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Regular Council Meeting
October 13, 2016

Presiding Officer, Mayor Joseph Migliorini called the regular meeting of October 13th to order at 7:35pm

Present: Council members' Kevin Bilkie, David Engle, Sylvia Hanneken and Nicholas Molnar;
Council Clerk Josephine Arceci and Law Director Mark V. Guidetti

Absent: Council member Janet Tulley

INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE led by City Chaplain Commodore Tom O'Brien of American Legion Post 801.

MINUTES Mr. Engle moved, Ms. Hanneken seconded and motion carried unanimously on a voice vote to approve the minutes of the special meeting of August 9 and regular meeting of August 25, 2016.

FINANCIAL REPORT Mr. Molnar moved. Ms. Tulley seconded and motion carried unanimously on a voice vote acknowledging receipt of Financial Report dated September 30, 2016

Presentation made by Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District Watershed Director Frank Greenland and Watershed Team Leader Rachel Webb regarding the implementation and usage of imposed residential and commercial storm water fee by NEORSD. NEORSD Director Julius Ciaccia was present

Mr. Greenland explained the responsibilities of NEORSD include owning, operating, maintaining and upgrading three major wastewater treatment plants servicing 57 communities of about a million people in the greater Cleveland area. NEORSD is the interceptor for receiving waste water from local sewer systems. The local systems are under the responsibility of the local jurisdictions. Macedonia however is under the responsibility of the Department of Environmental Services (DOES) of Summit County. Mr. Greenland explained that after NEORSD implemented a water quality control program it introduced a storm water fee to fund improvements to water quality. Litigation over the fee temporarily halted the program until this year when the Ohio Supreme Court ruled in favor of NEORSD. Storm water programs and fees have since resumed. Mr. Greenland explained that the fee structure and the amount of the fee per residential or commercial property are predicated on the amount of impervious surface per parcel. NEORSD offers credits to property owners who reduce the amount of storm water on their by way of rain barrels, water gardens etc. Explaining further Mr. Greenland said NEORSD's network is comprised of over 400 miles of stream. An important and integral part of this watershed is Macedonia's Indian Creek which now has become NEORSD's responsibility. The plan to improve Indian Creek is estimated to be a 2-year project. The first part of project entails ascertaining the problem Mr. Greenland stated. NEORSD is aware of the many other studies relative to this area Mr. Greenland added. The Sioux Lane culvert is another large project considered an early action issue. A master hydraulic plan must be developed because of the up and down stream ramifications. At first glance he said the culvert may be undersized. Mr. Greenland explained the fee is structured in tiers; \$5.15 per month for properties with less impervious surfaces and \$9.27 with more. Local communities like Macedonia will receive 25% of the revenue from the NEORSD fee. This apportionment is called the Community Cost Share Account which local governments will use to fund local storm water project. These projects are required to first be approved by NEORSD. And payment is through a reimbursed grant program. The process requires application and approval, a budget summary and an agreement memorializing the plan. The locality's projects have to be storm water related: storm water quantity and quality, rehabilitation of current system, maintenance related activities and compliant with EPA regulations. Mr. Greenland added historically the rate of collection is usually between 90-95%. Macedonia should anticipate it's Community Cost Share to be little over \$200,000 per year. Currently Macedonia's the account balance of about \$84,000.

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Proclamation

October 2016 Breast Cancer Awareness Month

PUBLIC COMMENT

~**Ron Koehler of 8900 Starlight Drive** announced his candidacy for Summit County Council, District 1. Mr. Koehler stated he is an attorney who has practiced law in Akron for 29-years. Mr. Koehler formerly served as trustee for Springfield Township prior to becoming a resident of Macedonia. Mr. Koehler also served as the director of Summit County Board of Elections for two years. Mr. Koehler feels his experience as an attorney; trustee and director of the BOE make him the best candidate for the county council position. Mr. Koehler was endorsed by Akron Beacon Journal.

~**Shirley Koth of 902 Eileen Drive** asked that Macedonia's website to be made more initiative, more user-friendly and contain more useful, pertinent and relevant information of a budgetary nature and also that the agendas for upcoming meetings be posted well in advance of scheduled meetings. Ms. Koth also asked that there be better communication between Council and the administration. Ms. Koth is aware of the differences of opinion between Ms. Hanneken's financial philosophy and that of the administration however she feels more effort should be given to find middle ground, that feelings of animosity be set to the side for the betterment of the community.

Mayor Migliorini informed Ms. Koth that steps are being taken to improve Macedonia's website, to make it as she suggested more user-friendly. Mayor Migliorini agreed too with Ms. Koth that finding middle ground as she suggested would benefit the community. However finding middle ground is difficult in Mayor Migliorini's opinion when not everyone is willing to place their oars in the water at the same time as everyone else; all rowing in the same direction for the good of the whole. Nothing of worth happens when just one, as has been the case, isn't willing to put their oar in the water or paddle in the same direction but rather in opposite direction as everyone else Mayor Migliorini stated

Councilor Bilkie told Ms. Koth that Council listened to Ms. Hanneken's financial proposal but voted it down 4 to 1. In the end it was only Ms. Hanneken who supported her plan yet she continues to bring it up knowing it does not resolve the problem and knowing that the majority of council opines to a different resolution.. Ms. Hanneken Mr. Bilkie said is just not willing to paddle her oar in the same direction.

Ms. Koth told Mr. Bilkie she understands what is being said but accusations about statements Ms. Hanneken should be addressed to which Mr. Bilkie responded, "I'll address it right now. She has said there is \$850,000 for road repair and there is absolutely not. Fifty-five percent is staying with the Recreation Center. Only 45% will go for the General Fund, so that number is absolutely false".

Councilor Hanneken interjected the numbers are correct. There has been major road projects over the last decade; the SR82 railroad bridge, the Highland Road Bridge, Shepard Hills Blvd and South Bedford Road all of which were paid for within 2% rate structure. Continuing, Ms. Hanneken said the reality is at the end of the year \$1million dollars in debt rolls off so there will money to be reconsidered for improvemets

Councilor Bilkie told Ms. Hanneken "I just said 55% of that money stays with the Recreation Center it does not go to the General Fund. You are lying about this. "

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Councilor Hanneken said to Mr. Bilkie, "Sir, you're misunderstanding. I have asked you to sit down with me before, to walk you through this and you have refused. To say that I am lying, well you just don't understand what I am talking about"

Mayor Migliorini asked Ms. Hanneken, "Do you not trust our finance director, a certified public account who has 27-years of local government audits. Who has put herself into our books, who we paid and hired, a professional who understands it. She is the one telling us about the funds."

Ms. Koth interjected by saying this type of bantering is what she is talking about. These types of discussions should be held in work session and not in Chambers. Ms. Koth complained that not enough time is allocated to work session to discuss matters, to hash them out.

Councilor Bilkie agreed with Ms. Koth that work sessions should be longer. But the majority of Council wants their discussion to be out on the floor. His understanding is what transpired in works session in the past didn't always translate to what actually had happened.

Council President Molnar interjected that it was his decision to make the change, reducing the amount of time allocated work session, preferring that discussion be held in Chambers for complete transparency so public can see, hear and understand the rationale behind decisions. Mr. Molnar said in his opinion nothing gets accomplished during work session, it's time just spent spinning wheels in mud.

~Jesse Nehez, Mayor, Village of Northfield thanked Mayor Migliorini and the council majority for the open communication existing currently between the elected officials of both communities. Regarding Ledge Road, Mayor Nehez said it's scheduled to be complete (from the intersection of Ledge and Route 8 to Firestone Lane) by November 15. The remaining portion of Ledge Road is being done in partnership with Macedonia and thus the reason Mayor Nehez understand and importance and supports Macedonia's Issue 18. Northfield Village has \$14 million dollars worth of roads to be done Mayor Nehez added.

~Kathy Loya of 9186 North Bedford Road thanked Mr. Greenland and Ms. Webb for the presentation. Ms. Loya read the following prepared statement, "I would like to say that I generally like the direction in which the City of Macedonia is going and I plan on supporting issues 18 and 19 because I personally believe that better City parks, including Longwood, and an improved and expanded Rec Center can only do more for our community. Well-maintained roads along with proper stormwater drainage are the City's responsibility to provide and maintain and I don't mind paying a little bit more to have dedicated funds for this. Paying taxes in my City is okay for me because I have a voice on how the money is spent. My voice comes from my vote for who is and who is not to represent me as a taxpayer. In addition, I get to reap the rewards because the taxes collected are spent here in my community. However, I am disappointed with the City of Macedonia in designating my storm water problem as a regional issue. I am told that my issue is now an issue the Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District has taken responsibility for handling and resolving this issue with the assistance of the City of Macedonia. This City has known about the North Bedford and Ledge area being a flooding problem for decades and over the years, through upstream development, has purposely routed more and more and more storm water through my property. The City has exacerbated my problem through the years, has done nothing to improve the situation even though the City has received countless recommendations for solutions from previous studies done on the area and now the City is abandoning responsibility for the problem and deeming it a regional issue to be handled by NEORS in which I have zero representation. That's right, NEORS has a Board composed of 7 members - 100% of which represent and are from Cuyahoga County, NEORS's main service area. Sure, we all have to pay the storm water fee as determined by an Ohio Supreme Court ruling almost a year ago, and as it stands right now, all of us paying into NEORS's storm water management program

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residing in Summit County have zero representation on their ruling Board. We are being taxed with no representation. 75% of my fee - and yours - is being used for projects as decided by this ruling board and most likely in Cuyahoga County. We are the funding source for projects in Cuyahoga County! With no Summit County representation within the Board of the NEORS, who I am supposed to talk to about my situation since my City is now deeming it a regional issue? By the way, NEORS board meetings are held twice a month on a Thursday afternoon at 12:30 p.m. on Euclid Avenue in downtown Cleveland. How convenient. This City took responsibility for storm water problems at 883 Iroquois Run when in the summer of 2015 City Council unanimously approved the appraisal and purchase of this property. The situation was such an emergency that Council took action on this property with no call for a new study and no study to see what the flow of water would be like without that home there and a retention basin put in. The property has been vacant now for almost a year and the house is still standing. I must ask, how much of an emergency was it really? City Council set precedence in the summer of 2015 by purchasing a private residence and when brought up about my property, well, Council said that they needed to wait for another new study and when this new study was finally completed in January 2016 no one will talk about that study. My property and the properties in the North Bedford and Ledge area have probably been the most studied properties in the entire City, but, alas, NEORS has to perform yet another study. A letter received this summer from NEORS indicated that an 18-month study was started in August 2016. The gentleman who performed a field study of my property on June 1, 2016 was and continues to be very responsive and an excellent contact for me. According to the report received back after my site visit, erosion on my property was noted to be because my husband and I just don't know how to cut our grass near the creek that runs through our property (versus any type of water flow issues) and this field inspector did not seem too pleased to see our sump pump discharge pipe emptying into this creek. My only question on the topic of my discharge pipe, of which I got no answer, was "where is it supposed to go?" If I'm not too pump it out from my basement to this creek, shall I send it to the front ditch and potentially flood the street, which already has multiple front properties with standing water during rain events, or is it just supposed to be retained in my basement? Again, I'm sorry for being such a cynic and so pessimistic about my storm water situation, but how am I to feel? My City which represents me has turned over my problem to an entity in which I have zero representation. NEORS will take my money - and yours - and use it at their will in Cuyahoga County when I have a real situation here in Summit County in which my City is unwilling to address. Sure, I will be told that the City will keep a close eye and follow up to see how things are progressing and that NEORS looks out for all of its service area. At this point in time, I am not buying it. This has been a City of Macedonia responsibility for decades and, in opinion, it will always be a City of Macedonia responsibility. That is why I will continue communicating with you - my elected officials/my representatives. With all due respect, my storm water situation is not a regional issue. It is a City of Macedonia issue that has been long-ignored, neglected and only made worse. It is this City's responsibility for addressing it once and for all."

Mayor Migliorini reminded Ms. Loya that Macedonia did not voluntarily become part of the NEORS storm water program. Fortunately after all that has been said and done Macedonia will however be receiving a percentage annually of the fee every property owner is required to pay. Mayor Migliorini is confident his knowledge base and good relationship with Cuyahoga County officials including the director of NEORS, Julius Ciaccia that Macedonia's large projects like the Sioux Lane culvert, the Our Lady of Guadalupe retention basin and the N. Bedford and Ledge Road corridor will get repaired.

~**Karen Bartolozzi, 1377 Driftwood** asked the Mayor and Council to act quickly upon on the medical marijuana ordinance. Ms. Bartolozzi prefers that there be no moratorium, that regulations be established immediately. Ms. Bartolozzi complained has she has previously about the "finished" but disappointing intersection of Route 82 and Shepard Road. Ms. Bartolozzi cannot understand she said why with the volume of traffic at that intersection that turn lanes were not included in the project. Ms. Bartolozzi

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wondered if a signal light with directional arrows might help with the congestion. Ms. Bartolozzi suggested a signal light with a directional signal light as well at Highland and Valley View Road.

Mayor Migliorini told Ms. Bartolozzi that he too is angry and frustrated over the general outcome of the project; the cost of the project, the design change from 4-lanes to three, that there are no turn lanes, the cost of engineering, the paving, the fact that sidewalks weren't included and the fact that catch basins were installed though ditches were left opened. The entire project in Mayor Migliorini's opinion is an affront to common sense. And unfortunately any modifications or alternations will be have to be done at a future time and at an additional cost.

INTRODUCTION, READINGS & ADOPTION OF LEGISLATION

RES. NO. 75 -2016

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE SUMMIT COUNTY FISCAL OFFICE was **offered by Mr. Molnar** and moved Council waive the requirement that it be read by title on three different days, instructing the Clerk to read it by **title only for its second and third readings. Second by Mr. Engle, motion authorizing the same carried unanimously on a voice vote.**

Mr. Molnar moved, Mr. Engle seconded and **motion carried unanimously on a voice vote to adopt ORD. NO. 75-2016** and post the same according to law: **ORD. NO. 75-2016 declared adopted.**

RES. NO. 76- 2016

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADVANCE OF LOCAL TAXES BY SUMMIT COUNTY FISCAL OFFICE TO CITY OF MACEDONIA FOR 2016 TAX YEAR PAYABLE IN 2017 was **offered by Mr. Molnar** and moved Council waive the requirement that it be read by title on three different days, instructing the Clerk to read it by **title only for its second and third readings. Second by Mr. Engle, motion authorizing the same carried unanimously on a voice vote.**

Mr. Molnar moved, Mr. Bilkie seconded and **motion carried unanimously on a voice vote to adopt RES. NO. 76-2016** and post the same according to law: **RES. NO. 76-2016 declared adopted.**

RES. NO. 77-2016

A RESOLUTION REVISING RESOLUTION NO. 79-2015 AND REFLECTION THE CITY'S ASSUMPTION OF COST FOR FEATURES NOT NEEDED FOR THE PROJECT was **offered by Mr. Bilkie** and moved Council waive the requirement that it be read by title on three different days, instructing the Clerk to read it by **title only for all three readings. Second by Mr. Molnar, motion authorizing the same carried unanimously on a voice vote.**

Mr. Bilkie moved, Mr. Molnar seconded and **motion carried unanimously on a voice vote to adopt RES. NO. 77-2016** and post the same according to law: **RES. NO. 77-2016 declared adopted.**

Relative to RES. NO. 77-2016, Mayor Migliorini announced that Macedonia's cost share of repaving Route 8 within corporate boundaries is \$37,000. The project due the summer of 2017.

RES. NO. -78 2016

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A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR OF MIKE HAWKINS TO THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION was **offered by Mr. Engle** for **its first reading by title only**.
Second not required.

ORD. NO. 79-2016

AN ORDINANCE CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR OF LEIGH CRISSMAN TO THE POSITION OF A PART-TIME POLICE AND FIRE DISPATCHER was **offered by Ms. Hanneken** and moved Council waive the requirement that it be read by title on three different days, instructing the Clerk to read it by **title only for all three readings**. **Second by Mr. Molnar, motion authorizing the same carried unanimously on a voice vote.**

Ms. Hanneken moved, Mr. Molnar seconded and **motion carried unanimously on a voice vote to adopt ORD. NO. 79-2016** and post the same according to law: **ORD. NO. 79-2016 declared adopted.**

Relative to ORD. NO. 79-2016, Ms. Crissman thanked the Mayor and Council for the opportunity to work for the police department. Ms. Crissman is a Macedonia resident and her children are graduates of the Nordonia Hills school system.

ORD. NO. 80-2016

AN ORDINANCE CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR OF RICHARD SWITZWER TO THE POSITION OF A PART-TIME FIRE INSPECTOR OF THE CITY OF MACEDONIA was **offered by Mr. Bilkie** and moved Council waive the requirement that it be read by title on three different days, instructing the Clerk to read it by **title only for all three readings**. **Second by Mr. Molnar, motion authorizing the same carried unanimously on a voice vote.**

Mr. Bilkie moved, Mr. Molnar seconded and **motion carried unanimously on a voice vote to adopt ORD. NO. 80-2016** and post the same according to law: **ORD. NO. 80-2016 declared adopted.**

ORD. NO. 81-2016

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR A SENIOR SNOW REMOVAL PROGRAM FOR THE 2016-2017 WINTER SEASON was **offered by Mr. Engle** and moved Council waive the requirement that it be read by title on three different days, instructing the Clerk to read it by **title only for all three readings**. **Second by Mr. Molnar, motion authorizing the same carried unanimously on a voice vote.**

Mr. Engle moved, Mr. Bilkie seconded and **motion carried unanimously on a voice vote to adopt ORD. NO. 80-2016** and post the same according to law: **ORD. NO. 81-2016 declared adopted.**

ORD. NO. 82-2016

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 17-2016 FOR ADDITIONAL EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF MACEDONIA FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2016 TO DECEMBER 31, 2016 (SERVICE –HOT/COLD PATCHING MATERIAL) was **offered by Mr. Molnar** and moved Council waive the requirement that it be read by title on three different days, instructing the Clerk to read it by **title only for all three readings**. **Second by Mr. Engle, motion authorizing the same carried unanimously on a voice vote.**

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Mr. Molnar moved, Mr. Bilkie seconded and **motion carried unanimously on a voice vote to adopt ORD. NO. 82-2016** and post the same according to law: **ORD. NO. 82-2016 declared adopted**

ORD. NO. 83- 2016

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 17-2016 FOR ADDITIONAL EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF MACEDONIA FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2016 TO DECEMBER 31, 2016 (SERVICE –VEHICLE REPAIRS) was **offered by Ms. Hanneken** and moved Council waive the requirement that it be read by title on three different days, instructing the Clerk to read it by **title only for all three readings. Second by Mr. Molnar, motion authorizing the same carried unanimously on a voice vote.**

Ms. Hanneken moved, Mr. Bilkie seconded and **motion carried unanimously on a voice vote to adopt ORD. NO. 83-2016** and post the same according to law: **ORD. NO. 83-2016 declared adopted**

ORD. NO. 84- 2016

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING A MORATORIUM ON APPLICATIONS FOR, AND THE GRANTING OF, ZONING CERTIFICATES FOR ANY BUILDING, STRUCTURE, USE OR CHANGE IN USE THAT WOULD ENABLE THE CULTIVATION, PROCESSING, DISTRIBUTION OR SALE OF MEDICAL MARIJUANA FOR A PERIOD OF 180 DAYS IN ORDER TO ALLOW THE CITY TO REVIEW APPLICABLE STATE AND LOCAL LAWS AND REGULATIONS RELATING TO SUCH USES was **offered by Mr. Bilkie for its first reading by title only.** Second not required.

ORD. NO. 85-2016

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A RESTATEMENT OF THE WATER SERVICE AGREEMENT FOR DIRECT SERVICE WITH THE CITY OF CLEVELAND TO PROVIDE WATER AND WATER-RELATED SERVICES TO THE CITY OF MACEDONIA was **offered by Mr. Engle for its first reading by title only.** Second not required.

ORD. NO. 86-2016

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE PROVIDING CONSENT FOR ODOT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NOISE WALL ON WEST SIDE OF I271 JUST NORTH OF STATE ROUTE 82 IN THE CITY OF MACEDONIA, SUMMIT COUNTY was **offered by Mr. Molnar** and moved Council waive the requirement that it be read by title on three different days, instructing the Clerk to read it by **title only for all three readings. Second by Mr. Bilkie, motion authorizing the same carried unanimously on a voice vote.**

Mr. Molnar moved, Mr. Bilkie seconded and **motion carried unanimously on a voice vote to adopt ORD. NO. 86-2016** and post the same according to law: **ORD. NO. 86-2016 declared adopted**

MOTIONS/ OTHER LEGISLATIVE ACTION

~Mr. Bilkie moved, Mr. Molnar seconded and motion carried unanimously on a voice vote authorizing the Police Chief to accept on behalf of the City of Macedonia Police Department a donation of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) from Eskil Eriksson, Macedonia.

~Mr. Molnar moved, Mr. Engle seconded and motion carried unanimously on a voice vote to cancel the regular meeting of Council on November 24, 2016 in observance of Thanksgiving

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CORRESPONDENCE: None

MAYOR'S REPORT

- Mayor's Court revenue for September was \$38,788.66.
- State representative Marilyn Anielski and former mayor of Walton Hills has announced she is sponsoring a resource fair for military and veterans on Friday, October 28, 2016 from 10am-1pm at Mount Zion Church in Oakwood Village. The fair is providing resources and opportunities for the military one of which is an ID card in lieu having to carry the DD 214 form.
- Mayor Migliorini encouraged residents to review Issues 18 & 19, the two levies for parks & recreation and road improvements and to vote on November 8th. Income tax revenue is the life-blood of the City and the primary revenue to provide for optimum services. This type of revenue compared to property tax is the fuel for the budget..

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Parks & Recreation Committee Mr. Bilkie announced that the previously scheduled committee meeting was canceled and will rescheduled after the election

Longwood Manor Historical Society John Cassmer, president of the LMHS reported that Jackson Comfort, Twinsburg Road, Northfield Center, Ohio donated and installed a used "useful" furnace in the Manor House. The LMHS will be weatherizing the Manor House Mr. Cassmer added.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Service Department

Mr. Hnottavange thanked Council for approving the senior citizen snow removal program for this year. Mr. Hnottavange explained that residents on last year's list will automatically receive an application in the mail for this year. Reapplication annually is required. The cost per plow remains that same as last year. The leaf collection program begins October 24th so rake leaves often Mr. Hnottavange advised. Mr. Hnottavange also advised to leave room for leaf removal machine to maneuver around mailboxes, fire hydrants, utility poles, etc. Complete information about leaf collection guidelines are posted on City's website or residents may contact service department for hard copy of information. Continuing Mr. Hnottavange reminded residents secure their mailbox to withstand the weight of slush/snow pushed off the blades of plow trucks. During leaf collection service crews will be conducting visual inspections of mailboxes for this reason. A list will be kept on file of all mailboxes that are obviously in disrepair, damaged, held together with tape, etc. The City cannot be responsible for damages to mailboxes due to the weight of snow/slush when boxes are in poor condition. Mailboxes are replaced only when accidentally struck by the plow truck. Mr. Hnottavange asked residents to notify the service department office when a street light is out as the service department has taken the responsibility of repair.

Building Commissioner Mr. Rodic was not present.

Engineer Mr. Gigliotti reported that discussion has reopened regarding an access road to State Route 8 from Golden Link Boulevard the proximity for which is between Chipotle Restaurant and the retail store

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Great Escape. The access road was last discussed in 2013 Mr. Gigliotti stated. The City has reached out to several property about this possibility as well as ODOT officials.

Recreation Department Ms. Manley reported financial information being disseminated by certain individuals on their personal websites and Facebook about the Recreation Center is inaccurate and very disturbing. Ms. Manley said the Recreation Center functions financially from revenue generated from the quarter percent income tax that was specifically designated almost 20-years ago for the construction and operation of the facility. When the levy expires June 30, 2017 the Recreation Center will realize a shortfall in revenue of almost \$400,000 per year Ms. Manley said. For this reason the Recreation Fund has maintained a substantial balance in anticipation of the end of collections in 2017. This fund balance will provide for less than three-years of operation Ms. Manley stated. Ms. Manley explained in her early years as director about \$250,000 of General Fund money supported the Recreation Fund. That burden was eliminated over the years. The Recreation Center has been able to sustain on income tax revenue and membership and program fees for many years. Ms. Manley informed the public that renewing the income tax levy for the Recreation Center would provide \$9-10 million for new construction and the remainder of the revenue for long term commitments, other smaller capital improvements, operations and personnel.

Councilor Bilkie added that renderings have been created relative to proposed new construction. These renderings and enhancements are displayed for the public on the first floor corridor of the City Center.

Mayor Migliorini interjected that the new construction and the proposed enhancements would include: an outdoor aquatics center, a gymnasium, paved walking paths, new entry point to vestibule closer to parking area, expanded and renovated lockers rooms and family changing rooms, enhanced ball fields and drainage of the same, an amphitheater, outdoor basketball courts and possible ice skating rink.

Finance Department Ms. Hall reported the RITA subpoena program will be held at the City Center on November 15th & 16th. This year RITA issued almost 2000 subpoenas Ms. Hall added. Ms. Hall announced that a non-city generated flier containing inaccurate financial information was issued to residents today. The flier indicates when the debt service of \$850,000 expires this money can be used towards improving roads. This is a misnomer Ms. Hall stated. The fact is when the payments expire; \$592,000 of the total must stay within the Recreation Fund. This money cannot be used for any other purpose pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code. Other incorrect information contained within the flier: the actual amount of the community share of the NEORS D storm water fees the city will receive by almost \$20,000. The flier also indicted the cost of operations increased. This is untrue. Macedonia's budget has increased 13.3% from to 2015. However the 2015 budget was 16% higher than 2014 therefore in actuality overall the increase is less than what had been budgeted. The final percentage will be determined at year's end Ms. Hall added. Ms. Hall estimates the carry-over this year in the General Fund to be about \$700,000. Ms. Hall added that the information being circulated to residents compares Macedonia to Twinsburg, Hudson, Solon and Stow. If only that were true Ms. Hall stated. Hudson has \$8 million of unencumbered money in its General Fund. Solon and Twinsburg have \$25million. Macedonia had \$1.4 million in 2015 of which \$2 million was encumbered. Ms. Hall mentioned financial facts will be posted on the City's website.

Fire Department Captain Ripley in Chief Black's absence thanked the Mayor and Council for the appointment of the part-time fire inspector.

Police Department Chief Golden was not present.

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Law Department Mr. Guidetti had no report.

Unfinished business None.

New business Councilor Hanneken stated that Mayor Migliorini complained during a Mayor's Report about Council having authorized the purchase of the Gabriel property when as a matter of record during the public comment portion of the September 10, 2015 council meeting the minutes reads in part, "Mr. Migliorini opined the purchase of the Gabriel property was a positive step towards resolution to a problem area." Ms. Hanneken explained that the proposal to purchase the Gabriel home was brought forward by Mr. Engle because of water from Sugarbush Park flooding the property. Ms. Hanneken added that every member of Council at that time, she, Ms. Darrow, Mr. Engle, Mr. Molnar and Ms. Tulley supported the measure. Regarding the various financial analysis and financial numbers being talked about Ms. Hanneken stated in her opinion the City's current tax rate of 2% can sustain the City's operations including road improvements and some capital improvements within the park. This tax rate Ms. Hanneken admitted cannot support millions of dollars of improvements. But based on the responses of 498 residents from the recent survey the greatest desire is to improve the walking trails and build an outdoor aquatics center. These improvements would only cost about \$3 million dollars and therefore in Ms. Hanneken's opinion there is reason to support a 20-year levy generating \$21 million dollars.

Councilor Bilkie attempted to speak...

Ms. Hanneken told Mr. Bilkie she had the floor but he continues to interrupt her, continues to challenge her and continues to say she is lying. Ms. Hanneken challenged Mr. Bilkie to debate her on Issues 18 & 19 in an independent facility; a debate that would be monitored and recorded.

Councilor Bilkie told Ms. Hanneken he is not the financial director of Macedonia therefore why would Ms. Hanneken she wants to debate him. Mr. Bilkie doesn't understand he said why Ms. Hanneken just wants to cause problems instead of fixing them.

Mayor Migliorini interjected regarding the Gabriel property that as the former mayor he dealt with the issue for many years because the Gabriel's bought the property with the preexisting condition. The Mayor did say it was good idea as Ms. Hanneken indicated but at that time he was unaware the City didn't have or should have spent the money \$220,000 to resolve on issue on private property.

There being no other business the regular meeting of Council was adjourned at 9:35.