

**COUNCIL MINUTES**  
**MARCH 5, 2007**

The regular City Council meeting was held on Monday, March 5, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. in the Euclid City Hall Council Chamber. President Gudenas presided.

Members Present: Conway, Delaney, Holzheimer Gail, Langman, Lisy, Mancuso, Walsh,  
Gudenas.

Excused: Gruber

Councilwoman Holzheimer Gail moved to excuse Councilman Gruber. Councilman Langman seconded. Yeas: Unanimous.

Others Present: Mayor Cervenik, Law Director Frey, Finance Director Johnson, CS&ED  
Director Pietravoia, Service Director Gulich, Parks & Recreation Director  
Will, Police Chief Repicky, Fire Chief Cosgriff, Zoning Commissioner  
Beno, Sgt.-at-Arms NovoseI, Clerk of Council Cahill.

Invocation was given by Mayor Cervenik.

President Gudenas welcomed Mr. Bill Davis of Delicatessen Baltika, who provided samples of the Delicatessen for Council and Administration.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

Council has received the following communications:

From Director Pietravoia the contract for the Spies Lake Shore Commercial Development Project.  
2006 Annual Police Report.

Councilman Conway – In addition to the communications, I did notice that tonight we received some minutes for the Charter Review Commission which have been done on a verbatim basis. I just had a couple of quick questions for the Mayor because I know the Charter Review Commission itself did not take the, for lack of a better word, our request or initiative to do the Charter Review Commission and this is something that you committed to making happen for the residents.

A couple of quick questions, we just wanted to confirm, will this become the official minutes for the Charter Review Commission, or will this be a second set of minutes that you have been able to provide for the residents?

Mayor Cervenik – These will not be the official enabling minutes and documents of the Charter Review Commission, they will still be approving their summary minutes, as is very much the common case with most of our committees in the City of Euclid. However, we will continue to provide the verbatim minutes for all residents. We also will be very shortly adding a link our city web page for Charter Review so that these minutes are contained on our web page. We will provide them to the Library as well, so that anyone who wants to review the verbatim minutes, will be there. We will be providing a copy to each of the Charter Review Commission members and if they feel there are any corrections or that, we will do that. We feel that if Council felt, I've gotten very little resident communication, but we've gotten a number of Council people that feel verbatim minutes should be available to the community and as I told you, I promised we would do that and we have. It does not come without a cost. Verbatim minutes does take some time. We did have to pay some overtime and some personnel hours to get it done, but as you've made it very clear to me, you feel it is worth your while and will continue to do so.

Councilman Conway – Thank you for that update and I do continue to think its worthwhile. I hope I speak for the majority of Council that they feel that its also very important thing that these are provided for our residents. I do think its unfortunate that the Charter Review Commission did not pro-actively accept our Resolution as something that we found to be very important to the residents. I think that now that these are available we will see that more and more residents access this valuable piece of information. As you know, based upon some of the feedback that came out of the Charter Review Commission, I had a desire to submit this the first time we did it and got it passed unanimously, a Resolution, which as the Law Director informed us was non-binding. Based upon the feedback that was given again by the Charter Review Commission, we did send through a request to make it an emergency ordinance requiring that this happen and we were informed by the Law Director that was something we were unable to actually implement.

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So, I'm definitely disappointed about that and would like to hear more about why we can't make it an ordinance so that we're not duplicating efforts, so there's not confusion that there's two sets of minutes. Don't misunderstand what I'm saying, I am very grateful that these minutes were done. It is unfortunate that there is additional cost and there is two sets of minutes that could potentially be floating around. I think that to avoid that confusion going forward, we still should have some more dialogue about introducing an ordinance which requires this to take place. Any comments from either you or the Law Director would be appreciated and if any other member of Council would like to add to that, please feel free to do so.

Mayor Cervenik – Councilman Conway, I don't totally disagree with you. The only thing I would disagree about is that if you do require verbatim minutes that you require it of each and every Commission of the City. Because what may not be as important to this body, or some members now, other committees would be very much as important. I would not object to an ordinance if in fact its legal requiring that all commissions whether they be appointed by Council or the Administration, keep verbatim minutes. These days of technology however, sometimes I think paper minutes are a little unproductive, not as efficient as having a CD or listening to a tape recorder, but again that is strictly up to you. I will say that the Charter Review Commission was very pro-active and very supportive of having the administration make available the minutes. The results that you want are here. As long as the intent of Council is to make sure that the residents have verbatim minutes and word for word by each commission member what they said, I think the results have been achieved and we need to move forward.

Councilman Conway – While I would agree with you that the results have been achieved, but at an inefficient way. When you made the comment about all commissions requiring verbatim minutes, I don't think there's another commission, though obviously all very important, that have such an impact on the future direction that the city is taking. I think it is valuable in this particular case to consider verbatim minutes being a requirement going forward. Maybe if there's another committee or two that Council would like to discuss verbatim minutes being necessary, that's certainly something we can discuss. I'm not sure that the Shade Tree Commission or Landmark Commission, no disrespect to those Commissions need verbatim minutes. But I do think the Charter Review Commission which is going to shape the future direction as I said of the city, is something that's well worth the investment and the time and the resources necessary to provide these minutes. I'll defer to any other council member that has comments.

Councilman Delaney – The way this came about I believe is that the Charter Review Commission actually in their organizational meeting, the question came up, they were to decide whether to have verbatim minutes or summaries. I think it was maybe misunderstood, but our Resolution was in place, my understanding was to support the Charter Review Commission in verbatim minutes. I would agree with Councilman Conway is that the Charter Review Commission is every ten years, every eight years?

President Gudenas – Every eight years.

Councilman Delaney – So it is quite different from a lot of our commissions that run continuously. I would think that if we had verbatim minutes on say the Landmark Commission, you want to go into overtime, you should follow Roy Larick around for an afternoon, that will really run up the clock.

I agree, some of them, there aren't that many commissions that we could do it on a case-by-case basis. As regard with the Charter Review Commission, it is our Charter, it is our government, so I certainly support verbatim minutes as the official record as well. I think that is as important that verbatim is official on the record for the Charter Review.

President Gudenas – Okay, so we shall try to work this out before the next meeting, but right now we have a sort of inefficient way because two sets of minutes and we only need one set of minutes, so were going to try to work that out for the next meeting.

Also, I have a question on Communications because it was something that was missing, and that was the golf course daily report that we were promised. The last one we have was as of February 11<sup>th</sup> close to a month ago. As we've discussed, over and over and over again, we are very concerned about the losses there. My guess is we lost a great deal of money in February, but we have no idea. We sort of heard some stories about how things are changing over there. The first thing we need to confirm is who exactly is going to be sending us the daily report that was promised that Director Will had been doing, but stopped suddenly on February 11<sup>th</sup>?

Mayor Cervenik – I will begin sending you that daily report. What we are doing with the Golf Course Commission is that, as I told you this afternoon, that they will be meeting, I believe the second Sunday of each month, regularly. We will provide to them by Thursday, normally Thursday before that meeting, or at least by Friday, the monthly financial information from the prior month and any other information they require. My apologies if you still need those daily numbers, you will have them tomorrow.

President Gudenas – Thank you and also I believe Councilman Conway had requested a long time ago to also have your projections for that month and how those daily reports fit into what we have projected.

Mayor Cervenik – Part of the information that will be coming to you as I told you this afternoon, that we will provide each member of City Council with the same information that the Golf Course Commission wants, will be our calendarized projections. You will have those either Thursday evening or Friday morning.

President Gudenas – How will they fit into these daily reports?

Mayor Cervenik – I don't see much use in daily reports. I will tell you that we've got a budget that was approved by Council. That budget will be calendarized by month. We will compare the calendarized budget to the actual budget that we will provide each and every month. We will make our decisions, recommendations and determine where we've had successes and determine where we've had failures based upon that information. How that fits in with your daily information, I'm not sure. I don't look at the daily information either. I try and look at the monthly information and that way we can determine where we succeeded, where we failed and what changes we have to make.

President Gudenas – Can you then prepare that for January and February so we can start with the beginning of the year to see how the first two months fit into the projections?

Mayor Cervenik – Can I ask what you're asking me to prepare, the daily's?

President Gudenas – Everything has stopped as of February 11. So we have to go through February 28<sup>th</sup> to get the first two months and then we need to continue on into March. But if you're going to report your projections monthly, we would need your projections for January, February and obviously the rest of the year.

Mayor Cervenik – The budget will be calendarized for all 12 months. The information you have will have January in there as well as February. You will have January budget report from our financial system as well as February.

President Gudenas – When will we get that?

Mayor Cervenik – If you don't have it Thursday, you will definitely have it Friday.

President Gudenas – That's great. Could you explain for us again its because we did receive an e-mail, this is still part of our communications here, exactly who is in charge of the Golf Course now because Director Will had been in charge and 10% of her salary had been coming out of the Golf Course budget. But if you've made a change, does this mean we're going to have budget amendments to the Rec Dept. because certainly we can't be charging the golf course 10% of Rec Dept. budget if that's no longer involved with it.

Mayor Cervenik – As we talked in budget hearings, I firmly expect many, if not all of the departments to be presenting to City Council budget amendments sometime in late May or early June before you go on recess, for various changes and various situations that arise.

Director Will as I said is not taking the sole responsibility for the golf course. That has been transferred to my department. But Mr. Sloat will be the Manager or as the ordinance and the Golf Course Commission calls him the Controller of the Golf Course. The other two departments in the golf course, which is Maintenance and the restaurant Sticks, will be reporting directly to Mr. Sloat. I have taken over the administrative position of who to report to. Each and every department has to have either a Director or Administrator to report to. That will be me.

Director Will, at least, I perceive over the next 60 days, will still be an intricate part of helping myself and the golf course get things rolling with the Commission. We had a meeting with the Golf Course Commission on Sunday and as I told you in the e-mail, I believe it was a very positive meeting. I think we got beyond some of the problems and the nuances we were dealing with and they are looking forward to really getting into the meat and bread and butter of the golf course and examining the financials, examining the operations, each and every month and making changes as they see fit. I was very, very impressed with the attitude of the Golf Course Commission this past Sunday. It is really the first Golf Course Commission meeting I went to. But there was positive dialogue, there was disagreements, but positive disagreements.

The information from here on end will be coming from my office.

President Gudenas – We are very hopeful with the Golf Course Commission. Again, further on your e-mail, we're still trying to figure out, you've apparently asked two Euclid residents to be your special advisors. When they show up at the Golf Course Commission, they are public residents and they are at these Commission meetings are residents? Is that what we're understanding?

Mayor Cervenik – They would basically be at the Commission meetings as my assistants. I have given them the ability to ask questions, to contribute, just as we have with the general public. We had Ray Petrea, he has been here talking about Diabetes and that he was at the Golf Course Commission Meeting Monday and was given an opportunity to speak.

President Gudenas – Are they going to be sitting as Commission members? Part of the dialogue and discussion, or will they be ....?

Mayor Cervenik – No they are not. They can be part of the dialogue and they are there to help me just as any council person has that have shown at those meetings ....

President Gudenas – Does the commission decide those rules? In other words, how are you deciding those rules for the Commission that suddenly they have two additional members?

Mayor Cervenik – They don't have members. They are assistants. They are my assistants. They are helping me. The Golf Course commission has the authority. I don't quite understand. I use people from the business community all the time, Council President, to advise me and to help me and to just brain-storm to get things done.

President Gudenas – That's very good but they certainly wouldn't be here at our Council meeting as part of the overall discussion and part of the debate, etc. They would be contributing to you prior to the meeting and after the meeting. So we have had concern from some residents in the City of Euclid exactly how these two additional people will fit into the meeting to make sure the meetings run efficiently without disruptions. Because if you suddenly have two people that are just showing up and butting into conversations in a normal meeting, not following Robert's Rules of Orders, that's not a good way to run a meeting.

Mayor Cervenik – It is my understanding and from my experience on Sunday, that Robert's Rules of Order were followed. The Commissioner's rules were followed and that neither one of these individuals contributed negatively to any of the conversation whatsoever. If in fact the Commission at some time says that I want your two assistants to sit with Ray or anyone else out on a table and just listen, that's their right and I will honor their decision. But I think for the most part, the Commission appreciated some of the input that these two gentlemen had. I know I most certainly did. If that is not the case, we will handle it at that time.

I guess when, it was probably about a year and a half ago and this Council talked about appointing Commissions and letting the people make decisions and being a part of it, I have been trying extremely hard to allow these Commissions to have their independence. I've been doing that with the Charter Review Commission and with the Golf Commission and I will continue to do that. I made it very clear to them Sunday that I am here to help, I will give you what you need and we sincerely need their input and their expertise. I'm willing to do what the Commission needs to do and if they find that someone who is helping me on a personal level, is interfering, then we will take care of that. I respect their decisions, I will listen to them.

President Gudenas – I guess there's a concern by some residents that the Chairman of the Charter Review Commission is now one of these people that will be advising the Golf Course Commission and the independence may or may not be so accurate.

Councilman Langman – Mayor, I did read your e-mail but unfortunately I had a community event to go on Wednesday evening, so I didn't really get a chance to see it until Thursday and by then I had read about the changes in the newspaper and I guess I was a little taken aback. We talked about working together and communicating better and we're here to help. We're here to collaborate as best we can. It seems like this was already decided way after the fact, so we really had no opportunity to offer any input. That is troubling because I don't particularly like reading about issues that go on the second ward or with the Golf Course in the newspaper. I'll be honest, it reminded me of past times where communication was not very good. After all we had the Golf Course Clubhouse Commission where some of us were cut out of the loop and I was hoping that we had moved beyond that, but I would like an explanation as to why the Commission knew about it, but seemingly no one on City Council knew about it in an appropriate manner.

Again, I will say again, there are many talented people up here and we have much to offer if you tap into that.

Mayor Cervenik – I'm glad you asked that question. Number one, who the golf course employees report to is an administrative decision that I have the ability and that authority to make and I did not make that decision lightly. As I said in my e-mail it is no reflection upon Director Will or anyone else in the Recreation Dept.

I will tell you that the only reason you read about that in the newspaper is because one of the Commission members talked to the Council President and the Council President talked to the reporter before I had the ability to send my e-mail out on Thursday. Okay. I was very surprised when the reporter called up and knew about the changes being done before I had the opportunity to talk to you. Once the reporter told me that he had conversations with a number of council members, I obviously had to respond. I, too, had some things going on Wednesday before the paper came out, so I was not able to get back to you until Thursday on the golf course stuff.

I do apologize that you read about it in the paper, but I didn't go to the paper and broadcast those changes. It was my intention to make sure that you knew about them first. Again, as I said, I really feel that if we allow the Golf Course commission and the employees of the golf course a few months to do their thing, as I saw Sunday at their meeting, or two Sunday ago, I think we're all going to be very satisfied and happy that we appointed this Golf Course Commission in the first place, we allowed them the independence and the wherewithal to do the job they need to do. Last but not least, pray to God that we get a little nicer weather than we had last year.

That's how you read about it in the paper. I was not happy about reading about it in the paper.

Councilman Langman – The point is that yes, you can make those changes. Obviously that's your prerogative to do so, but the question is, should you have or should you have come and discuss it with at least the Chairman of the Recreation Committee before making the final decision.

Councilman Delaney – No, Mayor, that was me that had talked to the reporter and it was after the meeting on Sunday that a couple of the commissioners had touched base with me. They said they were surprised to see you there at the meeting and you had come in with your two advisors, Mr. Ilcin and Mr. Dempsey. One of the things that I wanted to assure the Golf Course Commission and maybe we can just do that right now, is that, that is exactly right that establish the Golf Course Commission to remain independent of the administration and to remain independent of City Council. You would agree with that?

Mayor Cervenik – I think I've been living that Councilman Delaney, yes.

Councilman Delaney – Because they were under the impression that you came in and said this is going to change, these are my advisors, here's how it is going to be. When the reporter calls, you know very well that the reporter calls all of us once a week and asks what's news and there's no sense in not telling him what I heard because I had heard it from a commissioner. Obviously you hadn't informed anybody, you went to the Commission first. But, after you do tell people, we all know, we're public and these things will get out and get reported. I think that one of the things that I'm interested in is that I wasn't clear and it was asked of you by one of the Commissioners at the meeting. The 10% of the Director's salary, you're saying it does remain in the golf course budget?

Mayor Cervenik – I believe after the next 30 days or so, it will probably be removed from the Golf Course budget because she will no longer be participating in that.

Councilman Delaney, I can only add as far as and I know Councilman Langman said it as well, as far as communications go, if you were told sometime shortly after the meeting on Sunday, and you had some concerns, you most certainly had the wherewithal to pick up the phone and call me and we could have talked about any of your concerns as well and I can only encourage that we do that in the future and I will do my best. From my e-mail last Thursday I told you we will do this on a regular basis and I hope it is a two way street is all.

Councilman Delaney – I appreciate that. Again, I think that it seems that more planning should have been into a move. But I do want to make sure that we are clear and a statement you had made a little bit earlier about the Golf Course Commission getting into the meat and potatoes. They did that. They have been doing that and they have had a few distractions, they have found it difficult to meet and they have done an extraordinary job. I think that just by having them in place I've certainly learned a great deal about the golf course budget more than my council experience. But we do have a lot of work on that budget to this day and it is important that we continue to get our reporting, especially in these months, if we're going to make that decision whether the golf course clubhouse remains open or not. We have to compare those numbers. Because it is a new operation, we do have to track it very closely for these first years. I think that some of the changes that we have to make are going to be hard ones and we have to get out from underneath, not just for the last 16 months, a budget that wasn't meeting its projections, but we have to make sure that that starts to begin to pad its cash reserve and not just come in on budget. We actually have to make money over there to make this thing work. Thank you.

Mayor Cervenik – Councilman Delaney, I agree with you. All sorts of operations in this City really need to be make money. We should not be entering into situations where its actually costing the taxpayers money and I certainly hope you agree with me across the table on all operations of the City. Thank you.

Councilman Lisy – Switching subjects, we're receiving monthly Police Reports but we're no longer receiving the monthly Fire reports. Can we start getting the monthly fire reports next month?

Chief Cosgriff – Yes we can. We got a request to re-design the fire reports to mimic the police reports and we will be getting those to you.

Councilwoman Walsh – I believe this would fall under communications because several of the people in my Ward received this recycling letter. The first question I have is who paid for this recycling letter? It has our logo on it. Did we pay for it? I thought that I had requested that we have all the Ward Council people have their phone number on it with their names. I had a minimum of three calls on Sunday and two calls on Saturday where people had to go through and find my phone number to ask me about the recycling thing.

The other thing that I think needs to be clarified, in the statement on here, this is not an "I" statement, it's a team statement. The team should also include all members of Council because we were the ones that supported the recycling. This was not just an administration event. I think it is a travesty of justice really not to have the Ward people's name on here when we're the ones taking the calls. As a matter of fact, you don't even have the City hall number on here or any way for the residents to get a hold of you. Yet when they had the questions, they persevered and they found the number whether it took a long time in your opinion, or it didn't take a long time, but this is a team thing. I had asked for that in the beginning and if we paid for it with our logo, then I think all the Ward people have a right to have their phone number on there. If you didn't want to do that, then we should have a minimum of call City Hall and let the Receptionist answer the questions.

Director Gulich – The City did not pay for that. That was paid for by Republic. I do recall you making that request. When I did call Republic the next morning, those pamphlets had already been printed and sealed in all of those 17,000 packages of bags we handed out a couple of weeks ago. Those were printed by them, at their cost and they were sealed in those bags by the time your request did come up.

But I do want to mention another thing. The Mayor allowed me to put in for a grant from the Cuyahoga County Solid Waste District to allow us to do an additional printing. I think that would be a good opportunity to include Council's participation in that. We should hear in April

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that we have the funding to put that into place. I can ask for yours or anyone else's on Council's input in regard to that piece of literature which would go to each and every resident.

Councilwoman Walsh – Who gave them the quote then? Which discredits the Council that fought for the recycling?

Mayor Cervenik – There is no discredit being there of City Council. It basically what was done the last two or three contracts that the Mayor at the time had a letter that went out explaining it, encouraging people to recycle. We talk about communication, I saw you this morning, if you had displeasure, you could have asked me this morning, I could have explained it to you. As the Service Director said, after you made your statements, they were already printed up. We're quite positive we are going to get the grant and I promise you, we'll even get your pictures on the flyer for the next one as well as a quote from each of you if that's what you want.

Councilwoman Walsh – Excuse me, but that sarcasm is not necessary.

Mayor Cervenik – It is not sarcasm.

Councilwoman Walsh – And as far as this morning, I was preoccupied with something else here.

President Gudenas – We sort of covered that, but we should make it very clear at the end of the day, the taxpayers are paying for all of this. Republic may have prepared the flyer, but we're paying Republic for the recycling and in their bid, I'm sure is an expense for flyers and bags and whatever. So at the end of the day they are doing nothing for free, it is all the taxpayers paying it. Generally probably the best solution is to have nobody's name on it, just keep to the facts, keep to the phone number, keep to the basic information, no pictures, no speeches, just focus on recycling and helping our residents and keep it at that. That was one of the reasons we didn't want to do our newsletter because generally it's a waste of money because it is just about people promoting themselves. With that we are finished with Communications and we can go onto Council Minutes.

Mayor Cervenik- Mr. Chairman, we are not finished with Communications. This is Administration Reports & Communications and so far it has mostly been City Council.

President Gudenas – That comes after our minutes. We're doing Council Minutes first then we go to, don't worry we didn't forget.

Mayor Cervenik – Excuse me.

#### COUNCIL MINUTES

Councilwoman Holzheimer Gail moved to approve the Council Minutes of February 20, 2007. Councilman Lisy seconded. Yeas: Unanimous.

#### ADMINISTRATION REPORTS & COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor Cervenik – I believe the only one tonight is Director Will.

Director Will – I'd just like to take this opportunity to highlight a few events that we have coming up in our Recreation Dept. Remind you that on Friday evenings, we have public sessions at the ice arena from 7:00 to 8:30. There's three more dates that we have: 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> and the 23<sup>rd</sup>. I'd like to invite everybody on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of March, again from 7:00 to 8:30, that skate that evening will be free. On March 23<sup>rd</sup>, the ice arena will be open for a free skate from 7:00 to 8:30 thanking everybody for a great year that we had at the ice arena.

We have our Start Smart Basketball program beginning tomorrow night at Shore Cultural Centre for ages three to five. You can call 289-8230 and Mac can give you some more details on that.

We have Start Smart Golf beginning Saturday March 10<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 AM at the golf course. 289-8574.

Monday, March 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM here at City Hall, we will be having our Shade Tree Commission meeting.

Tuesday, March 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM we will be having another Recreation Commission meeting here at City Hall.

Saturday, March 31<sup>st</sup> at 11:00 AM is our free Easter Egg Hunt behind the YMCA. Again 11:00 AM for children ages 8 and under. Also on Saturday, March 31<sup>st</sup> at 9:30 AM will be

Breakfast with the Easter Bunny at Shore Cultural Centre. You must pre-register for this event, call 289-8107.

On Saturday, April 21<sup>st</sup>, we'll be having our Spring Fling in Sims Park, from 11:00 AM until 3:00 PM. We'll have local landscapers helping us to get ready for spring, hot dogs, beverages available, demonstrations by Home Depot, Scotts Fertilizer, Pave Stone and to other vendors here. A band will be playing from Noon until 2:00 and Dick Goddard will be on hand to sign autographs from Noon until 2:00.

This will also be our kick-off for our Summer of Wellness. This summer we will all be working hard to promote healthy lifestyles for the City of Euclid. Keep in mind one date, Wednesday, May 16<sup>th</sup>, we will be joining Mayor Bill Cervenik on a one mile fitness walk. We will be doing the walk at noon and at 6:00 PM. We'll walk from City Hall, go for a mile and end up back at City Hall. That is on Wednesday, May 16<sup>th</sup>. We are going to support the entire State of Ohio and the Healthy Ohioans goal will be to walk a million miles that day. We'll be having a whole bunch of other fun events for you, which I'll be telling you about shortly. Keep in mind the dates June 14<sup>th</sup> through June 17<sup>th</sup> for our Euclid Lake Fest. You can go onto [Euclidlakefest.com](http://Euclidlakefest.com) to check out the schedule for our annual festival. Thank you.

Mayor Cervenik and Director Will recognized Linden Stephens for being honored by the Junior NBA for his outstanding leadership and dedication in the Euclid Panther Hoops Program.

President Gudenas – It was really good to hear about the Summer of Wellness. We had a little meeting, January 19<sup>th</sup> at the Henn Mansion where we had some civic leaders there going over ideas on how to get more residents involved and promote the city. From that meeting, came the Summer of Wellness along with other marketing things. It is good that the administration is following through and making it happen. I know a lot of residents are interested in participating, the Chamber of Commerce. We look forward to having continuing, more of our goals from that one meeting, implemented this year. So that's very good.

Mayor Cervenik – Right after Reports & Committee Minutes, we had talked earlier about Item #5, being pulled.

President Gudenas - We are going to put it into Committee.

Mayor Cervenik – Okay, then I withdraw.

#### REPORTS & COMMITTEE MINUTES

Councilwoman Holzheimer Gail moved to receive the Animal Shelter Report of February, 2007; Police Report of January 2007; Charter Review Commission Minutes of 1/18/07; Recreation Commission Min. of 10/24/06; Euclid Public Involvement Committee Min. of 1/31/07 and 02/06/07; City Services Evaluation Committee Minutes of 2/8/07 & 2/22/07; Board of Control of 2/12/07 & 2/20/07. Councilman Conway seconded.

President Gudenas – As we heard before, we're going to have several of the items put into Committee. The one about CVS, AT&T and DOG; which would be #1, is CVS. We will have discussion about that little brief discussion, but we're scheduling that meeting for Wednesday, March 4<sup>th</sup> most likely at 7:00. #5, would be the Committee. There might be some additional legislation coming on for the next meeting to clarify, we'll see, otherwise we'll work on that in the meantime. #6, AT&T coming in to compete with Time Warner, that is a lot to talk about there, so they'll come make a whole special presentation, but we're not sure exactly on the date on that. That leaves three items, that's why we took all the time earlier. We won't take up to much for the others.

Councilwoman Walsh moved to go into the Committee of the Whole for Legislative Matters Only. Councilman Lisy seconded. Yeas: Unanimous.

#### COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE FOR LEGISLATIVE MATTERS ONLY

Mr. Dennis Berzinskas – 20890 S. Lake Shore Blvd. #1, we should all, in the future, when somebody wants to come into our city and do business, like they have already, fit your buildings into the surroundings. I don't want any sore thumbs. I've told you before about this little town in Pennsylvania where one of the big drugstores moved in. They tore what was down there. You never saw something so odd in a little town, they don't know what they lost. I don't want to see that happen to our city. If you're going to put a building up in our city, make sure it fits our

surrounding. You owe that to us if you're going to take money out of our city. If you're going to make money, fit the building in to fit the property, to fit the city.

#2, we met with the Compact at Shore and you've never seen people so excited. They came close twice before they told me and it fell through. We've had Key Club members working down there, they're giving up their Saturday mornings and early afternoons, helping us clear out the area. These kids are trying to make a difference for other children in the city. We're told by our Senators and Congressmen time after time, that inner-ring suburbs, don't worry, you've got to change, you're not going to have heavy industry like you had before. We're going to become a service industry. They never told us what they mean by that, but, one of the things we can do is do a service to our next generation of children, giving them another way of going out into the work field and making money and servicing people. This is a big step for a little money. Let's all get behind it and make a difference for our children. Let's vote yes tonight, thank you.

President Gudenas – In regard to your question about the CVS, I know the administration we've got to give them credit, has been very pro-active in that they've hired City Architecture to work with the builder/developers to make sure that the building is an attractive building. I've seen some of the sketches and so far so good. It will all have to go through Architectural Review, if approved, but the administration is being very pro-active on this one, which is excellent.

Councilman Lisy moved to rise and report. Councilwoman Holzheimer Gail seconded. Yeas: Unanimous.

#### **LEGISLATION**

##### **Ord. (292-07) Spies – CVS Project**

An emergency ordinance authorizing the Mayor of the City of Euclid to enter into a Purchase and Sale and Development Agreement to sell City-owned property for Four Hundred Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$415,000.00), situated at the northwest corner of Lake Shore Boulevard and Bliss Lane, containing approximately 1.1 acres to be split from Permanent Parcel No. 642-10-044, and further described in Exhibit A attached hereto, to Spies Lakeshore Properties, LLC, for a commercial development project in the downtown Euclid business district. (Sponsored by Mayor Cervenik and Councilman Langman by request of CS&ED Director)

Councilman Langman moved for passage, Councilwoman Holzheimer Gail seconded.

President Gudenas – Several of the reasons why we're going to ask to put this into Committee are as follows. One is that site is also the home of the Mary Mavec School and we have to make sure they have a new home. The funds you see here, for anyone whose been concerned, I did get some calls, it says \$415,000. All of that money will be used to rebuild the Mary Mavec School.

In the legislation and contract, several sites are mentioned, one is a corner lot at 217 & Lake Shore, which may or may not be the best spot. We're looking at an alternative site which on Bliss Lane, which is further down the road across the street, which would be right by the back lot of Walgreen's and Alexander's Restaurant, right in that area which the City does not use. We're trying to make that site work for the new Mary Mavec School. That is one thing we'd like to work out in the next short period of time, with some additional work with Mary Mavec School.

At the same time, we're trying to make this one project be a catalyst for additional development in Downtown Euclid. So we're going to explore the idea of creating a Special Tax Increment Finance Zone, where some of the property taxes would be used to help develop additional property. There is no tax abatement on this property. So over \$100,000 a year will be coming to the Schools and the City, etc., and we're trying to earmark some of this money for redevelopment for other properties and also to jump start this Special Improvement District in the area.

It is not just one drugstore, we're trying to use this one project, which is a very ambitious project to jump start some additional development. We're going to go over all these things at the public hearing, no Council Committee Meeting on Wednesday, which will be the Executive & Finance Committee so that everyone is involved with it.

I see the developer and the whole group are here. Did you want to make any presentations tonight or wait until Wednesday? Okay, a week from Wednesday, not this Wednesday. Director Pietravoia.

Director Pietravoia – I did just want to briefly introduce the folks that are here and that will be glad to come back on 14<sup>th</sup> for the Committee Meeting. That's Mr. Robert Spies, who is the lead

developer along with Howard Beder, John Wojtila and Greg Potts, who are both here from the Zaremba Corporation. Of course, most of you know Mr. Jim Sonnhalter from our staff who has been assisting to bring the project to the point that it is at today from our Department.

I did want to also add to your comments earlier. We have in fact been very aggressive and made clear because of our Downtown Planning Study that's currently underway. We have some very concrete ideas about how we'd like to see new develop occur in the downtown area, we're raising the bar as far as design standards are concerned and definitely agree that any new building should fit in with what's already here and be even better. The good news is that Robert Spies as a developer and who is very committed to this community and has a lot of investment here in the downtown business district understands that and also understands that and also feels that it is important and the Zaremba Company and CVS recognize the importance as well. I think you'll be very pleased with the product that you ultimately see here. Thank you.

President Gudenas – In case anyone is curious, the site in question is the for Addison Furniture and Dance Studio building there on 220 Lake Shore Blvd., up to including the land where the bus shelter is and that would have to be relocated in that area. As Director Pietravoia said, the good part is, this building will be with the same setback as all the other buildings. Unlike the Walgreen's which had a giant parking lot that had the entire frontage, this building will be moved up front and will fit in. There's been a lot of work on Robert Spies part and administration to make sure this works and its one of the better ways to proceed with redevelopment. That part is all good, we just have to make sure it all fits in with the Mary Mavec School and all the other issues that have to fit in with zoning and our city planning etc.

Councilman Delaney – I would like to thank Mr. Jim Sonnhalter and Director Frank Pietravoia for giving your Saturday to drive around the streets and make sure that nine of these purchase agreements were dropped off to every city councilmember. Just one quick thing that I think we all realize as the Council President mentioned about the parking lot setback at Walgreen's. We are talking about one of our busiest, important intersections of the city. If we do consider the Bliss Lane site, I see that in this schematic the Mary Mavec, the new school, is just about identical to the old one. I would hope if we're going to build a new building on that corner that is going to be as visible, that there might be some interesting dynamic to it; that there might be more to come than just replicating that building.

Director Pietravoia – If I could just respond briefly to that, we agree with you 100%. The first request from the Mary Mavec School Board was our building works for us now. We actually like the way it looks. That drawing that you see was a very early attempt just to reflect the Board's desires. But they understand that a new building could certainly have a different look and it provides an opportunity to do something much nicer than the existing building that was built in the 50's. We plan to pursue that with them.

President Gudenas – Right, so that will change.

Councilman Delaney – I appreciate that and as Mr. Spies had taken his time with all of us to explain his project, we did have a lot of dialogue. This is a very, very important place. There's a lot of important things that go one at Mary Mavec and what we want to do is, is we want to continue that on. We do have to keep in mind like every other thing that we do, re-adaptive use, and all those things have to play a part in that intersection especially because of the amount of traffic that it is and how valuable it can be and it will be visible for everybody to see.

Councilman Langman – I would like to thank Robert Spies who has taken the past month, month and a half, to contact each member of Council and sit down and whatever questions we had, you were very patient in answering them; there are still a few more to go over, especially your sensitivity to the Mary Mavec School. They do unique and important work and we want to make sure that we take care of them while we move forward. Thank you Mr. Spies.

President Gudenas – Councilman Langman has a meeting that same day for the Housing Committee. Right now this meeting would be scheduled at 7:00, we might start a little bit earlier, would 6:00 work? Call the Baltika Delicatessen and see if they can deliver. Six o'clock, is that okay with Robert Spies and company? Wednesday, 14<sup>th</sup> of March, 6:00 PM will be Executive & Finance Committee Meeting for this topic and there maybe something that comes up afterwards, but so far that will be it.

Councilman Langman moved Ord. (292-07) to the Executive & Finance Committee. Councilman Lisy seconded.

Roll Call: Yeas: Conway, Delaney, Holzheimer Gail, Langman, Lisy, Mancuso, Walsh, Gudenas.

Into Executive & Finance Committee.

**Ord. 32-2007 (289-07) Shore Culinary Lease**

An emergency ordinance authorizing the Mayor of the City of Euclid to enter into a Lease Agreement, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit A, with the Shore Cultural Centre for lease of the Cafeteria to the Euclid City Schools. (Sponsored by Councilman Delaney)

Councilman Delaney moved for passage, Councilwoman Walsh seconded.

Councilman Delaney – This is a very, very exciting time for the Shore Cultural Centre. If you remember back in our capital hearings, I had asked in 2006 to put the capital money for the restoration of the Shore Cultural Centre, the old cafeteria space. It was very, very limited in its use. It was previously just about unrentable. It was in need of a lot of work, especially for food service operation. I was happy to see that Council passed that appropriation and all that was left to do then was to find an end-user, which takes us almost a year later, which was not an easy thing to do, but I'd like to thank the Shore Board, especially Mrs. Sheila Gibbons for pushing the envelope and bringing us this wonderful, wonderful project.

What we have is the Lake Shore Compact. What you see in front of you, the Lake Shore Compact is a high school vocation that is our Euclid High School, Wickliffe High School, Mentor High School, Willoughby South and Eastlake North. Combined these high schools feed into the different vocational programming.

It was a new dynamic of leasing space that legally they weren't sure if they could. They had found that there had been a precedence taken and they were able to do it. With the lease money, they will be able to purchase the equipment that will be needed to get the school up and running and the curriculum to get started. The school year will begin this fall, 07/08 school year.

Just to add, what I have here in front of me is a letter from the Compact and they could only offer it in a preliminary, exploratory measure to the Junior classes of these high schools and there are twenty-five spots. Of those twenty-five spots, 300 students applied, just the Junior Class.

We are looking at a new and growing market. We're looking at one that is underserved. I'm very happy to say that because we have it, it will have a big impact on our downtown area. It will have a big impact on our food service. The culinary arts is something that is changing, its evolving, as our whole food industry is. It is not just restaurants, it could be any number of things. These students will begin to learn how to do their own businesses, their own cottage industry. On the upside, it does quite frankly go into a lot of high end restaurants with gourmet cuisine and usually these apples don't fall to far from the tree.

What the students will be able to do is after the school day, hopefully in the future they'll be able to use that kitchen as incubator. They'll be able to hone their skills which will be right here in the middle of our downtown Euclid. One of the immediate things that has happened, it will be accredited with Tri-C, Lakeland Community College and the University of Akron. It is always helpful and good for our institutions to have contact with these other learning institutions because those usually build bridges to bringing them in to do business in this town.

Something that had been bantered about and talked about for several years. I think that the time, it was worth waiting for. The way this is structured and the way that this will take place and the growing opportunity that exists there, I don't think we could have come up with a better plan. The kitchen itself, will be just about half of the space that is down there; which will leave the other half for the Board to rent out that could become food seminars, that could become different kinds of hobby classes for the hobby chef at home and any other dynamic. As we emphasize our year of wellness and continually keep that as a new lifestyle, there is also interest from the Cleveland Clinic to be able to participate in this with these students to do specialized cooking for the healthy needs of all people in our area.

You can see that already the ball is rolling, just with the first two pieces in place and tonight you have in front of you, just about the final piece for work to commence. The room to be ready to receive the school and for the Compact to be able to come in and bring their kids in.

President Gudenas – To clarify, the cafeteria area had both the cafeteria where the kids ate and the kitchen where the food was prepared. This lease is actually for the kitchen area.

Councilman Delaney – That’s correct. There’s also a classroom there. The kitchen is about 1100 sq. ft. The dish room is about 1800 sq. ft. The classroom is about 450 sq. ft. Those are rough estimates. The cafeteria is an “L” shape and basically there are two sides. One is about 2500 sq. ft., the other is 2,000 sq. ft. Those two could either be partitioned off for smaller events, smaller type of programs, or the whole 4500 sq. ft. could be used. There is a great deal of room to grow. There’s a lot of decisions to be made as to what direction they want to take it. Like anything else, it is always helpful to have a lot of important partners at the table when you do begin these projects.

President Gudenas – This is a big step because off and on the cafeteria area had been used for certain youth activities and the like but the kitchen probably hasn’t been touched, hardly for many years, maybe 10 years or longer. This is we’re finally getting somebody to use the kitchen which many people thought was unusable.

Councilman Delaney – When we’re talking about the budget and Shore and the revenue stream, this was a previously unrentable area. I don’t know if there are any youth activities down there now. I do know that there’s dog obedience. That is actually a concern because it is going to be a difficult place to find them a new home. It is something that as I’ve said in the past, sometimes when you have too many tenants, it is a nice problem to have. We are going to have to find out how we can help them relocate.

Councilman Langman – I just want to congratulate my colleague, Councilman Delaney, for all the effort he’s put into it over a year or so. This is another important step as we redevelop downtown. It fits in with our planning studies, the project we talked, special improvement district. Since we have new owners at the Marc’s plaza, that’s more likely to happen, so progress is being made. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

President Gudenas – Anyone else with questions. I see no one else.

Councilman Delaney moved to close debate. Councilman Langman seconded. Yeas: Unanimous.

Councilwoman Mancuso moved to suspend the rules, Councilman Conway seconded. Yeas: Unanimous.

Roll Call: Yeas: Conway, Delaney, Holzheimer Gail, Langman, Lisy, Mancuso, Walsh, Gudenas.  
Passed.

**Res. 33-2007 (288-07) Daly Golf Course Com.**

A resolution to appoint Tom Daly to the Golf Course Commission to replace Craig Thompson, who has resigned from the Commission. (Sponsored by Mayor Cervenik)

Councilman Delaney moved for passage, Councilwoman Holzheimer Gail seconded.

Mayor Cervenik – I firmly believe that resident Tom Daly who is an avid and regular user of Briardale Greens will be a very positive addition to the Golf Commission as witnessed two Sunday ago.

Roll Call: Yeas: Conway, Delaney, Holzheimer Gail, Langman, Lisy, Mancuso, Walsh, Gudenas.  
Passed.

**Ord. 34-2007 (294-07) Bogert-Plumbing**

An emergency ordinance authorizing the Director of Community Services and Economic Development of the City of Euclid to execute a Personal Service Agreement for the period of March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2007, through and including January 1, 2008, with John Bogert to provide building and plumbing inspection services at a cost not to exceed Twenty-Four Thousand Dollars (\$24,000.00) for the contract period. (Sponsored by Mayor Cervenik by request of CS&ED Director)

Councilman Langman moved for passage, Councilwoman Holzheimer Gail seconded.

Director Pietravoia – This is a renewal of an existing contract, Mr. Bogert has been with us this past year on a contractual basis. He has the plumbing licenses required to keep our Building Dept. certification. It is a good arrangement and has worked out well and we'd like to continue it through the end of this calendar year. Then get him onto a calendar basis contract. At this point, we're asking for Council's support to renew the contract. This was already approved by Council as part of our Department's budget. This was actually a line item that we discussed at the budget hearings.

Councilwoman Walsh moved to suspend the rules, Councilwoman Mancuso seconded. Yeas: Unanimous.

Roll Call: Yeas: Conway, Delaney, Holzheimer Gail, Langman, Lisy, Mancuso, Walsh, Gudenas.

Passed.

**Ord. (290-07) Amend Code Dogs in Parks**

An ordinance amending Section 947.04, "Animals and Dogs", of the Streets, Utilities and Public Services Code – Title Nine – of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Euclid, permitting dogs, when accompanied by their owners or other persons, in Memorial and Sims Parks for special events. (Sponsored by Mayor Cervenik and Councilman Delaney by request of Parks & Recreation Director)

Councilman Delaney moved for passage, Councilman Conway seconded.

Councilman Delaney moved Ord. (290-07) into the Parks, Recreation and Golf Course Committee. Councilman Langman seconded.

Roll Call: Yeas: Conway, Delaney, Holzheimer Gail, Langman, Lisy, Mancuso, Walsh, Gudenas.

Passed.

**Ord. (291-07) AT&T**

An ordinance authorizing the Mayor of the City of Euclid to enter into a Video Competition Agreement between the City of Euclid and the Ohio Bell Telephone Company, which uses the name AT&T Ohio. (Sponsored by Mayor Cervenik)

Councilman Lisy moved for passage, Councilwoman Holzheimer Gail seconded.

President Gudenas – We're going to have a Committee Meeting. We're going to wait for the Administration to let us know when we're ready for it and we'll go over all the details in the meantime.

Councilman Lisy – How did this come about, were we contacted by AT&T?

Director Frey – AT&T approached the City wanting to look at high density communities to start project Lightspeed which is a video IP format so it will provide both what we know as television voice data and phone service through existing phone lines. There is equipment requirement to this. There would be these project Lightspeed boxes or nodes put in at various locations. Again AT&T approached the City, they are looking at the more densely populated communities in northeast Ohio to role this out. Lakewood is a participating community at this point. I'm trying to recall what other, South Euclid maybe, at this point be getting ready. This agreement if once Council gets through this if we in fact go forward with this, initially would just cover the eastern half, north and south, but eastern half of the City. Because it would be the switching location at Marginal Road and E. 260<sup>th</sup>. The west half of the city is served by the switching location on Nottingham. They are not capable of doing all these simultaneously. This is the basic framework that it would take if again the City agrees to move forward with this.

President Gudenas – One of the issues that we'll have to deal with is what happened in I believe South Euclid, where you put the big boxes on people's treelawns and people are upset. That's one of the issues that we'll have to discuss.

Councilman Langman – Director Frey, Director Gulich, did AT&T approach you about fixing the deteriorated boxes that are already in the City?

Director Frey – I sent this to Director Gulich today. You had pointed out two locations that needed attention. I brought those to the attention of the AT&T representative, Thomas Fogarty. We've had follow up conversation that they were doing engineering work on those and today at 3:16 I received an e-mail from Mr. Fogarty telling me that there is a box at 460 E. 255, that they will be able to re-skin. So I guess that's just put a new cover on that cabinet. The only one is going to have to be replaced. That's going to be several months before that occurs. I've asked Director Gulich to let us know when the permits are pulled for those two jobs.

President Gudenas – I'm going to recommend this go to the Executive & Finance Committee so we're all involved in this decision because it will affect the entire city.

Councilwoman Holzheimer Gail moved Ord. (291-07) to Executive & Finance Committee Meeting. Councilwoman Walsh seconded.

Roll Call: Yeas: Conway, Delaney, Holzheimer Gail, Langman, Lisy, Mancuso, Walsh, Gudenas.

Into Executive & Finance Committee.

### **CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION**

#### **Res. 31-2007 (293-07) Dave's Grand Opening**

A resolution of congratulations to Dave's Supermarket and the Saltzman Family on the Grand Opening of their new location in the City of Euclid. (Sponsored by Mayor Cervenik and the entire Council)

Councilman Conway moved for passage, Councilman Delaney seconded.

Roll Call: Yeas: Conway, Delaney, Holzheimer Gail, Langman, Lisy, Mancuso, Walsh, Gudenas.

### **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

Councilwoman Walsh moved to go into the Committee of the Whole. Councilman Lisy seconded. Yeas: Unanimous.

Ms. Marijo Minarik – 18870 Abby. I'm back again to talk about Shore. Before I get into it though, a couple of things. Thank you for passing the legislation regarding the culinary school. This is a wonderful thing. But I think much, much credit and not enough has been given to her, should be given to our Executive Director for the Shore Cultural Centre, Sheila Gibbons. She has busted her butt, working on her own time. She has spent hours and hours negotiating with all of these people involved. She picked up the slack where the City would not get involved. When asked why she did it, she said because it wouldn't have gotten done. So, Sheila, I would like to thank you very much and she's going to have a baby too.

To all those that came to the Gospel Comes to Euclid, thank you very much. It was a very nice time. But I'm here tonight to talk about two additional concerts coming to Euclid and basically it is the Board of Trustees for Shore Cultural Centre is pleased to announce two performances this month, March, by two different local orchestras in our renowned auditorium. On Sunday, March 18<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 PM, the Cleveland Women's Orchestra under the direction of Robert Cronquist will perform works by Tchaikovsky, Lehar and Gounod. Guest pianist Jean Geis Stell will play the Concerto for Piano in A minor by Grieg.

The following Sunday, March 25<sup>th</sup> at 3 PM, the Euclid Orchestra, our own orchestra, under the direction of Sean Smith presents its Spring Concert featuring works of Puccini, Haydn and others. In a unique collaboration and this is very exciting, guests who purchase tickets to both events will receive a \$2 discount on the set, so long as you prepay.

The Cleveland Women's Orchestra is the oldest women's orchestra in the country. It was founded in 1935 by Hyman Schandler, a Cleveland Orchestra member and violin teacher. Its goal was to provide talented women an opportunity to play at a time when membership in most symphonies was open only to men. March is Women's History month so it is only fitting that on March 18<sup>th</sup> the Cleveland Women's Orchestra perform. The pianist Jean Geis Stell, is a Cleveland-based artist who has performed extensively in the United States and Europe. She is a wonderful woman. I've heard her perform at the Rocky River Chamber Music Society. She played a Chopin piece with her left hand that sounded like both hands were playing the piano. She is phenomenal and she's a wonderful, wonderful woman.

Tickets for the Women's Orchestra are \$10 for adults; \$8 for seniors; \$5 for 17 and under. The following week, which is March 25<sup>th</sup> is the Euclid Orchestra which was organized in

1961 under the direction of Harry Hershey. Sean Smith is the Music Director and it will be playing pieces such as, well I already told you that; Haydn, Delibes, Puccini and others. Tickets for that are \$9 for adults; \$7 for seniors and children 11 & Under are free. This flyer is going to be going up all around town. These flyers, brochures as going to be located everywhere, I'll leave some at the front desk. Thank you very much, please come to these two concerts, it should be a wonderful time.

President Gudenas – Can I ask whoever is in charge of our video production, can we try to get our cameras to one or two of these events because I know the Euclid Orchestra does a fantastic job and they haven't been on our channel for a quite awhile.

Mayor Cervenik – We will try.

President Gudenas – It is a good way to promote our city and let people know what we've got over here. I think we need a little more of that.

Mr. Dennis Berzinskas – 20890 S. Lake Shore Blvd. You've got to be kidding, if I go home now my wife won't believe I was at a Council Meeting.

President Gudenas – We're not done yet.

Mr. Berzinskas – It's a change I'll tell you. Thank you. Thank you for believing in the youth of our city. It is a start. True, it is 25 kids out of 300. That's going to be hard. We have other rooms that aren't finished that they could possibly use other ones for classrooms. That's what we'll strive for. We won't let your faith down in the children or in Shore. With Sheila Gibbons helping us, going out and really carrying the ball for the whole team. She's really done an excellent job and I think everyone of you should be very proud of that lady. Thank you.

About communication boxes and electrical boxes, the one that's between the police station here and the City Court House, around the corner from the Mayor's office, looks like it was run into. Anytime soon is it going to be repaired?

If you do move Mary Mavec, remember that a few years ago the person that runs the filtration plant said with the EPA directions that they go to, do you want to see a 4-story building on the lake? I think we should because of the new regulations, they're going to have to spread out somewhere, so maybe we should re-think that a little bit. Thank you.

President Gudenas – The Shore Board deserves a great deal of credit for all this. This is not a Board that just goes and sits in a chair, it is a Board that is out there painting and cleaning and they are very active. In addition to Sheila Gibbons, the whole Board, and we have some members here, deserve a great deal of congratulations on all the hard work you've done to physically improve Shore in addition to the meetings you go to.

Councilman Langman moved to rise and report. Councilwoman Holzheimer Gail seconded.  
Yeas: Unanimous.

#### COUNCILMEN'S COMMENTS

Councilwoman Walsh – Going along with Shore because the other representative is in rehearsal tonight for another Murder Mystery in which he is killed once more; on March 31<sup>st</sup>, April 1<sup>st</sup> & April 2<sup>nd</sup>, a cast of 60 plus will be doing the Wiz, with such songs as Ease On Down the Road and Follow the Yellow Brick Road and the best looking munchkin will be Mary Bernadette Walsh Hilf.

I would like to say, I hope you have a speedy recovery Pearlitha Taylor.

Next week, or the next Council Meeting, I'll be able to report because tomorrow I'm going to school, although I will be cutting class for a little bit to be going to the Dave's Opening at 9:30 at Shore Center Dr.

We talk about the Summer of Wellness, and I'll tell you sometimes in my life I meet a person who challenges me and a person who gives me energy and a person who you could absolutely fall in love with and you could follow because she's a good leader. I won't even say her last name because last time I botched it up. But she sits out there tonight and she's a little bit shy, but she is the Summer of Wellness, nobody else. I'm looking for a couple of more members for my team. We are going to be purple. Ward 2 is going to be Blue. Ward 4 doesn't know it yet but they're going to be the luscious lemons. That leaves Kirsten to come up with a color. We're going to be the Grapes of Wrath, so what us as we lose those pounds and bunches of grapes. It is a wonderful concept and we're all going to be better people for it afterwards.

I did get the opportunity to work yesterday with the students that are going this year to Australia, the People to People kids. It's wonderful that one a Sunday afternoon so many people would drive in such hazardous conditions to get to Euclid Public Library and believe it or not I did sing Waltzing Matilda to them and they didn't leave the room.

My final question, there's a lot of touting of the Chamber of Commerce and a lot of good that the Chamber does. But if we're concerned with our Euclid Golf Course and it is the Euclid Chamber of Commerce, then why would the Euclid Chamber of Commerce be having the Euclid Golf Outing at St. Denis, which is not in Euclid? Why would they not be having it at Euclid's golf course, Briardale Greens and promoting something that's in our city?

Mayor Cervenik – Although I don't totally agree with the Euclid Chamber's decisions, the golf course St. Denis is considerably more challenging than the golf course at Briardale. The new Committee members this year feel that they will go every other year, they will do a different course and then the following year come back to Briardale. Again, I don't especially agree with that decision, but not being a great golfer myself, I probably wouldn't go to St. Denis because I'm going to lose a dozen golf balls being at St. Denis, it is a very challenging course to me.

This has happened before. There were 5 or 6 years where the outing was held outside of the community and I was able to bring it back. Again, that's their decision, there is only so much I can do. The School Board has their golf outing, the Schools Levy Committees have their outings each and every year outside of this community and I've tried to get theirs back as well. Again, they have the same situation where they have many great golfers, or at least they think they're great golfers, and they feel they need a more challenging course than Briardale can be at times. That's the best answer I can give you. I'm disappointed, but that's their decision.

Councilwoman Walsh – I have one other question then, if you believe that, and I believe that, and I'm sure many Council people believe that, could we at least write them a letter and I wasn't aware that the School Board did that, can we address a letter to them? The challenge is to keep our city going. The challenge is to keep our golf course going. I think maybe one day they could be a little poorer golfer and stay here then because this is our city and we have to fight for it. If you would draft a letter, I would be glad to sign the letter with you to maybe just let them know that we all care.

Mayor Cervenik – I can draft a letter. I will tell you I've had personal conversations and they are very aware of my feelings. I can say as not a great golfer, when I do have the opportunity to play at a country club, which doesn't happen to often, it is a little different and hopefully they'll understand that when they golf at St. Denis this year that there's no place like home.

President Gudenas – I'm going to just continue along with the golf course theme. Here's one of the reasons, one of the new golf course commission members is familiar with the city-owned golf course in Mentor. It turns out last year their revenues were very close to the City of Euclid's right around \$1 million. Last year we had a million, they had a million, roughly. We lost close to \$70,000 but the records that he came up with, instead of losing \$70,000 they made close to \$300,000. The year before when we lost \$250,000, they made over \$200,000. There's a gigantic difference in the amount of money they're making compared to the amount of money we're losing. That money, always from the golf course was supposed to help support our recreational programs. Now our Recreation Dept. is under a great deal of pressure to pay its bills to be able to continue its programming and add new programming that's much needed. That's one of the reasons we keep pushing on it because we want the golf course to be comparable to other ones. That's why we want the daily figures, why we want to keep on top of it. We tried to do that last year, we were constantly promised, you'll get it later, you'll get it next week, next month, next quarter, next meeting. At the end of the year we lose the \$70,000 or so. We're going to try everything we can to make the changes that are needed so that that golf course can help support our Rec programs.

I will echo what Councilwoman Walsh said in the Chamber newsletter there's great comments from City Hall on how we have worked with the Chamber to keep business in Euclid and how the Briardale Greens was given a Community Asset Award for being a great thing in the City of Euclid and we're promoting how the administration is working with the Chamber of Commerce and retaining business and how good the golf course is. But, on the last page, in big bold letters, there's the golf course outing at St. Denis. The purpose of the Chamber is not to play good golf, but to promote business retention and growth and expansion in the City of Euclid. I'm extraordinarily disappointed both with the way this whole newsletter was written. It is very ironic that they are congratulating the administration and golf course, the same moment

that they're saying we're not playing here in Euclid. I was three minutes over last time, I'm going to be three minutes under this time.

Councilman Conway – Thank you Mr. Chairman, welcome back. I just wanted to add a few more comments that were discussed earlier about the daily reporting of the revenues at Briardale. One thing I wanted to clarify just to make sure we're on the same page because I'm not exactly sure that the Mayor and the Council President were on the same page as what I was looking for when we talked about revenue projections.

Ideally what I would like to see and it just needs to be on the high level as to what are the revenue projections broken out by Sticks and then all the other revenue that's generated on a monthly basis. I don't want to see it by day, but I would like to know going into the month of March, we expect "x" amount to be generated from Sticks, "x" amount to be generated from everything else. Maybe that was the understanding that you had, but I wasn't real sure when you talked about the monthly forecasting reports that come out. I just want to make sure that was perfectly clear that we were looking for monthly revenue projections.

You also made a comment about, paraphrasing your words, why look at it on the daily basis. I think a lot of us are in business and I know many of you are in business as well. I find it very valuable to know on a daily basis how we did versus our projections. I think it allows us an opportunity early on in the month that if tweaks need to be made, or just to keep everybody more accountable at the performance over there at Briardale, seeing these numbers on a daily basis are something that I know I find valuable, I think other members of Council will find valuable. I think Tom Sloat in his new role will find that very valuable as well to know where he stands versus his projections on a daily basis. Hopefully that clears up at the least the expectations that I have for seeing the monthly revenue projections and the daily deposits that are made.

The next couple of questions are not so much questions, but I did want to congratulate Dave's. I know their Grand Opening is coming up tomorrow which unfortunately I won't be able to attend. But I did want to wish them all the best with their Grand Opening.

As other Council members had talked congratulating the Shore Board and I know the culinary school is really going to set a new standard at the Shore Cultural Centre and should really stimulate some fantastic activities downtown.

Also to Pearlitha Taylor, a speedy recovery. Thank you.

Councilman Delaney – Director Frey, there were a couple of typos in the Shore lease that I should have brought up during the legislation. It doesn't change the terms or the content, just wanted to point out two things. On page 4 of the lease, Section 10 starts out, lessor hereby releases lessor. I believe it should be Lessee hereby releases lessor. Just a duplication there.

On page 3, Section 7, paragraph J, it's referred to as the Shore Civic Center Corporation and they're called the Shore Cultural Centre Corporation.

Director Frey – Thank you councilman, we'll make those changes.

Councilman Delaney – Director Pietravoia and Housing Commissioner Beno, one or the two of you could probably tackle this. Its been many, many years and there have been a lot of problems in the building at North Point that we used to know as the Watergate with their elevator. I think this goes back maybe 10 years. I've heard from many, many residents. I've often thought that this was resolved, but once again some of the residents have complained to me that as their own safety issue of the elevator not working, some of them have gone so far as to put their rent in escrow because of the situation not being controlled. I think that the owner of the property should have that within their budget to keep a safe and working elevator. I think we need to look over there and help these people out.

Director Pietravoia – They are in fact in the process of entering into a contract to upgrade the elevators in the complex. It is my understanding they will be installing a state of the art computer controlled elevators. Basically in an old system, when you called an elevator, they would all come to that floor if they were available. Under this new system, only one elevator will respond freeing up the others to respond to other patrons there.

It is in the works. I'm not sure if the contract has actually been let yet, but we have been informed that they are in the process of getting bids and replacing the elevators.

Councilman Delaney – That's great news and it is news to me. There is no estimated time for when this is going to take place, because again, the residents have been hearing a lot this for 10 years now.

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Director Pietravoia – We'll get that information and report back to you. We can report at a council meeting so that the word can get out to the residents there as well.

President Gudenas – Or as soon as you can because people might be waiting.

Director Pietravoia – We'll report back directly to Councilman Delaney.

Commissioner Beno – If I can jump in at this point. The contract has been let. It is a \$1.4 million set of building improvements to the elevator system. The work is underway right now and that is part of what has added to people's inconvenience is some of the elevators are taken off-line in order to work on them. It is a situation where the residents do have to have a little bit of patience with building's management and the elevator contractor as they're doing this work.

I have been given a time-line for the project and I'll copy that and forward that to all members of Council.

Councilman Delaney – Mayor, thanks for your e-mail that comes out periodically listing all the different items and updates. Some of it I know I would be more interested in seeing more on and as other council members specifically, but the YMCA that we've worked so much on, if it's possible, maybe you could copy us the letter the communication that you got and please keep us abreast of all that as it happens. Probably better to include us in sooner than later.

Mayor Cervenik – Mr. Haley's getting ready to go before his Board with his strategic planning and he just needed something in his file that the City of Euclid is interested in working with the Y. Pretty generic but we'll get it to you.

Councilman Delaney – That's great news.

President Gudenas – So we'll all get a copy of that letter.

Councilwoman Holzheimer Gail – Just a couple of meeting announcements. The Renwood and Naumann Neighborhood Association that is fairly newly formed but really working very hard, is meeting this Wednesday, March 7<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM at the American Legion Hall. That's Naumann between 200<sup>th</sup> & 185 and Renwood. They wanted to thank Councilman Conway, he filled in for me at their last meeting and they really appreciated all the information you provided about how City Council works and meetings and all your information, so that appreciated that and I appreciate your filling in for me.

Councilman Langman, Director Will, Dean Grida and residents around the Senior, Lakefront Community Center and what was Euclid Park have been working and will be meeting this Saturday, March 10<sup>th</sup> at 10 PM at the Senior Center, at the Lakefront Community Center, excuse me, to talk about landscaping of the park. It is pretty exciting also involving the Ohio Extension Program, the Garden Clubs, local landscapers, am I leaving anyone out, trying to involve the community in really bringing that park back to what it once was. As many remember they had beautiful gardens and paths so we're working hard with the neighbors as well. That is this Saturday, March 10<sup>th</sup> at 10 AM, AM sorry. 10 AM at the Lakefront Community Center.

Councilwoman Walsh had mentioned at a previous meeting as well, we're working on a project on E. 200<sup>th</sup> Street, the E. 200<sup>th</sup> Street Stroll. Sherry from Kiddie City is spearheading that. Their next planning meeting is March 13<sup>th</sup> at 9 AM at Gateway on 200<sup>th</sup> Street.

BRIDGES, I don't have their flyer, but they're summit which is the accumulation of their appreciative inquiry process that happened in each of the wards is Saturday, March 24<sup>th</sup> at the Pinnacle Academy which is at St. Christine's. Call BRIDGES or the Mayor's Office if you want more information about that.

I just wanted to re-iterate, I have been to both the Cleveland Women's Orchestra and the Euclid Orchestra at Shore and they really are phenomenal, both of them. I would encourage everyone to attend those and it is a great opportunity to introduce your kids to music as well, if they can sit quietly for a little while. It is kid friendly, we've brought our kids and they've enjoyed it as well. It really is a wonderful chance to experience that and I would encourage folks to attend that. Thanks.

President Gudenas – Regarding the Park landscaping, city council approved some money in last year's capital budget which I believe hopefully is still set aside. Do you remember how much that was about? If you don't we can get that later.

Director Johnson – I believe the balance is about \$19,000 almost \$20,000 left.

Councilman Langman – First, Director Gulich, the light has been restored on Glen Forest and the residents are pleased, so it shows you have much power.

Since I am covering for Councilman Gruber while he's vacationing, I'll start with Director Will and Director Gulich. I noticed over the weekend the trash cans along Euclid Ave., just about everyone of them was overflowing and it looked very bad. I understand we addressed that, but how do we normally address that so we don't have garbage all over the bus shelters on the avenue?

Director Gulich – A quick history on the trash can pick up along our major arteries. Historically the city always did that themselves, brought it to a container for then Waste Management or whoever was our hauler to haul away. When we did the contract extension for Waste Management, they agreed to take on their responsibility directly. Last week was their last week of operation and quite frankly they did drop the ball on a number of those pick-ups. Consequently we did have quite a bit of overflow in those areas you discussed. Our new hauler knows they have to pick up those locations and of course when there are periods of heavy use or they notice a can needs to be filled, obviously they are in the areas, passing by there, it is their responsibility. Of course if we do have any stuff blowing around, we can have our fine workers jump on that pronto.

Councilman Langman – Okay, I would appreciate that. Mr. Beno, the home on Oriole that at one time was going to be demolished. There's been a dumpster there now probably close to six months, not very pleasant for the neighbor or the neighborhood. What's happening there and how can we get rid of the dumpster?

Commissioner Beno – The property is being rehabilitated under permit. The work has become an issue because of the dumpster and the timing of that work. I appreciate the inconvenience caused by this dumpster. This is an unfortunate side effect of working with a small first-time rehabilitation developer. I called the owner/developer and he assured me that he will make every effort to have the dumpster removed over the course of the next month. Again, all involved appreciate the patience of the neighbors on Oriole Ave. and I hope that the renovated house will be a reward for the inconvenience.

Councilman Langman – For the administration in general, do we have any ordinance that would govern the removal of that or citing them for a dumpster being there that long?

Commissioner Beno – There are no ordinances covering the time period that a dumpster is used during construction. At this point I would really recommend trying to put an ordinance of that sort on the books. It is a sporadic inconvenience but I think that at this point the number of incidents per year don't really merit trying to take this one as a legislative or regulatory effort.

Councilman Langman – Have we tracked the number of nuisance complaints about these types of dumpsters?

Commissioner Beno – At this point since I've been here this is the first property where it has been called to my attention that a dumpster has been in use for an excessive period of time.

Councilman Langman – We will move onto the next item of interest, that would be the Upson Deli. There was some renovation going on, they had a dumpster there and they removed that, but they left a lot of garbage on the property, very unsightly. What's happening there?

Commissioner Beno – At this point the ownership dispute that kept the Deli closed has been settled. The Deli's owner has obtained permits to do the electrical and plumbing work required to make the building fit for re-occupancy. I don't have a specific projection for timeframe of the re-opening. But he is actively working on the building and doing the clean-up work. This morning I was made aware of the significant amount of loose debris that came out of the dumpster, was blown out of the dumpster. I contacted the owner and he assured me that this will be cleaned up tomorrow. I will re-inspect and the owner has been made aware of the extreme displeasure of the neighbors who have been putting up with the mess over the last, I don't know how long it has been there, a couple of days, but he will be out there to clean the property up and get this taken care of.

Councilman Langman – Mr. Chairman, if you would indulge me, I have one more question.

President Gudenas – You have Gruber’s time.

Councilman Langman – I was up in the Georgetown area yesterday visiting a resident of Brandywine. I noticed next to her unit #19 Brandywine the unit was tagged as uninhabitable but the neighbor indicated that somebody was still living there. We have a similar situation in one of the Sikora cottages, #9 that has been condemned, where waiting to knock it down and yet I’m getting reports that people are living in those units. How do we address that? Do we remove the people via the police? Do we cite the property owner? How is that handled so that people are not harmed by living in condemned structures?

Commissioner Beno – Both of those properties were checked today. Neither of those properties is being occupied. The door on the property in Georgetown has been screwed shut from the inside and we were looking through the windows on Sikora Ave., or #9 Sikora, the property is completely uninhabitable and not inhabited. It is un-heated, there’s openings through the roof. There certainly is no one living there.

Councilman Langman – Okay, that is what the neighbors informed me of, so I’m glad to hear that nobody is in there. Finally, I would like to remind the folks that we do have a Housing Committee Meeting on March 14<sup>th</sup>, right after the Executive Committee meeting. Director Pietravoia you make sure you eat well before this starts. I would like to thank the residents on Shoreview. They had their initial street organization meeting and it went very, very well. With that, I’ll say goodnight.

Councilman Lisy – To the administration, we received this pamphlet in our council package, Strong Cities, Strong Families for a Strong America. It is a 10 Point Plan from the Mayor’s 2007 Conference. Looking through this there are several items in here that have a significant impact for our city. I’d like to make sure that we are following up on some of these items. If it requires City Council putting together legislation in support of some of these issues, they make some recommendations that I think could benefit the city.

Item #4 in here is a Federal Housing Finance Reform Act. It looks like it passed last year and it looks like there maybe money set aside on a federal level to help with some of rehabbing of homes. It maybe something we can look into to go along with Councilman Langman’s Housing Committee meeting.

On the same subject, we received a letter and I think its copied to the Mayor, City Council, Building Department, Economic Development Director, so I hope everyone has received it. It was dated March 1<sup>st</sup> from Bill Mason and Jim Rokakis regarding House Bill 294. I am not familiar with House Bill 294 but they have several tasks in here to either trying to assist in some of the blighted properties. I guess Director Pietravoia, do you have any comments on HB 294 and are we responding to this letter?

Director Pietravoia – Yes we are responding to the letter. If I recall that is the one that had the list of properties attached. We are investigating those properties comparing it to the list of vacant and abandoned properties that we’re already tracking and have been tracking for about a year. We will be responding back, reporting on those that we find that are vacant and abandoned. They are trying to prioritize pushing through or processing of properties that are going through foreclosure that are in fact vacant and abandoned and need more immediate attention. It is a fairly intensive list and I was hoping we would find that there’s a good amount of duplication. I’m not sure at this point that is going to be the case. Unfortunately I don’t think there will be that much duplication with our list. We’re adding significantly to the volume of foreclosed properties.

One last thought and Asst. Director Beno might want to comment on this as well, but we did go through this process once already with the same office when they first started about a year ago. That is what created our initial list of vacant and abandoned properties that we’re tracking. Now they’re periodically updating and providing us with their information so that we can double check.

Mayor Cervenik – I believe the letter you have also concerns, if it is the one from Prosecutor Mason, about the homes especially those that are in tax foreclosure as well. Yes, we will be looking into it. Those are the easiest homes to gain control of, the ones that are in tax foreclosure.

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Councilman Lisy – Do we have an update on when the NOACA grant maybe requested for the Downtown Euclid Development Project? There should be, its that time of year that I think NOACA would be putting out a grant for funding to help with the Downtown Development. Do we know when that's going to be released?

Director Pietravoia – You're referring to the next step beyond our Downtown Planning Study?

Councilman Lisy – Yes.

Director Pietravoia - The NOACA and the federal government in particular require that the study be completed and its recommendations be in place before we can apply for actual funding. We expect to have the next meeting, which will likely be the final meeting for the project this spring. We were hoping to shoot for March but we have to push til April and that will help to conclude the study and then we can go after funding after that.

Councilman Lisy – I had March as the end date, that's why I wanted to bring it up. The last thing is, a resident brought a phrase up to me that I think we should look into and that's predatory renting. That's when an apartment building entices a tenant to move in at a very favorable rate and then upon the renter not meeting some type of obligation like a payment, the rate jumps up to something that they cannot afford. Then they lose their deposit and they are stuck paying a higher rent. Is there something that the city can do legally to prevent apartment owners from changing the rent on tenants to an excessive rate? That's more food for thought.

President Gudenas – Councilman Lisy, just to add that same letter I received today and if you remember my last meeting I announced that we should acquire 100 homes that are in foreclosure to rehab and I talked to County Treasurer Jim Rokakis the next day about that and low and behold in the letter right back to me, he's saying we should identify 100 blighted properties in Euclid to rehab. I'm not sure who's following who on this one.

Councilwoman Mancuso – Three items. Where are we with the City of Cleveland on selling or giving back to them our quote, assets?

Mayor Cervenik – We met with the Water Dept. and members of their legal department. I believe they have a date set of around April 1<sup>st</sup> to make the changes that we requested and to present it to all the cities that are willing to sign it. Our two concerns were the variance in our income tax at 2.85 and the fact that we certainly could not, the point .47 that goes to the schools, certainly needed to be excluded. There will be a clause and everyone's in agreement talking about shared income taxes. We firmly believe that April 1<sup>st</sup> is a go and again it is in their ball court. They have not given us any indication that it will go beyond that.

Director Frey- The other point to make is that they're going through this discussion with many of the communities that they serve. They are trying to establish a single set of agreements to cover all of them. They were trying to make the rounds of getting all the input from the communities. They recognize that we have some unique features with our tax structure that are going to require an addendum but by and large they would like to have a single set of documents.

Councilwoman Mancuso - They are amenable to the amendment?

Director Frey – Yes, absolutely, yes.

Councilwoman Mancuso – The other question is for the Mayor or Director Johnson. You were going to bring forward some of the results of the experts from our tax endeavors last year and what we were going to incorporate this year. I know I asked about that a month or so ago and we have not seen it and I know that we're back into another tax season. It would be good to know what we have incorporated this year over last year because I know there was some things we needed to do and then we're going to be back into, I hope, bringing in these experts again to see how we modify it.

Director Johnson – We have a complete revision of the entire code that we're going to recommend. Sometime in the future we'll present it to Council and hopefully a committee meeting will be called and we'll have presenters that actually come in and present all of the changes.

Councilwoman Mancuso – What is your timeline for doing that?

Director Johnson – I have a draft, Councilwoman Mancuso and I would say that within the next month or so if a committee meeting is available.

Councilwoman Mancuso – Could we get what was incorporated this year, the changes that were made because we never actually walked through what our experts gave us from last year as far as what we've done to make it better for this year.

Mayor Cervenik – Yes we can do that.

Councilwoman Mancuso – I've gotten several phone calls from residents who are actually viewing some of our committee meetings. Three of them were from the Charter review and I'm going to get the date incorrect because I don't have it right in front of me, but the Charter Review Commission when attorney Taylor was with them. There was a tremendous amount of breaks in that particular VCR tape. I had three calls on that specifically where they'd be mid-sentence and the tape would go out and then come back on and whatever the statement was, was over. I don't know if we have difficulty with our tape, or videographer, or is there something new we're doing?

President Gudenas – That was February 17<sup>th</sup>. What is the story with the tape and is it going to be corrected?

Director Frey – The disc or tape is intact. That was not the problem. It was the transmitting of that signal over the cable television system. Director Johnson probably could provide technical information but I can tell you the disc and tapes are intact.

President Gudenas – Can that be shown again in its entirety if parts were missing?

Director Frey – I'm sure we can. I'm sure we can put them back into the mode.

Councilwoman Mancuso – Will we run into the same thing?

Director Frey – It was the broadcasting equipment, not the tape recording itself.

Councilwoman Mancuso – What do we do with that?

Mayor Cervenik – If you would so like to have that rebroadcast, I will recommend that we have it rebroadcast and it should be fine.

Councilwoman Mancuso – I think it was important. While many of us have already heard this and I don't think there was any new information out there, the fact that people are calling saying, I'm trying to determine what it is what the Commission is doing and what kind of information they're getting and mid-sentence they're losing components of it, it maybe helpful. Because they should have all the information.

Mayor Cervenik – We can do that. It was a very interesting and informative meeting. It wouldn't hurt to play it again.

Councilwoman Mancuso – The last thing, back to the elevators at the Watergate. Chief Cosgriff has your department been involved with the Watergate while they're shutting these down and putting them up? Its kind of a fire hazard and this particular association hasn't been very forthcoming with doing these repairs in the first place, so I can see residents having to be patient but.

Chief Cosgriff – Any changes that they make to the elevators, they are in communication with the Fire Prevention Bureau. I know that we do respond to a number of problematic occupancies for elevators that are stuck for whatever reason, where we had gone and had to open the elevators to get the people out. I know the Watergate is one of them that we go to pretty routinely. Hopefully these repairs that they are making are going to solve that problem.

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Councilwoman Mancuso – Have they given us a timeline or anything when they think this would be completed so that the residents have any idea how long this is going to go on for? Or how long we're going to have to keep responding?

Chief Cosgriff – I don't have the answer to that, I could certainly find out for you and get back to you.

Director Pietravoia – That was what Mr. Beno was mentioning earlier. The contract has started, we do have a timeline and he's going to make a copy of it and provide it to Councilman Delaney. If you have specific residents that also contacted you, we will make sure we get a copy to you or any other member of Council that maybe interested.

President Gudenas – With that, we're going to have to wrap it up because we'll be just like Charter Review, they won't hear a word because our tape is going to run out in about a minute. We're going to follow up with the North Point elevators and the like. Glad you mentioned Charter Review because that is the first meeting that the verbatim minutes are available. Contact the Council Office and I think we can e-mail you those. It is actually fascinating reading and I started reading while we were talking here.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilwoman Mancuso moved to adjourn. Councilman Lisy seconded. Yeas: Unanimous.

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Clerk of Council

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President of Council