I'm glad you mentioned that. I should of brought that up. The city - again it's a - for maybe the new members of council, maybe aren't as familiar with it, but we started this last year where it's a volunteer program where many of our employees - most of them come from the safety forces, the Fire Department really does the major organization for us, but we have representatives from the Fire Department, the EMS Department, the Police Department and some of our other city departments, that all - we probably have about 50 volunteers all together of city workers that take most of their day yesterday, they start about 2:00 and go to about 10:00. So they probably put in about eight hours of their time. Yesterday we had six crews go out, delivered presents to over 200 homes in the City of North Canton. And it's once again a fabulous program and growing every year.

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But it's a very rewarding and fun project to be apart of and the residents really appreciate it too. So I would like to thank you Doug for reminding me. Certainly send our thanks and gratitude out to our city employees that volunteered all their time and effort to go out and do that. And they just - they willingly do it because it's a lot of fun and it was a great time. So thanks for bringing that up.

Mr. Foltz: That's it Jon.

Mr. Snyder: Thanks sir. Member Lindower.

Mr. Lindower: Yea, I again would like to say to Tom, I appreciated the Santa Claus coming to the house last night about 8:00 and getting the grandkids stirred up so they were crazy for the next two hours. It's a great program though and I'm familiar with some of the people involved in it. They do it out of the goodness of their heart and I think they deserve a lot of credit. Over the few years that I've worked for the city - few years, 35 I guess, I've become pretty familiar with most of the people that work in the other departments as well as the Police Department. Bud is one of the people that I know pretty well and I'd like for him to take a message back to the Service Center for me, as well as Mr. Held, you guys did a great job with the snow removal yesterday. I even heard somebody ask one of the plow drivers not to tear up the yards any worse than they had to. So I want to thank you guys for that. You're doing a fine job with it. That's all I have.

Mr. Snyder: Member Lane.

Mr. Lane: Echo Dave's comments. As chairman of streets and alleys, just a tip of the hat to the street crews from this weekend, what a great job they did.

Mr. Snyder: Thank you. Member Kiesling.
Mrs. Kiesling: No report.

Mr. Snyder: Member Peters.
Mr. Peters: No report.

Mr. Snyder: Member Sarbach.

Mr. Sarbach: Yea, this water plant improvement this was just passed out. I had occasion to tour the Water Treatment Plant this week as water chairman and everything you see here is very accurate. One of the things I might note is we've got four contractors working down there in very close proximity to each other and through the efforts of the city and all these contractors, everybody is working in harmony. We don't have the - some of the animosities you get when you get different groups working together. So there's a good working relationship going on down there for this construction. And that leads to a problem, they discovered a problem with some of the piping and brought it to the superintendent's attention and we've got a major - potentially a major problem averted by finding out this weak link in our piping system that was caused by some of the outages they've had and some different things. And I think that's directly attributed to these people working together and communicating. So I think we averted a potential problem and got it corrected thanks to that cooperation. That's all I have.

Mr. Snyder: Thank you. I would only say one thing. I would just like - I think I have to say this. I am indeed proud and it's a privilege to work with my six colleagues. In less than an hour and a half to accomplish what we've accomplished and to cooperate the way you cooperated is indeed a pleasure. And I want to wish you all and your families a very Merry Christmas. And I'm very proud of you all and it's great to serve with you. Thank you for that. To administration and everybody a Merry Christmas. Again, we're glad to cooperate Mayor. We look for great things and do, as always, want to help you in any way we can. And that's about it, unless there's anybody in the audience wishing to speak to the council...

FINAL CALL FOR NEW BUSINESS:

Suzanne Burnett: May I say a few words?

Mr. Snyder: Please.

Ms. Burnett: I'll be quick.

Mr. Snyder: That's alright.

Ms. Burnett: I want to represent the citizens. I'm Suzanne Burnett from Pierce Avenue. The citizens also say thank you for the good streets. It's kind of like you go into another world when you go south and hit the borders of our neighboring community and maybe it's because they have more streets to do, but I just think you guys do a really good job and you take good care of people like me who don't like to get stuck in snow. Thanks.

Mr. Held: Thank you Suzanne.

Unidentified: Thank you.

Mr. Sarbach: Doug...

Mr. Snyder: Anyone else wishing to speak? If not may I have a motion to adjourn?

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Mr. Sarbach: It can wait.

ADJOURN:

Mr. Foltz moved and Mr. Sarbach seconded to adjourn the council meeting. All members present voting:
Yes: Lane, Lindower, Peters, Sarbach, Snyder, Foltz and Kiesling.
No: 0

The meeting adjourned at 8:29 p.m.

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

ATTEST:

CLERK OF COUNCIL