

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 29, 2008

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Good evening ladies and gentlemen, and welcome to Canton City Council. Did I not bang the gavel loud enough, what's the story. With a quorum being present, the Chair calls this meeting of Canton City Council to order. Madame Clerk roll call vote please.

ROLL CALL TAKEN BY CLERK TIMBERLAKE:

11 COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT: (DON CASAR, JOE CARBENIA, MARY CIRELLI, GREG HAWK, THOMAS WEST, JAMES GRIFFIN, CHRIS SMITH, TERRY PRATER, DAVID DOUGHERTY, PATRICK BARTON & KARL "BUTCH" KRAUS)

ELEVEN COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT, COUNCILMEMBER BILL SMUCKLER ABSENT.

CLERK TIMBERLAKE: Eleven present Mr. President.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Thank you Madame Clerk. And tonight we'll have our invocation given by Councilmember Thomas West. If you'll all stand please and then remain standing for the pledge of allegiance.

The regular meeting of Canton City Council was held on Monday, September 29, 2008 at 7:30 P.M. in the Canton City Council Chamber. The roll call was taken (see above) by Clerk of Council Cynthia Timberlake. The invocation was given by Ward 2 Councilman, Thomas West, the Pledge of Allegiance led by President Schulman.

AGENDA CORRECTIONS & CHANGES

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Thank you Member West. We're now under agenda corrections and changes. Members of Council you're going to be asked to suspend Rule 22A to add the Second Reading of Ordinances #6 and 7. Ordinance #5 will be retained in committee. Member Casar, the Chair will recognize that motion.

MEMBER CASAR: Mr. President, I move we suspend Rule 22A and add Ordinances 6 and 7 to this evening's agenda.

MEMBER CARBENIA: Seconded.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: It's been moved and seconded to suspend Rule 22A to add the second reading Ordinances 6 and 7 to this evening's agenda. Are there any remarks, if not, Madame Clerk roll call vote please.

NO REMARKS

ROLL CALL: 11 YEAS, 0 NAYS

CLERK TIMBERLAKE: Eleven yeas Mr. President.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Thank you Madame Clerk, Rule 22A is suspended.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: We're now under Public Hearings. We have no public hearings this evening.

PUBLIC SPEAKS

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PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: We are now under Public Speaks on Ordinances and Resolutions for adoption. We have no speakers signed up this evening.

INFORMAL RESOLUTIONS

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: We are now under Informal Resolutions. Member Casar, I will recognize a motion to excuse Member Smuckler.

MEMBER CASAR: Mr. President, I move that At- Large-Councilman, William Smuckler be excused from the evening's meeting.

MEMBER CARBENIA: Second.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: It has been moved and seconded to excuse Member Smuckler. I know this is a day of a religious holiday for Member Smuckler, otherwise, he would certainly be here. Are there any other remarks? Are there any other remarks? If not, Madame Clerk, roll call vote please.

NO REMARKS

ROLL CALL: 11 YEAS, 0 NAYS

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Thank you Madame Clerk. The motion carries and Member Smuckler is excused from this evening's meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Alright, we're now under Communications, let the journal show that all communications are received as read.

NOTE: ALL COMMUNICATIONS WHICH FOLLOW, LISTED BY AGENDA TITLE, ARE ON FILE IN THEIR ENTIRETY IN THE COUNCIL OFFICE WITH THE AGENDA ITEMS FILE DATED SEPTEMBER 29, 2008.

380. AUDITOR MALLONN (CITY): CERT OF TOTAL AMT FR ALL SOURCES FOR 2008. - RECEIVED & FILED
381. DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR TORRES: AUTHORIZE MAYOR OR SERV DIR TO ENTER INTO AGMT W/SHERI'S SWEETS, INC FOR ECONOMIC GROWTH INITIATIVE INCENTIVES. - COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
382. DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR TORRES: AUTHORIZE SERV DIR TO ENTER INTO LEASE AGMT BETWEEN CITY & LOUIS SHAHEEN DBA MIDTOWN CAFÉ @ 204 WALNUT AVE SE. - COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
383. DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR TORRES: AUTHORIZE MAYOR &/OR SERV DIR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT W/STARK COMMUNITY FOUNDATION IN AMT NOT TO EXCEED \$50,000.00 FOR NEIGHBORHOOD PARTNERSHIP GRANT PROG. - COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

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384. DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR TORRES: AUTHORIZE MAYOR &/OR SERV DIR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT W/MENTORING NETWORK OF STARK COUNTY IN AMT NOT TO EXCEED \$50,000.00 TO INCREASE COLLABORATING MENTOR ORGANIZATIONS. - COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
385. DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR TORRES: AUTHORIZE MAYOR &/OR SERV DIR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT W/HABITAT FOR HUMANITY OF GREATER CANTON IN AMT NOT TO EXCEED \$150,000.00 FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF MISC INFRASTRUCTURE COSTS RELATING TO THE HOUSING PROG. - COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
386. DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR TORRES: AUTHORIZE MAYOR &/OR SERV DIR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT W/DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROJ INC IN AMT NOT TO EXCEED \$50,000.00 FOR EXPENSES RELATED TO SHORT TERM HOUSING FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE VICTIMS. - COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
387. LAW DIRECTOR MARTUCCIO: ESTABLISH FAIR MKT VALUE OF PROPOSED PERPETUAL DRAINAGE EASEMENT (MILLS INDUSTRIAL PARK) W/FAIR MKT VALUE OF \$2,400.00; ESTABLISH FAIR MKT VALUE OF TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT FOR 6 MONTHS W/FAIR MKT OF AMT OF \$200.00; AUTHORIZE SERV DIR TO NEGOTIATE & PURCHASE THE PROPOSED PERPETUAL & TEMP EASEMENTS FROM OWNER, ELAINE IRWIN, IN AMT NOT TO EXCEED ESTABLISHED FAIR MKT VALUE OF SAME; AUTHORIZE PREPARATION OF NECESSARY SUBSEQUENT RESOLUTION OF INTENT & NECESSITY & IF NECESSARY AUTHORIZE LITIGATION IN PROBATE COURT SHOULD OWNER DECLINE TO ACCEPT OFFER OR FAIL TO RESPOND. - COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & ENVIRONMENTAL & PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMITTEES
388. LAW DIRECTOR MARTUCCIO: AUTHORIZE LEGISLATION TO HELP PROTECT HEALTH & SAFETY OF OUR CITIZENS ON MATTERS RAISED BY MEMBERS GRIFFIN & CIRELLI, I.E. THE REGULATION OF EXTERNAL WOODBURNING APPLIANCES & LONG-TERM, TAMPER-PROOF, BATTERY-OPERATED SMOKE ALARMS. - JUDICIARY COMMITTEE
389. LIQUOR CONTROL DIVISION (OHIO): REQ NEW D1 D3 LIQ PERMIT FOR CLUB 330 LLC @ 1775 CLEVELAND AVE SW. - RECEIVED & FILED
390. SMUCKLER, W., ANNEXATION CHAIRMAN: REQ STATEMENT OF SERVICES FOR ESLICH ANNEXATION. - ANNEXATION COMMITTEE

ORDINANCES & FORMAL RESOLUTIONS FOR FIRST READING

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: We're now under Ordinances and Formal Resolutions for the first reading. Let the Journal show that all Ordinances are being given their readings as required by State Law. Madame Clerk if you would, please read the First Reading Ordinances by title.

NOTE: PRESIDENT SCHULMAN CALLED UPON CLERK TIMBERLAKE TO READ ORDINANCES #1 THROUGH #4 FOR THE FIRST TIME BY TITLE & ANNOUNCED THE COMMITTEE REFERRAL, AS FOLLOWS.

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#1. (1ST RDG) AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY TO ENTER INTO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH PHILIP SEDLACKO FOR ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICES FOR THE CITY OF CANTON; AMENDING APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 1/2008; AND DECLARING THE SAME TO BE AN EMERGENCY

Referred to Finance Committee

#2. (1ST RDG) AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY TO ENTER INTO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH ANGELA CAVANAUGH FOR PLANS EXAMINATION DUTIES FOR THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT; AMENDING APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 1/2008; AND DECLARING THE SAME TO BE AN EMERGENCY

Referred to Finance Committee

#3. (1ST RDG) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 1/2008, AS AMENDED, BY MAKING THE SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS, APPROPRIATION TRANSFERS, APPROPRIATION REDUCTION AND INTERFUND TRANSFERS HEREIN DESCRIBED; AND DECLARING THE SAME TO BE AN EMERGENCY

Referred to Finance Committee

#4. (1ST RDG) A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE STATEMENT OF SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED TO THE PROPERTY OWNER IN THE ESLICH ANNEXATION AREA, THE APPROXIMATE DATE SERVICES WILL BE PROVIDED, PROCEDURE FOR INCOMPATIBLE ZONING USES UPON ITS BEING ANNEXED TO THE CITY OF CANTON, OHIO; AND DECLARING THE SAME TO BE AN EMERGENCY

Referred to Annexation Committee

ORDINANCES & FORMAL RESOLUTIONS FOR SECOND READING

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: We're now under Ordinances for their second reading. Madame Clerk, will you please read Ordinance #6.

NOTE: PRESIDENT SCHULMAN CALLED UPON CLERK TIMBERLAKE TO READ ORDINANCE #6 AND #7 FOR THEIR SECOND TIME BY TITLE AS REQUIRED BY STATE LAW, AS FOLLOWS. (ORDINANCE #5 RETAINED IN COMMITTEE)

#5. (2ND RDG) ***RETAINED IN COMMITTEE*** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO ADVERTISE, RECEIVE BIDS AND ENTER INTO CONTRACT FOR THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF ONE PRE-MANUFACTURED CONCRETE RESTROOM BUILDING FOR MALLONN PARK; AND DECLARING THE SAME TO BE AN EMERGENCY

#6. (2ND RDG) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 1/2008, AS AMENDED, BY MAKING THE SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION HEREIN DESCRIBED; AND DECLARING THE SAME TO BE AN EMERGENCY

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#7. (2ND RDG) AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO ENTER INTO A ONE YEAR LEASE EXTENSION WITH ENZ, INC.; WAIVING THE EXTENSION PAYMENT OF \$20,000.00 AS REQUIRED UNDER THE PREVIOUS LEASE; APPROVING ASSIGNMENT BY ENZ, INC. OF THE LEASE AGREEMENT/EXTENSION TO VALLEY MINING, INC.; AND DECLARING THE SAME TO BE AN EMERGENCY

ORDINANCES & FORMAL RESOLUTIONS FOR THIRD AND FINAL READING

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Thank you Madame Clerk, we're now under Ordinances for their third reading and final reading. Madame Clerk will you please read Ordinance 8 by title.

NOTE: PRESIDENT SCHULMAN CALLED UPON CLERK TIMBERLAKE TO READ THE FOLLOWING ORDINANCES #8 THROUGH AND INCLUDING #11 FOR THEIR THIRD AND FINAL READING BY TITLE AS REQUIRED BY STATE LAW, AS FOLLOWS.

#8. (3RD RDG) ***POSTPONED INDEFINITELY AN ORDINANCE AMENDING EXHIBIT A TO ORDINANCE NO. 164/2001, AS AMENDED, THE CLASSIFICATION PLAN AND SALARIES FOR ALL MANAGEMENT AND NON-BARGAINING UNIT EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF CANTON; AND DECLARING THE SAME TO BE AN EMERGENCY***

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Member Casar.

MEMBER CASAR: Mr. President, I move we adopt Ordinance #8.

MEMBER CARBENIA: Second.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: It's been moved and seconded to adopt Ordinance #8. Are there any remarks under this ordinance?

MEMBER CASAR: Mr. President.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Member Casar

MEMBER CASAR: After speaking with Law Director Martuccio, he recommended, as I did, in committee that we postpone this ordinance indefinitely, I so move.

MEMBER WEST: Mr. President.

MEMBER CARBENIA: Second.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: It has been moved and seconded, therefore, to postpone, Ordinance #8 until indefinitely. Are there any remarks?

MEMBER WEST: Mr. President.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Member West.

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MEMBER WEST: Yes, Mr. President. I also agree with this motion. After I had brought this up, we had, since then have hired a Grant Writer in the CCIC, Linda Barnes, and I will go on that and if need be we will reintroduce it at some point, if it doesn't, if our Grant Writer gets overwhelmed and I am also on a record to say that we've got three grants here that I am going to be submitting to her tomorrow.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Right. Thank you very much Member West. Any other remarks? If not the motion to postpone indefinitely Ordinance #8. All those in favor, signify by saying yea. Those opposed no.

NO REMARKS

POSTPONEMENT PASSED UNANIMOUSLY BY VOICE VOTE

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Motion carries and Ordinance #8 is postponed indefinitely. Ordinance #9, please Madame Clerk.

#9. (3RD RDG) **ADOPTED AS AMENDED AS ORDINANCE NO. 144/2008** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING EXHIBIT A TO ORDINANCE NO. 164/2001, AS AMENDED, THE CLASSIFICATION PLAN AND SALARIES FOR MANAGEMENT AND NON-BARGAINING UNIT EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF CANTON; AND DECLARING THE SAME TO BE AN EMERGENCY

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Member Casar.

MEMBER CASAR: Mr. President, I move we adopt Ordinance #9.

MEMBER CARBENIA: Second.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: It's been moved and seconded to adopt Ordinance #9. Any remarks? Member Casar.

MEMBER CASAR: Mr. President, I move we amend Ordinance #9 to approve the copy that all council persons have in front of them. With that ease, which is basically the adopted, or amended ordinance that appears on the agenda this evening.

MEMBER CARBENIA: Second.

AMENDMENT

Pursuant to Rule 36, I move to amend Agenda Item No. 9 by substituting the Ordinance attached for the Ordinance currently pending before Council.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: It has been moved and seconded to amend Ordinance #9 as per the copy before each council member. Are there any remarks under that motion? If not, by voice vote all those in favor, signify by saying yea.

NO REMARKS

VOICE VOTE PASSED WITH 11 YEAS AND 1 NAY

(Member Cirelli voted Nay)

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PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Those opposed no, the motion carries. Member Casar. Wait, I am sorry Member Cirelli. You gotta be quick, gotta be fast. Sorry. Member Casar.

MEMBER CASAR: Mr. President, I move we adopt Ordinance 9 as amended.

MEMBER CARBENIA: Second.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: It has been moved and seconded to adopt Ordinance #9 so the question you are now voting on is the Ordinance as amended. Are there any remarks under this ordinance as amended? If not, Madame Clerk, roll call vote please.

NO REMARKS

ROLL CALL: 9 YEAS, 2 NAYS

(Member Hawk and Member Cirelli voted Nay)

#9 ADOPTED AS AMENDED AS ORDINANCE NO.144/2008

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Thank you Madame Clerk. The Ordinance, therefore is adopted . Madame Clerk would you please read Ordinance #10?

*#10. (3RD RDG) **POSTPONED TO 10/20/08** AMEND SEC 921.02, ELIGIBILITY, OF CODIFIED ORDINANCES (SID BORDERS)*

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Member Casar.

MEMBER CASAR: Mr. President, I move we adopt Ordinance #10.

MEMBER CARBENIA: Seconded.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: It's been moved and seconded to adopt Ordinance #10. Any remarks? Member Casar.

MEMBER CASAR: Mr. President, I move we postpone Ordinance #10 until October 20, 2008.

MEMBER CARBENIA: Second.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: It has been moved and seconded to postpone Ordinance #8 until October 20, 2008. Any remarks? I'm sorry, Ordinance #10. Let me start over, it has been moved and seconded to postpone Ordinance #10 until October 20, 2008. Thank you Director Bernabei. Are there any remarks? If not by voice vote all those in favor signify by yea, those opposed no.

NO REMARKS

POSTPONEMENT PASSED UNANIMOUSLY BY VOICE VOTE

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Thank you Madame Clerk, Ordinance #10 is therefore postponed to October 20, 2008. Madame Clerk would you please read Ordinance #11 by title?

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#11. (3RD RDG) **ADOPTED AS ORDINANCE NO. 145 /2008** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF CANTON TO ACCEPT DONATION OF REAL PROPERTY FROM MILDRED A. AND MARY ANN BECK; AND DECLARING THE SAME TO BE AN EMERGENCY

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Member Casar.

MEMBER CASAR: Mr. President, I move we adopt Ordinance #11.

MEMBER CARBENIA: Seconded.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: It's been moved and seconded to adopt Ordinance #11. Are there any remarks? If not Madame Clerk, roll call vote please.

NO REMARKS

ROLL CALL: 11 YEAS, 0 NAYS

CLERK TIMBERLAKE: Eleven yeas Mr. President.

#11 ADOPTED AS ORDINANCE NO.145/2008

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Thank you Madame Clerk, Ordinance #11 is adopted.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: We are now under Announcement of Committee meetings.

MEMBER HAWK: Mr. President.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Yes, Member Hawk.

MEMBER HAWK. Thank you, sir. Finance Committee will meet Monday, October 6th at 6:30 in the Caucus room. Thank you.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Thank you very much.

MEMBER PRATER: Mr. President.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Member Prater.

MEMBER PRATER: Annexation Committee will meet Monday, October 6th at 6:30.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Thank you. That's it?

PUBLIC SPEAKS (OPEN FORUM--CITY BUSINESS ONLY)

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: We're now under Public Speaks, Open Forum. We have three speakers signed up this evening. Just again, a cautionary word to those of you who may not have spoken to Council before. We do have a rule that is most always enforced but somewhat discretionary on the part of the Chair, of three minutes, so if you would, please keep your remarks to that three minute time period we would appreciate it.

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Our first speaker tonight is Moniquec Conner. Ms. Conner, good evening and our President of the NAACP. If you'll give us, Ms. Conner, your name and your address, please.

MONIQUEC CONNER: Thank you very much, Good evening. I am Moniquec Conner and my address is 1022 Struble NE, Canton, OH 44705 which is in Mr. West's ward. I want to thank everybody in advance because I did get to hear about the first adoptive park that is going to be going in Nimisilla Park. People are very excited about it and I wanted to come in and say something positive about it. We have been having different events in Nimisilla Park for some years now and it brings a lot of money to the community so I think it is high time for a face lift over there, and it is an area that we do not, really do not have any area for the disability people, so therefore I think that this is something that is well needed in Nimisilla Park and I want to thank Council in advance for helping us in the Year of our Neighborhoods. So thank you very much.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Thank you very much. I appreciate your being here. Our next speaker is Dr. Deborah Watkins and Doctor, if you'd step forward and give us your name and residential address please. And I think you are also going to address the same subject that Miss Conner did, so good evening, welcome.

DR. DEBORAH WATKINS: I am going to try to not stand close to the mike, I have a very projective voice especially being an ordained minister, so it has a tendency to get loud at times, so please excuse me, I apologize ahead of time. President Schulman, Mayor and cabinet, to all the Council members, I should say, I am here on behalf of also, my Ward 2, which I am in Mr. West's ward. We thank you very much to the entire Council. We appreciate the move and the funding that you move on as far as getting that addition down to Nimisilla. We do need a face lift there and I have to say for several reasons, at this point Nimisilla is being utilized much now than I have seen it in past, and because it's being utilized so much I tell you Ward 2 is in definitely need of it. I also would like to add and commend Tom for stepping up and at least thinking and moving towards the direction of bettering his wards, so we appreciate that. Again I am a supporter of Ward 2 and our neighborhood. I am glad it is moving and we need more in Ward 2 and Ward 4. I am looking for Ward 4 enough though I am not in that area but I am looking for things to happen there also. Again thank you Council, President, and Mayor.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Thank you Doctor, very much. Our last speaker is Joe Payne who just returned from boot camp and he is here to address us and I meant to say Congratulations, it is nice to have you home! I am sure it was a lot of fun, you have a smile on your face, so, either that or you just have a smile on your face because you are not in boot camp anymore. Good evening, Joe. Give us your name and your residential address please.

JOE PAYNE: Yes. My name is Joe Payne and I live at 2337 Winfield Way NE, Canton, Ohio, 44705, and I just wanted to take the time today to thank Mr. Allen Schulman and Mr. Rose for looking out for people that actually do try to make a difference in people's lives so they tried to help me get a job, Valet parking at Aultman. I appreciate that a lot, thank you and I also wanted to ask for people's support for "Out of the Box Ministries" with Pastor Quentin Poole. We are going to be trying to move at 1618 Navarre Rd. SW and at the Total Living Center Church, that building. I just want to ask for people's support to try to help us fund raise money. We take donations and everything and we are having an event this Friday at 6:00 to probably about 8:30 and we are going to have food and it's going to be performances and doing it all in the name of God, for God in the name of Christ so I just wanted to ask for you all's support and thank ya'll.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Thank you Joe. And just so Council understands and recognizes, I appreciate Joe's kind words but Member Dougherty was also, and I know Joe knows this and was instrumental in trying to get Joe a job, since his return from military service, but we just have to get Joe a driver's license and we'll

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be in really good shape. I don't think you can be a hospital valet, Mr. leader without a driver's license.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: We're now under Miscellaneous Business. Is there any Miscellaneous Business?

MEMBER WEST: Mr. President.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Member West.

MEMBER WEST: Yes, I Watch neighborhood association will be having an event on Saturday, October 4th. They will be planting some trees in the area, so if anyone would like to attend, contact Lois Ellis over there in the green glasses, see her. I thank you.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Thank you, Member West. Member Hawk.

MEMBER HAWK: Mr. President, I was fortunate enough to be able to go to Flint, MI several weeks ago to talk with them about how they do Land Banking and actually through Genessee County. Flint, MI was devastated by the loss of jobs. They lost 80,000 jobs inside their city limits. To give you a perspective, that's the entire population of the city of Canton, Ohio. They have done a marvelous job with land banking, and they in fact are the national model and that was recommended to us by folks at MIT who pointed it out. I think that in this Year of our Neighborhood as we are celebrating all of the things we're doing, we need to start sitting down and working out the whole land banking process. It takes great cooperation from all of us and it will take cooperation from our county. There are some draw backs to land banking folks and it can cost us some money, but we need to at least sit down and do a fair evaluation to see if this is something that cannot work in Canton, Ohio, for us. I think if we all read the paper last week you're going to see that three houses, vacant houses were set on fire and that speaks a lot to what happens in vacant houses and why we should work to clean these houses off if they are uninhabitable or in poor shape. We should be, remove them, if not we should work very hard to occupy them. It is my understanding that we are going to receive approximately \$3.6 million in federal funding in order to work in our neighborhoods. I think we should all work together to find out the best application for these funds to make every dollar work for us, and to improve our neighborhoods. We will invite the folks down at a later date from Flint, MI. They will come to us and help us if we choose to work toward a land banking operation. Thank you very much.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Thank you Member Hawk. And thank you for your visit and the time you have spent on this very important issue. Any other remarks?

MEMBER SMITH: Mr. President.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Yes Member Smith.

MEMBER SMITH: OK I have a couple of announcements for the Council Members in your mail there should have been a letter from Stark Metropolitan Housing asking if you would like to go and it is also open to residents especially the President of NAACP, if she would like go, and any resident. We're going down to Columbus to visit The Commons at Grant. That is that project that's their wanting to put in the old Allen School building and if anyone is interested in going, I have the information. We would like for you to go down to see what they've done in that particular neighborhood regarding the old Allen School. Also if Mr. Bernabei, I have a couple residents here that would like to know the information that you shared with me

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with Sherrick Rd. If you could address that for me, I would appreciate it. Thank you.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Did you want to do that right now or after the meeting?

SERVICE DIRECTOR BERNABEI: Inaudible

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: He will do that after the meeting.

MEMBER SMITH: OK

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: OK, thank you. Member Dougherty do you have anything?

MEMBER DOUGHERTY: No sir.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: Oh, any other remarks? I just want to throw the cautionary statement I think we all have been making, the Winston Churchill remark about you can go down the Niagara River and you can go through the bends and turns and you won't hear the falls but that doesn't mean you're not headed toward the falls. So today we had a real display of that in the financial markets and this is very serious. And I am just going to again remind all of us that we have a duty to protect the financial integrity of our city, and I know we are all working hard to do it. I know Member Hawk as Finance Chair and the Mayor and his administration and our leadership in Council and all Members are going to keep that paramount. But we are facing some real hurricane winds and it's going to be tough times for not only our country but certainly the world and particularly our citizens here in Canton. So, with that happy statement, Member Casar.

MEMBER CASAR: Mr. President, I move we adjourn.

MEMBER CARBENIA: Second.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: It's been moved and seconded to adjourn. Roll call vote please Madame Clerk.

NO REMARKS

ROLL CALL: 11 YEAS, 0 NAYS

CLERK TIMBERLAKE: Eleven yeas.

PRESIDENT SCHULMAN: (*Gavel falls*) Meeting is adjourned. Thank you.

ADJOURNMENT TIME: 7:58 P.M.

ATTEST: APPROVED:

CYNTHIA TIMBERLAKE
CLERK OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT

ALLEN SCHULMAN