## **COUNCIL MINUTES**

April 21, 2025 Council Chambers 7:00 P.M.

## President Harris called the meeting to order

**ROLL CALL** - Mr. Barker, Ms. Bline, Mr. Chute, Mr. Cost, Mr. Houser, Mr. Labutis, Mr. Marmie, Mr. Neely, Mr. Rath, Mr. Rine

**INVOCATION** – Mr. Houser

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Dakota Kaneff, 10<sup>th</sup> grade, My Place To Be School

#### **CAUCUS**

MINUTES of April 7, 2025, Motion to accept by Mr. Labutis, Second by Mr. Houser, passed by acclamation

#### **APPOINTMENTS**

There are none this meeting.

### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Finance - Received and Filed without objection
Service - Received and Filed without objection
Capital Improvement - Received and Filed without objection

## **REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICIALS**

**Jill Frew, Tax Administrator's Office** – Income Tax Revenue Reports for the period ending March 31, 2025

**Brandon Fox, Water Administrator** - 2024 Annual Report for the City of Newark Division of Water and Wastewater

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

**Lindsey Brighton** – 2025 Waterway Cleanups, Log Pond Run Saturday, April 26<sup>th</sup> and Raccoon Creek Saturday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>

**Trish Perry, OhioCAN** – Free public health clinic on April 26<sup>th</sup> from 10am – 12pm, 184 E. Main St.

**Ohio Division of Liquor Control** - Transfer Liquor application from Hop Vine LLC, dba Beverage Source, 1551 W. Church St. and Patio, Newark, OH 43055 to Frosty Brew LLC, dba The Beverage Source, 1551 W. Church St. and Patio, Newark, OH 43055

## **COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS**

Shelby Aeby-Hopkins, 45 N. Front St. - Hello City Council. I just wanted to come up and remind you all about the Gears for Growth Car Show at Newark Digital this Saturday. It starts at 10:30 a.m. and runs until 2 p.m. and all the proceeds that are raised through the 50-50 raffle and everything goes back to our school for different events that we do. Hope to see you all there. Rochelle Volen-Smith, 237 Violet Ct. - I'd like to say that I appreciate the Pope for, in his last hours standing up for what he believed in in terms of people's rights. It was definitely a statement about what a fabulous person he was and I do appreciate that he came on strongly about what he believed in in terms of people's rights. I also wanted to ask about the bond issues. There was a bond issue on the election and there seems to be a bunch of other ones. I'm sort of confused as to what they're for because they seem to be a little redundant in some cases and also for the issue of the parking lot. I thought we just built a parking lot that was supposed to be helping out the parking situation here. I'm wondering what that's about. Is that permissible? Not allowed to ask?

**President Harris** – No, I mean you can ask, but this is not a question answer...

**Ms. Volen-Smith** - So, it's not something you want the people to know? I don't know and I read the paper frequently.

**President Harris** – You can talk to one of us after the meeting.

Ms. Volen-Smith - Okay, thank you.

#### ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING

By: Mr. Barker, Mr. Cost, Mr. Neely, Mr. Marmie, Ms. Bline, Mr. Labutis, Mr. Rath				
<b>25-12</b> AN C	RDINANCE AMENDING	THE POSITION CLAS	SSIFICATION, PAY RANGE AND	
DEPARTME	NT AUTHORIZATION TA	BLES OF THE CITY C	OF NEWARK, DEPARTMENT OF	Public
Service	, SUBDIVISIONS OF _	Water Treatmen	t Plant and Wastewater Treatme	ent Plant
BY <u>RECLASSIFYING THE CLASSIFICATIONS</u> OF <u>Water Plant Electro Mechanical</u>				
<u>Technician</u>	and Wastewater Electro	Mechanical Techn	<u>ician,</u> AS <u>Water Electro Mechan</u>	<u>ical</u>
Technician,	Operator and Wastewa	ter Electro Mechan	<u>ical Technician/Operator</u> and SI	ETTING
THE COMP	ENSATION THEREFORE.			

# Motion to adopt by Mr. Barker, Second by Mr. Labutis

**Mr. Barker** - I now need to also make a motion to amend 25-12. We're not changing anything in the legislation. Everyone in their packet has a strength authorization table. The original authorization table sent from HR in the department line was incorrect. This new one that's in your packets today has been corrected. So, I'd like that to be entered with this legislation, replace the current table that is with this legislation.

Motion to amend by Mr. Barker, Second by Mr. Labutis Motion to amend passed 10-0 Motion to adopt passed 10-0

## **ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING**

By: Mr. Marmie, Mr. Cost, Mr. Barker, Mr. Rath, Ms. Bline

**25-13** AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$1,810,000 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REVENUE BONDS OR NOTES, SERIES 2025 (SPECIAL OBLIGATION – NON-TAX REVENUES) (TAXABLE), MATTERS RELATED THERETO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

## Motion to adopt by Mr. Marmie, Second by Mr. Barker

Mr. Marmie - Since there was question as far as some of these bonds and I'm assuming it was asked about the election, so I don't know if it was the issues that are on the ballot or these issues, but I will discuss all four of these bonds just to clarify. The first one is a bond in which it's going to be utilized in order to purchase the building across the street. We're going to be collecting revenue from that, so that revenue from the tenants that are over there is anticipated to pay back that bond as those come due. The next one is dealing with bridge improvement and making sure we have a project that we found out about that it was an issue and a major thoroughfare on a bridge, so that one kind of popped up on us, but we have to make repairs to that bridge. The next one is the parking lot. It's actually improving the parking lot for our city employees and changing it so then we can get more capacity in this area for city employees, then it opens up parking for economic development in the downtown area. And then the final bond is just consolidating all those into one is what that does. So just so you know kind of what's coming through here as far as those bonds, but the first one is for the special obligation. Thank you.

## Motion passed 10-0

# By: Mr. Marmie, Mr. Cost, Mr. Barker, Mr. Rath, Ms. Bline

**25-14** TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$1,700,000 OF BONDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING A PORTION OF THE COST OF VARIOUS ROAD AND BRIDGE IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS THROUGHOUT THE CITY, MATTERS RELATED TO SUCH BONDS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Motion to adopt by Mr. Marmie, Second by Mr. Barker, Motion passed 10-0

### By: Mr. Marmie, Mr. Cost, Mr. Barker, Mr. Rath, Ms. Bline

**25-15** TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$550,000 OF BONDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING A PORTION OF THE COST OF CONSTRUCTING, RENOVATING, IMPROVING, AND EQUIPPING A PARKING LOT LOCATED NEAR CITY HALL, INCLUDING SITE WORK AND ALL NECESSARY APPURTENANCES THERETO, MATTERS RELATED TO SUCH BONDS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

### Motion to adopt by Mr. Marmie, Second by Mr. Barker

**Mr. Houser** - Thank you, Mr. President. And thank you, Mr. Marmie, for going over these bond issues in detail. I think one area I do have concern with the bond issues is this particular one. I think we have gone to bond for a significant amount of parking improvements, specifically the parking garage with inside of this building. Given the conversations that are occurring around our budget and some difficulties in terms of meeting those budgetary needs in the coming years, I guess I have some concern around us allocating additional borrowing to improving parking in the downtown area, especially this particular area. So, I will be voting no.

### Motion passed 9-1 (Houser)

## By: Mr. Marmie, Mr. Cost, Mr. Barker, Mr. Rath, Ms. Bline

**25-16** AN ORDINANCE CONSOLIDATING UP TO TWO BOND ISSUES OF THE CITY OF NEWARK, OHIO, ESTABLISHING THE TERMS OF SUCH CONSOLIDATED BOND ISSUE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Motion to adopt by Mr. Marmie, Second by Mr. Barker, Motion passed 10-0

### **RESOLUTIONS ON SECOND READING**

**By: Mr. Houser, Mr. Neely, Mr. Cost, Mr. Barker, Mr. Marmie, Ms. Bline, Mr. Rath, Mr. Labutis 25-14** A RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO PROCEED WITH THE STEPS NECESSARY TO DESIGNATE WASHINGTON STREET AS DR. CHARLES NOBLE, SR. STREET.

Motion to adopt by Mr. Houser, Second by Mr. Barker

**Mr. Houser** – Mr. President, I would like to make a motion to amend Resolution 25-14, to change the name as listed here from Dr. Charles Noble Senior Street to Reverend Charles W. Noble Sr.

# Motion to amend by Mr. Houser, Second by Mr. Barker

**Mr. Chute** - I just want to clarify, are we naming it Reverend Dr. Charles W. Noble Senior or just Reverend?

(Discussion occurred. After the meeting, the amendment of Dr. Charles Noble, Sr. Street to Reverend Charles W. Noble, Sr. Street. was confirmed.)

Motion to amend passed 10-0

Motion to adopt passed 10-0

By: Mr. Rath, Mr. Cost, Mr. Barker, Mr. Marmie, Ms. Bline, Mr. Labutis, Mr. Neely, Mr. Rine 25-15 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING NEWARK DEVELOPMENT PARTNERS TO ACT AS AGENT FOR THE CITY OF NEWARK FOR THE SALE OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY AND AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH NEWARK DEVELOPMENT PARTNERS GOVERNING THE SALE AND DISTRIBUTION OF PROCEEDS. Motion to adopt by Mr. Rath, Second by Ms. Bline, Motion passed 10-0

**By: Mr. Marmie, Mr. Cost, Mr. Barker, Ms. Bline, Mr. Labutis, Mr. Rath 25-17** A RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING MONIES FOR THE CURRENT EXPENSES OF THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION

Motion to adopt by Mr. Marmie, Second by Mr. Barker, Motion passed 10-0

By: Mr. Chute, Mr. Cost, Mr. Neely, Mr. Marmie, Mr. Barker, Ms. Bline, Mr. Labutis, Mr. Rath 25-18 A RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING MONIES FOR THE CURRENT EXPENSES OF THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION

Motion to adopt by Mr. Chute, Second by Mr. Houser, Motion passed 10-0

## **RESOLUTIONS ON FIRST READING**

By: Mr. Chute, Mr. Cost, Mr. Barker, Mr. Marmie, Mr. Rath, Ms. Bline
25-19 A RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING MONIES FOR THE CURRENT EXPENSES OF THE
MUNICIPAL CORPORATION (\$46,502.00 Radar Detection System SR 13 @ SR 16 EB Ramps,
4<sup>th</sup>/W. Locust, EB SR 16, WB – the 3 intersections are all on 4<sup>th</sup> St. – upgrade 3 existing serial

fiber intersections to IP) (\$300,000.00 Cover City portion of N. 21<sup>st</sup> St. & Granville Rd. intersection, \$629k coming from OPWC)

**Held until 5.5.25** 

By: Mr. Rath, Mr. Cost, Mr. Barker, Mr. Marmie, Ms. Bline

**25-20** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE OF THE CITY OF NEWARK, OHIO TO APPLY FOR, ACCEPT AND ENTER INTO A WATER SUPPLY REVOLVING LOAN ACCOUNT AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF NEWARK FOR PLANNING, DESIGN AND\OR CONSTRUCTION OF LEAD SERVICE LINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT #7 AND DESIGNATING A DEDICATED REPAYMENT SOURCE FOR THE LOAN.

**Held until 5.5.25** 

By: Mr. Rath, Mr. Cost, Mr. Barker, Mr. Marmie, Ms. Bline

**25-21** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND ENTER INTO CONTRACTS, SUBJECT TO THE APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS, FOR VARIOUS CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS.

**Held until 5.5.25** 

**By: Mr. Marmie, Mr. Cost, Mr. Barker, Mr. Rath, Ms. Bline 25-22** A RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING MONIES FOR THE CURRENT EXPENSES OF THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION (\$300,000.00 Cover City portion of N. 21<sup>st</sup> St. & Granville Rd. intersection. \$629k coming from OPWC)

Rochelle Volen-Smith, 237 Violet Ct. – I wanted to thank Mr. Marmie for making the bond

Held until 5.5.25

### **COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS**

issues a lot more clear. It really helped. I also wanted to thank you as well, Mr. Houser for your stance. Also, I would hope that the City pays this much attention to the people that are suffering during this time period who have lost their homes, and jobs, and things like that. Also, I am thrilled that Reverend Noble, a man I respected, has had a street named after him. He did a lot in this community, and so does his wife, and I hope that you have given the courtesy of asking the family what they would prefer in terms of naming the street. Thank you. Gary Babcock, corner of Philmont and Emerson - Thanks guys, gals, you're doing an excellent job. Thanks to Beth and Mark. They came to our church the other night and had a great time at the concert. Our pastor mentioned their name and their presence. Our church is one that does the cleanup. You're going to see us out now, or they out. They're the ones with the bright green shirts "I love my city", and I don't know why our church is in Heath, but they love Newark. But that's good. We mentioned it at a council meeting. I proposed it and they went with it. And Ms. Bline has been out there with them. Seem to have a pretty good time. Ms. Bline again. I got some friends on Summit Street, and they were just, her name came up in conversation, and they were just praising her of what she's done along the river and down 2nd Street. Of course, it's closed. I haven't got to check out and make sure they were telling me the truth, whole truth, nothing but the truth, but I'm sure it is an excellent job. Route 16 east cleanup. It must be happening because I'm starting to see daylight there, but I was told something about the railroad tracks. Okay. Another positive note, we do have warmer weather. With warmer weather comes off-road vehicles traveling our streets. Personally, I've dodged them in our neighborhood. And the city of Newark is losing a lot of income by not pulling these people over. The other night is the worst one I've ever seen. These little electric scooters. There's a young girl riding on it. I guess her to be 12, 14 years old. But there was a child in front of her on one of them little electric scooters, no helmets, no nothing, holding on to the bar. And I personally wrecked one of them, and I've had two operations on my leg and ankle. So, I know what can happen on these electric scooters that run 12, 14 miles an hour. So, the city could have a really good income if they were to impound those and start issuing tickets. Every kind of off-road vehicle you can imagine ends up down there at the BP station on East Main Street. That's where they go and get gas. So, if the city wants to make some money, there's an easy way of doing it, on impound fees and parking tickets. They're parking at the BP station. Thank you.

**Michael Noble** - Mr. President and Council, my name is Michael Noble. I'd like to first of all say thank you on behalf of our family for Resolution 25-14 in recognition of my father's contribution. Literally the marking of the street is a testimony to his life model. He always said that he wanted to leave the community better than he found it. And after 43 years, I think he did that. And this marker, I think, is in recognition of that. So, on behalf of our personal family, as well as our church family at Shiloh, and our many constituents, we say thank you for the recognition. It's an honor. Thank you very much.

**Steven Smith, 237 Violet Ct.** - Good evening. I just wanted to express my appreciation for Mr. Rath's comments for recognizing Autism Awareness Month, April. It's a very difficult to understand, very much misunderstood situation. It affects a lot of people to varying degrees, some severely, some not so severely. There's a saying I've heard among the autism community that once you've seen one person with autism, you've seen one person with autism. Everyone is different. Thank you very much for that recognition.

### **MISCELLANEOUS**

**Tricia Moore, Law Director – I'll pass tonight. Thank you.** 

Mayor Hall – Number one, I want to thank Reverend Noble for coming, and certainly your father was quite an icon in the community, and we're very honored to be able to name a street after him. There are times I miss him, and you do too. I know, obviously, much more than me, but I just mean what a wonderful person he was to be around. For many years before I was mayor, I didn't know him, (inaudible) that's probably one thing I regret. But yeah, it's well-earned and well-do. We're a better community because of your family. Today I'm also going to give kudos out to our water department and particularly our water plant up on Waterworks Road, which I don't want everybody to forget includes water distribution on the east side too because they take care of those systems. The Ohio EPA awarded 116 Ohio drinking water systems \$2.7 million. We got \$39,000. We've gotten about \$109,000 off the Ohio EPA for other things recently, but in this particular thing there'll be detectors put in the streams upstream from our water intake just to see if there's any imbalance in the water. It gives us a little more advanced notice. Why I'm saying all this, for this entire program the Ohio EPA wanted to come in and launch this in Newark this morning. So, they were on site at the plant and Channel 10

was there. It was kind of neat, it was good for the employees at the water plant because they do such a great job, Sean and that whole team up there. They applied for the grant and it was pretty neat. They got to kind of have a behind-the-scenes tour a little bit, not only the Ohio EPA but Channel 10, and the reporting project from Denison was there. So, you might look at the Channel 10 website. It was kind of a neat time and very good. They do a phenomenal job. I joked with them a little bit that they probably shine the floors. Well, no, they're always that way. That place is spotless. We take a lot of pride in our water systems. They do such a wonderful job. I use my line. I always do. You just turn that spigot on and it comes out. It seems easy. That takes a lot of work and a lot of due diligence. Our employees do that and have a lot of pride in what they do. So, kudos to them. And we were honored and kind of proud that we were in the news today. With that, I pass. Thank you.

**Mr. Barker** - Thank you, Mr. President. I just want to say thank you to Buster Prince and Greg Vickers and our street department team. They handled a massive crater, I would call it, on Bryn Mawr Drive in the 5th Ward that I'm sure somebody probably lost a tire in because I almost did. So very thankful that they were able to get that actually repaired so quickly so there were no other incidents. As well as I want to thank Director Rhodes. The corner of Bryn Mawr and Swansea has been a bit of a, city owned property, has been somewhat of a safety issue with trees and things falling down and obstructing the right of way. And so that was taken care of this past week and we've already seen a major improvement in slower speeds because people can actually see other people waiting to come out of the parking lot near the Newark Schools Preschool Building, the Energy Cooperative and other residences there. And with that, I will pass.

Ms. Bline – Thank you, Mr. President. First, I was sharing with Reverend Noble some stories from the past, how with Shiloh and with Reverend Dr. Noble, it wasn't you or I, it was we. And if there is a need in the community, you know, how can we help? They filled some very important needs at the time with a group of kids, a program that I was facilitating. And I'll never forget it. There were no questions asked, no money required. It was just a huge blessing to that group of kids the whole summer. Just incredible. That's just the way it was. I just appreciate you all. And on ATVs, it is a constant resource dig. I'm speaking to people on the state level, even as early as last week again, because I want to be in alignment with them and the legislation that's coming down from the state because, you know, we have to be in alignment with them somewhat. I want to thank Buster as well and property maintenance for responding so well and so quickly. You know, we can do a lot of things, but we can't fill potholes. As well as NPD, they've been very, very on the spot in the past couple of weeks for certain. And coming up, this calendar is very busy. Miss Aeby. She already spoke to this weekend's car show, the third. Again, is the Raccoon Creek River Roundup. It's a ball. If you haven't been to one, please come. Then on the 10th, we are joining CLC folks from around the community. That's Christian Life Center for Community Roundup. I think we're painting, actually. Then on the 17<sup>th</sup> is the south Newark cleanup. I know we are moving west away from the numbered streets. I'm not quite sure to what area we're going, but I do know we'll probably be going down probably near South Williams in that area over there but it's going to be great. So, look forward to seeing everybody on those dates if you have an opportunity. Thank you, sir.

**Mr. Chute** – Thank you Mr. President. I'll just echo the mayor's comments and thank Reverend Noble for being here this evening. It's always good to see you and it's truly an honor to honor

your dad and your entire family's legacy of ministry and service to our community. So, thank you for being here. Thank you for bringing your body guard Mr. Hunt. Maybe we can name Eastern Avenue after Mr. Hunt. Mr. President, I will pass. (laughter)

**Mr. Cost** – Michael, I can't say enough how good it is to see you. It just seems like forever and we all appreciate you being here to recognize your dad. He was so special. Nice to see Mr. Hunt as well. I'll pass.

**Mr. Houser** – Thank you Mr. President. I would just say the same that everyone else has said. Thank you so much to the Noble family for everything you've done. I did not have the privilege of knowing your father, but I can certainly rely on the testimony of everybody here and see what he's done in the community. I certainly appreciate that. With that, I'll pass.

Mr. Labutis – Thank you, Mr. President. Shelby, good luck this weekend with the car show. I hope it goes well. I want to thank the streets department for help with an issue. It should be wrapped up here in the next couple of months. Reverend Noble thank you so much for being here. It's an honor to honor your father and I believe his life mission was to make Newark better. Mission accomplished. I know that you and your family are continuing on his legacy through what you're doing and your church as well. So, thank you so much for that. Lastly, thank you to CLC for the invite. As Mr. Babcock mentioned, I was at the worship concert Friday night. It was fantastic. Did a great job. Had a great time and thank you for the invite. With that, I will pass.

Mr. Marmie – Thank you, Mr. President. I need to call a Finance Committee meeting for May the 5th. I want to start out Reverend Noble, I appreciate, well deserved, and what is fantastic is what he has started is continuing. So that's the greatest part of it and he is well deserved as far as the naming, but what has happened and transpired is just phenomenal for our community and I want to thank you very much for that. Next, I just want to talk about some things in my ward. Oh, wait the mayor already did. The water department is in my ward and so isn't that fantastic. So, the other thing I am going to mention about my ward is you know the community was kind of in shock when it was announced the country club was going to have to close and move away and just basically no longer have a home. Fortunately, they found a home out at the Trout Club, and I'm here to say that it is thriving and that the folks that decided to go out there are just ecstatic about the environment and just what is happening and what's transpiring. The golf course isn't where everybody wants it yet, but they see progress and they're going to be patient about it. So, what we thought was going to be devastating to the community, this community again responded and they're going to make lemonade out of lemons, so I really do like that. And finally, I'd be remiss if I did not mention the passing of Pope Francis. It's a testament that he had pneumonia, has had it for a while, has been battling it but still showed up for Easter services yesterday and made sure that he made a presence. That's just the type of man he was and he always made a presence as far as what he did, what he said, how he just led the church. So, it is a sad day and condolences to everybody in the Catholic community. It is something that is felt around the world. With that, I'll pass.

**Mr. Neely** - Thank you, Mr. President. I would like to congratulate Reverend Noble and your family. It's a great honor. I did not know your father. I haven't actually met you yet. However, I hear, after becoming involved in the community, I hear the Noble name through all the events I

go through. So, congratulations to you and your family. I would also like to thank the Newark Police Department. I had the misfortune of, and the great opportunity, to deal with two of your great officers this week. One in a motor vehicle accident involving my daughter. And second, when a clearly intoxicated driver decided to drive through my yard and launch my trash can 50 feet and hit a pole. In both instances, Newark Police officers arrived swiftly. They were very professional and friendly. And that is what our police department is. So, very proud of them. Thankful we have them in our community. So, with that, I will pass.

Mr. Rath – Thank you. First, I want to thank Dakota Kaneff for coming and leading the Pledge of Allegiance from My Place To Be. Also had his mother, father, and grandmother here with him. The one thing I will say, it is a great school. They have one major fundraiser every year. That fundraiser is coming up. If you guys would like to participate, we have a call founding. It's My Place To Be. You can go to the website there. They'll accept foursomes. Or if somebody wants to sponsor, somebody who's a business owner and wants to sponsor, we would love to absolutely have you. Reverend Noble, it's great to see you here. It's good to see you following in your father's footsteps. Although I'm sure they're very large and hard to fill. I want to say thank you to our safety forces. I had a security issue a couple of weeks ago here at council. The research and investigation that our detectives did and the information that they came up with is absolutely phenomenal. I feel very secure with them at the job, along with our Law Director Moore. I appreciate everything that you guys do. I want to say God bless Pope Francis. Also, prayers for those who are bearing the heavy weight of responsibility for replacing him and choosing his replacement. Of course, I'm going to continue my rally cry to open up the Cherry Valley Bridge. Along with that, closing South Chalfant, because that will become a nightmare. It's a one block road from West Main to Cherry Valley. It will absolutely become a cut through. And that's going to cause a safety issue without a doubt. Go down another half a block to Cherry Valley and come around makes much more sense. I want to call a Service Committee meeting for May 5th. And with that, I'll pass.

**Mr. Rine** – Thank you, Mr. President. I just want to start by saying, Mr. Noble, thank you and your family and your father. I did not know you and your father, but I'm honored to vote to change the road to honor your father for generations to come. So, I'm young. Me and Michael Houser are the youngest here. We're very appreciative of what you and your family has done. And I'm very honored. Thank you. With that, I'll pass.

**President Harris** – I want to thank everybody for supporting the name change. I knew Reverend Noble. Everybody has already said everything about it. So, there's not much more I can add. Thank you, Michael and Dan, for being here and supporting us.

ADJOURNMENT - Motion to adjourn by Mr. Cost, Second by Mr. Labutis, passed by acclamation