

## **MINUTES**

Niles City Council held its regular meeting of March 2, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers Safety-Service Complex in Niles, Ohio.

The meeting was called to order by President Marino, and the Clerk; Linda A. Yuhasz called the roll:

Lastic-P; Papalas-P; Giancola-P; McCormick-P; Stredney-P; Papas-P; Wilkerson-P; Marino-P

It was moved by Wilkerson, seconded by Papas to accept the Minutes of the February 16, 2011 regular meeting and place them on file. Motion carried.

## **REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

FROM The Auditors Office

Estimated versus Actual Revenues thru the year 2010

It was moved by Giancola, seconded by Lastic to accept the report and place it on file.

Motion carried.

FROM The City Income Tax Office

The Monthly Receipt Totals thru February 2011

It was moved by Papalas, seconded by Lastic to accept the report and place it on file.

Motion carried.

FROM The Mayor's Office

The Annual Board and Commission Appointments

It was moved by Wilkerson, seconded by Papas to accept the report and place it on file.

Motion carried.

## **MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE TO ADDRESS COUNCIL**

Jean Waris, 925 Youngstown Warren Rd, Niles: I am a resident of Niles and I am with the MVOC Human Trafficking Core Team along with Pastor David MacDonald of the First Methodist Church. We are co-chair of (inaudible) and I want to thank Niles for being brave enough to step forward and have a moratorium on massage parlors. I would like to ask you to save a date April 26, 2011 we are going to have our Human Trafficking Commission. All the city administrators are going to receive invitations to this and as a citizen of Niles I would certainly like to see my city administrators at this commission. You will be getting the letter in the mail in the next few days.

Cindy Weddell, 884 Nancy Street, Niles: There are two things that I would like to address and the first one is that the Niles Enhancement Committee is going to have a meet and greet. We had a neighborhood watch group meeting and we had a great turnout. Some of the questions at the meeting were that we don't know our city council and we don't see our city council, so we decided to have a Community Meet and Greet. It will be held at Ciminero's Banquet Center and everyone on council and the department heads will be getting invitations. It will be April 21, 2011 at 4:30p.m. and Tim Ryan will speak with us there. He will speak about the community working together to make your city a better place to live in. We had a lot of questions from the community of the street treatment materials. They wanted to know what the materials are that are used to treat the streets, where does the material come from and how do you plan on

cleaning it up because there is a lot of gravel in the yards, sidewalks and streets. A lot of the businesses were concerned about people slipping in front of their business because there is so much gravel. Where do you dispose of it and if you do use salt what is the cost management. Is it better for the city to use salt or use what they are using now? A concern is that it is lying in front of all the sewers and the rain that is coming will wash it down the sewers. We had some people bring us pieces of metal that they are finding in front of their houses and businesses from some of the stuff that is being dropped and it is magnetic. Those are the concerns of the citizens of the community and we are representing those concerns and trying to get them some answers so that we can get back with them.

Mayor Infante: For the past twenty years we have swept all the sidewalks and the businesses should know that because we do it every year. We come by with the street sweeper and sweep it up. It is out now. When the weather breaks we get on it right away.

Cindy Weddell: There is a concern because of the metal chunks that the people are finding. There is a concern for their cars and tires.

Mayor Infante: Well that is not something that came out of a spreader because it will never fit through it. There is no way it would come out of a spreader.

Cindy Weddell: We did have a question on why you use the gravel versus the salt.

Mayor Infante: The cost.

President Marino: Cindy, I too visited the mayor and Mr. Villio a few weeks ago over the same concerns. The mayor assured us it was the cost that was the factor.

Cindy Weddell: Thank you and I will relay that information and I appreciate it Mayor.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

None

### **ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

#### **RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_ (Draft No. 06-11)**

#### **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS FROM THE UNAPPROPRIATED COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND; AND, DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

It was moved by Papalas, seconded by Papas to suspend the rule requiring three readings.

**YEAS: 7    NAYS: 0**

Rules are suspended.

It was moved by Papalas, seconded by Wilkerson that this Draft be adopted.

**YEAS: 7    NAYS: 0**

This Draft No. 06-11 has been adopted on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of March 2011.

It was moved by Councilman Papalas to add Draft No. 07-11 and 08-11 to the agenda. Councilman Lastic seconded the motion. They will be sponsored as Council As A Whole. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION NO.\_\_(Draft No. 07-11)**

**A RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION OF OHIO SENATE BILL NO 5**

It was moved by Papalas, seconded by Lastic that this Draft be adopted.

**YEAS: 7    NAYS: 0**

This Draft No. 07-11 has been adopted on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of March, 2011.

**RESOLUTION NO.\_\_(Draft No. 08-11)**

**A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE FACT-FINDING REPORT REGARDING THE ISSUE OF WAGES FOR CALENDER YEAR 2010 FOR THE PATROLMEN, TEAMSTERS LOCAL UNION NO. 348**

It was moved by Papalas, seconded by Papas that this Draft be adopted.

**YEAS: 7    NAYS: 0**

This Draft No. 08-11 has been adopted on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of March, 2011.

**MISCELLANEOUS REMARKS**

Mayor Infante: There are probably a lot of you here tonight because you got water in your basement and we apologize for that. I think the sewer department really worked hard over the last week to try to help satisfy the residents. We had thirty seven complaints that I know of. We are going to take a pro-active approach and go back to all the sanitary sewers and jet them, clean the catch basins and make sure there are no obstructions in any neighborhood. We also have in the budget, Randy is going to purchase a camera and we can start doing our own camera work to try and solve some of these problems. With your cooperation I think that we can solve a lot of these problems. We got a lot of rain and there were a lot of people that got water including myself. It wasn't nearly as bad as everyone else got, but we are going to try and solve these problems. I know it is a burden on people and it is a lot of clean up and the sewer department has sanitizer for the public. We appreciate you because we didn't have too many irate people and you had every right to be irate.

Mr. Dull asked council if he could bring in the recodification ordinance at next weeks meeting. It was moved by Councilman Papalas, seconded by McCormick to sponsor the draft as Council As A Whole. Motion carried.

Mr. Tom Telego told council that the city has set up an email address for flooding issues. The address is [flooding@nilesema.com](mailto:flooding@nilesema.com).

Councilman Lastic told council that the Cemetery Board has legislation coming in next meeting concerning the Veteran's section of the cemetery.

Council Stredney thanked the Mayor, Mr. Buccino, Mr. Hess and Mr. Fabrizio for meeting with him and the residents who had water damage. He also had a complaint about speeding on Summit Street.

A motion was made by Stredney, seconded by McCormick to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

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Linda A. Yuhasz, Clerk of Council

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Robert Marino Jr., President of Council