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Council President Baker called the regular meeting to order.

Pastor Brad Kelley of East Chippewa Church of the Brethren offered the prayer. The Pledge was recited by all.

Roll call: Shupp, Miller, Vance, Hamsher, Aspiras, Corfman and Leathers were present.

Aspiras moved and Miller seconded that the minutes of the July 14, 2012, regular meeting be accepted as documented. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Public Comment: Baker: Darrin Wasniewski to give an update on Main Street Orrville

Corfman: I move that Mr. Wasniewski be given up to 10 minutes to give the update. Aspiras seconded. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Vance: If you want you could wait until, we don't have TV tonight so that's an option.

Wasniewski: Tonight's fine. President Baker, Mayor Handwerk, members of Council and Directors, I want to thank you for the opportunity to come and speak to you here this evening and just give you an update about what's going on with Main Street Orrville and in downtown. In front of you, you have a copy of a power point. I apologize for the color. 2012 we really kinda of looked at the years and summed it up in three words. The words: Connect, Cultivate, and Celebrate. So I am going to use those three words throughout this whole presentation and talk about how we view ourselves in fulfilling each of those three words. First Connect. We look at ourselves and our work downtown as a physical connector connecting the north side to the south side of Orrville, the east side to the west side. So downtown becomes everybody's living room, everybody's neighborhood as they live in Orrville. We also look at ourselves as connecting the past as shown by these historic photos to the present and the one photo on the right happens to be from last year's Walk Through Orrville's Past. We don't want to dismiss our past as a community and as a City. We want to celebrate it and look forward to the future and what that brings. We also look to connect not only our guests to our business community through our special events and promotions and marketing that we do but also connecting our business community to each other. It was surprising to me when I first got here as small of a community as Orrville is there is a surprising number of businesses and organizations in our downtown. There is roughly about 60 different businesses in the downtown and they didn't have a whole lot of communication between each other so not everybody knew what the other was doing. So we see our job as connecting them to each other to keep them informed and one of the ways we do this is the fourth Friday, third Friday of every month, we have a business networking in our office where all the organizations and businesses are encouraged to attend, it lasts for an hour, coffee and Michael's Bakery's doughnuts so that usually gets them there. But we discuss what is going on with Main Street Orrville, what we have coming up and we do that for anything well in advance, months in advance, so that nobody is surprised by something like street closings for Rib and Music Fest, everybody has known well in advance and can prepare for that, to the best degree possible. But also so we can connect them to each other so that people know what new products they have coming in or what new services they're offering so that as visitors are in each other's business then if they have a question then they know where to direct them within the downtown. Because I've been around a few businesses where somebody has asked where you can get something and they right away tell them something about the north end of Wooster when I know it can be found here in Orrville. So we try to make that front and center of what you can find here in Orrville. So that's our connecting our business community to each other. Next we look at cultivating and one of the things we cultivate is the spirit of entrepreneurship downtown. And we recognize that that cultivation is a long

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term process. It doesn't happen quickly. Creating a culture of entrepreneurship and innovation is a long term solution. But we are proud of the progress we've made so far. One of the avenues we're able to do this is through our entrepreneur-in-residence program. We have Rodd Welker who is entering his third year as our community entrepreneur in residence. And we have been approved by the United States Department of Agriculture through their rural business enterprise grant for a third round of funding for another \$50,000 in, starting government's fiscal year 2013. So July 1 through June 30. They also have liked what we've done and for next year have encouraged us to apply for even more money to expand our services. The problem becomes we have to come up with a match for that so \$50,000 is pretty comfortable for us. We're able to match those dollars and manage those quite comfortably. But it is something for us to explore. As we look at the cultivation an entrepreneurship program, the pictures of entrepreneurship program we had at Heartland Point and everybody is standing on a table or a chair because people were asked to shut their eyes and they were encouraged to test their propensity to take risks. So those who are all in the chair managed to get up on the chair with their eyes closed as a symbol of how much risk they are willing to take. I thought it was interesting that actually there are, on the right hand side of the picture was the Smith Dairy table and the three of their representatives there at the table were all standing up on the chair. So we thought it spoke volumes about the culture that that company continues to cultivate. And then we have a picture of Robin Lee who is with the Shrimp Harbor gourmet shrimp burgers and bites. Robin Lee is continuing to be one of our biggest success stories. Came to us about a year ago with the idea of manufacturing and selling gourmet shrimp burgers. She has been encouraged to do this and she had started and done a lot of homework herself and had been pretty far down the path but she needed some help in getting even further. So we connect her with Rodd Welker and over the past year she is in countless supermarkets in the area, Acme stores, Buehler's chain. Throughout multiple restaurants she has a contract with Winking Lizard chain of restaurants and now also most of the local restaurants as well. Earlier this year we kind of guided her through my contacts in Columbus we connected her with Kroger to get through the Kroger chain. Through almost a six-month process, we went through that with her, connected with a consultant down in Columbus and beginning of July she found out they weren't going to take her in the store that round but had really encouraged her to apply. They gave her some things to brush up on and encouraged her to apply for November. So that's always a good sign from Kroger because if they don't want you, they'll tell you and they won't ever ask you to bother them again. So just the fact that she was encouraged to apply in November for spring of 2013 was good news. So we're looking for some good things to come of Robin and it's actually probably a blessing that she didn't get into Kroger right now. She's really at capacity with production and was on a cusp of do I build a facility which is a big capital encumbrance and then not to manage the manpower to put it all together and keep it operating on a day to day basis. Or do you go third party which is actually be just as much time consuming to manage quality around. And it just so happened we had an article in one of the papers about Robin and Jerry Baker approached her and there is some extra commercial kitchen space in the new Jake's restaurant and they're working out a space sharing, leasing agreement to manufacture the burgers over there. So she has been able to pick up some of the actual manufacturing capacity that she was lacking. So again it just goes to show while disappointing everything happens for a reason and good things come. That is our cultivation of entrepreneurship. We also seek to cultivate civic pride in our downtown. The Bloomin' Orrville program another stunning year for that in some of the hottest weather we've ever had to experience and Bob Buchwalter has been out watering just about every day this summer. But you know, that project couldn't be what it is without the partnerships that we enjoy on so many levels particularly with the City of Orrville and Orrville Utilities and Finance Office and the ability to get our donations through the Utility department. It just works so well for us and we receive so many compliments on that as people come

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through. This summer I did have someone who wasn't even planning to go through Orrville, they were in Wadsworth, and their downtown and somebody had suggested that they make a detour through Orrville because they were talking about flowers and they stopped to email me and tell me just how beautiful it was and how glad they did detour down through Orrville. That's the stuff that it's meant to do. It's meant to get people talking out there and just have people take pride in their community. I have had facebook comments just recently from somebody who was walking downtown and just shared with us how much he appreciates the flowers on the downtown streets and what they add. The program, we expanded it this year. We added some more north and south, more flowers to the north and south entrance signs and also the south Crown Hill Road entrance sign for the City of Orrville so that added about \$2500 to the total program costs. But so far we've been keeping up with donations. People have responded as we've increased the expenses. And there was also, we had budgeted kind of moderately, middle of the road for maintenance probably like the City does with snow removal. When it hits you a little bit harder it just kinda takes a little bit more. So we had a couple hundred extra dollars a month in watering that we hadn't accounted for. But everything seems to be evening out and the program itself is revenue neutral so it's not out there to make Main Street Orrville money as long as we don't lose money, we're a happy camper. And that's what it seems to do. We also look to cultivate the arts and culture in downtown. The photos here, last year we had a drum circle. Having it on July 4th on the middle of an afternoon probably wasn't the best idea on Cornerstone Park right in that blazing concrete but there are people who are asking us again to hold one. So we will look to do one probably in the fall when the temperatures are cooler and cultivating the performing arts and working with Orrville theater, Orrville Community Theater Company. We had last year we had the brown bag drama series which ran every Thursday in July little skits and improv comedy routines. We also offer rehearsal space for the theater company before they can get into their performance space, they hold auditions and rehearse in our facilities and we provide that to them free of charge because that is what our 501c3 status we're supposed to cultivate the arts, so that carries out our mission there. And last thing, we are here to celebrate. These photos are celebrating our business community. We've had ribbon cuttings these were at Gionino's Pizza and the Wayne County Community Federal Credit Union. Both of them has celebrated one year anniversaries in downtown this year. Gionino's is doing very well. Dan is very happy he moved here and so is the credit union. We look forward to other businesses opening soon. We did just recently have a business close in downtown in case you weren't aware. Mama Pearl's Soul Food and Barbeque has closed. James tried his best and it just wasn't working out for him. I think the restaurant business is kind of tough and from what, as we've been exploring restaurant opportunities in downtown, you get that there are the creatives, the chefs, the artists and then there are the business people. And it's very rare that you get somebody who can be both and you absolutely need both in a restaurant. You have the chefs that put together these meals and what they need to charge is well more above than what they really can charge and end up losing money on these things. We wish James all the best in his endeavors and looking forward to seeing what he can come up with next be he's a guy who is always thinking ahead and looking forward to the next opportunity. He'll rebound. While this is kind of preliminary to share right now and there isn't anything concrete with this but there are talks revived again for a restaurant in downtown. We are talking with interested parties right now looking at a space. We've got a preliminary walk through and the space we were looking at would seem to meet the needs so we're talking soon with a group of investors to see what their comfort level is in moving forward. Look forward to really be sharing more details in the near future with that but we think it could be a great thing for downtown. It's one we've been working on for awhile. We kind of make some progress and have some setbacks, make some progress, have some setbacks. So hopefully we can kind of get this one to launch here. And of course, celebrate. Pictures from our Orrville Rib and Music Fest and this is

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just about more than just celebrating the music and the food of the weekend but it's also about celebrating the partners-hips again here. I mean there are so many people who are involved in this that it couldn't happen without them. We have our co-host the Orrville Lion's Club and they handle all the food vendors and we greatly appreciate all that they do there. Ric Snyder books all the music for the event so we couldn't do it without him. But putting the event together again its partnerships with the City of Orrville, with the Service Department, with Orrville Police Department, with Utilities, everybody working together to make this a great thing for the City. 2011 was a banner year for that. 2012 our attendance was off slightly but we had some not so nice weather. Friday actually ended up being a beautiful night but it rained during the day so we think that kept a lot of people away at night time. And then Saturday it was overcast all day. But Saturday afternoon about 4 o'clock the crowds picked up and lasted on in through the night. So gives us an opportunity to kind of assess things when things aren't so busy and we're working with some new partners for 2013. So it's going to be even bigger and better in 2013 than it was this year. We look forward to what that brings. And of course we like to celebrate our organization and that's the last photo. This is from last year's Dining with the Stars which is one of our fundraisers and this was Shane Scarsboro and Karrie McAllister. And for those who aren't familiar with that event, it's a kinda we had local celebrity servers that go around and serve tables and try to get tips. It raises about \$5000 for us towards our budget. And again without those partners and servers we couldn't do it. I know some of you in this room have been servers and we thank you for that and appreciate that. Coming up October 13th is the next Dining with the Stars. And the focus will actually be all the celebrity servers will be downtown business owners as we look to celebrate downtown we thought that that would be an opportunity to focus on those so they'll all have downtown connections there. So that is my report. I don't want to, I know you guys have a full agenda this evening so I don't want to take up too much time. Again thank you for your partnership and your support and I'll be happy to take any questions you may have.

Baker: Does anyone have any questions?

Corfman: Thank you Darrin for all you've done. You really work hard at this every Thursday morning, or every 3rd Thursday I witness it. Want to thank you for coming.

Wasniewski: Thank you. Oh before I forget, I almost forgot one of newest business that will be opening soon so we will be able to have another ribbon cutting ceremony. My wife and I are opening our own retail business in downtown Orrville. It'll be primarily her project but it is Lola, Cheech and Mooney's Natural Pet Market and pet wash. It'll have self-serve pet washes, dog and cat food, nutrition, supplements, custom accessories and we are going in where the old Starboard restaurant, Starboard Side Café. So we've been working since the end of June on that space and look for September 19th to have a soft opening and then a grand opening in October so invite you all to stop by.

Baker: Thank you Darrin.

Standing Committee Reports:

- A. Finance – Mr. Miller: No report.
- B. Utilities – Mr. Vance: No report.
- C. Health & Safety – Mr. Corfman: No report.
- D. Parks and Recreation – Mr. Aspiras: No report.

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E. Transportation – Mr. Shupp: No report. I would like to mention that the street projects are underway, going well. Mineral Springs, I've checked in on that several times since they started. We were open for traffic the first day of school. Everything went very well. I think they are making very good progress on the rest of the section from Ella Street to Main Street. So take a look at it, take a drive down, it's nice.

F. Planning – Mr. Hamsher: The Comprehensive Plan that we've been laboring over for a year is wrapping up and we expect a presentation to Council this month, I believe, Mr. Wheeler?

Wheeler: It's actually next month. It will be to Planning Commission this month with a recommendation to you guys.

Hamsher: With the citizens and committee's recommendation with where Orrville should be going in the next 10 years. Expect that coming to a meeting near you.

G. Ordinance & Personnel – Ms. Leathers: No report.

Special Committee Reports: None.

Administrative Reports:

A. Mayor Handwerk: I wanted to announce the August employee of the month was Roberta Munsey from the Finance Department. Roberta celebrated her first anniversary as administrative assistant with the City of Orrville in May this year. She has assisted in many areas of finance department and has proven invaluable to the department in her short tenure. Ms. Strimlan has done a very good job of doing some cross training with a lot of those employees in there so I know Roberta is one that has moved to several different positions so that she can do her job but then also fill in for somebody else if they are sick or on vacation or something like that. So that's helped a lot since we are rather short-handed in those areas. She is also eager to accept additional responsibility and fills in wherever needed. We appreciate all that Roberta does and we ate last week at Barnstone Café. Secondly, I just wanted to announce, I've had, especially this past weekend, numerous comments about again Armstrong Cable unable to get the Big 10 network. I don't know what to say any more other than I contacted them two weeks ago because I knew this was coming again, Ohio State's first game and I knew it wasn't going to be on. And they just don't seem to budge at all on this. One of the things I keep hearing is well we just don't hear enough from people. Well I know people around here pretty much had it. We have three of our high school graduates are playing on Big 10 teams so it's not just Ohio State that we're missing it's Chase Hoobler at Indiana, Mason Monheim at Illinois, and Max Pirman at Nebraska. Some of those games would be on the Big 10 network on weeks that their not on the other stations if people wanted to see our own kids get a chance to play. All I can say is let them know you are unhappy. I understand from what I've been told they're a small cable company in the scheme of things, northeast Ohio, western Pennsylvania, West Virginia is their main service area. Their reasoning is that West Virginia doesn't care about the Big 10 net work because they're not in it. Western Pennsylvania is more geared to the Steelers in that area not as much Penn State as what you might think and then of course there's northeast Ohio which these people I think for the most part would and many people do if they are not Armstrong customers. So other than getting Direct TV, I don't know if there is any good answer right now. You can go to Jerry's. Nice restaurant. I went there Saturday and watched the first half there and it was full of people that were in the same boat we were, couldn't watch it at home. So if anybody else asks you about it, that's about where we're at. It doesn't seem to change any.

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SHUPP: Can I ask something. Not to interrupt you but can we get the Utility department to look into what it would take for us to get into the cable business with Wadsworth cable in a joint venture with them. Because I know years ago they were interested in doing something with us. See what the cost may be, see if it would be feasible. They do have Big 10 network up there and they are very small city cable.

BREDIGER: It's not so much whether or not they can get it down; it's how do we distribute it.

SHUPP: Excuse, sorry.

BREDIGER: It's not a matter of whether or not we can get engaged with Wadsworth it's how do we distribute the programming. We have no means to distribute the cable throughout the City unless we would want put up a comparable system. Which we looked into that a number of years or so ago. We probably wouldn't like the numbers that we would get into to put up a competing cable system. Now we haven't asked the cable company on whether or not they would be interested in leasing out some of their facilities but if I were them, why would I. So that's the issue. Not so much whether or not we could partner with Wadsworth. We already have cable coming from Wadsworth in case you didn't know. I'm not too sure if we get the Big 10 channel down at the power plant or not but that become the issue. It's easy to get it down here, how do we get it out to our customers.

SHUPP: I'll talk to you a little bit more about that later.

B. Safety Service Director Wheeler: As Mr. Shupp mentioned the projects are full steam at this point. Mineral Spring Street construction continues. It has went very well so far. Both sides of the entire street was completed from Ella to Elm. They are once in a while tweaking here and there with the basins but that street is open. The traffic has flowed, I think, beyond expectation so far for the schools. I think we were all planning for the worst and it's actually been pretty smooth so far. Also actually they have one lane completed from Ella all the way to Main. So they are moving along quite well. The weather has cooperated for the most part other than a few rainy days here and there so they are definitely ahead of schedule and continue to move forward. The Johnson Hardware parking lot or what we refer to as the Johnson Hardware parking lot is still scheduled to be resurfaced this year. We are working with Orrville Redevelopment, they are actually digging up behind there to run some underground utilities and storm water. Once they complete we will be able to get in there and get that done. That's actually only scheduled to be a three day project so it's not necessarily an urgency at this point but they are scheduled to get in there and hope to get in as soon as possible. Hoping that will be within the next week or so. The resurfacing of Viking, Cloveridge, and Brookwood, they actually just finished up the concrete work and are scheduled to get started on milling later this week or early next week. And the trash for this week is one day behind. So those that are normally scheduled for Thursday pickup will be Friday and those scheduled for Friday will be Saturday.

C. Utilities Director Brediger: Just a few things that have happened while you were on recess. We did close on the sale of the two acre property to Goodwill. If you haven't been past that site, they are under construction. Utility Board in last Monday's meeting did pass a resolution to make a minor adjustment to the second quarter power cost adjustment factor. That amounts to about a little bit less than 20 cents a month to our average residential customer. About 2/10 of 1 percent upward change. There is a resolution that later on under new business that I'll be speaking to. Under the Energy Efficiency Program we are through AMP and the consulting firm VEIC that we are using, expanding the residential program, the rebates for energy efficiency appliances, there's several more that have been added. If you take advantage of all of those you can get up to \$500 in rebates. There will be some bill stuffers and

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some information coming out in more detail in OrrViews. Through July of this year and we're about a year and a half into the program, the program has paid out \$74,000 worth of incentives and rebates and this is saving our customers in the neighborhood of over \$155,000 a year. So not a bad return from customers perspective. This program continues through the end of 2013. So I would encourage anybody that is considering any energy efficiency projects or purchasing any of that related equipment to contact our office to see if you can qualify for some rebates and some incentives. This also includes the performing energy audits, facility audits of your business or your industry. We will actually send a team in there that will identify the projects, help you prioritize those and plan for those. On July 1st the wind project that we are taking energy from began operation. We have a 2 megawatt share in that 300 mw facility that is sitting on the Ohio Indiana border. One hundred 50 wind turbines to give you an idea, sounds like a lot, lot of energy. During the month of July, they operated at a whopping 12% capacity factor. That means the total hours of the month in July for as hot as it was and for as windy as it may or may not have been, they were only producing electricity 12% of the time. So again it's an energy resource not an energy answer. We only pay for the energy when it's generating from those machines. The energy for that month was below market price. I did pass out some handouts. I wanted to describe a little bit in general what those were. These were some handouts we generated for a meeting that we had with some J.M. Smucker executives last month. The first chart, and if you have any questions on these things let me know, this is where our power supply stands in 2012. It shows our generation plant, our interest in Fremont, Prairie State and we added the wind project and our hydro allotment. As you can see the largest area there, the blue, which is mainly the generation plant and sometimes the light green color the Fremont peaking, about 45-55% is generally what the plant is generating on a day-to-day basis to provide the energy to all of our customers. The next chunk mainly is coming from the Fremont natural gas plant. Then you can kind of see where the Prairie State coal plant comes into play and then our wind and our hydro. So you can kind of see where those different assets, the role that they play and the percentage of the mix of energy that is being supplied to our customers. The next sheet shows what that makeup will look like in 2014 when we add our hydro projects. To remind you, we do have four hydro projects being developed along the Ohio river and as you can see in 2014 when those projects come on board, they'll represent another roughly about 20% share of the energy that could be supplied to our customers at any given time. The hydro, the wind, you'll see those pieces, I kind of carved out there the one caveat about those things is similar to the comments I made on the Blue Creek project those have to be backed up with something at the end of the day so if your energy portfolio or your energy supply is purely based on those renewable and if the wind isn't blowing and the water levels aren't high enough or there isn't enough volume there, you have to procure that energy from someplace else. Our own generation plant purchases from the market or other purchases and other projects in the future. As you can see we'll have about 1/3 of our capacity in the mix in this. Any other excess capacity we have if the economics are attractive to it, we are selling that energy out in the wholesale market. The last graph just shows in 2014 from a capacity standpoint of all the megawatts that we have in all our projects, the power plant, the Fremont plant, the hydro plant, the new coal plant, it kind of shows you capacity wise where we are at. If you add all that stuff up, do the math, that's close to about 100 mw of energy. Our load on any given day throughout the year varies anywhere from 50-65. So as we go forward we'll continue evaluating these projects and just see how they fit in with the mix of things. Since we added the Blue Creek wind project, I thought it would be nice to kind of just see where all of our options are as far as energy resources out there and all these things have their advantages and disadvantages. One of those advantages being we do have some diversity out there so we can take advantage of the different markets, the resources that are available to us and be able to do a little bit mix in' and matching trying to

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economize and lower the cost of that energy to our customers over the course of the year. So if you have any question on this, let me know.

Vance: I was just looking at the first page there, so we have 45 coming from Orrville, 10.7 is the Fremont peaking, you said we are generating energy for that section?

Brediger: Well, in the cases where we're not utilizing the peaking capacity of that plant, a day like today for example where we're just running that plant as a base loaded plant. We're not using the little bit more expensive peaking capability. So today's at the 45 and the extra 10% that energy, we would be picking up that balance because it's cheaper for us to generate it than the plant.

Vance: So if you add up us and then the Fremont peaking and the Prairie State project, that's about 61% of our power coming from coal. Would that be accurate?

Brediger: 45, 55, yes about 60%.

Vance: That surprises me that it's that little coming from coal. We have 35% of our power coming from renewable sources.

Brediger: Well if you just compare that to where we were at just 3 or 4 years ago when we were mostly, we were 100% that is huge. There's not a lot of communities that have that high of a percentage of renewable in their portfolio. Part of these moves when we were looking at the hydro projects several years or so ago, where these Federal and State governments were considering mandating utilities to provide to their customers a certain percentage of renewable in their portfolios, that was one of the motivating ideas behind us getting into the first phase of these hydros was to be in preparation for that and be close to where we thought those mandated levels were going to be and if we were long in any of those we would have the ability to sell those credits to other utilities or entities that would be short for those.

Vance: I think that's something we can be, feel good about.

Corfman: Mr. Brediger, some of the hydro projects that are currently operating, comparable ones, how were they affected this year by the drought? I mean certain parts of the Missouri River down to one lane.

Brediger: It depends. Some really saw no impact. Others did. It depends on where you're at along the Ohio River and the Mississippi River and a lot of that is under the control and jurisdiction of the Army Corp of Engineer who controls the waters of those two entities. AMPS's other hydro project that we are not participating in, is having a very comparable year despite the drought. It's a little bit further up river than any of these projects currently under construction. There's a couple other AEP and First Energy have some run of the river hydro's and they're having a little off year but it's really, the drought hasn't been taking as huge of an impact. Now once you get out on the Mississippi I understand that's a little bit different story and I can't really comment on those because I really don't know. But they have been holding back some traffic just due to water levels and I'm sure those have impacted any kind of generation they have in there to keep the appropriate shipping levels, water levels up to where they need to be. The last item I'll have on here is before the end of the month we will have some new natural gas prices for the upcoming heating season since we are officially in the fall mode with September. We do expect those prices to be maybe upwards of a dollar less than where they are today. So AMP will be pricing those things out, actually they are pricing those out this month, and I don't know if it will be next Council meeting but maybe the Council meeting after that we'll have something in time. This is about the time, September, going into mid October is where you're usually getting the information coming in the mail, the telemarketers are calling you up. So people are starting already to look at natural gas prices for next year. But the markets are down and some of the residential gas markets will also be a little bit better this year than they were last year. Nothing compared that they are in the wholesale arena but none the less they will be lower. That's always a good thing. So as soon as we have those prices we'll get

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some information out in bill stuffers, in OrrViews and certainly let Council know what those are as soon as we have them.

D. Finance Director Strimlan: The City of Napoleon has hired the auditor of the State of Ohio's performance team to conduct a performance audit. What that will do, they will take a look at all their departments to determine if there are areas for them to save money or to improve efficiencies or to tell them they're doing as well as they think they can in all of their areas. They've asked the City of Orrville and we've agreed to be a peer city for the audit. Peer cities are chosen based on a number of factors but primarily they look at population, the services that each city offers, and the location are the major factors in determining whether you qualify as a peer city. The other peer cities that will be involved in the audit are Wapakoneta, Tipp City, Oberlin and London. So they'll use all of these cities for comparison to tell them if they have areas where they can improve or if their performing better than those peer cities. So we've provided them financial information, payroll information, benefit information, miles of streets, miles of water lines, miles of sewer lines, all of our vehicle inventory with age and mileage on all the vehicles, all of our police and fire calls for the last two years, all of the dispatch times, all of the acres of our parks, and all of the maintenance that's been required on those parks and that's just a few of the requests that we've given them. So ultimately what we'll see is some metrics that come out of this study where they'll compare the collective bargaining agreements, they'll give us salaries, average staffing numbers for all the departments, on a per thousand citizen basis, unaccounted for water losses, water and sewer rate comparisons. They'll give us staffing per mile of road, staffing per mile of water distribution line, staffing per accounts, all kinds of various metrics that we can use that they'll compare with the other cities. They'll also use some other criteria established by the GFOA, and also some national benchmarks. They hope to have this done by year end but ultimately by the first quarter of next year if they don't have it completed by year end. So we will keep you updated as to the progress of that and we'll provide a copy to all of you when it is complete. Prior to tonight's meeting I did distribute the 2011 CAFR on CD. If anyone else would like a copy of that, they can just contact my office and we'll be sure to get a copy of that whether its hard copy or electronically. And also prior to tonight's meeting I did distribute the Fund Balance for June and July of this year and I would just ask for a motion to approve those reports subject to audit. Miller motioned we approve both those reports. Corfman seconded. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried. Also I have some legislation this evening. I'll address that when it comes up on the agenda.

E. Law Director Kirkbride: I am working with the other directors on various projects, kind of getting to learn my job and that's about the sum total of my report for this evening.

F. Council President Baker: Our clerk has two announcements for this evening.

Gault: We have a request to change zoning code section 111.05 in regards to recreational facilities and that needs to be referred to Planning Commission. And we also have a request for a street name change from Enterprise Drive to Venture Drive and that needs to be referred to Planning Commission.

Baker: I also have received a letter from George Koladin. He wanted to compliment J and J trash on doing their recycling around town. His comment was that sometimes after a contract is signed the work performance falls off and he's happy to announce that in this case it has improved. So we're glad to hear that that our citizens see things and they do write a letter. This letter was actually written to the Mayor. It was in my envelope for today.

Mayor: I gave all of Council a copy.

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Baker: Okay. We have no old business for today so we will move to new business. Ms. Leathers you've got your hands full tonight.

New Business:

Leathers moved that Resolution 23-12 be place on first reading. Hamsher seconded. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 23-12 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF CONTROL TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT AND/OR CONTRACTS FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF THE ROOF ON CITY HALL AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Wheeler: This is a replacement of the current roof. As everyone can attest over the last, at least since I've been here and I know prior to that we've had some leaking issues, but it is time for a replacement of the roof. We have budgeted \$50,000 in the Capital Budget to replace the roof. We are working with the engineer to come up with specs for a roof that will last us another 40 years so to speak. We would like to move forward with those specification and going out for bids.

Leathers moved that the rules, regulations, and statutes requiring the reading of a resolution on three separate days be suspended. Vance seconded. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Leathers moved that Resolution 23-12 be adopted as read. Vance seconded. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Leathers moved that Resolution 24-12 be place on first reading. Aspiras seconded. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 24-12 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF CONTROL TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND ENTER INTO A PURCHASE CONTRACT AND/OR CONTRACTS TO MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CITY OF ORRVILLE, OHIO, FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2013, FOR THE FOLLOWING MATERIALS AND SERVICES: LIQUID INSECTICIDE FOR MOSQUITO CONTROL; SERVICES, SUPPLIES AND MACHINERY NEEDED TO CHIP AND SEAL ROADWAYS AND/OR ALLEYS; TRAFFIC PAINT SERVICES; AND CRACK SEALING SERVICES.

Wheeler: This is what I refer to as just a housekeeping resolution that we have done annually for a number of years. It does just allow us to go out for bid at the appropriate time for the respective services listed.

Leathers moved that the rules, regulations, and statutes requiring the reading of a resolution on three separate days be suspended. Corfman seconded. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Leathers moved that Resolution 24-12 be adopted as read. Hamsher seconded. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Leathers moved that Resolution 25-12 be place on first reading. Vance seconded. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 25-12 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SAFETY-SERVICE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO A PURCHASE CONTRACT AND/OR CONTRACTS FOR THE PURCHASE OF THE FOLLOWING MATERIALS AND SERVICES TO MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CITY OF ORRVILLE, OHIO, FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2013:

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GASOLINE AND DIESEL FUEL; MEDIUM CURING ASPHALT, ASPHALTIC CONCRETE AND ASPHALT EMULSIONS; CONCRETE; GENERAL MISCELLANEOUS ENGINEERING AND ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES; POLICE PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY INSURANCE; AND PUBLIC OFFICIALS LIABILITY INSURANCE (WITH RIDERS FOR EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES LIABILITY, EXTENDED EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES LIABILITY).

Baker: Mr. Wheeler I assume this is another annual.

Wheeler: Yes, sir, Mr. President, another annual housekeeping resolution. One that we've done for a number of years now. Authorizing us to proceed with the purchase of those respective items at the appropriate time.

Leathers moved that the rules, regulations, and statutes requiring the reading of a resolution on three separate days be suspended. Vance seconded. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Leathers moved that Resolution 25-12 be adopted as read. Hamsher seconded. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Leathers moved that Ordinance L-12 be place on first reading. Hamsher seconded. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE L-12 AN ORDINANCE VACATING AN ALLEY THAT ORRVILLE CITY COUNCIL HAS DETERMINED WILL NOT BE DETRIMENTAL TO THE GENERAL INTEREST, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Wheeler: Mr. President, this is what I would call a cleanup Ordinance or cleanup item here. When our new Law Director took over she had noticed that original Ordinance G-12 which vacated the alley way back in March actually had the incorrect legal description of the property that was being vacated. And this is just cleaning that up so to speak so that we can re-record that so that Orrville Mennonite Church can still proceed with their construction at the appropriate time.

Leathers moved that the rules, regulations, and statutes requiring the reading of an ordinance on three separate days be suspended. Shupp seconded. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Leathers moved that Ordinance L-12 be adopted as read. Miller seconded. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Leathers moved that Resolution 26-12 be place on first reading. Corfman seconded. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 26-12 A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ORRVILLE, WAYNE COUNTY, OHIO, SUPPORTING THE DESIGNATION OF STATE ROUTE 94 AS A SCENIC BYWAY, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Wheeler: This one sort of speaks for itself. Wayne County has been working to have State Route 94 designated as a Scenic Byway which includes some appropriate signage. One of the benefits of the Scenic Byway they feel is some additional tourism and maybe some additional vehicle or traffic enjoying that scenic byway and they are just asking for all of the Wayne County municipalities to support the quest for the designation.

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Leathers moved that the rules, regulations, and statutes requiring the reading of a resolution on three separate days be suspended. Vance seconded. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Leathers moved that Resolution 26-12 be adopted as read. Hamsher seconded. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Leathers moved that Ordinance M-12 be place on first reading. Corfman seconded. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE M-12 AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING AND CONFIRMING THE DEDICATION OF A PORTION OF BUCKEYE STREET IN THE CITY OF ORRVILLE, WAYNE COUNTY, OHIO, TO THE PUBLIC USE FOREVER AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Wheeler: This is part of our sidewalk construction project. There's actually a small section on Buckeye which actually there is 35 feet of easement on the one side and then 40 feet of easement . This is a small 30 foot section to just simply did not allow construction of the sidewalks without pursuit of the dedication of additional right of way. So that's why we bring this to you tonight for that project.

Leathers moved that the rules, regulations, and statutes requiring the reading of an ordinance on three separate days be suspended. Corfman seconded. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Leathers moved that Ordinance M-12 be adopted as read. Aspiras seconded. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Leathers moved that Resolution 27-12 be place on first reading. Hamsher seconded. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 27-12 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF UTILITIES TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT AND OR CONTRACTS, WITHOUT BIDDING, FOR THE PURCHASE OF ALL MATERIALS, SUPPLIES AND SERVICES REQUIRED FOR THE INSTALLATION OF A 138 KV CIRCUIT BREAKER, LOCATED AT AEP'S EAST WOOSTER SUBSTATION, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Brediger: I did send out a letter to the Utilities Committee of Council on August 28. Hopefully you have had a chance to look that over and I'll answer any questions on this. To serve as some background for the rest of the council members this is a high voltage circuit breaker that is one of two breakers that interconnects the utility or the power plant with the national electric grid. This breaker was originally installed when the interconnect line was installed in 1971. We're starting to see some maintenance reliability costs and issues pop up on that breaker over the past couple of years. And AEP has suggested that we give that a strong look at replacing next year. We are requesting that, if it's your pleasure, to have this resolution pass this year. We've been trying to pry this proposal out of AEP for about six months. We finally got it last month and are telling us that the window of opportunity to install this breaker is early spring. The breaker has about a four month lead time on it. We plan on purchasing this breaker and we can save ourselves some considerable dollars if we purchase it ourselves and avoid AEP's markup. We had originally budgeted about a quarter of a million dollars for this project and by us securing this material ourselves, through some bidding, we should be able to knock \$50-\$60,000 off of that price. So with that I'll answer any other questions you might have.

Hamsher: Mr. Brediger, due to the propensity of squirrels and rodents seem to attack our breakers and transformers, is this one rodent proof?

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Brediger: No, nothing is rodent proof. They can be more rodent preventative but nothing is rodent proof.

Hamsher: We appreciate the pictures that are proof they aren't.

Brediger: We have a lot of hardware installed on a lot of these breakers and lines and things along that line. Nothing keeps them out but there are some deterrents out there. Our breakers at the plant, actually the breakers at the east Wooster substation have some additional precautions put on them to keep them out but still, unfortunately non-preventable. But personally we haven't had too many rodents knock this line out but it has happened. About three years ago we had a raccoon get up in our substation and took the whole town out for four or five hours so it happens. Wish there was.

Baker: Give Mr. Hamsher a gun and let him sit out there and stand guard.

Hamsher: Well I'm wondering if they are having barbeque at the power plant when this happens.

Miller: I don't think I'd like to see Mr. Hamsher have a gun. My question is for Mr. Brediger, just to be clear the \$250,000 estimated cost is that, does that include the anticipated savings or will the savings come off.

Brediger: The savings will come off of that. We did not anticipate the price difference and that price difference was based on some informal proposals that we've received. But it will be less, coming off that \$250,000.

Leathers moved that the rules, regulations, and statutes requiring the reading of a resolution on three separate days be suspended. Vance seconded. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Leathers moved that Resolution 27-12 be adopted as read. Corfman seconded. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Leathers moved that Resolution 28-12 be place on first reading. Hamsher seconded. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 28-12 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SAFETY - SERVICE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO ANY AGREEMENTS WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NECESSARY FOR THE ORRVILLE TRUCK ROUTE (PID 80620), AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Wheeler: This is actually what I would call clean up language as well. The Department of Transportation has asked that we approve this simply because this actually goes back to the 2006 resolution for the truck route project. The original resolution allows the Board of Control to enter into and approve agreements with the Department of Transportation and the Department of Transportation decided that they would rather it specify that I am allowed to sign those documents. I don't know if this is something that they wanted done in '06 or if it's simply something that over time they thought would be a little more fool proof in regards to their language. I don't know if that means I was never authorized in DOT's mind to sign documents or not, I signed all the engineering documents all those documents in regards to billable hours and those kinds of things and what their looking for is the re-wording so that I am the appropriate designee to sign those types of documents.

Shupp: This ordinance is only in reference to the truck route situation. Nothing else, correct.

Wheeler: Correct. That is correct. This really is a cleanup of that 2006 resolution that authorized the truck route project.

Leathers moved that the rules, regulations, and statutes requiring the reading of a resolution on three separate days be suspended. Hamsher seconded. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

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Leathers moved that Resolution 28-12 be adopted as read. Aspiras seconded. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Leathers moved that Resolution 29-12 be place on first reading. Miller seconded. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 29-12 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR.

Strimlan: This resolution is for property tax collection. It is an annual resolution. After Council approved the 2013 budget it was given to the county auditor and the budget commission. The county then sends out their own legislative form for property tax collection which is why the form in front of you looks a little different than our normal resolution format and what you're accustomed to seeing. In any event though we do need to get this returned to them so they will collect our property tax for us. It does not need to be passed this evening however we do need to have it back to them by September 30th.

Leathers moved that the rules, regulations, and statutes requiring the reading of a resolution on three separate days be suspended. Vance seconded. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Leathers moved that Resolution 29-12 be adopted as read. Miller seconded. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Leathers: And that concludes tonight's lengthy new business.

Baker: Before we have the good of the order, we have an executive session this evening.

Leathers moved to go into executive session to discuss personnel matters. Hamsher seconded. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Council entered into Executive Session at 8:38 p.m.

Hamsher moved and Miller seconded that the Executive Session be adjourned. Ayes all. Motion carried. Executive session was adjourned at 8:58 p.m.

Leathers moved to adjourn the council meeting and Aspiras seconded. Roll call vote. Ayes all. Motion carried. Council was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Jeanne Gault, Clerk of Council

Date

Lyle Baker, President of Council