

**Call to Order**

Council met in a **REGULAR MEETING**. The President of Council called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Opening Ceremony (Prayer/Pledge/Moment of Silence)**

The Ward 1 Councilor offered the opening prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Members Present:** Mrs. Alice T. Cook (Ward 3 Councilor)  
Mrs. Josephine Misener (Ward 4 Councilor)  
Mr. Kris E. Hamrick (Ward 5 Councilor)  
Mr. Richard F. Balog (Ward 1 Councilor)  
Mr. August A. Pugliese (Ward 2 Councilor)  
Mr. Christopher J. McClure (Vice President)  
Mr. J. P. Ducro IV (President)

**Member(s) Absent:** None

**Officer(s) Present:** Mr. James M. Timonere (City Manager)  
Mr. Michael Franklin (City Solicitor)  
Mrs. Dana D. Pinkert (Finance Director)  
Mrs. LaVette E. Hennigan, MMC (Clerk of Council)

**Officer(s) Absent:** None

**Excused Absence:** None

**Sunshine Law:** The Clerk of Council certified conformity to the Sunshine Law.

**Presentations:** None

**Executive Session:** None

**Reconvene Open Meeting:** N/A

**Action resulting from Executive Session:** N/A

**CONSENT AGENDA**

The Consent Agenda is a means whereby Council is able to more efficiently conduct business by grouping like items together and disposing/enacting them by one motion, a second and a vote.

**APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES** - None

**FORMAL LEGISLATION REQUESTS** - None

**PUBLIC DISCUSSION (Consent Agenda Legislation Only)** – None

**LEGISLATION READING** - None

(END OF CONSENT AGENDA)

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

**READING AND DISPOSAL OF MEETING MINUTES** - None

### **CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

#### **Formal Legislation Request**

The City Manager requested ORDINANCE NO. 2014-42 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH MEDICO SYSTEMS, INC. FOR ASBESTOS ABATEMENT AND DEMOLITION SERVICES TO ABATE THREE (3) VACANT AND BLIGHTED STRUCTURES. Mr. Balog moved, Mrs. Cook seconded to grant the Manager's request; motion CARRIED.

#### **West Harbor Sanitary Sewer Improvements Phase 2**

The City Manager requested an ordinance to enter into an agreement with GPD Group, Inc. of 100 Federal Plaza East, Suite 200, Youngstown, OH 44053 in the amount not to exceed \$40,200.00. Funding for this expenditure will be taken from Account Number 503-150-5500, Capital (OPWC) Expenditures. Project costs will also be paid in part through the Ohio Public Works Commission funding if awarded. Mr. Balog moved, Mr. Hamrick seconded to grant the Manager's request. The Manager reported projects are submitted for ranking, the highest rankings submit applications, we are number four, and if we are not awarded OPWC funding the project will not take place. The motion CARRIED.

#### **Leaf Bags**

The City Manager reported leaf bag pick up began this week. Crews are in the wards and will be in the Harbor next week. Twigs must be bundled, leaves must be in bags, and twenty-five cents stickers are not required in April.

#### **Sanitation**

The City Manager reported Sanitation crews expressed concern with the amount of improper disposal of needles found in the garbage they pick up. He asked that needles be disposed of at a doctor's office, a needle disposal facility, capped, or placed in a sealed container.

### **Street Sweeper & Sewer Vac**

The City Manager reported the new street sweeper and the sewer vac is out. He hopes to have them out for some time. The Clerk of Council asked if crews know the location of all catch basins, because the one across the street from her home is covered with debris and may not be visible. The Manager said crews pretty much know where they are and that dips in the road provide location points.

### **Ashtabula River Dredging (near West 24<sup>th</sup> Street)**

The City Manager reported dredging has been approved, the permit is in hand, the contractor plans to begin on April 15 and the project should be completed in three weeks.

### **Traffic Study**

#### **Bunker Hill Road & West Avenue Intersection**

The City Manager reported the Police Department recommends against any type of traffic control device other than the current stop sign. The only true way to assist motorists turning left onto Bunker Hill Road from West Avenue would be a traffic light. However the cost and logistics would do more harm than good.

#### **No Parking South Side of East 45<sup>th</sup> Street (from 1820 to State Road)**

The City Manager reported the Police Department sent letters to residents asking for their input. Overwhelmingly the residents approved. Mrs. Cook moved, Mr. McClure seconded to amend the Traffic Control File to prohibit parking on the south side of East 45<sup>th</sup> Street from 1820 to State Road; motion CARRIED. The Ward 4 Councilor suggested no parking on the entire south side of East 45<sup>th</sup> Street should be considered due to the narrow width of and curve in the road by Valleyview Boulevard. It was noted that not all properties have a driveway on East 45<sup>th</sup> Street, but may have in the alley behind the property. Legislation will not be drafted until the Police Department submits their subsequent recommendation.

### **Council Chambers Sound System**

The City Manager reported there are two issues: The City is still on Time Warner Cable's TWC) analog system, and some of the equipment in the chambers' closet is from the 1970's. TWC has plans to upgrade to fiber optic. It will provide better sound quality. Also, the transmission of the sound from the chambers into the equipment closet is compromised because our equipment is very antiquated, which causes feedback and static from within the chamber. A quote of a little over \$2,700 to address this problem was received and our equipment upgrade will commence in May.

### **CITY SOLICITOR'S REPORT - No Report**

## **FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

### **Formal Legislation Request**

The Finance Director requested ORDINANCE NO. 2014-45 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH ASSURE VAULT, LLC, FOR DIGITAL DOCUMENT STORAGE AND RETRIEVAL SERVICES. Mr. McClure moved, Mrs. Cook seconded to grant the Finance Director's request. The President announced this contract will allow payroll records back to 1965 to be digitized at a cost not to exceed \$25,000. These records are required to be permanently maintained. The motion CARRIED.

The Finance Director requested ORDINANCE NO. 2014-46 AN ORDINANCE REPEALING IN THEIR ENTIRETY CODIFIED ORDINANCE CHAPTERS 131 AND 133 FOR THE PURPOSE OF INCORPORATING INTO THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES RECENT AMENDMENTS TO THE CHARTER ABOLISHING THE POSITIONS OF CITY AUDITOR AND CITY TREASURER AND CREATING THE POSITION OF CITY DIRECTOR OF FINANCE. Mr. Balog moved, Mr. Hamrick seconded to grant the Finance Director's request; motion CARRIED.

The Finance Director requested ORDINANCE NO. 2014-47 AN ORDINANCE ENACTING NEW CHAPTER 131 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ASHTABULA, OHIO, ENTITLED CITY DIRECTOR OF FINANCE. Mr. Balog moved, Mr. McClure seconded to grant the Finance Director's request; motion CARRIED.

### **Income Tax**

The Finance Director issued a reminder we are in tax season. Staff will assist with local income tax filing by visiting their office. Forms may be requested by calling, emailing, visiting the Income Tax Department or going on the City's website at [www.cityofashtabula.com](http://www.cityofashtabula.com).

The Director reported she will provide an update on Ohio Senate Bill 5 regarding local income tax changes, and how it will affect the City if passed at the April 11 Finance & Personnel Committee meeting.

## **CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS and COMMUNICATIONS**

### **Community/Economic Development/Parks & Recreation (Mrs. Misener/Mr. McClure)**

The Chair reported the committee will meet on Monday, April 14, at 4:00 p.m., in the Municipal Building 2<sup>nd</sup> floor conference room. No scheduled guests are expected, but the committee has much organizing to do relative to the plethora of activity taking place in the City. The Chair said, "The Manager is a very busy man and there's a lot of things that are going for the good of the City".

**Parks & Recreation Board:** The Chair announced the Board will meet on Tuesday, at 6:00 p.m., and Ms. Karen Adair will speak about Walnut Beach. Mr. Tucker, Board chair and council meeting camera operator, noted the meeting will take place at 6:30 p.m. The President asked if the meeting will take place on Tuesday April 8 or 15; the Chair responded April 15.

**Finance and Personnel - (Mr. Ducro IV/Mr. Balog)**

The Chair announced the committee will meet on Friday, April 11, at 8:00 a.m. He reiterated Ohio Senate Bill 5 regarding income taxes will be discussed.

**Public Works/Utilities/Schools – (Mr. McClure/Mr. Pugliese)**

The Chair announced the committee will meet on Friday, May 2, at 8:00 a.m., in the Municipal Building 2<sup>nd</sup> floor conference room.

**Time Warner Cable**

The Chair reported the City has received word that starting on or about May 6, Channels 2, 33, 41, 70, 96, and the local public, educational and government access programming will be delivered in digital format only. The same will be the case, on or about May 28, for Channels 13, 15, and 17. They will remain in existing packages however will only be viewable with digital equipment, such as a TWC supplied digital set-top box, Digital Adapter or CableCARD. This will not affect your local Public Broadcasting Service (PBS) stations(s); they continue to be carried in their current format(s) without change.

If you want to view these channels on TVs that are not currently connected to digital cable equipment, you may between now and July 28, request Digital Adapters and remote controls free of charge through September 30, 2015; thereafter each Digital Adapter will cost \$1.50 per month. Digital Adapters may be ordered online at [twc.com/digitaladapter](http://twc.com/digitaladapter) or by calling 1.855.286.1736.

If you have a TV with a built-in digital cable tuner (QAM or ClearQAM) you will continue to be able to view this programming without additional equipment on the following channels:

CHANNEL	DIGITAL CHANNEL NO.	QAM CHANNEL NO.
Ashtabula Government Access	Channel 21	Channel 96.21
Educational Access	Channel 29	Channel 96.29
Educational Access	Channel 67	Channel 96.67

**High Definition (HD) Channels**

The Ward 2 Councilor reported receiving recent complaints that excessive ‘tiling’ has occurred on HD channels. The Manager said it is city-wide.

**Adams Avenue & West 58<sup>th</sup> Street Intersection**

The Ward 5 Councilor reported receiving a request from Mrs. Pam Bean for the City to announce in the newspaper the recent placement of a 4-way stop at this intersection. The Manager reported the request was made and an ordinance passed in 2012, but the sign was not erected until the Clerk of Council brought it to his attention last week. The Traffic Department erected the signs on Friday. The President said he had several inquiries about this intersection.

So, he sat at the intersection for about 15 minutes and watched 50 to 60 vehicles slow or stop and a few go through without stopping. The President believes time will quickly fix the problem if patrolmen are occasionally stationed at the intersection, tickets are issued, and Public Works paints road signage and crosswalks.

**Safety Forces – (Mr. Balog/Mrs. Misener)**

The Chair asked the Solicitor to comment on Ordinance Nos. 2014-43 and 2014-44 scheduled for a vote this evening. The Solicitor said 300 people are waiting to serve time on something over 400 different charges (some people have more than one charge). Some of them have been waiting for years to serve their time; and one had 6 jail report dates wherein they showed up to serve their time and were turned away because there wasn't sufficient space. This is a problem if the Sheriff has to draw down the jail population because of funding problems. Our jail is licensed by the State of Ohio as a limited duration holding facility. With said license, we are able to accept those waiting to serve time in the county jail for up to 10 days. So, one part of the legislation is to authorize the jail to accept commitments for incarceration from the Municipal Court as long as accepting that incarceration does not create a license violation.

The second arm of the legislation is the pay-to-stay program passed around 2006, and updated in 2009. If the Manager is able to charge a daily rate similar to what other jails in the area charge, which is about \$50, it is possible for us to accept some of the people waiting to serve their time in the county jail, and recover some of our cost.

The Ohio Revised code has changed since the inception of our pay-to-stay program was enacted. There is now a detailed process for billing a prisoner at the end of his stay for the cost of confinement. The new legislation is found in ORC 141.12, which is found in paragraphs (D)(1) through (6) of the legislation Council is scheduled to vote on. He then summoned up his comments by stating, "We've got limited availability in the county jail, and we have a possibility of making a more flexible use of our City jail and recovering some of the cost. He said more officers are needed on the street because they both deter and detect crime, and that more available jail space is needed. However, extra jail space is a need secondary to patrol officers on the street, but it is a need.

The Chair said this is also sending a message to those waiting to serve that they be doing so soon.

**Formal Legislation Requests**

Mr. Balog moved, Mr. Pugliese seconded to present ORDINANCE NO. 2014-43 AN ORDINANCE REPEALING, IN ITS ENTIRETY, SECTION 141.12 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ASHTABULA, OHIO, IN ORDER TO PERMIT THE CITY JAIL TO ACCEPT COMMITMENTS ON SENTENCES FROM THE ASHTABULA MUNICIPAL COURT AND TO UPDATE THE COLLECTION OF COSTS OF CONFINEMENT (Pay-to-Stay); motion CARRIED.

Mr. Balog moved, Mr. Pugliese seconded to present ORDINANCE NO. 2014-44 AN ORDINANCE ENACTING NEW SECTION 141.12 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ASHTABULA, OHIO, IN ORDER TO PERMIT THE CITY JAIL TO ACCEPT COMMITMENTS ON SENTENCES FROM THE ASHTABULA MUNICIPAL COURT TO UPDATE THE COLLECTION OF COSTS OF CONFINEMENT (Pay-to-Stay); the motion CARRIED.

### **Fire Department**

#### **Aerial Truck**

The Chair reported receiving word from Fire Chief Ronald Pristera that the aerial truck, which is one of the few operating in our area, is repaired and back in service.

#### **Staffing**

One staff member has resigned; leaving the Department operating one person short.

#### **EMS (Emergency Medical Service) Billing**

The Chair reported revenues are lagging behind last year. The Finance Director, Manager and Chief assured the committee things are proceeding as anticipated.

#### **Firefighter Phil Educational Program**

The program takes fire safety education to second and third graders in the Ashtabula Area City Schools.

#### **Police Levy**

The Chair invited voters to contact the Council or City Manager with any questions. The Chair reported three public meetings were held (March 25, 26, and 27). The last one was well attended and many questions were answered. He, again, encouraged citizens to call the City with any questions (positive or otherwise), and not take what is on the internet as truth, because it often is not. The Chair also invited voters to attend a "Citizens for Safety" (police levy committee) meeting to ask questions. Details about the next meeting date may be obtained by contacting him, the Ward 4 Councilor/Levy Committee Chair, the City Manager, or the Clerk of Council.

#### **Safe Neighborhood Initiative (\*see more conversation below)**

At the committee meeting the Chair reported City officials would be meeting with Mr. Bob Fiatal regarding the initiative. The program reigns from the Ohio Attorney General and is soon going to be enacted in our community. He said it is a good thing, and that more about the initiative will be provided over the next few months.

### **Police Department**

**Mobile Data Terminals (MDTs):** These operating systems which are located in all cruisers will be updated in order to continue to operate LEADS; a program which provides information on license plates and social security numbers.

### **Overtime & Inaccurate Comments re: Salaries & Wages**

The Manager reported his PowerPoint presented at the recent three community meetings showed the City is living within its means, are spending less than revenues received in the overall City budget, shows true overtime comparison in incident overtime (which cannot be avoided), scheduled overtime (which would not be alleviated by hiring more patrolmen); and training overtime. It was proven that by hiring more patrolmen most of the overtime will not decrease; in some cases the overtime will go up; in others it will remain the same.

The Manager said (as was said at the community meetings), that, "If you're satisfied with what you have today don't vote for the levy". This is not a threat, but a reality. "If you would like more officers on the streets, which I think we all agree that we need at this time, then I ask you to please support the levy".

The Manager reported certain individuals in the community who are against the levy have already approached the Star Beacon newspaper editor about running a letter, and said, "Look for the next accusation against the City".

### **Violent Fugitive Task Force (VFTF)**

The Chair reported City officials receive calls asking why police are in certain areas. He said our Police Department is often working with VFTF, who may be seen in the City three to four times per month, and who also are working with U.S. Marshals, looking for the worst of the bad people in the area.

### **Police Department Entrance Examination**

The Manager reported the examination will be given sometime in May, rather than April. The President asked how long before the test is given are applications made available. The Manager recalled when the Fire examination was given it was two weeks.

### **\*Safe Neighborhood Initiative**

The Manager reported he and the Police Chief were invited to Warren, OH to witness the initiative in action. It was quite an experience. They were joined by Ashtabula County Prosecutor Nicholas Iarocci, staff from Kent State University Ashtabula, and My Neighborhood group. It was impressive to see the presentations of the municipality, attorney general, federal prosecutors, coroner, families of shooting victims, and men involved in 'bad stuff', but have changed their lives. The presentation was 1.5 hours. It was sobering to watch the nine or so males who were seated in the box as the targets, and to see them realize much was known about them, and that they were there for a reason. To watch their progression of realizing what could happen to them if they continued their lifestyle was pretty powerful to watch. The Manager said he is very encouraged about the program coming to our community. Mr. Fiala has spoken with the Police Department, and persons of concern have been identified. He said, "So, if you get a call to show up to our Municipal Court that means you're on our list. It doesn't mean we're going to arrest you when you show up, but just know that from that time when we have this little discussion, you and your members are going to be targeted.

And, if there's any wrong doing going on after that... The closest jail is 160 miles from here. And, trust me, your family's not visiting you. And all your girl friends and your boy friends are not going to come see you 160 miles away if they can stay home and move on with life." He said it is an extremely powerful program, and hopes to get it started earlier than planned. The City and Ohio Attorney General's office will issue a press release shortly.

The President thanked the Police Chief and City Manager for getting our community involved in this program. He said he sat in on the initial meeting at City Hall when the invitation was extended to go to Warren. He believes the initiative is interesting and exciting because it is much more proactive than reactive, which is sometimes hard to do in law enforcement. Being proactive is historically something City government has struggled with. It's a different way of approaching and doing things, and he is very excited to see the results.

The Manager said it is not just about scaring someone back into the 'straight way of life'. There are also clergy and social services in the program to assist. Phone numbers are provided so violators may seek help to get out of their present lifestyle, and to get a job, and to get their life back on track. The Manager said the initiatives overall intent is to "help people get out of that lifestyle and become productive citizens of the City".

**Next Meeting:** The Committee will meet next on Friday, April 18, at 8:00 a.m.

**Work Session** – No Session/No Report

**FORMAL LEGISLATION REQUESTS** - None

**PUBLIC COMMENT** (Regular Agenda Legislation Only) - None

**LEGISLATION READING**

Mr. Balog moved, Mr. McClure seconded to dispose of the following legislation in the Consent Agenda format since said legislation had been discussed earlier in this meeting; motion CARRIED.

The Clerk of Council presented the following legislation:

**ORDINANCE**

2014-42      AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH MEDICO SYSTEMS, INC. FOR ASBESTOS ABATEMENT AND DEMOLITION SERVICES TO ABATE THREE (3) VACANT AND BLIGHTED STRUCTURES.  
(City Manager)

ORDINANCE

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ORDINANCE

2014-44 AN ORDINANCE ENACTING NEW SECTION 141.12 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ASHTABULA, OHIO, IN ORDER TO PERMIT THE CITY JAIL TO ACCEPT COMMITMENTS ON SENTENCES FROM THE ASHTABULA MUNICIPAL COURT TO UPDATE THE COLLECTION OF COSTS OF CONFINEMENT. (Pay-to-Stay) (City Manager)

ORDINANCE

2014-45 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH ASSURE VAULT, LLC, FOR DIGITAL DOCUMENT STORAGE AND RETRIEVAL SERVICES (Payroll Records). (Finance Director)

ORDINANCE

2014-46 AN ORDINANCE REPEALING IN THEIR ENTIRETY CODIFIED ORDINANCE CHAPTERS 131 AND 133 FOR THE PURPOSE OF INCORPORATING INTO THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES RECENT AMENDMENTS TO THE CHARTER ABOLISHING THE POSITIONS OF CITY AUDITOR AND CITY TREASURER AND CREATING THE POSITION OF CITY DIRECTOR OF FINANCE. (Finance Director & Clerk of Council)

ORDINANCE

2014-47 AN ORDINANCE ENACTING NEW CHAPTER 131 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ASHTABULA, OHIO, ENTITLED CITY DIRECTOR OF FINANCE. (Finance Director & Clerk of Council)

Mr. Balog moved, Mr. Pugliese seconded to waive the reading of the legislation; motion CARRIED. Mr. Balog moved, Mr. Pugliese seconded to waive the Charter requirement of two readings. On the roll call to waive the Charter requirement of two readings: Mrs. Cook, Mrs. Misener, Mr. Hamrick, Mr. Balog, Mr. Pugliese, Mr. McClure, Mr. Ducro IV voted yea; motion CARRIED. On the roll call to adopt the legislation: Mrs. Cook, Mrs. Misener, Mr. Hamrick, Mr. Balog, Mr. Pugliese, Mr. McClure, Mr. Ducro IV voted yea; motion CARRIED.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS** - None

**NEW BUSINESS** - None

### **MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS**

**Planning Commission Appointment:** The Manager announced the appointment of Mr. James Trisket to the Ashtabula City Planning Commission with a term to commence immediately and expire on December 7, 2015. The Manager reported Council has appointments to the Commission to make.

**Walnut Beach Concession Stand Operator:** The Ward 2 Councilor asked the City Manager if an operator has been secured. The Manager said he received three outstanding applications. He asked the Bridge Street restaurant owners of Briquette's and River's Edge Diner to assist with interviews; they did, and a selection should be made this week.

**Turfing at Clifford Kadon Presidential Park (CKPP):** The Ward 5 Councilor reported vehicles are 'turfing' (driving all over the field) at the Park. He reported it to the Police Department once. They visited the park and took care of it. He reported it again yesterday. He said there is only one section 'they can climb', and suggested putting a couple of poles and a chain in the area to deter them. He said they are driving back to the skate park instead of parking in the lot and walking back. The Manager said he will have Public Works see what may be done.

**ATV Legislation:** The Vice President suggested that because of the proximity of CKPP to the Greenway Trails on which ATV's are driven, the Park would be a prime area for someone to play around in. He said the Solicitor for his comments regarding our legislation on ATV. The Solicitor said our codified ordinances and the Ohio Revised Code says unless you have a motorized vehicle that is capable of being licensed, which means being plated with a license, you are not privileged to ride it upon any public street or property that is not specifically set aside for that recreational use; none of which our parks are.

**Building Bridges School (State Road):** The Clerk of Council reported Mr. John Rubesich, Director of the school, approached her at a meeting last week, and told her the same thing is being done to their grassy areas. He asked her if she had witnessed any such activity because she resides in the neighborhood. She told him no, but that ATVs and snowmobiles are periodically operated on our neighborhood roads and sidewalks.

**Ashtabula Gulf (off Main Avenue by former Sardis):** The President reported a citizen expressed concern with finding abandoned hypodermic needles used for drugs and with other problems in the Gulf. He said he walked a large part of the Gulf and did not see anything like what was reported, but did see a lot of trash and dumping. The President said it is amazing how much of the washed out steps leading down to the Gulf are still there. He spoke with Ashtabula Township Park Commission Chair Mr. Michael Wayman regarding his vision to see the steps repaired in the future. He encouraged visitors to the Gulf to come back up with garbage and dispose of it. His hope is the Gulf will be beautified, safe, and not destroyed.

The Vice President said the Gulf is an asset to the City and that steelheads were being fished there earlier today.

**GENERAL PUBLIC DISCUSSION**

**Mr. Chris Enos, 3306 Superior Avenue:** Suggested orange stop ahead and NO ATV signs be placed at entrance to Clifford Kadon Presidential Park (CKPP) to stop motorist from driving onto the property and damaging it. Mr. Enis suggested asking the State of Ohio to widen Bunker Hill Road approaches in order to assist with the traffic flow.

The President said because road projects of the State are pushed so far out it would not be wise for the City to wait for them to share in the cost of road repairs given the poor condition of Bunker Hill Road, coupled with the amount of vehicles travel the road, it is best for the City to address the road now.

**Mr. Vincent Snyder, 4620 Topper Avenue:** reported an alley runs between State Road and Valleyview Boulevard from East 44<sup>th</sup> Street to East 48<sup>th</sup> Street, therefore the south side of East 45<sup>th</sup> Street parking prohibition suggested earlier in this meeting is plausible because residents do have alley parking available to them.

Mr. Snyder said people complain about roads not being plowed but they park on snow covered roads and create the inability for street equipment to traverse the road. He suggested vehicles be required to be removed from roads over night so snowplowing and street sweeping may effectively be performed. He said people do not want to park off-road because they have junk in their yards. If they are made to remove the junk from their yard in order to off-road park, 'you'd be getting two for the price of one'.

**Paving**

**Eastside Alleys:** The Ward 4 Councilor asked if the alleys Mr. Snyder mentioned are part of the comprehensive paving project. The Manager responded yes, all of them.

**Bunker Hill Road:** The Ward 4 Council asked if the City paves Bunker Hill Road, which is part of State Route 84, will it cause the state to delay their scheduled paving of the road. The Manager said no, that the City is doing a very small section because it is not worth waiting for the state. He said we are constantly filling potholes between Jefferson Road and West Avenue, but the fill does not stay because there is brick underneath the road pavement.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** None

**RECONVENE OPEN MEETING:** N/A

**ACTION RESULTING FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:** N/A

**CLOSING REMARKS**

**Meetings**

**Public Hearing:** The President announced Council will meet in a Public Hearing on Monday, April 21, at 5:15 p.m., to hear comments regarding the City's request to rezone Lake Avenue, from West 19<sup>th</sup> Street to Walnut Boulevard.

**Regular Meeting:** The President announced the next Regular Council Meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 21, at 7:00 p.m.; Pre-Council at 6:00 p.m.

**Tag Line:** The President said, "Remember to keep believing in Ashtabula!"

**Closing Comments:** The President wished everyone a nice April. He issued a reminder to get leafs bags so the winter debris can be removed from the City.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. McClure moved, Mr. Hamrick seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:19 p.m.

DATE APPROVED: **April 21, 2014**

ATTESTED BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
**J. P. Ducro IV**  
**President of Council**

ATTESTED BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
**LaVette E. Hennigan, MMC**  
**Clerk of Council**