

**MINUTES OF THE WORK SESSION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF AVON, OHIO HELD MONDAY, JUNE 3, 2019  
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING  
AT 7:30 P.M.**

**CHAIRMAN, CRAIG WITHERSPOON, CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER**

**PRESENT:** Council Members: 1<sup>st</sup> Ward – Bob Butkowski; Council-at-Large – Brian Fischer; Council-at-Large – Tammy Holtzmeier; 2<sup>nd</sup> Ward - Dennis McBride; 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward-Tony Moore; 4<sup>th</sup> Ward — Scott Radcliffe; Council-at-Large – Craig Witherspoon; Mayor – Bryan Jensen; City Engineer – Ryan Cummins; Service Director – Mike Farmer; Planning and Economic Development Coordinator – Pam Fechter; Law Director – John Gasior; Finance Director – William Logan; Clerk of Council – Barbara Brooks

The following items were considered in this Work Session:

1. [ORDINANCE NO. 40-19 – REZONING THE 6.18 ACRE REMAINDER OF THE 10.53 ACRE PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED AT 37520 COLORADO AVENUE FROM R-2 TWO-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO C-4 GENERAL BUSINESS DISTRICT/GENERAL BUSINESS DISTRICT OVERLAY](#)  
Planning Commission Referral

Mr. Witherspoon advised a Public Hearing would be held on Monday, June 10 ,2019 at 7:20 pm and the third of three readings would be during the Regular Meeting on Monday, June 10, 2019.

2. [ORDINANCE NO. 41-19 – TO AMEND SECTIONS 1270.03\(b\)\(11\) AND 1280.05\(gg\) OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY TO INCLUDE VETERINARY OFFICES ON THE SCHEDULE OF PERMITTED AND SPECIAL USES IN C-2 CENTRAL BUSINESS/FRENCH CREEK DISTRICTS](#)  
Planning Commission Referral

Mr. Witherspoon advised a Public Hearing would be held on Monday, June 10, 2019 at 7:25 p.m. and the third of three readings would be during the Regular Meeting on Monday, June 10, 2019.

Ms. Fechter advised she spoke with Paul Burik of the Architectural Review Board for the French Creek District and they support these amendments to the Code and are happy the City is requiring a Special Use Permit and that way veterinary offices could be considered individually.

3. [ORDINANCE NO. 50-19 – GRANTING A SPECIAL USE PERMIT TO TBK PROPERTY, LLC dba BREW KETTLE AVON, TO CONSTRUCT A 758 SQUARE FOOT OUTDOOR PATIO SEATING AREA AT 33287 JUST IMAGINE DRIVE](#)  
Planning Commission Referral

Ms. Fechter advised representatives from Brew Kettle were present and they are proposing to be located on Just Imagine Drive across the street from the Cleveland Clinic. She said the reason they are in front of City Council tonight is for approval of a Special Use Permit for an outdoor patio in the rear of the property. Ms. Fechter stated currently what Brew Kettle is proposing is that this patio will not have any speakers, although approximately once per week they will have an acoustic player on the patio, but no speakers that will take the music from inside the restaurant to the outside. She said the hours of operation are Sunday through Thursday from 11 am to 12 am and Friday and Saturday from 11 am to 2 am. Ms. Fechter introduced Randy Parsons from the Architectural group as well as the owner, Chris Russo.

Mr. Parsons of Fairlawn advised they were asking for a Special Use Permit for the patio. He pointed to the patio on an overhead drawing. Mr. Parsons stated, based on the Planning Commission Meeting which asked for protection for the patrons on the patio, the landscape plan depicts concrete benches as well as sandstone boulders versus having bollards that they felt might be unsightly. He said they are prepared to make sure those

concrete benches are anchored as well as having sizable boulders in place that will stop any vehicles that may lose control.

Mr. Witherspoon asked Mr. Parsons to elaborate on the placement of the items on the patio.

Mr. Parsons pointed out the location of the proposed concrete benches and sandstone boulders so that there was protection from all sides. He stated this is merely a rendering, but previously there were regular benches proposed and those have been upgraded to concrete benches and they added the boulders.

Mrs. Holtzmeier advised the Ordinance specifies in section 2 that the owner agrees to install bollards on the north side of the patio. She said it was mentioned tonight that their plan did not include bollards.

Mr. Parsons advised they were proposing to try to be a little more decorative with the patio versus just concrete bollards. He said if that is something that City Council is not happy with they would certainly revisit that design, but they were trying to be a little more natural with the protection while still providing protection.

Mrs. Holtzmeier stated historically Planning Commission has asked for any sort of patio or outdoor seating area that would have vehicles passing nearby such as of a drive-thru that bollards are included as part of the process. She said there are always specifications that say they can be aesthetically pleasing, or they can put landscaping around them and make them look more beautiful than just concrete bollards, but as a means to protect the patrons. Mrs. Holtzmeier said she did not have a problem with benches or rocks or whatnot as they are going to attract people, but ultimately, they all agree that they are looking to preserve the safety of the patrons there and if bollards are the way to ensure that and they are able to disguise them then that is a wonderful thing.

Mr. McBride advised they were proposing large boulders in lieu of the bollards, which if they are big enough he felt it serves the same purpose.

Mrs. Holtzmeier asked if they were proposing the boulders across the entire patio.

Mr. Parsons said they are proposing three and in the corner a masonry fireplace and then concrete benches out front.

Mr. McBride felt this was no different than a curb separating the parking lot from the sidewalk where the benches are proposed to be located. He said they are all over the City like that and if a car is going to go over it is going to go over. Mr. McBride advised we do not require bollards along sidewalks and shopping centers. He agreed they do require them in seating areas and it sounded to him like if the boulders are correctly placed then it should not be an issue. Mr. McBride said they can approve the stipulations that a car should not be able to fit in between the boulders and depending on how the concrete benches are set up they would not be driving a car through those either.

Mrs. Holtzmeier stated how they have seen it in Planning Commission in previous months and they have seen recommendations from the Fire Department as well to have the amount of space between a decorative rock or a movable bench or even a bollard be narrow enough so that a vehicle could not get through.

Mr. McBride agreed as long as they are spaced appropriately he did not have an issue. He felt it was creative and if it does not work then they would be installing bollards.

Mrs. Holtzmeier advised we have seen vehicles in this town go over rocks in shopping centers.

Mr. McBride felt these boulders would not be an issue if they are as big as he believes they are going to be.

Mrs. Holtzmeier asked what size were they planning.

Mr. Parsons advised they would be at least a ton each. He said they were not small rocks that could be easily moved. There is a landscape company that they done a lot of work with and they understand what they are looking to do. Mr. Parsons stated the landscaper helped them design the plan and he emphasized they have to have rocks that would stop a vehicle and they were prepared to bring large boulders to the site.

Mr. Witherspoon indicated that City Council approved a stone wall at the front of Bar Nova and that stone wall is reinforced with steel. Ms. Fechter confirmed such.

Mr. Butkowski commented that the location of Brew Kettle will be very close to Slyman's that was approved recently, and he asked what Slyman's was required to provide.

Ms. Fechter advised Slyman's went through the same approval process and said that Slyman's has more of a wall and there is a narrow gap to ensure a car cannot get through.

Mr. Radcliffe added that the wall for Slyman's was also reinforced.

It was noted that the standard benches originally proposed were removed and they went with the full concrete benches. Mr. Parsons said the concrete benches would be anchored to the ground.

Mrs. Holtzmeier asked which direction people would sit on those benches; if it would be toward the parking lot or toward the restaurant.

Mr. Parsons thought they would sit facing the parking lot if it was a family waiting on their car to pull up or a photo opportunity with the Brew Kettle mascot. He said the patio space where patrons would be eating is protected and there would be a landscape buffer between the parking lot and the patio.

Mrs. Holtzmeier advised Planning Commission conversations from previous months for restaurants have been to always look at the safety concern and it should be something more permanent in nature that will protect the patrons. She said if it is aesthetically pleasing the Planning Commission has agreed that is important and in different areas it has been defined in different ways and there is not a specific standard in the Code. Mrs. Holtzmeier stated from this perspective she felt it is a matter for this body to ask if this plan provides enough safety for the patrons on the patio and was it still pleasing to look at. She pointed out that right now the Ordinance states bollards.

Mayor Jensen asked if the landscaper could provide a photo to show what the boulders will look like. He said the boulder that cars have gone onto in the shopping center is a relatively small boulder and it did not sound to him like that is what is being planned for Brew Kettle.

Mr. Parsons advised he would agree it was more the size of the table, pointing to the table on the Council dais, and that would stop a vehicle and not launch it. He indicated they could install 2 or 3 bollards in front of the waiting area, which would provide the bollards as described in the ordinance as well as provide protection for those patrons who may be sitting on those concrete benches.

Mrs. Holtzmeier advised she is not as tied into bollards as she is into safety. She said if it is a boulder and it is a particular size she would like to see that specified in the ordinance as to what size they could expect to see in place.

Mr. Butkowski asked in the area where the benches cut out in between the boulders why they would not want to extend some walls similar to what Slyman's is doing, as a compromise. He said the owner of the business would then be able to have more patio space for patrons and it would address the safety concerns and allow more space on the patio for a couple more tables.

Mr. Parsons said he did not know if Mr. Russo, owner of Brew Kettle would want to make the patio larger.

Mr. Butkowski stated he was just trying to think outside the box as a compromise to address the safety concerns heard tonight and still utilize the space available. He said he thought the wall that Slyman's proposed was a pretty good idea where people could walk in and out, but it would be a barricade from allowing anyone to drive through that area.

Mr. McBride felt we could not protect everyone from everything. He asked to see the location of the proposed Brew Kettle in relation to the Cleveland Clinic as it connects to Just Imagine Drive.

Mr. Parsons indicated the Brew Kettle drive would be lined up with the drive across the street, which was the drive to the hotel, the Residence Inn by Marriott. It was noted the Cleveland Clinic was the next drive east of the hotel.

The residential property was pointed out to the east of the site for Brew Kettle. Ms. Fechter advised that house will be completed buffered by landscaping by both Slyman's and Brew Kettle and she believed there is an existing fence on the residential property. She noted the parking lot has been designed so the lights do not shine in the windows of the residential property.

Mr. Gasior asked if the plans he has before him were older ones.

Ms. Fechter stated they were revised after the last Planning Commission Meeting to satisfy the safety concerns.

Mr. Gasior advised they were going to need those revised plans because this plan also has a tenant patio.

Ms. Fechter agreed that needed to be removed.

Mr. Parsons said he understood.

Mr. Gasior stated he needed an updated copy, so the Clerk of Council has the proper copy for the record and for distribution to Council. He indicated they could still produce the pictures as Mayor Jensen pointed out and have someone stand beside the boulder, so it provides some dimension and perspective and submit those as well and it can be attached to the Ordinance and act on it next week.

4. [ORDINANCE NO. 51-19](#) – GRANTING A SPECIAL USE PERMIT TO RICHARD & PAULINE SCHNEIDER TO ALLOW FOR LOT CONSOLIDATION, LOT SPLIT AND THE CREATION OF A FLAG LOT ON THE NORTH SIDE OF SCHWARTZ ROAD, WEST OF 32370 SCHWARTZ ROAD  
Planning Commission Referral

Ms. Fechter advised Mr. and Mrs. Schneider have 4.12 acres on Schwartz Road where they are proposing a flag lot. She said the applicants were present if there are any questions. Ms. Fechter stated this is a residential flag lot that requires a Special Use Permit.

Mr. Gasior pointed out there is some additional language in the legislation that would enable the party that owns the flag lot to go ahead and construct on it, but they would be required to maintain setbacks from any property lines.

5. [ORDINANCE NO. 52-19](#) – REZONING A 0.8607 PORTION OF A 2.8048 ACRE PARCEL OF LAND OWNED BY SHIRE GLENN GREEN, LLC AND LOCATED ON THE NORTH SIDE OF AVON ROAD, FROM R-1 SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO O-1 PLANNED OFFICE DISTRICT  
Planning Commission Referral

First of Three Readings on Monday, June 10, 2019  
Public Hearing at 7:25 p.m. on Monday, July 8, 2019

Ms. Fechter advised back in 2017, Ordinance No. 13-17 was passed. At that time, 1.8506 acres of 4.45 acres were rezoned to the O-1 Planned Office District. The more the applicant has worked on his plan he realized he needed to rezone more property to add on for parking and water retention. She said the applicant is in front of this body again asking for the .8607acre to be rezoned to the O-1 district. Ms. Fechter noted that representatives were present if there are any questions and it was a positive recommendation from Planning Commission.

Mr. Radcliffe asked for confirmation that this is the area that was going to be the retention basin and it was still going to be, but with additional parking now. Ms. Fechter confirmed that to be true.

Kevin Hoffman of Polaris Engineering & Surveying, Inc. explained they had a regional detention basin planned at this location. He said part of that plan was contingent on them sending some of their flow into ODOT's right of way and he pointed out a drainage ditch that goes along the highway. ODOT basically said they could not increase the flow more than what is going to that ditch already. Mr. Hoffman stated their only recourse was to do some improvements to the storm sewer system on Avon Road. He said they have plans in front of the City Engineer for some kind of improvement on Avon Road to handle the flow. When Willow Creek Subdivision was constructed, the storm sewer was undersized, and it basically acts as a clog point for approximately 270 acres. Mr. Hoffman advised they are proposing some improvements; however, those improvements are costly, and his client is willing to pay for those improvements, but as part of that they need to increase the size of the office building by approximately 10,000 square feet, which requires more parking spaces. He said the office building is still to the west of an existing ditch that cuts through the property, keeping the proposed office building as far away from the residential as possible, but mostly they have extended the parking further east and the reason behind the ordinance. Mr. Hoffman advised the remainder of the property they are looking to keep as green space whether they donate it to the City or to a conservation group.

Mayor Jensen asked if they would be willing to donate the property to the Willow Creek Subdivision Homeowner's Association if they wanted to accept it.

Edward Pavicic, owner of Shire Glenn Green, LLC said he needed to look into the tax deductibility if he should donate it to the Homeowner's Association.

Mayor Jensen advised Willow Creek has a Homeowner's Association and if that is something they wanted to...

Mr. Pavicic said they could certainly use it and the maintenance charges would be a part of the common area, but they would open it to anyone.

Mayor Jensen thought that if that property was some kind of walking trail for the residents of Willow Creek it would be a benefit to that area and ideal for those residents.

Mr. Pavicic advised they plan on installing fitness stations and it would be up to date and it would be open to the community.

Mr. McBride asked if they were looking to donate the property to absolve themselves of potential liability.

Mr. Pavicic answered no, there would be no liability on it from his perspective. He said their insurances will cover whatever was needed for that.

Mr. Hoffman stated even if he donated the land as an easement that whoever was a part of that office building would be responsible for the upkeep on it. He said there are ways around that.

Mayor Jensen said the City is not sure why they would want to donate the property if they were still going to maintain it. He was suggesting that possibly the Homeowners Association was willing to take over the maintenance of it. Mayor Jensen added that he was sure that anyone would love to have property they could

use that is maintained by the office building, which would be nice for the people working in that building to utilize as well.

Mr. McBride said it was mentioned that they would like to increase the size of the office building by 10,000 square feet.

Mr. Hoffman confirmed that and said that the last time they had approximately 30,000 sf and this is a 40,000 sf facility. He said the footprint grew a little bit and they would still like to keep it under three stories high if at all possible.

Mr. Pavicic advised he met with the architects about two weeks ago and they feel they can devise it where it is very similar sizing, at the most around 45 feet; which will be three stories. He said the plan is for a bank on the main floor, which the zoning allows for that use and the rest would be medical offices. Mr. Pavicic felt it would not affect the residential area as it would be basically first shift employees.

Mr. McBride asked how far off Nagel Road it would be.

Mr. Pavicic indicated the parcel to the east of this property is on the corner of Avon Road and Nagel Road. Mr. Hoffman answered it is 600' from Nagel Road and the parking area would be approximately 800' from Nagel Road.

Mr. Fischer stated when the first lot was rezoned, and that entire area was going to be a retention, it still was not enough of an improvement. He asked what kind of improvements they were planning regarding the storm water since water is a huge problem especially in this area.

Mr. Hoffman advised their current plan is to remove the storm sewer and install a 7' x 3' box culvert under I-90 and the rest would be an open ditch channel all the way to Gifford Ditch.

Mr. Fischer mentioned that Gifford Ditch cannot keep up as it is. He said what he is hearing him say is that it would be a smaller retention basin and more water flowing to Gifford Ditch.

Mr. Hoffman responded that basically with the previously designed retention basin, the amount of flow coming from that would be creating a dam and the water would back up. He said there was no good way to do it. Mr. Hoffman stated this was their best solution to increase the conveyance channels on Avon Road.

Mayor Jensen clarified that engineering studies still needed to be completed first to prove that their plan is going to be a viable option.

Mr. Cummins confirmed the Mayor's statement and said the general development plan was just coming up before Planning Commission later this month. He advised the zoning had gone previously, but the idea of removing the storm sewer and creating an open ditch and replacing the storm sewer under Pine Drive with a culvert has not been accepted by Planning Commission or engineering.

Mr. Fischer stated the Business District keeps creeping down the road and as portions get approved even though they are not developed yet, it still becomes a Business District.

Mr. Cummins stated that the acreage for the Business District is not the main issue at hand. He said there are over 200 acres coming that way, but it is whether that area is prepared for the development to happen or whether it is premature. Mr. Cummins advised it has been noted about this development in the past. They do add detention for the actual office space itself, but that is only for that couple acre site and not the large project. He said going from an enclosed system to an open ditch is something that Planning Commission is about to weigh-in on and he is not sure how that will fare.

Mr. Butkowski asked Mr. Cummins if he had an estimate as to the cost differential between an open ditch and the proper sizing of storm sewer through that area.

Mr. Cummins answered he did not at this time.

Mr. Pavicic said they do. He stated if they did a closed ditch their calculations would not achieve the 100-year flow and that is one of the challenges that they had to look at with this property. Mr. Pavicic advised when they engineered from Detroit Road all the way down to Avon Road and figured out where all this flow was coming in. He stated having the open ditch and adding new culverts would achieve the 100-year flow and it would resolve the flood issues for everyone back in that area.

Mr. Hoffman explained they had an alternate option of adding a second 36-inch parallel storm sewer and it would help.

Mr. Pavicic stated it would be cheaper to do it that way, but it does not resolve the flood issues. He believes it was a \$225,000 improvement with the open ditch and if it is closed it was approximately \$165,000. Mr. Pavicic said they consulted a lot of excavating companies.

Mr. Hoffman said unless they did a box culvert all the way down the street, but that would be exorbitant.

Mr. McBride asked if there was any onsite retention currently.

Mr. Hoffman said they lost a buildable lot when the subdivision design went from 10 lots to 9 lots.

Mr. Pavicic said the water for their property is held. They would have their own storm water for their property and would do everything they need to maintain their own and let it out slow. On the north side now, all that water runs to the existing creek where it should. On the south side, they will retain that water for the 9 lots as they lost a buildable lot from the original projections from two years ago. It is a challenge of 279 acres from Detroit Road west. Once the Nagel Farm or the Bliss Farm is put into production for residential development then their retaining ponds will eliminate any type of culverts. He said that he met with the 3 or 4 homeowners in the area before they came in front of the Planning Commission and he explained everything that they are discussing tonight and welcomed them to come here tonight. Mr. Pavicic stated in the end, those that were hit with the most water problems will not be hit because the water will be diverted past them.

Mr. McBride advised the last time it flooded that area, the water ran across the road to the north side and the water was pumped across just to keep homes from being flooded worse.

Mr. Pavicic stated their improvements will bring that 100-year flood down for all involved.

Mr. McBride asked about the ditches in front of those 4 houses. The ditches in that area are pretty big and he did not know if they are very deep, but they are wide.

Mr. Hoffman speculated they probably are not deep just because those homes were constructed long before requirements to raise up properties in flood areas.

Mr. McBride stated that what they are proposing is to take that type of ditch and run it all the way to Gifford Ditch. He said that he is not saying the engineering will not work, but this Council has been burned in the past. Mr. McBride explained he has served on City Council for a long time and over the years developers and engineers have said their plan would work and yet the City ended up buying the property back for 2 or 3 million dollars to resolve the issue. He is dubious and said that Gifford Ditch runs very high he felt this plan would add a lot more flow.

Mr. Hoffman stated he would not say they are adding more flow, but they are restricting their flow to what is required by Ordinance. He said they are helping to convey the flow from down Avon Road because right now it is inadequate.

Mr. Pavicic pointed out the area where the drainage is bottle-necking and that is where they would be alleviating the stress. From dealing with this situation the last three years, the people in this area are the ones that are receiving the flooding and then other nearby properties received some flooding as well based upon the two 100-year floods that occurred about two weeks apart he believed in the year 2000 or thereabouts and that is where the major issues were at that point and this will alleviate that issue.

Mr. Cummins advised to be clear, they were not really diverting anything around those existing four homes. Secondly, the engineering has not been reviewed and approved as of yet on this project. Thirdly, engineering-wise they probably are able to size an open ditch to carry a certain amount of water, but he stated the fact of the matter is that they are creating an open ditch and that has certain implications for safety and certain implications in the Code and those things have to be evaluated by the Planning Commission in a couple of weeks. Lastly, the existing homes are very low relative to the ditch so, designing a solution that will get that water past them with that minimal difference in elevation will be tough. Mr. Cummins reiterated this is still an ongoing open question from an engineering perspective.

6. RESOLUTION NO. R-13-19 – TO ADOPT THE SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE LORAIN COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT Mr. Gasior  
Second of Three Readings on Monday, June 10, 2019

No comments.

7. REPORTS AND COMMENTS

MAYOR JENSEN advised he would be on vacation next week and would be absent for the Regular Meeting on June 10<sup>th</sup>.

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

MR. BUTKOWSKI, WARD 1 thanked Mr. Farmer and the Service Department as last week there was a telephone pole knocked down off Nagel Road and the utility company cut the pole and left it close to the road. He said when he called Mr. Farmer it was taken care of the next day and he thanked him for getting that situation squared away so quickly.

MR. FISCHER, AT LARGE commented that when he receives emails and phone calls from residents with a complaint and he contacts the proper City Department Head, most of the time they have already handled the situation. He thanked the Department Heads and other City Administration for the great job they are doing.

MRS. HOLTZMEIER, AT LARGE commented that five of the six items discussed on the agenda tonight were referrals from the Planning Commission. She reminded Council and citizens that the Planning Commission is a public body that meets the third Wednesday of every month at 7:00 p.m. She stated that some Members of Council attend these meetings regularly and others pop in and out when the agenda items are of interest to them, but everyone is welcome, and it may be useful for them to attend regularly to help develop the comments and the questions for the Council meetings.

MR. MCBRIDE, WARD 2 commented that this is the time of year when the traffic is worse throughout the City. He said that turn lanes, particularly left turn lanes at Nagel Road and Jaycox Road, during rush hour and weekends there is not enough stacking anywhere in the City for left turn lanes. The left turn lanes

for the intersection of State Route 83 and Detroit Road are bad all the time. Mr. McBride felt it may be time to start looking at some of those intersections again and determine if they should be considering widening.

Mayor Jensen advised those areas mentioned are being addressed now as we speak. He said when we go to do the repaving of Detroit Road, Mr. Cummins is already working on putting in those turn lanes into the design from Avon Commons all the way to Nagel Road. Mayor Jensen stated it would not alleviate all the issues, but it will provide some needed stacking through those areas.

Mr. McBride stated the other issue is Just Imagine Drive. While the Avon Service Department has done a great job trying to maintain that road, there is rebar or wire showing through and there are spall pocks in many places and the road was probably never built correctly. He advised our two biggest employers heavily use Just Imagine Drive and he felt they were reaching a point where we were going to end up replacing the concrete panels. Mr. McBride added that with tractor trailers and ambulances snaking around those bad spots in the road is not a good thing. He said he does not know if the plan is whether the road should be widened and then replace a lane at a time after a new lane is installed. Mr. McBride suggested the City Engineer could begin looking at that stretch of roadway with possibly a turn lane all the way down to the Cleveland Clinic's ambulance driveway or extend the road to where the trucks enter the truck drive at Shur-Tech. He felt that whole road needs to be upgraded. He has heard complaints where the joints have been filled and people who drive certain types of vehicles feel every bit of those as they are driving down that street and the complaints were coming from multiple people at Shur-Tech and the Cleveland Clinic.

Mr. Cummins advised Mayor Jensen mentioned that area to him last week and they are looking at that and putting a cost estimate together for making some intermediate repairs. He said he would consult more with the Mayor to see if they want to look at doing some widening or what would be appropriate for that situation and it could certainly be added.

Mr. McBride feels that any improvement done in that area is going to be problematic as there is a lot of truck traffic that goes down to Shur-Tech plus with the ambulances for the Cleveland Clinic that it is an issue.

Mayor Jensen advised they were trying to evaluate what has been done in the other small neighborhoods with grinding the top of the concrete and adding the black top over it to see if that is something that has been done on a more heavily traveled road. He said he is not sure that will work, but it is one of the things they are looking into as an option. Mayor Jensen stated he wanted to make sure that we do something that is cost effective. He added that Shur-Tech and the Cleveland Clinic are top employers in the City and that is important, noting that one of the reasons that Bendix is leaving Elyria is because the roadway in front of their current location is terrible and we do not want to lose an opportunity.

MR. MOORE, WARD 3 advised he would be on vacation next week and would be absent at the Regular Meeting June 10<sup>th</sup> and he wished everyone a great week.

MR. RADCLIFFE, WARD 4 stated that recently Mr. Cummins, Mr. Farmer and Mr. Schneider helped to get a neighborhood issue resolved and that was great. He felt the City needs to continue to do that for those residents and continue to support them as they move forward with those issues.

Mr. Radcliffe advised with the recent flooding last Monday he felt they needed to keep providing necessary resources to the Streets and Utilities Departments to open up some of the clogged drains that are filled with debris.

Mayor Jensen commented that they changed the standards for areas like that one where there was flooding last week and decided it must be a box culvert installed now and that will help alleviate some of that flooding. He said when they go to do the improvements on Chester Road they will fix that area as well because that is one of the biggest clog points they are aware of.

MR. WITHERSPOON, AT LARGE had no comments.

DIRECTORS/ADMINISTRATION:

MR. CUMMINS, CITY ENGINEER had no additional comments.

MR. FARMER, SERVICE DIRECTOR had no comments.

MS. FECHTER, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT /PLANNING COORDINATOR had no comments.

MR. GASIOR, LAW DIRECTOR had no comments.

MR. LOGAN, FINANCE DIRECTOR advised that tomorrow he would be emailing City Council some numbers on the property/liability insurance renewal that comes up for renewal July 1<sup>st</sup>. He said they just received some quotes late last week. Mr. Logan stated he would send it out along with the recommendation of the Administration and it would most likely be on the Work Session on June 17<sup>th</sup>.

AUDIENCE:

No comments were made from the audience.

8. ADJOURN: 8:18 p.m.  
There being no further business the Work Session of Council was adjourned.

PASSED: \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNED BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Craig Witherspoon, Council President

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Barbara Brooks, Clerk of Council