COUNCIL August 19, 2010

Wilmington City Council met on Thursday, August 19, 2010, with President Fred Ertel presiding.

Roll Call: Jaehnig, present; Wells, present; Peterson, absent; Wallace, present; Mead, present; Mongold, present; McKay, present.

Assistant Chief Weyand was also present.

Council gave the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

A motion was made by Jaehnig and seconded by Mongold to excuse the absent member. Motion passed.

Absent member excused.

A motion was made by Wells and seconded by Mead to approve the minutes of the last regular meeting, August 5, as received.

Motion passed.

Minutes approved as received.

<u>President of Council – Fred Ertel:</u> At this time, I would like to recognize Debbie Stamper to talk to us about the Convention and Visitors Bureau Economic Impact Report for 2009.

Debbie Stamper: Thank you. You already in your packets I believe got something that looked like this. Trust me, we're not going to go through every page of this. I'm just going to hit on a few things that I think are really significant parts of it. Before we do that, I just want to mention, every two years we are mandated to have our state audit. We just had our state audit for 2008-2009. I just wanted to report there was nothing reportable. There was nothing to report on. It was a perfect audit. So, I'm pretty proud of that and I just want you to know that. In this report, probably the most important thing is return on investment. I mean, there is money that comes to the Convention and Visitors Bureau in the way of bed tax and we take that money and turn around and invest it in marketing efforts. So, what I am going to tell you right now is what each dollar that we spend, how much did that bring back to the community in dollars and people. For each dollar that we spent, two people visited the county, \$259 was spent per person, \$10.48 was returned in state tax revenue, \$6.99 in local tax revenue. We had over 613,000 visitors last year. The total amount that was spent by our visitors in '09 was \$74.1 million. Now, that is down. The previous year, in '08, we were at \$84 million. And we knew we were going to be down. As you may recall, I think I presented before what our predictions were with the leaving of DHL, that, you know, we were going to see a great loss of business travel through the different pilots and things that were staying in our hotels. So all in all we were down 11.9%. But when you look at the whole state, the whole state was down, and they were down almost 9%. So, I think the fact that the state was down 9% and we were only 3% more than that, we really did pretty well. It could have been a whole lot worse. And, so what that really tells us is that even though we lost that significant business travel, we were making up for it in other areas such as leisure and meetings and things like that. There was actually \$19,500,000 spend on wages alone, which is pretty significant, and \$10 million was generated in taxes altogether. I just wanted to comment on where our projections had been and where we came out on that when we sat down in '08 with all of the hotels and said, "Okay, how is this going to impact you?" We had actually projected that we would lose 10,000 room nights in the first year. Fortunately, we only lost 4700. That's a lot of room nights, though, for a community our size. So, again, we didn't do too bad considering. We expected the hotels to lose a million dollars in revenue and that was about on target. They lost \$914,000 is what they actually lost. We lost 70 jobs, which is unfortunate. Everybody is seeing jobs go, and that element lost jobs as well. As far as the bed tax that comes to the Visitors Bureau, we had actually thought that it would be about 30% down. We were only down 17%. It was still a lot but not as bad as what we had expected. It is going to be worse this year. We know that. We are already seeing that trend, but we are toeing the line and really watching our expenses to keep that in tow. So, that is really the most important

part of the numbers. You know, I suggest you look through this at your leisure if you want some more statistics. A couple of the things we talked about doing to try to combat this loss of revenue was to really step up to the plate and further promote the meetings market. Of course, we have a convention center that can serve 4000 people. The other agenda item was to start marketing to the sport planners, the people that have events. I'm going to pass these around. This is our new meeting planner guide and then we just have a brand new, hot off the press, sports facility guide. Mike Wallace hasn't even seen this yet and your schools are in here. I hope everything is right. Anyway, our next step is to get everybody together that represents the facilities in this guide to start talking about what we do now. What are our next steps? To start to putting together lists of organizations to contact. We are probably going to focus on youth sports. That seems to be where we are going to be able to do the most good. I already have quite a few appointments set up with the ASU and some other groups for state tournaments, which some of them already doing regional, but we are wanting something beyond that. So, that is what we are working on. I was told I have very few minutes, so are there any questions?

Councilman Wallace: Debbie, what sort of research do you do to come up with the numbers of tourists that visit our community?

Debbie Stamper: If you see on the front page, this is prepared by Tourism Economics. They actually do a questionnaire to a database of people that have visited Ohio. They didn't talk to all 613,000 people that came to our county, but there is a methodology to those statistics and how they determine that. It may be off a little bit, but it is pretty accurate. The company that is doing this now, they do it for very, very large cities, not just the tourism filled. We are told that these are reliable numbers.

Councilman Wallace: So, this poll that they do, this is where you get all the numbers for tax dollars spent and

Debbie Stamper: No, the tax dollars...what they do is they actually go to the, I don't know what they're called now, it used to be SIC codes. Geoffrey, what are they?

Geoffrey Phillips: SIC codes.

Debbie Stamper: SIC codes. They actually go to the tax codes and the SIC codes to find out what the actual spending is and what the actual tax revenue is. Those aren't made up. Those aren't with a formula. Those are accurate. Those are real numbers. Okay. Anything else? Thank you for your time.

[General comments of appreciation]

President Ertel: That completes my portion. Mr. Mayor?

<u>Mayor</u> – Mayor Raizk: Thank you, Mr. President. I don't have a lot on my agenda tonight, but I would like to introduce, since he is here, Dick Hutchinson, who is with Frontier Communications. Frontier Communications, for those of you getting a new phone bill, took over Verizon, all of the landline business. Dick, if you would like to say a few things. He is going to make a little announcement to us.

Dick Hutchinson: Thank you, Mayor, and members of council. It is a true delight to be here tonight for the first time in front of you to tell you a little bit about our company. As the mayor alluded to, we took over Verizon's operations on July 1 and I have moved here to Wilmington to be the new district manager of the operations for southwest Ohio. We cover about a 14-county area. But moreover than that, I am very pleased to tell you that we are moving our district operations here to Wilmington, Ohio. It is not a huge amount of jobs, but it is a beginning. I am the first employee coming in here. It is such a welcoming environment here in Wilmington. I have had the privilege of meeting some of your leadership. They just wooed me into coming here. It was very easy to do business here, so I am just glad to be part of the community. I am actually living down by the hospital in an apartment. I am bringing my family down here once we sell our house in northwest Ohio. This will be the center of our operations in southwest Ohio.

Right now, I am based out of Nelson Avenue, which is our reporting center where our fleet is until we locate a suitable facility for the district operations. It won't be huge, but it is a beginning. We are just delighted to be part of the community. Thank you, again, for allowing me to say hello to all of you. I look forward to coming back again and reporting continued growth in our technology and so forth. Thank you.

[General comments of appreciation]

Mayor Raizk: Welcome to Wilmington.

Dick Hutchinson: Thank you, Mayor.

Mayor Raizk: I don't have anything else official, but I am sad to announce tonight that this will be Nick Babb's last council meeting as Safety Director. He is going to be leaving us at the end of the month. Nick's service to the city of Wilmington is a long and storied. He has been a councilman. He has been the auditor. He has had many years with the fire service and has been in local business. He is a true Wilmingtonian. We certainly can say about Nick that he has given back more than he has taken. I want to say publically how much I have appreciated his support and his efforts through some good times and bad. He has always placed the interest of the City of Wilmington at heart. We'll have him back for a special presentation some time later. This kind of came up. I will say to you, this is not as sudden as it seems. He wanted to do this last year. I conned him into another year of service. I think he wants to be retired and live the life of a retiree with his grandchildren and so forth. So, Nick, we wish you all the best, and please don't be a stranger. We thank you, thank you, thank you for your service.

Nick Babb: Thanks, Mayor. I appreciate that. And thanks for trusting me and having confidence in me for the past five and a half years. I would like to thank Laura Curliss for trying to keep me out of trouble and Danny Mongold for getting me into trouble. As a citizen, I would just like to thank all of you sitting up there, because I know how tough that job is. It is not an easy job. I have never been up there when economic times are as they are today. You have some terrific challenges. But, thank you all for your cooperation. I have enjoyed it. It has been fun. Thank you.

[Applause]

Mayor Raizk: I believe that is all I have for right now, Mr. President.

President Ertel: Very good. Committee reports. Asset, Acquisition and Use?

<u>Asset, Acquisition and Use</u> –Chairperson Sandy Mongold: No report tonight, Mr. President.

President Ertel: Very good. Thank you. How about the Auditor?

<u>Auditor</u> – Auditor David Hollingsworth: The only thing I have, Mr. President, is I laid in front of each council seat a year-to-date report on the general fund. If you want to schedule a finance committee meeting at some time to discuss. Everyone will have an opportunity to look at it and review it and if you have questions, we will address those at the finance committee meeting.

Councilwoman Mongold: Thank you. We will schedule a meeting.

President Ertel: Thank you. Finance Committee?

<u>Finance Committee</u> – Chairperson Sandy Mongold: We have several items tonight. Item A is an ordinance making miscellaneous transfers.

A motion was made by Mongold and seconded by McKay to give the first reading only on the ordinance Making Miscellaneous Transfers.

Motion passed

Director of Law read ordinance by title only.

A motion was made by Mongold and seconded by McKay to suspend the rules and give the second and third reading on the ordinance by title only.

Roll call: Jaehnig, yes; Wells, yes; Wallace, yes; Mead, yes; Mongold, yes; McKay, yes. Director of Law read the ordinance by title only.

A motion was made by Mongold and seconded by McKay to pass the ordinance as read.

Roll call: Jaehnig, yes; Wells, yes; Wallace, yes; Mead, yes; Mongold, yes; McKay, yes. Motion passed.

President of Council declared Ord. No. 4928 passed as read.

Councilwoman Mongold: The second item tonight is an ordinance establishing a new fund, the CORF.

A motion was made by Mongold and seconded by McKay to give the first reading only on the ordinance Establishing a New Fund (CORF).

Motion passed

Director of Law read ordinance by title only.

A motion was made by Mongold and seconded by McKay to suspend the rules and give the second and third reading on the ordinance by title only.

Roll call: Jaehnig, yes; Wells, yes; Wallace, yes; Mead, yes; Mongold, yes; McKay, yes. Director of Law read the ordinance by title only.

A motion was made by Mongold and seconded by McKay to pass the ordinance as read. Roll call: Jaehnig, yes; Wells, yes; Wallace, yes; Mead, yes; Mongold, yes; McKay, yes. Motion passed.

President of Council declared Ord. No. 4929 passed as read.

Councilwoman Mongold: The next item tonight is an ordinance making supplemental appropriations.

A motion was made by Mongold and seconded by McKay to give the first reading only on the ordinance Making Supplemental Appropriations.

Motion passed

Director of Law read ordinance by title only.

A motion was made by Mongold and seconded by McKay to suspend the rules and give the second and third reading on the ordinance by title only.

Roll call: Jaehnig, yes; Wells, yes; Wallace, yes; Mead, yes; Mongold, yes; McKay, yes. Director of Law read the ordinance by title only.

A motion was made by Mongold and seconded by McKay to pass the ordinance as read. Roll call: Jaehnig, yes; Wells, yes; Wallace, yes; Mead, yes; Mongold, yes; McKay, yes. Motion passed.

President of Council declared Ord. No. 4930 passed as read.

Councilwoman Mongold: The last item tonight is a resolution declaring it necessary to light the streets, lanes, alleys, lands, squares and public places in the City of Wilmington, Ohio, with electric lights.

A motion was made by Mongold and seconded by McKay to give the first reading only on the resolution Declaring it Necessary to Light the Streets, Lanes, Alleys, Lands Squares and Public Places in the City of Wilmington, Ohio, with Electric Lights, and for Special Assessments to be Levied to Pay the Cost Thereof for the Year 2011.

Motion passed

Director of Law read resolution by title only.

A motion was made by Mongold and seconded by McKay to suspend the rules and give the second and third reading on the resolution by title only.

Roll call: Jaehnig, yes; Wells, yes; Wallace, yes; Mead, yes; Mongold, yes; McKay, yes. Director of Law read the resolution by title only.

A motion was made by Mongold and seconded by McKay to pass the resolution as read. Roll call: Jaehnig, yes; Wells, yes; Wallace, yes; Mead, yes; Mongold, yes; McKay, yes. Motion passed.

President of Council declared Res. No. 2209 passed as read.

President Ertel: Is there anything else?

Councilwoman Mongold: No. We will schedule a finance meeting, probably, in the next week or two. Thank you.

President Ertel: Thank you. Water Committee?

Water Committee - Chairperson Mike Wallace: No report, Mr. President.

President Ertel: Thank you. Streets Committee?

<u>Streets Committee</u> – In the absence of Chairperson Peterson, Councilman Wells: No report, Mr. President.

President Ertel: Thank you. Solid Waste/Recycling?

Solid Waste/Recycling Committee: Chairperson Don Wells: No report, Mr. President.

President Ertel: Thank you. Wastewater/Sewer?

Wastewater/Sewer Committee: Chairperson Mark McKay: No report, Mr. President.

President Ertel: Thank you. Judiciary Committee?

<u>Judiciary Committee</u>: Chairperson Rob Jaehnig: We have one item tonight, Mr. President. That is the second and third reading on the Safe Routes to School plan. Are there any comments that would like to be made before we move forward on that.

President Ertel: Yes. Mr. Mead would like to comment.

Councilman Mead: I checked beforehand to make sure there weren't any [Inaudible for Transcription] out there. I'm going to read this so I get it right. Before we vote on this much-discussed proposal, I would like to say a few things to my fellow citizens. Many words have been put forth at various times for and against this proposal for Safe Routes to School. I am not, at this time, going to make any attempt to solve problems and questions that have been presented. I have learned much over the past few weeks and feel that I am better able to understand this proposal and what must happen from this time forward. To put this proposal into perspective, we must understand that this proposal is a creation and responsibility of the Clinton County Regional Planning Commission. They have created a plan and presented it to governmental bodies as required by law for approval prior to presenting it to the state in order that we may qualify for possible grant money. The Regional Planning Commission has approved it. Wilmington City Board of Education has approved it. The Wilmington City Planning Commission has approved it. And, after some changes, now your Wilmington City Council is set to approve it in its revised form. I want to thank the Clinton County Regional Planning Commission for making certain changes and additions to the proposal to make it more acceptable to some of us. I know that many concerns remain unsettled at such time and in the future if grant money is forthcoming, we have been assured that the proposals will again be discussed to determine exactly what will happen and where it will happen. Since this proposal belongs to and was originated by the Clinton County Regional Planning Commission, I urge anyone who has input, positive or negative, to address your feelings to the Clinton County Regional Planning Commission so they might give consideration to your desires. Last of all, I simply want to assure the citizens of Wilmington that all of the members of the Wilmington City Council will strive to do the best they can to provide good government to the City of Wilmington.

President Ertel: Very good. Any others wishing to discuss. Any other comments? Rob?

A motion was made by Jaehnig and seconded by McKay to suspend the rules and give the second and third reading on the resolution Approving the Final Safe Routes to School Engineering Study for that Part of the Wilmington City Schools District Within the City of Wilmington and Declaring an Emergency, by title only.

Roll call: Jaehnig, yes; Wells, yes; Wallace, yes; Mead, yes; Mongold, yes; McKay, yes. Director of Law read the resolution by title only.

A motion was made by Jaehnig and seconded by McKay to pass the resolution as read. Roll call: Jaehnig, yes; Wells, yes; Wallace, yes; Mead, yes; Mongold, yes; McKay, yes. Motion passed.

President of Council declared Res. No. 2210 passed as read.

President Ertel: Thank you for everyone's help on this.

Councilman Jaehnig: That is we have on our agenda. Thank you, sir.

President Ertel: Thank you. Safety Committee?

Safety Committee- Chairperson Rob Jaehnig: We have no report.

President Ertel: Thank you. Downtown Revitalization Committee?

<u>Downtown Revitalization Committee</u> - Convener Mark McKay – Thank you, Mr. President. I'm sure Larry will speak further about our almost-completed downtown. It is certainly looking nice. I know we're all anxious to be into the final sweep. Tomorrow night, big party in the mural parking lot. Rock and roll. All the food and drink that you can stand. There is going to be a party across the street in the loft. You know, downtown is alive and well. The weekend of the Corn Festival, we are going to have our downtown yard sales. We've been planning for that. We're going to have the grand reopening of the downtown just prior to the parade of the antique farm equipment. So, it is going to be a great weekend. We look forward to seeing everybody downtown shopping and having a good time and doing what they ought to be doing. That's all.

President Ertel: Good news. Parks & Recreation?

<u>Parks and Recreation Committee</u> - Convener Mike Wallace: I really don't have a report for the Parks and Recreation, but I did want to say that I happened to help my wife last weekend. It was the grand croquet tournament for the Bicentennial celebration. We had some really hotly contested croquet games out there. It was a lot of fun. It was about the hottest day you have ever seen anybody try to play croquet in. We almost got melted away. It was fun.

President Ertel: Good. Did you happen to play in the championship match?

Councilman Wallace: I did not. My wife was the director and I was her helper. I will say that there were a couple of matches where people didn't show up so we ended up playing as much croquet as anybody because we were trying to get people warmed up and teach them the game. I have never seen so many people in a tournament that had never seen croquet played before. Councilman Jaehnig represented Wilmington very well

President Ertel: Thank you. Mr. Service Director? Do you have any words of wisdom?

<u>Service Director-</u> Service Director Larry Reinsmith: Just a couple of things. First of all, for those of you who haven't noticed, they did open State Route 730 today. They did close 350, but...

[Laughter]

Service Director Reinsmith: I had a woman who called and left a voicemail, really mad, who wanted to know when I was going to open up 73 out by Antioch. Sorry, Lady, but... That is going to help because it was hard to get around 730. Also, we finished the paving on Nelson Road today. We just have a little bit. We have some striping and now some clean-up work, punch list stuff. That turned out fairly nice. It is a lot nicer than it was. Most of the paving in the downtown area is done. We have to tie in a lot of the side streets that they built. They're working on those tonight. We have some punch list stuff there. They have most of the lay-out work done for the striping, so they will be striping here in the next couple of nights. It is all coming together. I think right before school it's going to be great.

Mayor Raizk: Larry, you might explain to folks that this is temporary striping.

Service Director Reinsmith: Yes. Some people said, "Boy, that paint is not going to last long." It was just there so people wouldn't kill each other on the streets.

Mayor Raizk: The specification is for the thermoplastic striping, but there has been so much construction all over the country, thermoplastic striping is on backorder pretty much, but it will be what we get in the end. So, if something isn't exactly where it is supposed to be, don't worry, it will be right in the end.

Service Director Reinsmith: So, that's pretty much all of the streets. I did want to tell you a little bit. We're working on our recycling project. You guys can pass those down. We think we found the vehicle we want to pick up our recycling. We have got the bins in. Here is your recycling bin. Everyone has a number, so you will be assigned a number to your house. That way, if it blows down the street, we will know that one belongs to Gary Huffenberger.

[Laughter]

Service Director Reinsmith: We have, I think, 4000 of these. It is a matter of getting that truck purchased. I talked to the chairman of that committee about getting a meeting together so that we can talk about that.

Paul Hunter: It's not covered Larry; there is no cover on that?

Service Director Reinsmith: No. You'll have to drag it out that morning, Paul.

Mayor Raizk: You can put stuff in it in a bag if you wish.

Paul Hunter: Well, I'll probably have to.

Mayor Raizk: We've talked to people that have the flip-top covers. The problem is it doesn't hold enough.

Service Director Reinsmith: It does have holes in it, so if it rains in it, it will come out.

Councilman McKay: Larry, is this a one man vehicle?

Service Director Reinsmith: Do you see it? It has steering wheels on both sides. You can get out either side.

Councilman McKay: Or one woman...

Service Director Reinsmith: Yes. One woman. You see the bins. That is where they dump all of the bins. You can probably dump several in there before you ever have to lift it up into the truck.

Councilman McKay: So, the answer is yes.

Service Director Reinsmith: Yes. It will hold 20 yards. Like I said, we can pick up a whole week's recyclables. We only have to make one trip down to the center. We will see how it works.

Paul Hunter: Did we decide on a price for the processing or do you know yet?

Service Director Reinsmith: No. We're still arguing about a lot of things with those companies. But, we are putting some things together. It's going to work out pretty good for the city and revenue really. That's all.

President Ertel: Just one thing...a positive comment to the people doing the curb and gutter work. The dirt was put back very nicely between the curb and the sidewalk. I was

very concerned about how that was going to turn out. They came back and did a wonderful job putting that in...getting grass growing and so on and so forth because I envisioned weeds.

Service Director Reinsmith: We had a bad night one night when it really rained and washed out some of those areas, but...

President Ertel: Yes. I noticed that.

Service Director Reinsmith: And the Swindler's project down there, the culvert, is coming along. We'll be wrapping it up.

President Ertel: Do you have a feel for when that will be reopened. Just a month?

Service Director Reinsmith: Yes. Oh, yes.

President Ertel: Excellent. Not by Corn Festival, though.

Service Director Reinsmith: Probably not. I don't know. They're about ready to backfill.

Councilman Wallace: The night we had the really hard rains, the short period with the heavy rain. I went down Nelson and I noticed the water was kind of pooling up down there toward the bridge. Are they going to do some further studies on that to see if there is anything we can do to help that?

Service Director Reinsmith: Was that last week or the first one?

Councilman Wallace: The last one.

Service Director Reinsmith: Because on that one, we had a lot of mud that was all over the place that came down there. That problem is not going to happen again. They've got catch basins right down in that dip there.

Mayor Raizk: Up on North Nelson we had an opportunity where we put in that to look at some things. I think we're going to put another catch basin in to resolve that as well, because I think it is almost good, but it just needs one little.

Service Director Reinsmith: The sidewalk that we put in, it is getting a lot of use.

Councilman Wallace: It is big improvement. It looks nice.

Councilman McKay: I really [Inaudible for Transcription – background noise] for that sidewalk project.

Service Director Reinsmith: I know it. About the first time we started talking about that project, Mark kept saying, "Hey, a sidewalk would be nice from here to there."

Councilman McKay: You just expanded on my idea.

President Ertel: Okay. Thank you. Safety Director?

<u>Safety Director</u> – Safety Director Nick Babb: Actually, I do have a report.

President Ertel: Good. I was going to say if you said, "No report." I was going to tell you that you have to say something.

Safety Director Nick Babb: Exactly I am going to ask Assistant Chief Weyand to comment on a couple of exciting new pieces of equipment that we have in the Police Department.

Assistant Chief Weyand: Yesterday we brought back car 109. It is the first car that we have that has the new computers installed from the grant. Within the next couple of

weeks we should hopefully have almost all of our cars outfitted with our mobile computers and cruisers. We also have another car that has what is called an LPR in it that we got off a grant. It is a license plate reader. It scans a plate a second. It can scan plates as fast as 80-90 miles per hour. So, as the officers are driving around, it is constantly reading license plates. It will scan them for stolen license plates. We've had stolen license plates. We have had stolen cars. It will hit on a license plates where the registered owner has warrants, so we have had quite a bit of that. It has been a very good tool for us. We've made quite a few arrests off of it so far.

Safety Director Babb: Be sure to renew your plates. If not, we're going to get you.

President Ertel: Thank you. I'll put a note there to not forget about that. The system does work.

Reports:

A motion was made by Wells and seconded by McKay to approve the Auditor-Treasurer's Report – July 2010, as received.

Motion passed.

Reports accepted as received.

President Ertel: At this point, I would like to open the meeting up to the general public and/or members of council to address council while in session.

President Ertel: Don has his hand up; however, let's let the mayor talk.

Mayor Raizk: Okay. Just quickly, we thought maybe we could get everybody here tonight, but they had their final presentations and some were here and some weren't, so that is why I wanted to introduce for the Clinton County Fellows. Tomorrow is your last day, correct? Is Lori here too?

[Inaudible for Transcription from back of room]

Mayor Raizk: Okay. We wanted to recognize you, those of you who are here, and thank you for your work. I think it is a great program. We want to do our best to try to continue it. Maybe if we could find a way, make it a year-long program, or an ongoing program where more folks could participate over a year. But, thank you very much. Good luck. Who is going back to school first?

[Inaudible for Transcription]

Mayor Raizk: The other two. They are starting this Monday, aren't they? That's what I thought. Chase and Kelsey start earlier than you guys do. Thank you. It has been great having you here. I know a lot of folks have gotten to interact with you. We are certainly proud of you, and we hope that you are proud of your hometown. So, thanks again.

[Applause]

Mayor Raizk: Each one of the fellows did receive bicentennial coins from the city as a token.

Councilman McKay: I hope they spend them wisely.

[Laughter]

Don Wells: Tonight I wanted to speak on behalf of some citizens in the third ward, especially the Southridge area, that frankly are not getting to enjoy the same quality of life that we do in our neighborhoods. Their property values are being destroyed and they have to look at a horrible mess every day. I think that we need to do more to try to enforce our zoning and building codes. These people come to meetings. They listen to the talk. They feel like they're given the runaround. They pay their taxes like the rest of us. We need to do more to help the situation. It is just a horrible thing. Several of you know what I'm talking about. If you look at it, it is just a horrible thing to look at. I'm

asking that we try to put this on a high priority. If we are going to change our rules and laws and stuff, we need to get something done as quickly as possible and try to help these people in Southridge. That is all I am asking for. I just wanted to kind of bring it to our attention to put some emphasis on it. Thank you.

President Ertel: Thank you, Don.

Kathryn Hapner: Don? Do we know what property you're talking about, because there are a couple that we have prepared complaints on and are getting ready to file in municipal court.

Don Wells: Well, specifically, Lytle place, Planks and Hines.

Kathryn Hapner: Stahl we're getting ready to do. The complaints...

Paul Hunter: And Bernice.

Don Wells: And Bernice. Several of them have come to council. I keep telling them that we are working on it, we're trying to help them, we're trying to do something, but...

Kathryn Hapner: I thought they might know that we have the complaints prepared and are getting ready to file. It might give them some comfort to know that it is moving forward.

Don Wells: Well, that's good news.

Councilman McKay: On both of those properties?

Kathryn Hapner: I believe so.

Don Wells: I just wanted to speak out and give them some support and help if we can. Thank you.

President Ertel: Thank you very much. Dick I see you're on the way here.

Dick Unger: 1036 N. Lincoln Street. Kathryn, you might add 1066 N. Lincoln Street. There is a picture coming around, just to follow up with what Councilman Wells said. You have all seen it before; it is the old Moffit place. I have been on this journey to try to get it cleaned up since April. The stories I get – Ernie is working on it. Ernie is working on it. And so on and so forth. So, I need help, too, as well as the area that Don mentioned and Mr. Hunter mentioned. It's all over the city. It is not just a few isolated places. The second thing I wanted to ask Finance Committee, on item D, about the new assessment for lights, will that be in addition to the street lights we are already being taxed for?

Councilwoman Mongold: No this is the same process that we have to go through legislatively. It is nothing in addition. It is just something...

Mayor Raizk: We have to do it every year.

President Ertel: It is just a renewal.

Dick Unger: Oh...a renewal of the existing?

President Ertel: No, it's nothing new.

Dick Unger: Well, I would like to have...this probably needs to be brought up to the streets committee first, I suppose, but from Florence Ave on 134 North to Brownberry right in the middle, there is a dark spot. Of course, we have no sidewalks. There is already a transformer there. There is already a light pole there. We just need a street light up there. Thank you.

President Ertel: Yes. Name and address please.

Maxine Lovelace: I live over in Clinton Commons. There is a problem over there with a parked vehicle at the moment that has been there for a couple of months. There is a curve...you can see...here are the Clinton Commons. We are coming down out onto the street onto Howard Street. Usually there are more cars parked here, which is fine, they are not in our way. Here is our stop sign. Here comes the truck. As we turn to the right...comes the truck. There are also apartments to the right, which have a little bit of a curve. They also have a stop sign, but because of the truck, you don't see the vehicles start up again. I had the instance to happen. I moved out for the truck, the other person had stopped for the stop sign. They also moved out, and we were right there at the intersection. Had we not stopped....both of us had stopped. The biggest problem will be that school buses are going to start in. Because of that little curvature, we would like to have either a yellow curbing marked there so they can't park from that little knoll that comes on Howard Street.

Mayor Raizk: Are we on Howard or Thorne or the intersection thereof?

Maxine Lovelace: Well, we are on Howard Street...

Mayor Raizk: I'm just trying to get it in my mind.

Maxine Lovelace: ...Vine Street would be coming to the corner.

Mayor Raizk: So, at the corner of Vine and Howard?

Maxine Lovelace: Yes. That is where the truck is right now. And it is just in the right position so that because of the slight curvature of Howard Street, it is in the way. Many times there is another truck in front of it, another truck in back of it, which puts three in a row. It really does block the view. School busses will be coming through there. We have two, I know, that go into the apartment section over there.

Mayor Raizk: And it is right at the corner or close to the corner?

Maxine Lovelace: Well, like I say, there is a slight curvature in there. So, I would say 10 yards, maybe 5-10 yards from there. But, it is just enough to block the curvature in that street.

Mayor Raizk: Larry?

Service Director Reinsmith: You know, we did address that intersection in Streets Committee and I think we decided that we were going to ahead and make that a fourway stop.

Councilman McKay: I wasn't sure she was talking about the same place.

Service Director Reinsmith: That's the one that has the Thorne Avenue that breaks right off that was put. It went down to Clinton County Metropolitan Housing, right? And the other side is...

Mayor Raizk: No, I think she was one block farther on. She said Vine and Howard.

Maxine Lovelace: No, Thorne and Howard.

Service Director Reinsmith: It is kind of an irregular intersection. It is not really a good clean four-way, but I think we decided we would make it a four-way stop anyway. So, people will be stopping up there as they come to that intersection.

Maxine Lovelace: True. But if they can park there, you are still going to have a problem. Just like they pulled out from the intersection that comes from the apartment. If they park on the west side there, you're going to have a problem because you can't see them pull off. There are two stop signs there.

Service Director Reinsmith: Well, they're going to be four there.

Councilwoman Mongold: But you still can't see.

Service Director Reinsmith: So, everybody will come up there and stop, from every direction.

Male speaker: Will you paint the curbs yellow?

Service Director Reinsmith: Well, you'll come back from that side – 30 feet.

Mayor Raizk: Thirty feet back from the stop sign you can't park.

Councilman Jaehnig: When the stop sign is put in, a yellow curb..ed

Maxine Lovelace: That would eliminate some of it.

Mayor Raizk: I think it will resolve.

Service Director Reinsmith: He will be back off of that intersection.

Mayor Raizk: Because you can't be that close because of the stop sign.

Maxine Lovelace: Do you know how soon they'll do that.

Mayor Raizk: Council passed it and we have to wait thirty days...

Service Director Reinsmith: Did you pass it?

Councilman Jaehnig: I don't think so. I think it has been under discussion.

Mayor Raizk: Are you sure?

Councilman Jaehnig: I thought it was on the agenda two weeks ago.

Maxine Lovelace: The other problem is right across from the truck is a house that seems to be using part of their housing as a business. They have several cars parked in the driveway, working on cars, and there are several children there too. It is right in that same area. It is causing a problem.

Unknown female speaker: This truck has been there for two months. We think it is never being moved at all. It is just sitting there in the way.

President Ertel: The red one?

Mayor Raizk: I'll look at it tomorrow morning.

[Continued discussion regarding the location of the truck]

Maxine Lovelace: Thank you for your time. This was just a problem that we were worried about.

President Ertel: Thank you for the presentation with photographs. We appreciate that.

President Ertel again asked if anybody else from the public or the council wished to address council while in session.

Dan Stewart: 574 Hale Road. Wilmington. My name is Dan Stewart, and my wife is the owner of Books 'N' More. I have prepared a written statement to read to ensure that I say only what I feel I need to say. You are all aware of the reason we, as merchants, are here. What you cannot know is the extent of the damage the so-called stimulus project

has caused. Books 'N' More has been forced to reduce payroll by more than 50%. We are losing our credit status with our suppliers, which means our orders need to be prepaid with money we no longer have. I am personally working two part-time jobs solely to keep the doors open.

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Dan Stewart: ...prospering before the construction but now has days with zero sales, a barber who had only one customer in an entire day, one store that has closed and another that has moved out of our downtown. We have done all we know how to do. We come to beseech you, our city leaders, to reinvest your resources in saving our downtown. The completion of the sidewalk project is not the answer. It will only mask the damage that has been done over the past five months. A famous man once said, "The world will little note nor will long remember what we say here." He was wrong. I hope what has been said here and what will be said here tonight will not fall on deaf ears and that we can work together to restore downtown Wilmington. Thank you.

President Ertel: Thank you.

Sandy Wogomon: I am a Wilmington Citizen and I am also a business owner of 14 N. South Street, Next to New Apparel and Accessories. Thank you for your time. One question that I wanted to raise first before I get into any information that Dan has shared with you, I would like to know the status of where council is in relation to our June 3 discussion of utility relief for the business owners in the downtown.

Mayor Raizk: We looked into utility relief. As far as the city goes, it is only water and sewer. We have not been able to find any way fairly to do it for the downtown, because how can we do it for everybody else. I have asked if Dayton Power and Light or Vectren have any programs. As far as the city goes, they have a program to deal with it, but as far as individual things they didn't say they had anything available at that point. I do know that a couple of charitable organizations, including the Friends Church, have come up with a fund that people can apply for to get some utility relief if they can demonstrate some things. You know, this council is for the entire city, not just some areas of it. In terms of fairness, other people have been impacted too. You know, we've had a recession and we had a lot of lost jobs. Many of the businesses are down that much as well. So, in terms of fairness, there just really wasn't any way to moderate that in terms of water and sewer; especially since that is probably some of the smaller parts of your utility bill. Obviously, your power and your gas are what your biggest parts are. So, that is where we are at.

Sandy Wogomon: Okay. Mr. McKay, I personally have to disagree with you publically tonight. You had mentioned tonight that downtown is alive and well. There is an event planned tomorrow evening.

Councilman McKay: Did I say well?

Sandy Wogomon: You did.

Councilman McKay: I'm sorry. I know it's not totally well.

Sandy Wogomon: I have to completely 100% disagree with you. The downtown is not alive and is not well. While I don't live in the city limits, my business is in the city limits and I partake in that seven days a week. In the morning, in the afternoon and in the evening...many times very late in the evening. I can assure you that it is not alive and well. I appreciate your positive thinking and I appreciate your efforts that you do, but it is well known to the business owners that it is not alive and well. And we seek your help. We seek your knowledge and your skills and your experience and your combined efforts. I know that there are some creative minds here that can assist the business leaders and the business owners in what we can do here. What we can do to raise the bar. What we can do to make Wilmington attractive again. And Wilmington is attractive in and of itself, but there is a lot of room for improvement and there are a lot of ways that the bars can be raised. Efforts on everyone's part need to be escalated. We need to think

out of the box. We need to step out of our comfort zones and we need to [Inaudible for Transcription]. This is information that has probably been discussed before in several meetings. It has probably been discussed off line and in other areas, but timing is everything. We're losing time. We are in a recession, we realize that, but people still do come to Wilmington to visit and they still want to shop in the downtown. But, because of the sidewalk project that happened and the road project, business owners in the downtown were set back five months and counting, and in a business plan, that just throws everything out the window in a business plan. Again, timing is everything and we need to act on this time. It is time to act and it is time to get together and make this downtown vibrant again. It is not active and it is not well. Because of that, we are losing businesses. Because of that, when businesses leave, you lose the charm that you have in the city. We're using all of our resources as a business and business owners – we're using our resources, what we can and what is left, to add to your city, to complement your city, to make it comfortable and complementary, but we are asking you to seek outside the box and do something different. An example, and I think it is a dated example but it needs to be revisited. I understand Ms. Mongold and Mr. Phillips worked together combined tried to start an initiative of Main Street beautification. We applaud your efforts. Their intentions were to bring complimentary destinations to downtown – complementary – something that adds to your charm. I think that needs to be revisited. It needs to be escalated. Success breeds success, and you want to make that a successful program. You want to do something different, because whatever is going on now, it is not working. You're losing your downtown. My question to you, and I know the answer, but I have to ask it, do you want your downtown to die? I don't either.

President Ertel: Okay. Very poignant points. Thank you very much.

Sandy Wogomon: Thank you.

President Ertel again asked if anybody else from the public or the council wished to address council while in session.

Chas Wiederhold: 459 Anderson State Route, St. Martin, Ohio. I have grown up in this community, aside from my address being outside of Wilmington. I was born here and I went to Wilmington High School and Graduated from Wilmington High School. I am back as a Clinton Community Fellow. I thank you for the recognition at the beginning of the meeting. For those of you who attended our final ceremony, I appreciate your attendance there as well. I would just like to say thank you for positive attitudes in the community, because I think positive attitudes in the community are the only thing that will keep us from getting dejected enough to give up. Mr. McKay, thank you for your positive attitude. And everyone from City Council, and as an outsider I feel strange saying this, and it has always been a battle for myself, but City Council, members of the community, small business owners who often continue to have positive attitudes. Thinking outside of the box is very important. I know in Flint, Michigan they decided to stop evicting people from their homes because there is no point. I know we not anywhere near that point. I was in Detroit yesterday and I got to see what that looked like. We're not there. There is hope for us. We still haven't seen our best days. A positive attitude is what everyone needs. Everyone needs to constantly reflect on themselves. If I have learned anything from the fellows program is that constant reflection on your progress allows you to recognize where you need to make improvements. I know there are several people in this room who have had a big part with the fellows program and I would hope that they would agree that reflecting on their own performance has allowed new things to happen. So, I really hate to see people get dejected. It really hurts me. So, keep a positive attitude, and everything will be okay. It's not Detroit.

[Laughter]

President Ertel: Thank you so much.

Councilman Jaehnig: Mr. President, if I could just have a minute. I think a very good point was made tonight. Business owners, one of the things I really have to applaud them for is the continued unbelievable tiresome hard work that they put in. The thing that I

would ask is that our citizens take that same approach. Not only to going downtown or to any of the businesses in our community and doing their shopping and supporting the Buy Local program, but taking a look at their properties themselves with this same attention that our business owners do in keeping our community clean. As was stated, we have to put our best foot forward. This is not the first time I've said that. We are at the point now where businesses are looking at Wilmington, whether it be [Inaudible for Transcription], warehouse, retail, restaurants, whatever. They are looking at Wilmington. They are looking at coming back. We have the job force here and ready to go. Really, while the business owners have really taken it on the chin, they still have really high standards. They have still gone out there every day and put their best foot forward, no matter what it took. I really feel that there are many of our own citizens that have given up. You know what? Business owners haven't given up, and our citizens can't give up. You need to take a look at your own property in your own neighborhoods and take care of each other and take care of this community. That is the only way that we can move forward. I applaud the business owners for everything that they have done and everything that they have gone for. I will continue to do anything I can personally or professionally to help them. Thank you.

President Ertel: Very good. Yes sir.

John Schum: Thank you for allowing me to speak. I'm John Schum. I live at 81 W. Main Street, over there at hotel. I appreciate that you are all doing everything that you can think of to do. I thank you a lot for doing that. There are those of us...I know that you are business people too...that are a lot closer to the bone than some of the others. Desperate people do desperate things, and it is a little more difficult for some of us to put on a smiling countenance and go out there and take it on a chin another day. Like you said, we are going to continue to support all of us in the community and give it our yeoman's effort as long as we are able to do that. We will continue to support you in your efforts to guide us and lead us through this difficult time. Although, you don't generally hear a thank you, it is more often you hear from people who have a pothole or something I understand that. Public service – I can't imagine a tougher job right now – unless of course you are in small business and in public service. I wouldn't know about that.

[Laughter]

John Schum: I know you guys know what's up and I know you are doing everything you can possibly think of. It is appreciated. It really is. I hope you are able to keep it up and hang in there with the rest of us. Thanks.

President Ertel: Thank you. Yes sir?

Jim Burge: I live at 1486 Murphy Road, Wilmington, Ohio. This is my first meeting. I kind of apologize that this is the first time I've been here after being here for 25 years. My father is a councilman. My brother is a councilman. They are clerks and treasurers in their town. They are involved in their community. I never got involved in this community, like I said, I appreciate the people who do. My one concern is I had some problems back with this construction. My business happens to be leased to a company that went out of business and left my building vacant. During that time period, they were doing the construction on Main Street. All of the vehicles pulled into my parking lot, which had about this deep on the front. Well, it busted all of the asphalt in the whole parking lot. All the way across it. I just watched it and I looked at and I said, "Well, this will all be taken care of." Well, it wasn't taken care of. So, I called the city and I said, "Who do I need to talk to?" They gave me a ladies name, and I imagine that is probably maybe you, I'm not sure, and they said they would call me back and they didn't. I talked to the Department of Transportation. They said that they would come out and look at it. They looked at it and they said "Whew, that's a mess. We're going to have them come out here and we're going to do something about this and fix it." So, he came out and he talked to me. Of course, okay. So, then I went next door and talked to [Inaudible for Transcription]. I said, "Here are some pictures. I want to show you the workmanship that is being done down here." He says, "That's terrible. I'm going to talk to the people and see what we can get done on this." I said, "UPS for a week couldn't even get into my

building because there was no ramp into my building." And they said well there must not be anyone there. So, they finally came and put a little ramp in. We had one lane, so you couldn't turn into it. They got stuck twice and they said, we won't deliver there any more. And I lived with that. What really disappointed me was when I asked about this and I said, "What can we do about this and how can we come back on this workmanship that was done so terribly,"

Mayor Raizk: Jim.

Jim Burge: Yeah.

Mayor Raizk: Let me tell you. I walked every inch of your place with the head engineers and Larry. It will be taken care of. We showed them exactly. We have a similar problem when they put in the walk there. They're going to saw cut back about a foot back to good asphalt and then repair that so it is seamless, so there is a straight line.

Jim Burge: And I appreciate that, but...

Mayor Raizk: They're going to do it. But, that crew is not the crew that laid the big asphalt. They'll be coming down and doing it. I've got the same problem.

Jim Burge: I guess my concern is what about all of the other people in town. How do they go about this? Why haven't we set up something to look at this. Just like you said, they sprayed that, the next night it rained. It's all gone. All we have is a bunch of weeds. I had a landscape service that did my landscaping for my building every week. All I have now are weeds growing. When they say the grass looks fine. It doesn't look fine. Look around town. It's a mess. So, I just want to know who do the people of this town come back to and say, "Yes, we've done a great job putting the sidewalks in, the roads are 100% improvement, but we do have problems." We need to set up something that these people...I have seen other driveways going down the road, these people are busted off and they are hanging over. Are we going to leave all of these driveways...

Mayor Raizk: No, not at all. And we usually take the complaints either through my office or Larry's office. We have created a punch list. Then there are multiple walk-throughs that we have been going with them...this needs to be fixed and that needs to be fixed. Before they leave, all of those places will be taken care of.

Service Director Reinsmith: Well, you Mayor, have complained about it. He complained about it to me. We had 12 people out there that morning. We had ODOT. We had Jurgensen...everybody out there that day. They agreed that they are going to re-do that. That is just part of their punch list items that they have to come back on. They have a lot of those things that they have to clean up.

Jim Burge: What upset me, I guess, was after they poured that, the next morning it was poured. I walked out there and I went "Oh, My God, what a mess." I walked down the street and I said, "Who is in charge of this?" The man says, "The guy over here." And I said, "That real young guy?" He must have had an OSU hat on. And I said to him, "Did you just finish doing this?" and he said, "Yeah." I said "Have you looked at it?" and he said, "Yeah. It's terrible, isn't it?" I said, "Yeah it's terrible." I said, "I would be ashamed to do that kind of work." He says, "You people aren't paying us enough money to this right." Well, you know, that's what irked me as a businessman in this town. I mean, we're not paying you enough money. I mean, that's the attitude.

Mayor Raizk: I understand that. You have to understand, everybody goes out and talks to the person that is working on the thing in front of them. They have no concept of what is going on or whatever. That is why we have been taking them...we go straight to the Ohio Department of Transportation and their senior management and say, "We're not leaving until this is fixed" and so forth. But, you're going to get taken of. There are a lot of little places and we have a huge punch list, and we're going down and checking them off.

Jim Burge: That was my concern. Are we going to address all of the people in town?

Mayor Raizk: Absolutely.

Service Director Reinsmith: That was one of the first ones they poured, and there was some misunderstanding there. They were told that they weren't allowed to spend any money behind the sidewalk.

Jim Burge: They couldn't spend any money there.

Service Director Reinsmith: That was the ODOT rule and stimulus rules and all of that. So, when they had some jagged edges, the concrete guy goes if they can't spend any money behind the walk, we're just going to fill those in with concrete and that way you won't have a hole there. It was all wrong and we got it all cleared up with the contractor.

Councilman Jaehnig: You just have to keep in mind, it is the difference between having somebody like the project crew who is on Nelson who is local and the others that don't have to live in this community and don't have to come back here and answer for the quality of work.

Jim Burge: I agree with you 100%, because every day I drove to work and I watched the work they were doing there, and I said, "These people are doing excellent work. They are proud of what they are doing." And then I pull around the curb and I see what they're doing on the other one, and I said, "This is the difference between local people and people coming in from the outside. 100%." Thank you.

Mayor Raizk: Don't worry. Everybody's feet are going to get held to the fire.

President Ertel: Thanks Jim.

President Ertel again asked if anybody else from the public or the council wished to address council while in session.

Councilwoman Mongold: I wanted to say something. And, I hope in the entire city that we are on the road to recover with jobs and the businesses and everything. On a positive note, I just want to mention that we have done so many things to actually be creative and step out of that box with the Main Street Program that has been sponsored by the city. You're shaking your head no?

Unidentified Male: I don't think that Main Street is doing that good of a job.

Councilwoman Mongold: Well, we have the promotions department, Sandy, which your husband is the chair of, we have the concerts, we have the mural. We have beatification projects with the pocket park. We have yard sales.

Unidentified Male: The director is not really [Inaudible for Transcription]. I have been very dissatisfied with Main Street. As a downtown resident, as a downtown employee, I'm not happy.

Councilwoman Mongold: And that is under the CIC and Leilani is chair of the CIC. I just don't want us to forget the positive things that are going on. We are working on a \$400,000 matching grant, which I have been part of an additional \$800,000 in the downtown area which is meant for businesses to use to improve their properties. We have another \$400,000 matching grant in progress. I just don't want us to lose sight of what we do have positive going on and hopefully we are all on the road to recovery and things are going to turn around.

President Ertel: Very good. Thank you.

Sandy Wogomon: Can I respond to that, please. My husband is a committee chairman for a lot of those things that are going on in Main Street and he is just as frustrated as what I tried to picture to you tonight in that a lot of the ideas and solutions that come out of these meetings are squashed along with this project that has come into our town has

been squashed and diminished and put us back beyond five months. We have had to suffer through this long-term project that was not in any one of our business plans. My plea to you tonight was to please escalate your abilities to help us with what we are able to do and bring people to this town. Make it beautiful to do so, but while we can't even afford the match now. We are already into August something and there has been no action taken on that Tier II that you're talking about. Even if we did have the money now to match that, but we can't. We're asking everybody to reach into wherever it is you've got to reach into and think out of the box here and help us make it attractive for the businesses. Because businesses do spend money in the downtown, but they're not coming downtown because I can't even walk on the brand new sidewalks in fear of losing a heel of mine because the sidewalks are so poor. The brand new sidewalks are horrible. You should come downtown and talk to the business owners who have to live and breathe this every day.

Councilwoman Mongold: I work downtown.

Sandy Wogomon: You should come downtown. It is not the greatest thing in the world. It is puzzled. It is piecemealed. It looks horrible. I am actually very embarrassed to invite visitors to my town because that and my customers complain about it — what few customers I have at the moment. They complain about it. We are trying...the committees are trying... but we need your help to escalate and elevate those other buildings that are sitting vacant. You should be applying vacancy taxes and all kinds of things to bring more people and more complementary businesses to the downtown. Get it thriving again. Make it happen.

President Ertel: Thank you. Yes ma'am.

Jenifer Stewart: I am Jennifer Stewart. I have a business downtown. I am going on 16 years at Jen's Deli. I was in Wilmington long before there was a Main Street Committee. Before there were positive things going on downtown, and I did commend the Main Street Committee for doing projects and doing things, the yard sales, the concerts downtown, the Brown Bags and so on and so forth. However, I do feel that the majority of the activities are at the General Denver and have been all summer long. I think that we need to focus on more activities that include all of the businesses and the merchants downtown, like the Halloween festival, like the Holidazzle, things of that nature, instead of just having it concentrated in one area again and again and again and again. Who is Steve Brown's boss?

Councilwoman Mongold: The CIC.

Jennifer Stewart: The CIC committee is his boss?

Councilwoman Mongold: The downtown CIC.

Jennifer Stewart: Okay. Uhmm. He has threatened me. He has come in my business and threatened me. He has told another business owner that they would be better off not on Main Street and to move their business, and he sexually harassed another business owner in the downtown. Is this somebody we really want representing downtown Main Street?

[Lengthy Silence]

Jennifer Stewart: Nobody has an answer to that?

President Ertel: I think it is a little difficult to answer that based on the accusations you just made. It is hard to determine facts in this situation.

Jennifer Stewart: Okay. So, this needs to be directed to DWCIC.

President Ertel: Correct.

Jennifer Stewart: But, I think as a whole...

Councilwoman Mongold: Leilani is the chairman.

Jennifer Stewart: Okay....as a whole we all need to be focusing on doing more activities that include all of the businesses, not just one business in the downtown.

President Ertel: Okay. Thank you.

President Ertel again asked if anybody else from the public or the council wished to address council while in session.

Seeing no one else who wished to speak, President Ertel asked for a motion to adjourn.

A motion was made by Jaehnig and seconded by Wallace to adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourned.

ATTEST:	
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