

**THE HONORABLE BODY
Council Chambers
Municipal Building
North Tonawanda, New York 14120
Tuesday, November 16, 2010
6:30P.M.**

REGULAR SESSION CALLED TO ORDER BY PRESIDENT SCHWANDT

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

**Present: President Schwandt
Alderman Andres, Pasiak, Zadzilka, Donovan**

Absent: Mayor Robert G. Ortt

Also Present: City Attorney Shawn P. Nickerson

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION NOVEMBER 2, 2010

**MOVED by Alderman Zadzilka SECONDED by Alderman Donovan
That the minutes of the regular session held November 2, 2010 be approved as circulated and
filed in the Office of the City Clerk-Treasurer.
CARRIED.**

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Brian Murphy, 1845 Sweeney Street – Spoke on the proposed amended Tree Ordinance/Covered many aspects of Tree Life. Talked of the benefits of urban forestation.

Ernie White 264 East Avenue – Spoke of Tree damage to his sidewalks as well as the sewer issues he has endured due to the tree in front of his home that the City will not cut down. Mr. White hopes the amended ordinance will help get his tree removed.

Lori Angiel/Phillips Lytle 3400 HSBC Center, Buffalo, NY 14203 – Asked the Common Council to approve the Cell Tower Co-location Special use permit that is on the Common Council agenda and offered to answer any questions regarding the request.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICIALS

I. Mayor

November 10, 2010

**North Tonawanda Common Council
City Hall, 216 Payne Avenue
North Tonawanda, NY 14120**

Re: Local Law No. 5 for the year 2010 – Local Law to Amend the City Charter for the City of North Tonawanda, Division 2, Budget

Dear Honorable Body:

Please be advised that this office held a Public Hearing on the above-referenced Local Law No. 5 for 2010 in the Common Council Chambers at City Hall, 216 Payne Avenue, North

11-16-2010

Very truly yours,
Shawn P. Nickerson
City Attorney

MOVED by Alderman Zadzilka **SECONDED** by Alderman Andres
That the Common Council approves the Amendments (as underlined) to Chapter 91 of the
City Code of the City of North Tonawanda, New York, Entitled, "Trees" as follows:

Chapter 91 – TREES

§91-1. Findings; intent.

A). The City of North Tonawanda hereby finds that there is a direct relationship between the planting of trees in sufficient number in populated areas and the health, safety and welfare of communities, and as related to the natural, scenic and aesthetic values of trees and the physical and visual qualities of the environment which municipalities are authorized to protect. Trees abate noise, provide welcome shade to people, preserve the balance of oxygen in the air by removing carbon dioxide and fostering air quality, and add color and verdure to human construction. They also stabilize the soil and control microclimatic effects, and provide a natural habitat for wildlife. The destructive and indiscriminate removal of trees causes increased municipal costs for proper drainage control, impairs the benefits of occupancy of existing and unimproved real property in the area of destruction, and adversely affects the health, safety and general welfare of the inhabitants of the City.

B). It is the purpose and intent of this law to regulate the removal of trees from public property within the City in order to preserve, protect and enhance a most valuable natural resource. It is also the intent of this law to establish standards limiting the removal and insuring the replacement of trees sufficient to safeguard the ecological and aesthetic environment necessary for a healthy community.

§91-2. Definitions.

As used in this chapter, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated:

CALIPER – The diameter of a tree trunk as measured at a person's breast height.

CANOPY – The uppermost spreading branchy layer of a group of trees.

CITY – The City of North Tonawanda.

CITY AGENCY – Any department, board, commission, or committee of the North Tonawanda government or individual duly appointed to represent such entity.

CROWN – The mass of branches, twigs and leaves at the top of the tree, with particular reference to its shape.

PARK TREE – A tree located within one of the City's municipal parks or recreation areas.

PERSON – Any corporation, firm, partnership, association, trust, estate, one or more individuals and any unit of government or agency or subdivision thereof except for a City agency.

PRIVATE PROPERTY – Lands privately owned or controlled by persons.

PUBLIC PROPERTY – Lands owned by the City, dedicated as rights-of-way within the City or otherwise proscribed for public use within the City.

STREET TREE – A tree located within the right-of-way bounds of a street within the City of North Tonawanda.

TOP or TOPPING – Cutting back of limbs to stubs larger than three inches in diameter within the tree's crown to such a degree so as to remove the normal canopy and disfigure the tree.

TREE AND SHRUBS – Any woody plants that have self-supporting, above- ground parts, which are viable year round.

§91-3. Tree Welfare.

A). No person shall cut, mar or otherwise injure any street tree planted or growing in or along the streets of the City; provided, however, that the Department of Public Works, the Department of Public Works at the direction of the Mayor, or a person authorized by the Mayor, may cut or trim street trees where such cutting or trimming is required to preserve the public health, safety and/or welfare. This subsection shall not be interpreted to restrict a property owner from performing minor trimming (branches less than one inch in diameter) from the ground on street trees in front of his/her property where his/her intent is to maintain the tree and not to damage, mar or injure it. Tree pruning standards shall comply with ANSI A300, “Trees, Shrubs, and Other Woody Plant Maintenance – Standard Practices”, unless more stringent requirements are indicated.

B). It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or other entity to top any street or part tree. Trees severely damaged by storms or other causes, or trees under utility wires or other obstructions where other pruning practices are impractical shall be exempted from this section at the determination of the Department of Public Works or the Mayor.

C). No stones, cement, blacktop or other substances which will impede the passage of water and air to the roots of a tree in or on any street, park or public property shall be placed or maintained unless an open space of at least 12 square feet is left outside and around the trunk of the tree, except with the written permission of the Department of Public Works.

D). Excavation within the street right-of-way for the purpose of compliance with this section shall not be undertaken without a permit from the City Engineer.

E). The Department of Public Works shall have the right to prune any street tree for the following reasons:

- (1) Tree branches are obstructing light from a street lamp or obstruct the view of street intersections, traffic control devices or signs.
- (2) To provide a clear space of 8 feet above the surface of a sidewalk.
- (3) To provide a clear space of 13 feet above the surface of a street.

(F). It is the responsibility of the Department of Public Works and the Mayor, with input from a committee designated by the Mayor, to determine if trees or shrubs on City-owned property are hazardous and to remove dead or hazardous trees or shrubs from City-owned property. If replacement is recommended by the Department of Public Works or the Mayor, the City shall replace the tree or shrub within one year of removal. Property owners shall have the right to replace removed trees at their own cost and upon prior approval of the Department of Public Works or the Mayor.

(G). Wherever it is necessary to remove a tree or shrub from a public right-of-way in connection with the paving of a sidewalk or the paving or widening of a street, the City or responsible agency or person shall replace such tree or shrub or replace it. If conditions prevent planting in the right-of-way, this requirement may be satisfied by planting on the adjoining property if the property owner agrees.

(H). No person or City agency shall plant, prune, remove, replace or otherwise disturb any tree or shrub on any public street, park or other City-owned property without first submitting a written request therefor and obtaining written permission from the Department of Public Works or the Mayor. Requests for written permission shall be acted on within five (5) business days of filing the written request with the Department of Public Works. All copies of requests for written permission shall also be filed with the Mayor and Common Council. All work for which such permission is given shall be done in accordance with the Department of Public Works’ rules and regulations as duly adopted.

(I). Private utility companies or City agencies conducting regular maintenance work on trees or shrubs may be granted general permits to cover their work on a yearly basis. Tree pruning standards referenced in Subsection A shall be complied with.

(J). Except as provided in Subsection F, whenever a person or City agency obtains written permission pursuant to Subsection H of this section to remove a tree or shrub from any City-owned land for the purpose of construction or for any other reason, such person or agency shall make payment to the City in the amount of the purchase cost of replacement tree(s) or shrub(s) prior to the issuance of such tree removal permit. The City shall install such replacement tree(s) or shrub(s) within one year of the permitted removal in a location(s) to be determined by the Department of Public Works somewhere in the City. Such replacement shall meet the standards of size, species and placement as provided for in the tree removal permit issued by the Department of Public Works. Unless the Department of Public Works, for good cause, determines otherwise, trees shall be replaced by the caliper inch, such that for every inch of diameter removed, an equal number of caliper inches shall be replaced (e.g., the removal of one 12-inch caliper tree shall necessitate the planting of six 2-inch caliper trees or four 3-inch caliper trees, etc.).

(K). Requests from private citizens that new street trees be planted near their property shall be accommodated in accordance with planting priorities set by the Department of Public Works.

(L). Specifications governing tree species, size, spacing and method and location of planting shall be approved by the Department of Public Works. Inspection of the trees by the Department of Public Works shall be carried out, whenever possible, prior to planting in order to ensure tree health and quality. Whenever any person is required to replace a tree pursuant to this chapter, a one-year guaranty of the tree's health shall be provided for such replacement trees.

§91-4. Issuance or Denial of permit; Appeals.

A). The decision of the Department of Public Works or the Mayor to grant or deny an application for tree removal shall be based on the following criteria:

- (1). The physical condition of and the apparent health of the tree.
- (2). The proximity of the tree to existing or proposed structures and utility appurtenances and the amount of damage or obstruction the tree is causing.
- (3). The desirability of preserving any tree by reason of its size, age or some other outstanding quality, such as uniqueness, rarity or status as a landmark or species specimen.
- (4). The tree's potential for hazard to the traveling public or the general public's safety and health.
- (5). The environmental effect of the removal of the tree(s).
- (6). The intention of the applicant to replant trees at the site.
- (7). Any unreasonable hardship to the applicant, which will result from modification or denial of the requested permit.

B). Any applicant aggrieved by a decision of the Department of Public Works or the Mayor may, within 30 days of the date on which the decision was mailed to the applicant, appeal such decision to the Common Council. The appeal shall be in writing and include a copy of all papers filed with the Department of Public Works along with a copy of the decision of the Department of Public Works or the Mayor along with a copy of the decision of the Department of Public Works or the Mayor. The appeal shall be deemed filed when it is received by the City Clerk. The Common Council shall vote on the appeal at the next regularly-scheduled Common Council meeting after a complete appeal is filed with the City Clerk. A simple majority vote of the North Tonawanda Common Council shall be necessary to overturn the Department of Public Works or Mayor's decision.

§91-5. Emergency Work.

- A) This chapter shall not govern any emergency activity immediately necessary to protect life, safety or property or to maintain access to any property. Any such activity shall incorporate reasonable efforts to protect trees and shrubs on City property from unnecessary damage.
- B) Any person or City agency engaged in any action covered by Subsection A shall make a reasonable effort to notify the Department of Public Works prior to commencing that action and shall, in any event, provide written notice of the emergency and work done to the Department of Public Works.

§91-6. Penalties for Offences.

A). Any person violating any of the provisions of this chapter shall be punished, upon conviction, by a fine of not more than \$250 and/or 15 days in jail for each violation. Each day that a violation of or failure to comply with any provision of this enactment or any regulation promulgated hereunder by the Common Council occurs shall constitute a separate and distinct violation.

B). A civil penalty shall be assessed in addition for the removal or destruction of any tree on public property without authorization in the amount of the appraised value of the tree, not to exceed \$2,500 per tree.

Ayes: Andres, Pasiak, Zadzilka, Donovan, Schwandt (5)
 Nays: None (0)
CARRIED.

II.2 Attorney

November 10, 2010

Hon. Mayor and Common Council
 City Hall, 216 Payne Avenue
 North Tonawanda, New York 14120

Re: Proposed Amendment to Commercial Lease Between
 City of North Tonawanda and Calgon Carbon Corporation

Dear Honorable Body:

Attached is a proposed amendment to the existing commercial lease agreement between the City of North Tonawanda and Calgon Carbon Corporation, regarding their facility at 830 River Road. The amendment expands their footprint at the site, increases the base rent, and deals with terms of renewal and further allocation of costs involved with the facility.

Should your Honorable Body concur, please pass a resolution to adopt the Amendment for signature by the Mayor, subject to any further review by the City Attorney.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,
 Shawn P. Nickerson
 City Attorney

MOVED by Alderman Pasiak **SECONDED** by Alderman Donovan
 That the Common Council hereby approves the amendment to the Commercial Lease between the City of North Tonawanda and Calgon Carbon Corporation and authorizes the Mayor to sign the lease, subject to any further review by the City Attorney.

Ayes: Andres, Pasiak, Zadzilka, Donovan, Schwandt (5)
 Nays: None (0)
CARRIED.

VII.1 Accountant

November 10, 2010

Honorable Robert G. Ortt, Mayor
and Common Council
City Hall
North Tonawanda, New York 14120

Dear Honorable Body:

In accordance with Article V, Division 1, Section 5.002 and 5.003 of the City Charter, an Abstract Sheet, comprised of a Warrant of Claims, has been submitted by this office for your review and approval.

Accordingly, please authorize for payment the current Warrant of Claims for Common Council audit, dated November 16, 2010 and further authorize the Mayor and City Clerk-Treasurer to respectively sign and countersign said Warrant.

Very truly yours,
David R. Jakubaszek
City Accountant

MOVED by Alderman Pasiak

SECONDED by Alderman Zadzilka

That the Common Council hereby authorizes for payment the current Abstract of Claims for Common Council Audit dated November 16, 2010 and further authorizes the Mayor and City Clerk-Treasurer respectively sign and countersign said Warrant:

01	General Fund	\$177,945.45
02	Water Fund	5,886.26
04	Sewer Fund	22,139.47
06	Capital Project Fund	246,051.06
07	Trust & Agency Fund	182.08
09	Capital – Buffalo Bolt	<u>8,885.84</u>
	Final Total	<u>\$461,090.16</u>

Ayes: Andres, Pasiak, Zadzilka, Donovan, Schwandt

(5)

Nays: None

(0)

CARRIED.

VII.2 Accountant

November 10, 2010

Honorable Robert G. Ortt, Mayor
and Common Council
City Hall
North Tonawanda, New York 14120

Dear Honorable Body:

In accordance with Article V, Division 2, Section 5.023 and Section 2.2 of the Budgetary Transfer Policy, please authorize the City Accountant to make the following transfers of fiscal year 2010 appropriations, based on the request of Department Heads, copy attached:

<u>Control Number</u>	<u>Dollar Amount</u>	<u>From Appropriation Account</u>	<u>Into Appropriation Account</u>
19	4,000.00	1-1355.100 Assessor Personal Service	1-1355.230 Assessor Automobile
20	10,000.00	1-1355.480 Assessor Operations	1-1355.230 Assessor Automobile

Very truly yours,
David R. Jakubaszek
City Accountant

11-16-2010

Would you please reappoint the following as Commissioner of Deeds for the City of North Tonawanda beginning November 18, 2010 and ending November 17, 2012:

Karen M. Smith – 60 Sweeney Ct., North Tonawanda, NY 14120
Gary P. Lewis – 1230 Parkview Dr., North Tonawanda, NY 14120

Would you please appoint the following as Commissioner of Deeds for a two year term:

James P. Muehlbauer – 1287 Master Street, North Tonawanda, NY 14120

Randy D. Szukala
Chief of Police

MOVED by Alderman Pasiak SECONDED by Alderman Schwandt
That the Common Council hereby appoints Karen M. Smith, 60 Sweeney Ct., North Tonawanda, NY 14120; Gary P. Lewis, 1230 Parkview Dr., North Tonawanda, NY 14120 and James P. Muehlbauer, 1287 Master Street, North Tonawanda, NY 14120 as Commissioner of Deeds for the City of North Tonawanda beginning November 18, 2010 and ending November 17, 2012.
CARRIED.

XVI. City Clerk

October 22, 2010

North Tonawanda Common Council
City Hall
216 Payne Avenue
North Tonawanda, NY 14120

Re: Award of bid for 24 Hour Animal Control

Dear Honorable Body:

On Tuesday, October 19, 2010 a bid was received regarding 24 Hour Animal Control.

The bid results are as follows:

- 1) The five-year contract will begin on January 1st, 2011 and end on December 31, 2015. The contract will be divided into five yearly amounts, divided into twelve monthly payments as per the table below, due on the first of each month.

Year 1 Total	\$50,643.84	12 months = \$4,220.32/month
Year 2 Total	\$50,643.84	12 months = \$4,220.32/month
Year 3 Total	\$52,669.60	12 months = \$4,389.13/month
Year 4 Total	\$52,669.60	12 months = \$4,389.13/month
Year 5 Total	<u>\$54,776.38</u>	12 months = \$4,564.70/month
Total 5-year bid:	<u>\$261,403.26</u>	

2)

Alternative plan- financial incentive for City;

The contract will be divided into five yearly amounts, divided into four quarterly payments as per the table below, due on the first of each quarter.

Year 1 Total	\$50,156.88	3 months = \$12,539.22/quarter
Year 2 Total	\$50,156.88	3 months = \$12,539.22/quarter
Year 3 Total	\$51,661.59	3 months = \$12,915.40/quarter
Year 4 Total	\$51,661.59	3 months = \$12,915.40/quarter
Year 5 Total	\$53,211.43	3 months = \$13,302.86/quarter
Total 5-year bid:	<u>\$256,848.37</u>	

Accordingly, I respectfully request that the Common Council award the bid for 24 Hour Animal Control to the Niagara County SPCA using the “Alternative plan – financial incentive for the City” as it will save the City a total of \$4,554.89 over the five year term of this contract and further authorize the Mayor to sign the contract, subject to review by the City Attorney.

Very truly yours,
 Scott P. Kiedrowski
 City Clerk Treasurer

MOVED by Alderman Donovan SECONDED by Alderman Pasiak
 That the Common Council hereby awards the bid for 24 Hour Animal Control to the Niagara County SPCA, 2100 Lockport Road, Niagara Falls, NY 14304 as follows:

The contract will be divided into five yearly amounts, divided into four quarterly payments as per the table below, due on the first of each quarter.

Year 1 Total	\$50,156.88	3 months = \$12,539.22/quarter
Year 2 Total	\$50,156.88	3 months = \$12,539.22/quarter
Year 3 Total	\$51,661.59	3 months = \$12,915.40/quarter
Year 4 Total	\$51,661.59	3 months = \$12,915.40/quarter
Year 5 Total	\$53,211.43	3 months = \$13,302.86/quarter
Total 5-year bid:	<u>\$256,848.37</u>	

and further authorizes the Mayor to sign the contract, subject to review by the City Attorney.

Ayes: Andres, Pasiak, Zadzilka, Donovan, Schwandt (5)
 Nays: None (0)
CARRIED.

XVII. Traffic Safety Committee

MOVED by Alderman Zadzilka SECONDED by Alderman Andres
 That the Common Council hereby directs the Department of Public Works to install a stop sign at the intersection of Ironton Street and 8th Avenue and further directs the Department of Public Works to remove the traffic signal at the intersection of Payne Avenue and North Avenue and replace it with a stop sign on North Avenue.

Ayes: Andres, Pasiak, Zadzilka, Donovan, Schwandt (5)
 Nays: None (0)
CARRIED.

XIX.1 Building Inspector

To: City Clerk – Treasurer Scott Kiedrowski **Date:** October 15, 2010
From: Cosimo R. Capozzi **Re:** Cell Tower Co-location
@ 1041 Ruie Road

Attached please find an application from T-Mobil and all documents submitted to my office for a 10' cell tower height increase and a co-location on the existing tower at 1041 Ruie Road. This tower is located on private property. I have spoken to the owner, Mr. Ronald Hacker, and he is aware of the modifications and will provide us with a signed letter attesting to same.

A check in the amount of \$7,000 has been submitted to my office. The application fee for co-location is \$2,500. I have been advised by the applicant to hold the check and use the additional \$4,500 toward the final building permit fee which has yet to be determined but will be equal to or greater than the \$4,500.

Please place this item on the Council agenda as soon as possible for a Special Use Permit approval per Chapter 101, Section 101.8. Once the Special Use Permit has been granted, I will commence with plan review.

If you have any questions please call my office.

Cosimo R. Capozzi
Building Inspector

MOVED by Alderman Donovan **SECONDED** by Alderman Schwandt
That the Common Council, as lead agency, hereby issues a Negative Declaration on the SEQR regarding the aforementioned cell tower co-location at 1041 Ruie Road.
Ayes: Andres, Pasiak, Zadzilka, Donovan, Schwandt (5)
Nays: None (0)
CARRIED.

MOVED by Alderman Schwandt **SECONDED** by Alderman Zadzilka
That the Common Council hereby approves the Special Use Permit for the installation of a cell tower co-location at 1041 Ruie Road.
Ayes: Andres, Pasiak, Zadzilka, Donovan, Schwandt (5)
Nays: None (0)
CARRIED.

XXV. Monthly Reports

.1 City Clerk .3 Treasurer
.2 Police .4 Senior Citizens

MOVED by Alderman Pasiak **SECONDED** by Alderman Andres
That the Common Council hereby receives and files the aforementioned Monthly Reports.
CARRIED.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM OTHERS

A.

Columbia Hook & Ladder - **Re:** Exemption Petition:

Scott A. McKnight – 25 Years

MOVED by Alderman Pasiak **SECONDED** by Alderman Andres
To issue an Exemption Certificate to Scott A. McKnight – 25 Years.
CARRIED.

B.
Salvation Army

October 19, 2010

City of North Tonawanda
Mayor Robert Ortt
City Council
216 Payne Avenue
North Tonawanda, NY 14120

Dear Mayor Ortt and City Council:

On December 4, 2010, The Salvation Army in conjunction with the Rotary Club of the Tonawandas, will be hosting the first ever Community Christmas Carol Sing-A-Long. The Sing-A-Long will be the closing ceremony of Winter Walk 2010. With your permission, we would like to utilize Gateway Park to host this event. We are also in need of your Parks Department trailer and a sound system if available. We are hoping you will let us use the park and equipment at no cost as this is a free event for the community to attend.

I would like to meet with the Mayor and Council at a workshop session to discuss this event and give you more information on what has been planned. I believe you will be pleasantly surprised. Please let me know if I may attend your next workshop session by calling 583-1413 or by email at wmiles@hotmail.com.

Thank you in advance for your support of this endeavor.

Sincerely,
Corps Sgt. Major William A. Miles
Winter Walk 2010 Committee

MOVED by Alderman Donovan **SECONDED** by Alderman Zadzilka
That the Common Council hereby grants permission to The Salvation Army to use Gateway Park to host the first ever Community Christmas Carol Sing-A-Long at the closing ceremony of Winter Walk 2010 on December 4, 2010 and the use of sound system equipment (no trailer) and waives any fees associated with this event.

Ayes: Andres, Pasiak, Zadzilka, Donovan, Schwandt (5)

Nays: None (0)

CARRIED.

C.
Alderman Andres

November 4, 2010

From: Alderman Richard Andres
To: Honorable North Tonawanda Common Council

Dear Honorable Body:

Considering the fiscal struggle that we continue to face as a City, I feel the following steps are prudent to ensure financial structure for the remainder of this year.

The Common Council adopted a Local Retirement Incentive on August 24, 2010, as a management tool to reduce the city's work force through attrition. In accordance with this incentive, which was encompassed as part of the framework for the 2011 Budget, the Mayor in conjunction with the Common Council authorizes the following actions:

1. Adopts a freeze on the hiring of full time employees, effective immediately and ending January 1, 2011. The only exception to this hiring freeze would be that of Water Administration which has recently reorganized through the Retirement Incentive Program.

2. Authorize the City Accountant to transfer unused 2010 appropriations, based on the attrition of employees who will retire under the retirement incentive, from their respective appropriation accounts, into the Contingent Account 1990.410.

I respectfully request that the Common Council pass and adopt this resolution.

Sincerely,
Richard Andres
Alderman/Ward 2

MOVED by Alderman Andres

SECONDED by Alderman Zadzilka

That the Common Council hereby adopts a freeze on the hiring of full time employees, effective immediately and ending January 1, 2011. The only exception to this hiring freeze would be that of Water Administration which has recently reorganized through the Retirement Incentive Program and, further, authorizes the City Accountant to transfer unused 2010 appropriations, based on the attrition of employees who will retire under the retirement incentive, from their respective appropriation accounts, into the Contingent Account 1990.410.

Ayes: Andres, Pasiak, Zadzilka, Donovan, Schwandt

(5)

Nays: None

(0)

CARRIED.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Ann Finkle 896 Sun Valley Drive – Complained that the Cold Patch at the end of her driveway that was recently done is already breaking loose. Worried that her Snowblower will catch the loose patch.

Inquired if the Common Council was going to look into equipment that would tar cracks in roads etc. rather than the complete paving of roads that do not need it.

Wanted to know if NT could have a spring leaf pick up for those individuals who cover their flowers with leaves for the winter. A lot of people she knows cover their flowers and have no place to put the leaves in the spring.

Complained of the recent replacement of Street Lighting in Wurlitzer Park. Stated the lights were very dim and had a sinister look and feel to them and she wanted the lighting to be put back the way it was. Wanted to know who authorized these new lights.

Requested when the Common Council reorganizes in January that they consider meeting twice monthly instead of 2 Workshops and 2 Common Council meetings (4) times a month. Mrs. Finkle stated that she would like to attend the School Board Meetings as well as the Common Council Meetings and cannot do so because we meet 4 times per month and often times she cannot make Common Council Meetings, also felt that she should be able to attend the workshops because she had no understanding of what the Common Council meeting was all about and if we met twice a month the Common Council could go right from the workshop to the Common Council meeting in the same evening.

Stated that when she drives out of Rite Aid on Division and exits at the driveway by the Hideaway Grille that there is a no left turn sign, she wants to go left and this sign makes no sense to her.

Ernie White 264 East Avenue – Inquired about why the leaf pick up was so early and that we are paying workers to walk up and down streets to do nothing since there are no leaves that have fallen when the DPW starts with the leaf collection. Thought the pickup should start later.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Alderman Andres SECONDED by Alderman Donovan
That this regular session of the Common Council be and hereby is adjourned.
CARRIED.

Time of Adjournment: 7:12P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott P. Kiedrowski
City Clerk–Treasurer