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CITY OF NORTH CANTON, OHIO  
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

**TRANSCRIPT OF  
JULY 1, 2019, MEETING**

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Transcript of Proceedings of the North Canton City Council, taken by me, the undersigned, Laurie Maryl Jonas, a Registered Merit Reporter and Notary Public in and for the State of Ohio, at North Canton City Hall, 145 North Main Street, North Canton, Ohio, on Monday, July 1, 2019, at 8:28 p.m.

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1 APPEARANCES:

2 Daniel Jeff Peters, Council President, Ward 2

3 Doug Foltz, Council Vice President, Ward 1

4 Mark R. Cerreta, At Large

5 Daryl Revoldt, At Large

6 Marcia Kiesling, At Large

7 Stephanie Werren, Ward 3

8 Dominic Fonte, Ward 4

9 Patrick A. DeOrio, Director of Administration

10 Timothy L. Fox, Director of Law

11 Laura E. Brown, Director of Finance

12 Robert G. Graham, Engineering Services

13 Catherine A. Farina, Deputy Director of  
Administration and Development

14 David J. Held, Mayor

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1 MR. PETERS: And I will call to order the  
2 special council meeting, Monday, July 1, 8:28 p.m.

3 Laura, will you please call the roll for us?

4 MS. BROWN: Peters?

5 MR. PETERS: Here.

6 MS. BROWN: Foltz?

7 MR. FOLTZ: Here.

8 MS. BROWN: Cerreta?

9 MR. CERRETA: Here.

10 MS. BROWN: Revoldt?

11 MR. REVOLDT: Here.

12 MS. BROWN: Kiesling?

13 MS. KIESLING: Here.

14 MS. BROWN: Werren?

15 MRS. WERREN: Here.

16 MS. BROWN: Fonte?

17 MR. FONTE: Here.

18 MS. BROWN: Seven present.

19 MR. PETERS: Yeah. Thank you very much.

20 Okay. At this time, if you wish to address  
21 council, please step forward, state your name and  
22 address. Reminder, we have a 5-minute time limit and  
23 comments are specific to the items on the agenda.  
24 Thank you.

25 Mr. Osborne.

1 MR. OSBORNE: Chuck Osborne, 307 Fairview  
2 Street, Southeast, North Canton, Ohio.

3 I would like to address Ordinance 49-2019.  
4 You have no budget numbers on the agenda on all these  
5 items. General fund, where it's coming from. Fire  
6 fund, EMS fund, street fund.

7 Secondly, and I addressed this with  
8 Mr. Revoldt last week but didn't get an answer, are  
9 we moving levy funds into this capital reserve fund?  
10 I wouldn't think it would be legal. You've persuaded  
11 the public to appropriate levies for street purposes,  
12 for EMS purposes, and for fire purposes. Are we  
13 planning on a switcheroo here? We're just going to  
14 grab that money and run with it? So we need to know  
15 where the specific fund, which is required by law to  
16 have on there. You need to know where exactly which  
17 fund you're transferring these monies from. And each  
18 of those funds, fire, EMS, street, they're probably a  
19 dozen budget numbers, account numbers. Which  
20 specific account are we taking this money from? And  
21 then where's all this money being used for? So I  
22 think rather than just blindly rubber stamping this  
23 we need an explanation. You need to know where  
24 specifically this money is coming from. Why is it  
25 being transferred? And actually this is a

1 supplemental appropriation. You're supplementing, I  
2 guess, deficient accounts. So it's not even  
3 addressed properly. It should be a supplemental  
4 appropriation and identifying the specific accounts.  
5 Thank you.

6 MR. FONTE: Thank you.

7 MR. PETERS: Thank you, Chuck.

8 Anyone else want to address council? Okay.  
9 Seeing none, we'll move on to old business.

10 I need a motion and a second to read, by  
11 title only, second reading of Ordinance 48-19.

12 MS. KIESLING: So moved.

13 MR. FOLTZ: Second.

14 MR. PETERS: All in favor?

15 ("Aye" in unison.)

16 MR. PETERS: Opposed? Motion carries.

17 Tim.

18 MR. FOX: An ordinance amending Section 24,  
19 Authorized Manpower of Ordinance 10-89, Police  
20 Personnel Ordinance, as amended, to allow for  
21 additional personnel as needed to fill positions  
22 receiving funding from outside sources.

23 MR. PETERS: Thank you. This is the second  
24 reading. We had Chief Minnoch here I believe three  
25 weeks ago. We discussed this. Anyone have anything

1 to add further? Questions? I'll entertain a motion  
2 and second to adopt at second reading.

3 MR. FOLTZ: Motion to adopt.

4 MR. CERRETA: Second.

5 MR. PETERS: All in favor?

6 ("Aye" in unison.)

7 MR. PETERS: Opposed? Motion carries.

8 May I have a motion and a second to read, by  
9 title only, second reading Ordinance 49-19.

10 MS. KIESLING: So moved.

11 MR. FOLTZ: Second.

12 MR. PETERS: All in favor?

13 ("Aye" in unison.)

14 MR. PETERS: Opposed? Motion carries.

15 Tim.

16 MR. FOX: An ordinance authorizing the  
17 transfer of funds from the general fund, the fire  
18 fund, the EMS fund, and from the street fund to the  
19 capital reserve fund in the total amount of  
20 \$335,997.50, for the current expenses during the  
21 fiscal year ending December 31, 2019.

22 MR. PETERS: Thank you. Chairman Werren.

23 MRS. WERREN: Laura, do you want to say --  
24 comment on this?

25 MS. BROWN: Sure. I'll address Mr. Osborne's

1           comments.

2                   MRS. WERREN: That's what I thought.

3                   MS. BROWN: This is a transfer ordinance, so  
4 we're transferring money from those four funds over  
5 to our capital reserve fund, which was established by  
6 ordinance two years ago. Once that money's in the  
7 capital reserve fund, it's placed within departments  
8 in that fund related to fire, street, et cetera. In  
9 fact, I don't have it here, but in the committee  
10 meeting when we first introduced this, there was a  
11 breakdown of exactly what pieces parts of general  
12 fund. You know, was it administration, was it  
13 finance, et cetera.

14                   Once that money is transferred to the 335  
15 capital reserve fund in the name of those  
16 departments, it is not appropriated. Council would  
17 still have to appropriate those dollars. Typically  
18 we could do that next year as part of the 2020  
19 budget. Those dollars are sitting there and then  
20 council would choose to appropriate that.

21                   And just as we do with all our other funds,  
22 we would have all the little explanations down at the  
23 bottom for, you know, this is for. This year we used  
24 some of the street money for a piece of equipment,  
25 for instance. I don't believe any other departments

1 used any of the funds this year. If a department  
2 had, let's say, an emergency or unforeseen need  
3 sometime this year, they could spend that money but  
4 they would, of course, have to come back to council  
5 to get that appropriated because currently the only  
6 thing appropriated in that 335 fund is those things  
7 that were done last year as part of the 2019 budget.

8 MR. FONTE: Wasn't that the carryover?

9 MS. BROWN: Yeah. The amounts that you see  
10 here in the ordinance are the carryover.

11 MR. FONTE: That's what I thought.

12 MS. BROWN: So in general, street, EMS, and  
13 fire that the department heads asked for last year  
14 didn't get spent by the end of the year and so then  
15 we --

16 MR. FONTE: Carried over.

17 MS. BROWN: We carried it over.

18 And, you know, in regards to them being levy  
19 funds or restricted monies, again, when we put it in  
20 335 we don't lose sight of where the money came from.  
21 Street money is still street money and it's still  
22 going to be in sit in the street department and only  
23 be appropriated for street uses. That's something  
24 that, when you guys created this fund, I was very,  
25 you know, adamant about that things can't get



1 commingled. Number one, it's a, you know, budgetary  
2 law problem, but number two, it's just a fairness  
3 issue. If one department head saves money, he or she  
4 shouldn't lose it.

5 MR. FONTE: So it isn't the use it or lose it  
6 theory. We're doing it so that we could be more  
7 cognizant of the cash. Anything extra they can carry  
8 over so they can use it for smart spending instead of  
9 foolish spending or use it or lose-type spending.

10 MS. BROWN: And reserve funds are authorized  
11 under budgetary law.

12 MR. FONTE: I think it's a wise use. Thank  
13 you.

14 MR. PETERS: Thank you.

15 MRS. WERREN: All right. So with no other  
16 questions, I move to adopt.

17 MR. REVOLDT: Second.

18 MR. PETERS: All in favor?

19 ("Aye" in unison.)

20 MR. PETERS: Opposed? Motion carries.

21 That concludes the special council meeting.  
22 Motion to adjourn?

23 MS. KIESLING: So moved.

24 MR. CERRETA: Second.

25 MR. PETERS: All in favor?

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("Aye" in unison.)

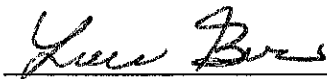
MR. PETERS: Opposed? Motion carries. We're  
adjourned.

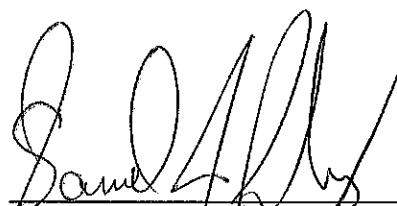
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(Meeting adjourned at 8:36 p.m.)

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Attest:

  
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Laura E. Brown  
Director Finance

  
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Daniel Jeff Peters  
City Council President

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