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Regular Council Meeting
December 10, 2015

Presiding Officer, Mayor Joe Migliorini called the December 10 regular meeting to order at 7:30pm.

Present: Council members' Rita Darrow, David Engle, Sylvia Hanneken, Nicholas Molnar and Janet Tulley; Council Clerk Josephine Arceci and Law Director Joseph W. Diemert, Jr.

Absent:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE led by members of American Legion Post 801, Northfield Center, Ohio

INVOCATION led by Tom O'Brien, Chaplain of Post 801

MINUTES Ms. Tulley moved, Mr. Molnar seconded and motion carried unanimously on a voice vote to approve minutes of regular meeting of October 22, 2015.

FINANCIAL REPORT Ms. Hanneken moved, Ms. Darrow seconded, and motion carried unanimously, acknowledging receipt of Financial Report dated November 30, 2015

PRESENTATION Mayor Migliorini on behalf of Congressman David P. Joyce presented Council President Darrow a Certificate of Congressional Recognition and Achievement for her service as a member of city council from 2012-2015.

RES. NO.165-2015: A RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION TO THE HONORABLE DONALD J. KUCHTA 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 in its entirety for all three readings**. Second by Ms. Tulley carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Mr. Engle moved, Ms. Tulley seconded to **adopt RES. NO. 165-2015** and post same according to law and motion carried unanimously on a voice vote. **RES. NO. 165-2015 declared adopted.**

Council President Darrow thanked everyone for their support, adding, "It has been a pleasure serving you. I am not going away and I look forward to the future and I look forward to serving Macedonia. I moved here in 1999 and I have poured my heart into helping people in this community and I am going to continue to do so. Thank you from the bottom of my heart."

Councilor Engle told Ms. Darrow that it has been a pleasure working with her adding humorously that not all times have been pleasant. Mr. Engle expressed appreciation for Ms. Darrow's enthusiasm and dedication saying that she's been criticized for your stubbornness but knows it was because she thought she was right. Mr. Engle wished Ms. Darrow well in her future endeavors.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

~Carol Pleskovic of 814 Southridge Road, Sagamore Hills complained about the condition of Valley View Road and the pothole she hit resulting in damage to her car wheel. Ms. Pleskovic said she reported the pothole to the police department and has since noted it has been repaired.

Mayor Migliorini apologized for conditions of Macedonia roads adding that this is going to be a high priority of during his administration.

~Bev Sexton of S. Bedford Road congratulated Mayor Migliorini, Council Molnar and Council-elect Bilkie on their elections. Ms. Sexton expressed hope for the City to remain financially strong under the new leadership and hope that all members Council maintain fiscal responsibility of taxpayer's dollars. In regards to the audit report by the Auditor of State it appears to Ms. Sexton that there is a lot that must be done. Ms. Sexton thanked Ms. Darrow for her dedication and her willingness to listen and work towards resolving issues important to residents. Ms. Sexton recognized Ms. Darrow's accomplishments and determination to do right for the citizens of Macedonia and wished her well in her future endeavors.

~Bobbie Paul, 1127 Thistleridge Drive thanked Ms. Darrow for her dedication and dignity as a member of city council. Regarding line item budgets Ms. Paul supports them and hopes the administration continues this financial method of control because of its transparency.

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~Carol Kucharski, 40-year resident of 8126 S. Bedford Road stated she has watched council meetings over the last year and attended the November 10 meeting. Ms. Kucharski said she is appalled by anger demonstrated. Mayor Kuchta served Macedonia for 12-years and should been treated better. He should not have been subjected to the angst permeating his last meeting. Ms. Kucharski described Council as abusive. Council also abusing each other and this continued abuse has to stop.

Mayor Migliorini wholeheartedly agreed with Ms. Kucharski adding that elected officials must stop the infighting that has been going on for too long. Councilor must work together in the best interest of the Macedonia residents. Mayor Migliorini agreed too that Mayor Kuchta should be recognized and applauded for the good he did during his tenure/

~Joe Skarupa, 38-year resident of 8199 S. Bedford Road thanked Ms. Darrow for her dedication and service, for always looking out for the needs of the residents. Regarding the 2015 audit report, Mr. Skarupa finds some of findings and recommendation disconcerting and suggested they get resolved quickly and for that reason supports the resolution on the agenda for an additional audit to be held. Mr. Skarupa read aloud in part those areas of the audit report he found most troublesome. Pertaining to the growth of Macedonia Mr. Skarupa suggested a new approach be considered, a new vision for Macedonia that it becomes a green city. Mr. Skarupa provided a pamphlet by the U.S. Building Council in this regard for distribution to Council.

Mayor Migliorini thanked Mr. Skarupa for his comments, adding, as the new administrator he will be closely monitoring expenditures to ensure conformity with Macedonia's policy and procedures. The comments in the 2014 audit were recommendations Mayor Migliorini stated and not more serious findings or citations. The Mayor expects however that this policy to be seriously reviewed during the 2015 audit which will be performed in 2016.

Shirley Koth, 52-year resident of 902 Eileen Drive thanked Councilor Darrow for her service and dedication to residents' concerns but her diligence regarding Charter and Codified Ordinances. Ms. Koth supports line item budgets, she feels it's a good policy and suggested before it is done away to learn why this budget style was initiated.

PENDING AND/OR NEW LEGISLATION

ORD. NO. 125– 2015:

AN ORDINANCE CREATING NEW CHAPTER 182 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF MACEDONIA OHIO REGARDING MUNICIPAL INCOME TAX was **offered** by Mr. Molnar for its **third reading by title only**. Second not required

Mr. Molnar moved, Ms. Tulley seconded, **to adopt ORD. NO. 125-2015** and post according to law and motion carried unanimously on a voice vote. **ORD. NO. 125-2015 declared adopted.**

RES. NO. 131 – 2015

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE MAYOR'S REMOVAL OF SCOTT SVAB AS DIRECTOR OF FINANCE was **offered by Ms. Hanneken** 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 Ms. motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Mr. Engle moved, Ms. Darrow seconded and **motion carried unanimously on a voice vote to amend RES. NO. 131 – 2015 by making the following additions and deletions:**

WHEREAS, the Mayor Kuchta appointed Scott Svab as Director of Finance, ~~and for reasons stated hereafter, is now determined to terminate him, and has initiated same by reason of a letter dated March 10, 2015,~~ and

WHEREAS, Mayor Migliorini has requested his termination in order to appoint a new finance director.

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~~WHEREAS, the Mayor previously terminated Scott Svab on September 22, 2014, but the majority of Council did not feel there was sufficient evidence supporting termination at that time, nor at a subsequent request; and~~

~~WHEREAS, since September 2014, there have been additional investigations and reports, and Council has had additional time to evaluate and consider the grounds for termination, and failure of Council to act will only cost the City and its taxpayers additional monies to which the Finance Director MAY be entitled; and~~

~~WHEREAS, Council is in receipt of the State Auditor's findings that Mr. Svab did indeed lie to Council about statements made by a state official, and Mr. Svab's directing an employee to backdate an invoice for an improper transfer of materials received through a state grant to Canal Fulton where Mr. Svab also serves as a Council person; and~~

~~WHEREAS, in that the Director of Finance is a Mayoral appointment, and the Mayor's office is unwilling or unable to continue working with this specific director, and in order to facilitate the taxpayers receiving the services of a Finance Director that is compatible with the administration, the majority of Council feel it necessary and towards the best interests of the City of Macedonia to approve the Mayor's removal of Scott Svab as Finance Director.~~

~~Section 1. The Mayor's termination of Scott Svab from the position of Director of Finance, as set forth in the Mayor's letter of March 10, 2015, is hereby and herein approved effective immediately. Council supports the termination of Scott Svab in the position of finance director by Mayor Migliorini forthwith.~~

Ms. Hanneken moved, Ms. Tulley seconded, to **adopt RES.NO 131-2015, as amended** and post same according to law.

Roll call: Aye: Darrow, Engle, Hanneken Molnar and Tulley
Nays: None.

The motion carried. **RES.NO 131-2015, declared adopted as amended**

Regarding RES.NO 131-2015 Mayor Migliorini announced in early January he will be appointing a female to the position of finance director. This individual is a CPA, has worked in private practice for 25- years and has had extensive experience in municipal and township auditing

ORD. NO. 141- 2015

AN ORDINANCE MAKING A FUND TRANSFER FROM GENERAL FUNDS TO LAW DEPARTMENT TO MEET THE OBLIGATIONS FOR THE BALANCE OF 2015 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 Ms. Tulley carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Mr. Molnar moved, Mr. Engle seconded, **motion carried unanimously on vote to amend ORD. NO. 141-2015 by deleting the following**

FROM ACCOUNT	TO ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
General Fund	101.150.5340	\$3,000.00
	Retainer	
General Fund	101.150.5345	\$40,000.00
	Litigation	

Mr. Molnar moved, Ms. Hanneken seconded, to **adopt ORD. NO. 141-2015** and post according to law and motion carried unanimously on a voice vote. **ORD. NO. 141-2015 declared adopted.**

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ORD. NO. 144– 2015

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE 2016 TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS 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 its second and third readings**. Second by Mr. Molnar carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Ms. Hanneken moved, Mr. Molnar seconded, to **adopt ORD. NO. 144-2015** and post according to law and motion carried unanimously on a voice vote. **ORD. NO. 144-2015 declared adopted.**

ORD. NO. 148– 2015

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE SUMMIT COUNTY PUBLIC DEFENDER’S COMMISSION FOR THE REPRESENTATION OF INDIGENT PERSONS CHARGED WITH VIOLATIONS OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF MACEDONIA was **offered** by Ms. Tulley 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 seconded carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Ms. Tulley moved, Ms. Darrow seconded to **adopt ORD. NO. 148-2015** and post same according to law and motion carried unanimously on a voice vote. **ORD. NO. 148-2015 declared adopted.**

ORD. NO. 149 – 2015 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR ENTER INTO A ONE-YEAR CONTRACT WITH JULIAN & GRUBE, INC. FOR CERTAIN FINANCIAL SERVICES 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 Ms. Tulley carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Mr. Engle moved, Ms. Darrow seconded to **adopt ORD. NO. 149-2015** and post same according to law and motion carried unanimously on a voice vote. **ORD. NO. 149-2015 declared adopted.**

ORD. NO. 150– 2015

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING HE MAYOR ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH CONTINUED CARE ADMINISTRATORS, INC, IN ORDER TO ASSIST AND PROVIDE EMPLOYERS WITH FEDERAL COBRA COMPLIANCE FOR THE YEAR 2016 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 carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Ms. Hanneken moved, Mr. Engle seconded to **adopt ORD. NO. 150-2015** and post same according to law and motion carried unanimously on a voice vote. **ORD. NO. 150-2015 declared adopted.**

ORD. NO. 151 – 2015

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND RATIFYING AN AGREEMENT WITH TRI-COUNTY EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM by Ms. Tulley 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 carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Ms. Tulley moved, Mr. Molnar seconded to **adopt ORD. NO. 151-2015** and post same according to law and motion carried unanimously on a voice vote. **ORD. NO. 151-2015 declared adopted.**

ORD. NO. 152– 2015

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 160.20 (a) and (f) OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF MACEDONIA SO AS TO RATIFY THE CURRENT PRACTICE OF FUNDING EMPLOYEES’S HEALTH SAVING ACCOUNTS 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 Ms. Tulley carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Mr. Molnar moved, Ms. Tulley seconded to **adopt ORD. NO. 152-2015** and post same according to law and motion carried unanimously on a voice vote. **ORD. NO. 152-2015 declared adopted.**

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ORD. NO. 153– 2015

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FUNDS AND VARIOUS TRANSFERS OF FUNDS FOR UPCOMING EXPENSES AS ITEMIZED BELOW 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. Engle motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Ms. Hanneken moved, Mr. Engle seconded to **adopt ORD. NO. 153-2015** and post same according to law and motion carried unanimously on a voice vote. **ORD. NO. 153-2015 declared adopted**

ORD. NO. 154– 2015

AN ORDINANCE TO TRANSFER FROM UNENCUMBERED SPECIAL ASSESSMENT FUND FOR THE SEMI-ANNUAL PAYMENT FOR NORTH FREEWAY DRIVE BOND IMPROVEMENT 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 Ms. Tulley carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Mr. Engle moved, Ms. Darrow seconded to **adopt ORD. NO. 154-2015** and post same according to law and motion carried unanimously on a voice vote. **ORD. NO. 154-2015 declared adopted**

ORD. NO. 155 – 2015

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2015 APPROPRIATIONS IN ORDER TO FULFILL THE 2015 DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS 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 Ms. Darrow seconded carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Ms. Hanneken moved, Ms. Darrow seconded to **adopt ORD. NO. 155-2015** and post same according to law and motion carried unanimously on a voice vote. **ORD. NO. 155-2015 declared adopted**

ORD. NO. 156– 2015

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A TRANSFER FROM SERVICE DEPARTMENT ACCOUNT 210.214.5410 TO 210.214.5500 TO PAY FOR ADDITIONALROAD REPAIRS CAUSED BY WATER MAIN BREAKS by Ms. Tulley 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 carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Ms. Tulley moved, Mr. Molnar seconded to **adopt ORD. NO. 156-2015** and post same according to law and motion carried unanimously on a voice vote. **ORD. NO. 156-2015 declared adopted**

Regarding ORD. NO. 156-2015, Councilor Tulley mentioned that City funds spent to repair road damage caused by water main breaks are reimbursed by Cleveland Water.

ORD. NO. 157 – 2015 AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING A TRANSFER FROM GENERAL FUNDS TO SERVICE DEPARTMENT FOR THE BALANCE OF FUNDS NEEDED FOR THE RENEWAL OF THE INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY OF ARBORCULTURE MEMBERSHIP 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 Ms. Tulley carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Mr. Molnar moved, Ms. Tulley seconded to **adopt ORD. NO. 157-2015** and post same according to law and motion carried unanimously on a voice vote. **ORD. NO. 157-2015 declared adopted**

ORD. NO. 158– 2015

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING A TRANSFER FROM GENERAL FUNDS TO SERVICE DEPARTMENT FOR THE BALANCE OF FUNDS NEEDED FOR THE DECEMBER PAYMENT TO A & S ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICES 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 Ms. Tulley carried unanimously on a voice vote.

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Mr. Engle moved, Ms. Darrow seconded to **adopt ORD. NO. 158-2015** and post same according to law and motion carried unanimously on a voice vote. **ORD. NO. 158-2015 declared adopted**

ORD. NO. 159 – 2015

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING A TRANSFER FROM GENERAL FUNDS TO POLICE DEPARTMENT ACCOUNT 101.210.5600 TO PROVIDE FUNDS FOR NOVEMBER PRISONER MEAL EXPENSES 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 carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Ms. Hanneken moved, Ms. Darrow seconded to **adopt ORD. NO. 159-2015** and post same according to and motion carried unanimously on a voice vote. **ORD. NO. 159-2015 declared adopted**

ORD. NO. 160 – 2015

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING A TRANSFER FROM GENERAL FUNDS TO POLICE DEPARTMENT ACCOUNT LISTED BELOW FOR THE NECESSARY REPAIRS TO POLICE CRUISERS by Ms. Tulley 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 carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Ms. Tulley moved, Mr. Molnar seconded to **adopt ORD. NO. 160-2015** and post same according to law and motion carried unanimously on a voice vote. **ORD. NO. 160-2015 declared adopted**

RES. NO. 161– 2015

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF ANTHONY COX TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION 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 Ms. Darrow carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Mr. Molnar moved, Ms. Tulley seconded to **adopt RES. NO. 161-2015** and post same according to law and motion carried unanimously on a voice vote. **RES. NO. 161-2015 declared adopted**

Regarding RES. NO. 161-2015, Mayor Migliorini explained this appointment and subsequent one is in part because the composition of the Planning Commission changed due to the recent amendment to the Charter Macedonia voters approved November 3rd. The Commission will now consist of five electorates and thus the necessity to replace the positions previously held by the mayor and that of the council representative. Mayor Migliorini said Mr. Cox is an attorney, a Macedonia resident who was a lifelong resident of Hudson and who served on Hudson's Planning Commission for 14-years.

RES. NO. 162– 2015

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF JOSEPH SCHIAVONE TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION 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 carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Mr. Engle moved, Ms. Darrow seconded to **adopt RES. NO. 162-2015** and post same according to law and motion carried unanimously on a voice vote. **RES. NO. 162-2015 declared adopted**

Regarding RES. NO. 161-2015, Mayor Migliorini announced Mr. Schiavone is a lifelong resident of Macedonia. He is a structural engineer; he has served on Macedonia's Architectural Review Board and was Chief Building Official for Summit County.

RES. NO. 163 – 2015

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF STACI SZUGYE TO THE PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION by Ms. Tulley 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 carried unanimously on a voice vote.

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Ms. Tulley moved, Mr. Engle seconded to **adopt RES. NO. 163-2015** and post same according to law and motion carried unanimously on a voice vote. **RES. NO. 163-2015 declared adopted**

Regarding RES. NO. 163-2015, Councilor Molnar mentioned he met Ms. Szugye during the elections and feels she a good fit to the Parks & Recreation Commission. Councilor Hanneken agreed. Councilor Tulley added new faces and fresh ideas are welcomed addition. She added another vacancy exists and another term of office will be expiring soon.

RES. NO. 165- 2015

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING AN INDEPENDENT AUDIT OF THE CITY OF MACEDONIA CONFORMANCE WITH ESTABLISHED PURCHASING CONTROLS AND PROPER PUBLIC PURPOSE EXPENDITURE REQUIREMENTS was **offered** by Ms. Hanneken for its **first reading by title only**. Second not required.

MOTIONS / OTHER LEGISLATIVE ACTIONS

~ Mr. Engle moved, Ms. Tulley seconded and motion carried unanimously on a voice vote authorizing the Office of the Clerk of Courts and Department of Finance to accept on behalf the City of Macedonia a donation from Joseph Migliorini of two (2) FireKing 4-drawer letter fireproof file cabinets each valued at approximately Two Thousand Forty Nine Dollars (\$2,049.00).

CORRESPONDENCE: Letter of appreciation from Gunnery Sergeant Matthew Foust, USMC to Chief Black and Macedonia fire department for the department's willingness to assist and honor veterans during the Veterans Day assembly on November 11, 2015 at Nordonia High School

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Migliorini reported he will be reviewing several large projects for valued engineering especially the Sioux Culvert and Our Lady of Guadeloupe retention basin. The engineer's estimates regarding the latter are too high the Mayor added. Regarding Sioux specifically, Mayor Migliorini said that ervice crew determined after opening the street that sections of the culvert became disjointed. The problem will be remedied in-house, the sections reconnected and surrounded by layers of backfill. The Mayor anticipates Sioux to be opened to traffic by mid December. Ledge Road bridge underpass will also be opened to traffic. The third phase of Route 82 is on hold in a manner of speaking until spring. Work on utilities along the roadway however will continue through the winter months.

Councilor Hanneken asked if the Ledge Road underpass was going to be repaved to which Mayor Migliorini answered not at this time because ODOT is willing to cover that cost as part of I271 project. Also, consideration is being given to installing drainage to capture water run-off along the walls of the bridge.

Councilor Tulley asked Mayor Migliorini to orchestrate a meeting with Longbrook and Berkshire residents because many of the residents have questions about the basin since the church's property abuts the properties on the east side of Longwood and the north side of Berkshire. Many trees downstream from the church have been lost over the years and residents want so assurances as to what to expect she added. Ms. Tulley resides on Berkshire and understands personally she said the water problems emanating upstream from the church property.

Councilor Hanneken interjected that the original estimate to create a church basin was \$230,000 and now its estimated to cost over \$560,000.

Mayor Migliorini said he thought the estimate was more like \$380,000 but he still feels valued engineering is a must on this project.

Councilor President Darrow asked Mayor Migliorini to revisit the Route 82 entrance to Speedway as she feels strongly that is it is a hazard, that it should be right-in, right-out only.

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Committee Ms. Hanneken stated there was a finance committee meeting on November 19 at which time the current budget and the temporary budget for 2016 was reviewed. The capital budget status and execution was touched upon because of the very large dollar projects like the Sioux culvert and basin at Guadeloupe. Income tax revenue is coming in as projected and Macedonia should finish the year at about \$8.5 million. The end of year carryover balance is a variable factor but should be around \$2 million she added. The permissive license tax relative to Highland Road and Route 8 was discussed briefly but she said will be reviewed in greater detail with the new finance director

Planning Commission Councilor Engle announced that the next Planning meeting is Monday, December 21 at 5:30pm.

Park & Recreation Commission Councilor Tulley mentioned that Commission met the reporting of which will be by Director Manley.

JEDD Councilor Molnar reported the Board met on December 2 at which time the land mass/mound within the conservancy was discussed. The mound has been an issue for years and at the behest of the Army Corp of Engineers issues with the mound as detailed by the Corp where taken care of in-house. The Corp however continues to have issues with the mound. The last inspection of the mound by the Corp was two-year ago and since there is no statute of limitation according to Attorney Mark Guidetti about Corp mandates any issues, past or new must be complied with. The Board also discussed a proposed Meijer's store within the boundaries of Northfield Center. The proposal is conceptual at this point Mr. Molnar added. There are some water related issues related to this area which is a concern for Macedonia. Northfield Center Township held a public hearing for its residents over the matter.

Mayor Migliorini interjected a city official attended the Northfield hearing because new construction may impact Macedonia. There are drainage issues in this area and there are parcels back there that are within the City's corporate limit. The proposal places the building west of the car dealership and north of Aldi's. This area owned by Spitzer was once zoned O-C open conservation Mayor Migliorini explained but township trustees rezoned it years ago to R-1. Spitzer is requesting the trustees rezone the property again to C-1 for commercial use.

Councilor Darrow mentioned she heard the property owner wants to be annexed to Macedonia to which Mayor Migliorini responded that no one has approached him about annexation or incorporating the property into the JEDD although the latter concept was mentioned during the JEDD meeting. The obvious advantage of the parcel placed in the JEDD Mayor Migliorini added is the income tax revenue the township would receive.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Service Department Acting Service Director Hnottavange reported that the leaf collection program ended December 4th. Service crew accomplished four complete passes in all four zones. Mr. Hnottavange thanked the many residents who have complimented the holiday decorations at the Veterans Memorial Park. Regarding the park Mr. Hnottavange mentioned he met with veterans relative to the architectural lay-out of the park. Lastly and since there have been no snow events crews have been busy cold-patching and repairing catch basins he said..

Councilor Tulley interjected that Chaplain O'Brien indicated to her this evening there will an announcement soon about public participation by way of donations in memory of those who served or in memory of a loved one.

Councilor Hanneken commended Mr. Hnottavange regarding the leaf program as well as on the Christmas lighting at the park.

Building Commissioner Mr. Hlad was not present. His written report is attached.

Engineer Mr. Fini's reported the Bedford Ledge Drainage Study is done, the modeling and survey are complete. Engineering has created several analyses from the study and have determined two options and

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are now working on the cost benefit analysis for both. Regarding the Ledge Road underpass Mr. Fini stated the road is now 6" wider than previously which provides additional space for drainage Mayor Migliorini mentioned earlier.

Recreation Department Ms. Manley reported the community survey regarding future programming, facility usage and future amenities of the Recreation Center will be launched the first part of January. Almost 20-years ago the concept of the Recreation Center became a reality she said and now it's time to revisit that concept. Ms. Manley announced there is a holiday camp for school age children home for Christmas vacation which correlates with their time off. Parents may register for all days or as days are needed. Registration for spring soccer opens January 2nd she announced

Human Resources Claudia Dillinger, Human Resource administrator who normally does not attend council meeting mentioned she has met with Mayor Migliorini over several matters and is looking forward to helping him move the City in some areas.

Finance Department

Fire Department Chief Black reported that the Santa Gift delivery program is on December 14, 15 & 16 and that emergency calls has surpassed all previous years at 1600 to date.

Police Department Chief Golden reported that Signal Service finally found the break in the link which coordinates the timing of the lights along the Route 82 corridor. Chief Golden is hopeful Ohio Edison will pay the cost of this repair as they are responsible for the break when the utilities were moved for the widening.

Mayor Migliorini interjected he met with Superintendent Joe Clark over several school related matters: safety at the schools and traffic at the high school.

Law Department Mr. Diemert welcomed Mayor Migliorini to the dais, remarking on the refreshing cordiality of this evening council meeting. Mr. Diemert wished Ms. Darrow the best in her future endeavors and Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to Macedonia's employees and its residents. Regarding another matter, Mr. Diemert reminded members of Council not interfere with prosecutorial matters. Council takes an Oath of Office in which they pledge to support the Charter and the Codified Ordinances of the City of Macedonia. Prosecutor Myra Severyn took the same Oath of Office and thereby represents the City in all matters objectively even if she has personal feelings otherwise. Ms. Severyn wrote Mr. Diemert recently about a court matter in which Ms. Hanneken is interfering. Ms. Severyn started a prosecution prior to the election. But due to Ms. Hanneken's presence at the pretrial and meeting with the defendant's attorney behind closed doors the criminal attorney is questioning Ms. Severyn's ability to prosecute without bias. Council governs itself and perhaps other members of Council should look into this matter because members of Council cannot interfere with law enforcement. Mr. Diemert is confident this case will take the normal course of action without any interference from Council.

Unfinished business Councilor Tulley thanked Ms. Darrow for 4-years of service to Macedonia. Ms. Tulley reminded the public that Christmas is the time to spend with friends, family and loved ones. It's a time to reminisce and be thankful. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to everyone she added.

New business None.

There being no further business, the regular meeting adjourned at 8:50pm (Roll call taken)