

**ROLL CALL:** All Council Members Present

**MOTION TO EXCUSE MEMBERS:** Not necessary

**INVOCATION:** Mary Cirelli, Council-at-Large Member

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Led by President Allen Schulman

**AGENDA CORRECTIONS & CHANGES:** (Suspended Rule 22A to add Resolution 26; 1<sup>st</sup> Rdg O#3; 2<sup>nd</sup> Rdg O#6 - O#9; O#3 Adopted on 1<sup>st</sup> Rdg; O#6 Postponed until 4/12/10)

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:** (None)

**PUBLIC SPEAKS (CITY BUSINESS):** Christine Peterson speaking on behalf of the crime in the area of Gibbs and Belle Stone school areas. She witnessed two vehicles chasing one another and shooting at each other going up and down the roads on Friday evening. She feels the crime and gangs just continue to escalate and the gangs have monopolized the schools, the children, the families and wants the Mayor to honor his word on the platform he ran for zero tolerance. Jennifer Lewis concerned about her elderly neighbors and has the desire to stand together with the community to cure the problems of the northeast section of town and the gang related problems that currently exist. She is tired of dealing with the gang intimidation for her family and others. Last week called police with a vehicle in the middle of her street looking at her home and they called her back in an hour and asked if she still needed assistance. Patricia Kirk has circulated a petition in Canton for the people that don't want Canton to die. For the last 29 years the Concert in the Park has been held at the McKinley Monument in the park and has been attended by thousands that bring their families to enjoy picnics and the music. Now this event will be moved to the Kresge lot and merged with Zing in the City. At this time with so many things cut back in the city this is the wrong direction for our town. Dr. Ragunathan is just heartbroken with the problems in the neighborhood of his business. He has been on the corner of 13<sup>th</sup> and Cleveland Ave NW for 15 years and meets with other businesses in the area to see about what they can do to help with the crime and violence in this area. He is disappointed in the treatment of the businesses in the city. Dr. Ragunathan states that since he is an immigrant he can live in any city he wants but remains in Canton because he loves this city and really wants these problems solved.

**INFORMAL RESOLUTIONS:**

26. COUNCIL-AS-A-WHOLE: CONGRATULATING DAVID DOUGHERTY FOR BEING NAMED 2009 CAMPUS SAFETY DIRECTOR OF THE YEAR. - ADOPTED

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

155. AUDITOR MALLONN: CERT OF TOTAL AMT FROM ALL SOURCES FOR 2010. - RECEIVED & FILED
156. AUDITOR MALLONN: MONTHLY RPT BY FUND FOR 3/1/10 - 3/31/10. - RECEIVED & FILED
157. AUDITOR MALLONN: YEARLY RPT BY FUND FOR 1/1/10 - 3/31/10. - RECEIVED & FILED
158. OHIO EPA: NOTICE OF LTD ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW & FINDING NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT TO CITIZENS ON NORTHEAST WATER TREATMENT PLANT PROJ FS-390421-01. - RECEIVED & FILED
159. SAFETY DIRECTOR REAM: REQ PAYMENT OF \$106,894.78 TO MOTOROLA, INC. FOR 2010 SERVICE AGMT. - FINANCE COMMITTEE
160. WATER SUPERINTENDENT CONVERSE: 2009 ANNUAL REPORT, WATER DEPT. - RECEIVED & FILED

**ORDINANCES & FORMAL RESOLUTIONS FOR FIRST READING:**

1<sup>ST</sup> RDG 1. AMEND SECTION 150.02, POWERS AND DUTIES OF CHAPTER 150, SYSTEMS PLANNING BOARD  
Referred to Judiciary Committee

1<sup>ST</sup> RDG 2. AUTHORIZE MAYOR &/OR SERV DIR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT W/TRINITY GOSPEL TEMPLE TO PROVIDE A GRANT IN AN AMT NOT TO EXCEED \$25,000.00; EMERGENCY  
Referred to Finance Committee

***(COUNCIL RECESSED AT 7:52 P.M. FOR THE COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE TO DISCUSS ORDINANCE #3; RECONVENED AT 7:55 P.M.)***

**68/2010** 3. DECLARE 72 BLDGS PUBLIC NUISANCES; AUTHORIZE SAF DIR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT FOR DEMOLITION OF SAID BLDGS; AUTHORIZE CLERK OF COUNCIL TO CERTIFY COSTS OF DEMOLITION TO STARK COUNTY AUDITOR; EMERGENCY  
Referred to Community & Economic Development Committee

1<sup>ST</sup> RDG 4. AUTHORIZE SERV DIR TO ADVERTISE, REC BIDS & ENTER INTO CONTRACTS IN AMT NOT TO EXCEED \$38,000.00 FOR PURCHASE OF ONE 2011 HEAVY DUTY CREW TRUCK CHASSIS & IN AMT NOT TO EXCEED \$43,000.00 FOR PURCHASE OF ONE 2011 HEAVY DUTY DUMP TRUCK FOR WATER DEPT; AUTHORIZE SERV DIR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT W/GERMAIN FOR IN AMT NOT TO EXCEED \$32,921.58 FOR PURCHASE OF TWO 2010 SERV VANS PURSUANT TO ORC SECTION 125.04; AMEND APPROP O#1/2010; EMERGENCY  
Referred to Public Property Capital Improvement Committee

**ORDINANCES & FORMAL RESOLUTIONS FOR FIRST READING CONTINUED:**

- 1<sup>ST</sup> RDG 5. AUTHORIZE MAYOR &/OR SERV DIR TO ADVERTISE, REC BIDS & ENTER INTO CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR CLEVELAND AVE NW RESURFACING PROJ GP 1109; EXECUTE PROF SERV CONTRACT FOR CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING SERV W/OMNI PRO SERV LLC; RECEIVE ARRA FUNDS IN AMT OF \$102,345.00 FOR PROJ THROUGH ODOT; RECEIVE FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION FUNDS IN AMT OF \$1,728,000.00 TO FUND COST OF BOTH THE CONSTRUCTION & CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING CONTRACT; AMEND APPROP 1/2010; EMERGENCY  
Referred to Finance Committee

**ORDINANCES & FORMAL RESOLUTIONS FOR SECOND READING:****(SUSPENDED RULE 22A TO ADD O#6 - O#9)****POSTPONED UNTIL**

- 4/12/10 6. AMEND EXHIBIT A TO O#164/2001, AS AMENDED, CLASSIFICATION PLAN & SALARIES FOR ALL MGMT & NON-BARG UNIT EMP OF CITY OF CANTON; EMERGENCY (COMM DEV & PLANNING)  
\_\_\_\_\_(PER & FIN)
- 2<sup>ND</sup> RDG 7. RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT AREA HOUSING COUNCIL'S RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT AREAS; EMERGENCY (C&ED)
- 2<sup>ND</sup> RDG 8. AUTHORIZE SERV DIR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT W/BOBCAT COMPANY IN AMT NOT TO EXCEED \$32,991.00 FOR PURCHASE OF ONE SKID STEER LOADER MODEL 300 FOR COLLECTION SYSTEMS DEPT PURSUANT TO ORC SEC 125.04; EMERGENCY (PPCI & FIN)
- 2<sup>ND</sup> RDG 9. AUTHORIZE SERV DIR TO ENTER INTO AGMT W/ZAYO BANDWIDTH TO PERMIT CONSTRUCTION OF A "FIBER PLANT"; EMERGENCY (FIN)

**ORDINANCES & FORMAL RESOLUTIONS FOR THIRD/FINAL READING & VOTE:**

- 69/2010 10. RESOLUTION CREATING THE ALLIANCE-CANTON STANDING COMMITTEE ON WATER; EMERGENCY
- 70/2010 11. APPROVING & ACCEPTING REPLATTING OF PART OF LOT 6360; EMERGENCY (1203, 1211 & 1217 13<sup>TH</sup> ST SE - EASTSIDE HOMES LTD.)
- 71/2010 12. APPROVING & ACCEPTING REPLATTING OF ALL OF LOTS 2842 & 2843 & PART OF LOT 2844; EMERGENCY (932 & 938 STRUBLE AVE NE - EASTSIDE HOMES LTD)

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS:****MONDAY, APRIL 12, 2010 in Council Chamber at 6:30 P.M.**

- 1) Finance Committee
- 2) Judiciary Committee
- 3) Public Property Capital Improvement Committee

**MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:** Member Smuckler asking the Safety Director how numbers for crime statistics are counting, if they are based on the number of actual calls, the number of reports, the number of calls on the same incident, etc. He was at Gibbs School with Director Ream and Member Cirelli a year ago regarding these same problems and hasn't seen a change in this neighborhood. He would like to see the police cruisers come off of I77 and back into the neighborhoods. He requests that Jennifer Lewis and Christine Peterson contact him when they have a problem and promises he will respond quicker than an hour. Member West has been an advocate of camera and other crime prevention tactics but can't figure out why they can't get the help they need in the Gibbs area. He drives around nightly trying to prevent the kids from gathering in groups and he would really like to see some resolution for the residents in the area that still deeply care about their homes and their neighborhood. Member Cirelli talking about the meeting that Bruce Allison has scheduled against gangs and violence and urges all Council Members to help address this issue because a stray bullet from one of these guns is going to end up in the wrong body and then they will be attending a vigil and that is not acceptable. Also mentioned she received a call from Chief Rich of the Fire Department and with a grant that was received, they will be using \$20,000.00 to purchase the tamper proof smoke alarms with the non-removable batteries that last for 10 years. Member Hawk also receiving calls about gun shots in his Ward on Broad and Shorb. He is very sad that our citizens are being awakened by hearing this so often but he thanked the Chief for the enhanced traffic stops that are catching some of these criminals for other violations when being stopped. He also states that we are currently down 15 officers from last year and need to look at spending some of the CD dollars to get officers back on the streets. Safety Director Ream is aware of the problems in the Gibbs area and he does not like them any more than any of the residents or Council Members. He and Chief McKimm are working with others to get to the root of the problems with the gangs in the area and feel that they are closer to some resolution but will continue to address this until there is a conclusion for the neighborhood. Mayor Healy thanking the citizens for coming down and sharing information because that helps the police to track the gang members and drug activity. When they can attack certain areas, they can be more effective. All are aware that as the weather changes the problems increase. This area will remain a top priority to make an impact so that it is safe for the kids to go out and play. Member Horner asking all to stop and view the plaque on the wall in memorial to Joe Carbenia. Member Dougherty appreciates his entire team at the hospital and thanks his coordinators for nominating him for the Campus Safety Director. The hospital tries to be a good neighbor in the area and while they do have cameras on the campus that can help to review items, the employees are also a big help making the area safer. This shows how well safety can work when everyone works together. Leader Dougherty shares the outlook with his staff to Laugh, Think, Care. He has high standards but is humbled to be honored by his peers.

**ADJOURNMENT:** 8:29 P.M.

**THE NEXT REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY, APRIL 12, 2010 @ 7:30 PM**