

# Canal Winchester

*Town Hall  
10 North High Street  
Canal Winchester, OH 43110*



## Meeting Minutes - FINAL

March 18, 2019

6:00 PM

## Council Work Session

*Mike Walker – Chair*

*Jill Amos*

*Will Bennett*

*Bob Clark*

*Mike Coolman*

*Bruce Jarvis*

*Patrick Lynch*

**A. Call To Order**

*Mr. Walker called the meeting to order @ 6:03 p.m.*

**B. Roll Call**

*Present 7 – Amos, Bennett, Clark, Coolman, Jarvis, Lynch, Walker*

**C. Also In Attendance**

*Mayor Ebert, Matt Peoples, Lucas Haire, Amanda Jackson, Bill Sims, Dick Miller, Shawn Starcher, Rick Brown, Joe Taylor, Sargent Cassel, Shane Spencer*

**D. Reports**

*Bill Sims - Thank you Mr. Walker, you probably know this, but the traffic signals are up and working on Gender Road; the old ones are gone, the overhead stuff – they're still working on removing foundations on the old work; it looks good down through there, a lot more open on the intersections, it looks a lot cleaner, the lights are working well, traffic seems to be flowing well; as soon as the electricians are done this week, Strawser Paving will be in to finish up a little bit of the concrete work at the corners, where there were conflicts with the existing things, should be getting that wrapped up here shortly; 2019 Street Program has been awarded, and the contracts have just come back from Columbus Asphalt Paving, we'll be getting those signed this week; getting the contract wrapped up, and getting a pre-construction meeting scheduled, I'm sure it will be in the early part of April; there is some other work going on in town on private projects; Westchester Section 13 is continuing to be under construction; they've been concentrating on earth work out there the last week or so, there's a little bit of utility work left, and hopefully when the weather turns around in the spring, they'll be ready to put the road in; Crossroads Church has been busy constructing the base for the private part of the roadway, and the driveway back to the church, so they have access to their building pad; they ended up ultimately cement stabilizing the subgrade, as well as the building pad, to give themselves a plateau to work out there without being knee-deep in the mud; the sanitary sewer is currently under construction into that site as well, it's moving kind of slow, groundwater is particularly high right now; the NIFCO building is underway on Robinette Way, that's moving right along; there is still a couple utility taps that have to be performed, but the building is being put up pretty quickly; MilTech has started on the end of Howe Parkway, at the end of Rutherford Drive; that's underway now as well, contractor has been installing water, sewer, and storm sewer; the Turning Stone project is continuing – the way that project is setup, the elevations and the various utilities have been bouncing around a bit; right now they've been bouncing between sanitary and water main; hopefully they should be ready to start working on roadway work in the spring as well.*

*Dick Miller - Miller: Thank you Mr. Walker, repeating a few things from the last meeting that I got updates on a few dates; bids have been accepted for the 70-tree planting for the street trees this spring; the decision on a contractor has not been made; we will be auguring the holes to plant the 100+ bare-root conifers along the north side of the water reclamation plant, that should happen within the next few weeks; Arbor Day is celebrated the last Friday of April at 2:15 this year, at the Indian Trail Elementary; that's always a hoot; the tree giveaway is the first Saturday in May at Stradley, that starts a 9am; the Conservation Workshop is at the Community Center, that's at 1pm on Saturday, April 21st; the city will*

*accept its 26<sup>th</sup> year award as a Tree City on April 18<sup>th</sup> at Capital University.*

*Shawn Starcher - Starcher: Thank you Mr. Walker, it seems that we are stuck in-between seasons right now; we have been reluctant to put the plows away, hence last night scared us a little bit; we will continue to monitor things, probably here by the end of the month, we will be cleaning everything up and putting it away; we will be getting our mowing equipment out this week, prepping that for mowing season; crews have stayed busy with the DuraPatcher; every chance we get, we go out and take care of pothole issues, thanks for Fairfield County Sheriff's department – they've helped us out quite a bit on Gender Road; lastly, you might have seen some of our crews – they were out along Groveport Road, they were doing some brush cleanup along the Detty property, and along the skate park as well; Jarvis: I know we're hopefully over with the snow cleanup, things like that; how would you compare this year to last year, as far as the amount of efforts, materials, things like that? Starcher: Roughly, I think we were around 300 tons used, which is on the lower end; we did have a pretty rough January; it seems to be that's the trend sometimes – we'll have a very mild December, and a really rough January; I know we were thinking back in 2008, we had a horrible first couple weeks of March; we were all crossing our fingers that we wouldn't get that same thing; it's been mild this year; the guys have done a fantastic job of cleaning things up; the storms that we don't like is the freezing rain, and the little bit of snow, and then it freezes; honestly it's easier to cleanup 2, 3, 4 inches of snow; Jarvis: I will say one thing, you guys were on it; it looked like something was coming, you guys would pre-treat; if it did snow, everybody was on it; Starcher: Yeah, we've had a great response from residents – very few complaints whatsoever; if we had a complaint, it's been a subdivision about maybe a cul-de-sac, or something like that; we've had a lot of good response, and people thanking us for the service.*

*Rick Brown - Good evening everyone, highlights for February and March: I received my certifications for Network Defense Architect, so that's completed; we implemented all of the city cameras for all of the buildings; the people who have access to the cameras have access, and they can see them as needed; we have one more camera to put in at the pool; Shawn's department helped with digging the trench and the conduit, and put that in today actually; I think the 25<sup>th</sup> of March I'll install that camera for the parking lot over there; SKETA alarm technology – I got the bill for that, that's \$10 for the last quarter, which is fantastic, because I think we were spending \$250 a quarter before; that new technology paid off, saves us around \$900 a year, so that's good; once again, Shawn's group has been helping me with a few things at the pool; the access control box down here, the technician is working on now; getting that fixed up so the Sarge can be happy; I created a draft for Matt's review for the camera use, so we have a policy for that; also, he asked me to come up with a change in management process; more than likely I'll follow the ICIL architecture; we'll come up with some processes and design architectures for that; our failover that we have been talking about for what feels like a year; I've been telling you all of the infrastructure stuff that I've been doing; we actually used that a couple weeks ago, we had a primary component on our server fail; we were able to move all of our servers over in 3 minutes – nobody saw any down time, there were no issues whatsoever; once we fixed that component, we moved it back in 3 minutes; once again, nobody had any down time; it worked as designed, which is a great way to test it if you have to; also, the seating and replicating for the disaster recovery site – we're about 80% done with that; that means we are loading data on that server, so we will continually update it once a day; if we have to go to that site, we'll be able to do that; the enterprise management software that we use gets replicated every hour down there, so we would just lose an hour's worth of work if we had to go down to the GR site for that; once again, that's a pretty good place to be; the net of what I wanted to say here, too - it's a milestone,*

*because we are kind of done with the infrastructure that we were designing; as I reported at the mayor's offsite meeting a week or so ago – we are ready for anything that could be thrown our way; we have servers and resources, and everything there; I think the other departments were helping out with that, especially the finance department, to be able to get that done; Jarvis: When you're doing back-ups, are you doing full back-ups periodically – how does it keep it fresh? Brown: It depends on the site – the DR site gets a weekly backup; it's called "seating", for lack of a better – that's a technical term for it – it copies the data, and then we replicate it over the week; we do that on a Saturday, when nobody is really here; it's a way to keep the data fresh, and make sure the software – we have an onsite backup as well, that we backup every night; full back up once a week, and then incremental backups throughout the week; Jarvis: Do you have something that does an integrity check on both sides, to make sure that it is what it thinks it is – Brown: Yes; we've got some really good software that helps out with that; Jarvis: When you said change management – are you talking about plans, or replacement cycles for different types of – Brown: All things included IT; the information technology infrastructure library is an architecture methodology that allows you to pick what you want to do; a group of processes – as an example, if we wanted to do updates to the server, we look and see what those changes are, we have a process – a change management process; notifying those users what those changes could possibly entail, and how it will affect them; let them have some feedback on it, versus me just throwing things in, or making changes – 'hope it all works, good luck'; that also goes for things like firewall changes, or I might block sites, or block applications; to me, they don't need the site because it's an error-prone site, it's a site that's been identified as having problems, but they identify it as a site they need to get to; that way they'll know about the changes before I implement them; Jarvis: What's your impression of the I-Tel? Brown: I love it; I'm trying to talk Matt into going to get certified with me; Bennett: I recently have noticed that dual authentication seems to be on the rise; I have a Yahoo email account, I get text messages trying to make sure that I am the one trying to access my account, even when I am just regularly signing in; it's happening now through work, we have dual authentication; any thoughts on – does that fit with what you're doing? Is that something you're considering doing? Brown: We have certainly considered it; looked at it for the last couple of years, I think last time we had our big technology meeting a couple of years ago, we talked about doing that; the cost then I think was \$5,000? Peoples: Roughly; Brown: Yeah, somewhere in that neighborhood; the management team at that time decided to go with long, complicated passwords; those aren't the best, as we all know single-authentication passwords aren't great; if you make them ridiculously hard, then they're better – what a pain they are; to answer your question – yeah we looked at it; I would love to do it, maybe when we get the 5 grand and things calm down, and we get some extra money; that's the reason why, it's money related.*

*Joe Taylor - Good evening, since the last meeting we completed cleaning the water treatment plant waste tank, and the sewer line that goes up to the sewer system and along High Street; we used to clean that every 3 years – that was our goal, was to clean it every 3 years; we will probably move that back up to a year, so it's not as much silt in the bottom of it, would take a little less time to clean it and be easier on the guys; in February we pumped 23 million gallons, at an average of 823,000 a day; we did find a leak that we think had been leaking for a month on a service line on Elm Street; I think that figure was a little bit elevated because of that; the gentleman had noticed a little pressure drop for over a month, he called us and we located it and traced it out to the middle of Elm Street; for a service line, it was leaking pretty good, it just didn't surface, it stayed underneath the asphalt; our hardness average was 120mg per liter; this Friday we have our Ohio EPA lab recertification; we do that every 3 years, they're about 6 months behind on their certification process, so they're just now getting around to it – we were supposed to do it*

in October; last meeting Mr. Walker, you asked about BrewDog and what percentage was our increase in flow last year; right now, BrewDog makes up about 6% of our daily flow; we had about a 14% increase in the flow from the year before, overall for our daily flow BrewDog is about 6% of that; we are continuing to do our AMI metering; we have around 1,520 units installed; since the last meeting, we were pretty busy – we did 60 units; the guys have been really busy with that; worked with the Messenger and ThisWeekNews on the AMI, promoting that; hydrant flushing will be April 15<sup>th</sup>-May 3<sup>rd</sup>; that's it, no water complaints, everything is looking good; Walker: I'd just like to thank you – for the last 2-3 years we have had hardly any complaints, and when they are, they're not about the hardness, or how it feels, or what it's leaving behind; keep on doing what you're doing; Taylor: We do go into hydrant flushing, so there will always be a few calls during that; we are stirring the system up; it's part of the whole process of preventive maintenance, and preventing debris, and keeping everything clean and fresh; Walker: You did mention – I called you about a week ago, and you mentioned that you made a call to someone that had their hose that was left on again; they didn't think anything was on, and walked around – the hose was on, completely on; Taylor: I don't know if it was completely, but it was trickling; over the weekend, I think I had 3 that I called this morning – we'll actually tag them this afternoon for leaks; Walker: With the toilet leaking, for instance, how many gallons that you had mentioned? Taylor: They can leak anywhere from a half a gallon a minute, to 3-4 gallons per minute; depending on if the flapper valve is all the way up, or is it just seeping through the flapper valve, or is it just going over the overflow, because the flow is set too high; if they're not paying attention to it, at 2 gallons a minute and 1,440 minutes in a day, it's 3,028 gallons a day; a lot of people don't realize what it can cost them; I think it's a good system – it's paying for itself; maybe not exactly paying for itself, but we're helping the consumers save money.

Sargent Cassel - Thank you Mr. Walker, I have the stats for February of 2019; dispatched calls: 375, pick-up runs: 737, multiple unit calls: 231, reports: 86, addendums: 32, 0 F.I. cards, civil papers attempted: 11, civil papers served: 9, building checks: 3,073, vacation checks: 482, traffic stops: 62, citations: 40, warnings: 62, felony arrests: 3, misdemeanor arrests: 17, warrant arrests: 26, pink slips: 1, charge packets: 1, summons in lieu of arrest: 1, misdemeanor charges filed: 10, felony charges filed: 4; downtime possible: 80,640 – actual downtime was 52,234, total busy time was 64.77%; Bennett: Sargent Cassel, a question came up recently about traffic stops, and how do we decide warnings versus citations; Cassel: Officer discretion – if I stop you, and you have a lot of speeding on your record, then I'll cite you for that; to give you an example, last week I stopped a lady – she hadn't had a ticket in 14 years, so I gave her a warning; Bennett: Okay, good to know.

Walker: Sargent Cassel – I asked you at the last meeting, and I'll go ahead and ask you this time; the sign – the flashing sign; Cassel: Yes sir, I love it; Walker: Everything is still down since that's been put up? People aren't ignoring it, or getting used to it? Cassel: I still get excited when I see it in my cruiser; that's the same reaction I think everyone has; Walker: It just jumps out at you, and you automatically look at your speedometer.

Shane Spencer - Thank you Mr. Walker, updates over the last month – obviously as you are aware, I think last meeting you took action on the contract for the 2019 Street Program; I did complete the review and recommendation for that; as Mr. Sims stated in his report, that is transitioning now into the construction phase, with the award of that contract; a couple of other items I'm going to update you on; we did make the formal submission to ODOT for the safety funds for the signal timing update study on March 5<sup>th</sup>; as of today, I do not have any reply or update – I did inquire this morning, but I hadn't received a response yet;

*they didn't give a set timeline on a response, but 2 weeks is enough to be concerned at this point; we are commencing with the fieldwork, and then subsequently the design for the High Street rail crossing upgrade; we're working with the railroad to discuss schedule on that optimal time for implementation – both in the city's perspective, and the railroad's perspective; I know last month, I did confirm the noise wall is slated for 2021 still; ODOT confirmed it's still on schedule, unless money or funding becomes available sooner, they would accelerate it; as of right now, it's still 2021; Walker: Thank you for the response on that; I appreciate that, neighbors are asking; Lynch: The noise wall – that's from High Street heading east? Spencer: That's correct.*

*Walker: Mr. Miller, I have one more question – what day did you say the Potting Day will be? Miller: We don't have a date yet; it's usually in early May, and it's always on a Friday.*

## E. Request for Council Action

### RES-19-005

Public Service

A Resolution In Support Of The Development Of Us Bicycle Routes Within The City Of Canal Winchester ([Resolution, Exhibit A](#))

- Request to move to full Council

*Peoples: Thank you Mr. Walker, this was a request from the Ohio Department of Transportation; they are requesting bike routes throughout the state, and have established one through Canal Winchester; that is using the bike path down Groveport Road, and then following Groveport Road in to Washington Street, taking a right on Waterloo, and heading out of town, and out through Diley Road; this is a resolution in support of that; they have not really gotten our feedback on it, I guess there wouldn't be a lot needed; they will be putting up signs, and maintaining those signs themselves; Lynch: Mr. Peoples, does this require any kind of striping, or is it just signage? Peoples: They're putting up the signage; it's just those little green things – I assume that it's a route designation, it will have route numbers on it; the people who use those bike routes know what route they're on, what number they are on; I think it's more of a designation; Lynch: Okay, got it, there's no striping – Peoples: No; Jarvis: What was the final resolution to the portion of the bike path by ? property; I know at one point it was conditioned to go behind it; Peoples: As you could see on the map that's attached, it was going along Groveport Road, all the way to Rager; at this point, it does not cut across there; with Mr. Stebelton's desire not to have that on the backside – back then, it was in the \$500,000 range to do an eminent domain on that, it did go to court; we don't believe that that is a price worth getting into; additionally, Metro Parks is trying to acquire the property across Groveport Road, from Mr. Stebelton's house; we would like to get that connection to the Walnut Woods Metro Park; having that connector along Groveport Road would help that happen a little bit better; it would be better at an intersection, rather than trying to do it midblock; Bennett: Mr. Peoples, I did have a question – I think I sent you an email earlier today; do we have any restrictions on ebikes currently on our trails; Peoples: The trails are no motorized vehicles; I don't know if Sargent Cassel can expand on that any more – golf carts are not permitted; typically they're just on the Dietz Road, but we've seen them on a few other ones, but they're not permitted on there because they're licensed vehicles – they should be licensed vehicles; Bennett: I remember this came up at the Ohio Parks and Recreation conference; they were saying that there was at one point movement at the State House to allow electric bikes on paths; I'm not sure – would that trump anything we have in place, if we take in any other funding that would put ourselves at that kind of mercy; Peoples: We don't have any restrictions on our bike paths from the funding that we have received; even just this year with the Gender Road Phase IV, when we extended a*

*little bit of that out as part of that project, there was no restrictions on there; Mayor: I think if we open it up for motorized vehicles, it's asking for trouble; Bennett: I'm not asking to, I am just trying to make sure that we maintain the right to control – in whichever direction we see fit in the future; Peoples: This would not preclude that, this resolution would not preclude that.*

***A motion was made by Amos to move RES-19-005 to full council, seconded by Lynch. The motion carried with the following vote:***

***Yes 7 – Amos, Lynch, Bennett, Clark, Coolman, Jarvis, Walker***

**RES-19-006**

Finance

A Resolution Authorizing The Establishment Of The State Capital Grants Fund ([Resolution](#))

- Request to move to full Council

*Jackson: Thank you Mr. Walker, this resolution is asking that we establish a new fund; this is coming primarily from the NatureWorks Grant that we've received for the improvements to Westchester Park; it is also a fund to be used for any future state grants that we receive, particularly related to McGill Park that we've applied for, or ones that we will apply for in the future; all that revenue, and the expenses associated with it needs to be accounted for separately; under the revised code, we need to establish a fund to show that.*

***A motion was made by Bennett to move RES-19-006 to full council, seconded by Coolman. The motion carried with the following vote:***

***Yes 7 – Bennett, Coolman, Amos, Clark, Jarvis, Lynch, Walker***

**ORD-19-018**

Finance

An Ordinance To Amend The 2019 Appropriations Ordinance 18-040, Amendment #2 ([Ordinance, Appro Amend Memo 2](#))

- Request to move to full Council

*Jackson: Thank you Mr. Walker, I'm going to start with the 2 easier funds here, and then I'll go back to the general fund; in the street construction, maintenance & repair fund, we are asking for \$17,000 – this is to fulfill our ODOT salt contract; we had only budgeted for a certain portion of that, and now we are ready to fulfill that; in that newly created fund that we just discussed, I am asking to appropriate \$380,000 as follows: \$280,000 of that is for the actual park improvements; \$100,000 of that is for a transfer out, to repay the general fund once we actually receive the grant fund – the NatureWorks Grant is a reimbursement grant, we have to spend the funds and then we will get reimbursed back from the state; I do want to say that the Villages at Westchester HOA has generously agreed to donate \$20,000 to this project, so that is also accounted for in that \$280,000 for capital outlay; looking back at the general fund – we're asking for \$359,500; \$50,000 of this is for the sheriff – a couple of things going on here; before we finalized the contract, and had the 2019 pricing from them, we had done the 2019 budget; we were a little low on that, so we are asking for some money for that; as well as prisoner housing – we've been using that contract more and more, which is great; I think that it's starting to show people that we really mean it when we say they're going to go to jail; we're asking for \$23,000 to the lands & buildings capital outlay to replace the municipal building roof; it is about 20 years old, and it is showing its age; we would like to*

get that replaced before the real rainy season hits; some of the individuals sitting at this table can attest to the number of leaks that we have had in the building in recent weeks; we would like to get that replaced as soon as possible; \$26,500 we're asking for in the construction services operating expenditures; this is for the engineering for the Westchester Park, and the NatureWorks Grant project that we were awarded; \$260,000 in transfers/advances - \$100,000 of this, again, going to be reimbursed by the state for the Westchester – once we complete the Westchester Park project; the other \$160,000 is our portion of what's going to be happening with this park; Amos: Ms. Jackson, on the \$260,000 - \$100,000 will be given back to us after the grant? Jackson: Correct; Amos: So only \$140,000 of it is city, and the other \$20,000 is from Westchester? Jackson: Correct; Amos: On the roof – did we put that out to bid, or are we done with bidding? Jackson: It's not a high enough project to need to be bid out; Jarvis: On the sheriff's department operating expenses – that amount, does that reflect something that is going to be ongoing? Is that going to be seen in the out years as well, this is kind of a first year adjustment? Jackson: Yes; when we negotiated that contract, I asked them to move up the timeline for when they get me the cost for the next year, so that the budget will accurately reflect what we will owe them for that year; Jarvis: This would reflect – our overall outlay is somewhere around 1.2, 1.3? Jackson: In that range, yes.

**A motion was made by Lynch to move ORD-19-018 to full council, seconded by Bennett. The motion carried with the following vote:**

**Yes 7 – Lynch, Bennett, Amos, Clark, Coolman, Jarvis, Walker**

#### ORD-19-019

##### *Public Service*

An Ordinance To Authorize The Mayor To Provide Consent To The Director Of The Ohio Department Of Transportation Necessary For The Bridge Inspection Program Services And Declaring An Emergency ([Ordinance, Exhibit A](#))

*- Request to move to full Council*

Peoples: Thank you Mr. Walker, in the past we have used an outside engineering firm to do all of our bridge inspections; we have 12 bridges, with the one over on Gender Road, over Walnut Creek, the Washington Street bridge – those ones are the jurisdiction of the county; all of our other ones – most of them, you're not really going to see them; if they're wide enough or over 12 feet, then they get into being a bridge; we have those inspected on a yearly basis, always using an outside firm; the guy we were using did it on the side, and he got a promotion, and was no longer able to do it; as Shawn was going around and trying to research who some of our neighboring communities, who they were using – some of them don't do any bridge inspections, other ones are using different firms; he came across a program from ODOT that provides the service for free; this would be – they're on hold right now, waiting for us to make a determination, because they already started their process; they have the expertise and knowledge to be able to do this; I believe this is going to be the end of a cycle, so this would be a one-year, and we would be coming back next year for a 3-year contract on that; it gives us a little bit of time to see if the 'money' is worth it; it is an ordinance, because they are waiting for us; they are already pretty much through their process period; Shawn requested it, and was able to get them to hold off for us, to get us into that program; Jarvis: I'm a little confused, I was reading the contract – it said ODOT would pay for 100% of this part, and I assume we were the other party – we would pay for 100% of exhibit A, which would get into things about underwater assessments; I couldn't get a feel for it – what is this going to cost us? Peoples: Based on our previous contract, there would be no cost to us for the inspection part of it; the repairs that they have that they will identify, if any, those would be on us; Jarvis: As far as the inspection, we have no



*financial liability at all? Peoples: Correct; Amos: Mr. Peoples, if we go with ODOT to go with the inspections, that doesn't lock us into using anybody specifically to repair them, does it? Peoples: No, they would tell us that we are deficient in one of our bridges, and we need to have it fixed.*

***A motion was made by Coolman to forward ORD-19-019 to full council, seconded by Bennett. The motion carried with the following vote:***

***Yes 7 – Coolman, Bennett, Amos, Clark, Jarvis, Lynch, Walker***

#### **F. Items for Discussion**

*Jackson: I have one thing I would like to bring up – I believe that most of you by now have heard about Governor Dewine's proposal for an 18 cent gas tax increase; we received an email from the Ohio Municipal League, encouraging municipalities to pass a resolution of support; I just wanted to throw that out there to all of you to see if that was something you're interested in doing, or if you just want to stay away from it, it's your call; Jarvis: Ms. Jackson, we also received something earlier today – I just saw it and just sent it to you, so that you have a chance to read it; it was from State Senator Maharath's office; I guess they're looking for a response to perhaps the same thing; I don't know whether we have an answer – we're not sure, I'm not sure in reading this what it is that they're looking to us for; Jackson: I think the email that you sent me – I did read it – is more about the operating budget; this email from OML that I'm referring to specifically is on that gas tax increase; Bennett: Ms. Jackson, would that be a resolution in support of Governor Dewine's proposal, or the – Jackson: Yes; Bennett: I know that there was a discussion of that being amended; Jackson: It would be in support of the 18 cent increase; if you'd like to give it a little bit of thought, and get back to me, that's fine; I just wanted to throw that out there; Clark: There is a direct benefit to the city by a percentage that would come back to the city, correct? Jackson: We do get a percentage of gas tax money, yes; Clark: I think that would be increased; Bennett: Do you remember the percentage of the 18 cent tax that was designated for local municipalities, or is it state? Haire: I believe that it's a 62% increase for both the state and a 62% increase for our funds as well; whatever that is as a percentage doesn't change; whatever the state is increasing as a percentage, we would increase; Mayor: I think you could probably partially support the resolution, and partially not; electric vehicles are becoming more and more popular all the time, and gasoline vehicles, some of them are going by the wayside; Bennett: More fuel efficient as well; Mayor: I think that there ought to be something said to that nature; Bennett: I think that the 18 cent gas tax is to make up for the infrastructure shortfall in the budget; it was about a billion dollars they were projecting in shortfall; Mayor: One of the legislators had proposed 100 hours per year for a hybrid vehicle, and 200 hours for an all-electric vehicle; that's not near what someone putting 15,000 miles on would pay in gas tax; they get 4 wheels under them just like your car does; Bennett: Mr. Jarvis, how would you like us to proceed with this – is this something you want to take off? Jarvis: It's difficult to give an answer here and now, I guess I just don't know all the angles; unless there's someone on council who is intimate with the details of this, I ask staff to look at what the implications are, either way; we can make a decision based on that; unless they need an answer this evening; Jackson: I don't necessarily need an answer this evening, because I'd have to write the resolution and bring it to you the next council meeting anyway; it's your call if you want to pass it or not, you don't have to; OML asked all of their members; Jarvis: What's council's pleasure? Amos: I personally would like to look at it a little bit more, before I go one way or the other; Coolman: I totally agree; Bennett: From what I understand, I would support the resolution; Jarvis: Yes, if you wouldn't mind Ms. Jackson, preparing a draft resolution of support prior to actually doing a read on that, we'll have a chance to independently review it; Jackson:*

*Okay, I should be able to get that done this week and get that to you, so you can take a look at it.*

## **G. Old/New Business**

*Clark: I have some new business here; Mr. Jarvis, Mr. Walker and I have been working on coming up with a day – and working with the City of Canal Winchester to come up with a community-wide cleanup day; this would be basically focused on the community itself, not so much – we could maybe go to 33, that would be decided later; mostly looking at the parks – Westchester Park, Hanners Park, and some of the others; along with Gender Road from the turnaround interchange, all the way down to the circle at the end on Lithopolis Road, hit Waterloo, some of the main roads; we are proposing Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup> – I have a location, David Lutheran Church, 8 o'clock, we will have breakfast, have a few comments, send people on their way; we'll have vests and things to wear, we'll have items they can use to pick up the trash; then we'll follow up with a little pizza party afterwards; everybody will get a community clean up day t-shirt; I'm just asking – the city is on board with this – I'm just asking that the city council recognize this as an event that we support; Bennett: Where would the funding come for this program? Clark: It would be mostly donated by – we would probably go around and ask for donations in the community; we'll partner with people, and put names on the back of the t-shirts; Lynch: Safety vests and pickup sticks, those come from where? Clark: Matt has a few, and we'll probably have to locate – we're hoping to call into Waste Management, and see if they might have some of those; if they don't, we might just keep looking around; if you have a suggestion – Mayor: Most of what is used along the highways is a wooden stick with a nail on the end of it; it's a lot of easier than the pick-up sticks; Amos: Mr. Clark, if you want to get with some of us later, we've actually been talking with residents in the community already about this; we might be able to get all of the groups merged together, because we actually have a group that we've been talking with already; maybe connect with us later; Clark: Yeah, that would be great; we're going to have – I'm working with Amanda, she's putting a link on the city website where people can sign up – Amanda Lemke; people can sign up, and say what size t-shirt they are, and things like that; then we will know who's coming; I am working with Shawn Starcher and the mayor, and identifying what areas to prioritize, where the worst areas are right now; I'm willing to partner – Jarvis: I think what Ms. Amos was trying to say is that there's probably some synergies that – Amos: We've had a lot of discussion with people in the community; there was a lot of talk on Facebook a few weeks ago, and in conjunction with some conversation we had at community coffee, we just started kind of merging together; Clark: I wasn't aware of that, I hadn't been to those; Amos: I think this is great; Clark: That's great, this will officially – we'll be able to plan it properly, and have a place to meet, and get everything organized well; Bennett: Any thought to organizing this under a banner of 'Keep Canal Winchester Beautiful', and becoming a member organization of 'Keep America Beautiful'; having the opportunity to file for grants – I don't know if you had explored any of those areas yet; Clark: No, but I'm not married to this name; Walker: We have gone through several names; we even talked about the beautification, that was one of them that was brought up; Lynch: 'Keep Ohio Beautiful' – they do have city chapters; Columbus was one of them, Hilliard, Groveport, Grove City – I think that the cost is roughly around \$2,000 a year for the initiation, and then there's an ongoing maintenance fee after that; Clark: For the city? The city has to pay for that? Lynch: Yes, the city – whoever the designated city is, yes; then you get educational information from there on; I can look into it again, and revisit the conversation with the guy; Bennett: Part of that fee gives you access to grants and other programs, right? Lynch: It does, you can actually get a lot of the money back; Walker: It sounds great, that we can have a big combination with the city; Mr. Lynch, I'm sure you have access to the pick-up tools, or who we could possible – Lynch: Yeah, I've been trying to get ahold of the lady who runs the 'Keep Columbus Beautiful', and they have hundreds of the pick-up sticks and vests; I'll see if I might be*

*able to utilize some of their materials, if it's available; Clark: So everyone is on board?*

*Walker: Last Friday on the 15<sup>th</sup>, Mr. Jarvis and I met with Waste Management, it was a good meeting – had 3 of the management from Waste Management, and the 3 students who were here to speak on the dumpsters; they have agreed to bring in 3 containers – 8 feet wide, 6 feet high, 2 days a week; it would be 2 Saturdays a month; the hours are undecided right now, 8am-12pm, or 9am-1pm; the first date is supposed to be April 20<sup>th</sup>; Waste Management is supplying the safety glasses, puncture-proof gloves, and vests; good meeting, they're on board, students are on board, it will begin April 20<sup>th</sup>; there was a question about cars clogging up, and lining up, and not wanting to wait; what the vehicles are able to do is to – as they line up, they're able to unload their vehicles, and the students will take the recyclables at that point to the dumpsters, and separate if need be; that's how that will work, so they will be able to keep the line moving; it was discussed about possibly splitting up the city – half the city come at one Saturday, and then the other half; I think that is going to get a little bit confusing, so for right now, it's just going to be tried for 2 Saturdays a month; again, the times will be discussed – Mr. Peoples will probably add to this in his report; Mayor: That's the elementary schools, right? Walker: Yes; Clark: They also said I believe in talking that they're going to be able to pick those bins up on Saturday afternoon, they're not going to leave them there all day Saturday and Sunday – right, is that correct – that Waste Management is going to come out on Saturday and remove them? Jarvis: That arrangement is between more the school and Waste Management; our role and the city's role is more a facilitation; as Mr. Peoples said in his report, there's some logistics – all of the details aren't nailed down, but the basics are; they've got a date, and they've got a notional 4 hour window each of those Saturdays, and how it's going to operate; we also talked about continuity – these are seniors, right? Come May, they're going to roll off and do something else – we said 'who is behind you, and is there going to be continuity in this program?'; they said yes, they named the people who would run the program, and they said students are behind us – we're taking them at their word that this can continue; it does provide something when there isn't much available; I think it's a pretty workable solution; Walker: Those 3 students were able to, at that time, say that they would be on board until August, because they don't start back to school until September; good meeting, went well.*

**H. Adjournment @ 7:02 p.m.**     ***A motion was made by Lynch to adjourn, seconded by Bennett. The motion carried with the following vote:***

***Yes 7 – Lynch, Bennett, Amos, Clark, Coolman, Jarvis, Walker***