

CONCORD TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES
LAKE COUNTY, OHIO
MEETING

Concord Town Hall
7229 Ravenna Road
Concord, Ohio 44077

November 1, 2017
7:30 P.M.

TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEMBERS PRESENT:

PAUL MALCHESKY, Chairman
CAROLINE N. LUHTA, Vice Chairwoman
CHRISTOPHER A. GALLOWAY, Trustee
AMY DAWSON, Fiscal Officer

ALSO PRESENT:

MICHAEL LUCAS, Legal Counsel;
CHIEF MATT SABO, Concord Fire Department;
FRANK KRASKA, Service Director;
KATHY MITCHELL, Administrator;
DEBRA ESKER, Recreation Director;
HEATHER FREEMAN, Zoning Director;
SERGEANT BRIAN BUTLER, Lake County Sheriff's
Department.

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1 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: I'll call the Concord Board of
2 Trustees November 1, 2017 meeting to order. Please stand for
3 the pledge of allegiance.

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5 (Pledge of Allegiance.)

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7 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Okay. Roll call.

8 MS. DAWSON: Mr. Malchesky?

9 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Present.

10 MS. DAWSON: Mrs. Luhta?

11 MS. LUHTA: Here.

12 MS. DAWSON: Mr. Galloway?

13 MR. GALLOWAY: Here.

14 CHAIRMAN MALCESKY: Okay. Official reports. Amy, what
15 do you have for us?

16 MS. DAWSON: Okay. As of October 31, we were 83
17 percent of the way through the calendar year. The Treasury
18 Balance for the 20 active funds within the Township Treasury
19 was \$5.7 million.

20 The Treasury Balance includes approximately \$230,000 in
21 funds set aside for specific projects.

22 Year-to-date expenditures were 71 percent of the amount
23 appropriated for 2017. The revenue received year to date
24 is 99 percent of the amount budgeted. We will not be
25 receiving Real Estate Tax revenue again until end of the
26 first quarter 2018, so we will need to carry over a minimum
27 \$2.5 million.

28 We have officially joined ohiocheckbook.com with State
29 Treasurer Mandel's office. While we have always made this
30 information available in our minutes, this electronic forum

1 will provide even greater access for our residents. I have
2 been working with the State Treasurer's office for over a year
3 and I want to thank them and the trustees for their support
4 with this project.

5 Cemetery Reminder. After November 1st only seasonal
6 wreaths may be placed by the graves. We will be picking up
7 any summer items that remain. The flags will be removed after
8 Veterans Day.

9 If you have any financial questions or cemetery
10 questions, do not hesitate to call me at 354-7516.

11 Thank you.

12 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Amy, did we -- do we receive those
13 tax revenue in April, like the first week of April, or
14 sometime late March?

15 MS. DAWSON: You never know. We will get an
16 advance sometime in February typically --

17 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Okay.

18 MS. DAWSON: -- to carry us through until it's
19 either the end of March or usually by the 15th of April for
20 sure.

21 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Okay. Connie, anything to report?

22 MS. LUHTA: Yes, I had a call from a lady today
23 who was complaining about some of the roads and it turns out
24 they were all county roads.

25 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Auburn and --

26 MS. LUHTA: Morley, Prouty and Auburn.

27 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: -- Morley, Prouty, Button, Hoose.
28 Chris?

29 MR. GALLOWAY: Just normal inquiries on some
30 Township issues like zoning, some of the happenings around the

1 community, things like that.

2 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: All right. I had --

3 MR. GALLOWAY: Nothing of great importance.

4 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: I had a couple things. I did --
5 couple stormwater issues and stormwater departments was
6 reimbursed so hopefully they are able to do one last project
7 before the season ends, but, you know, it's a little bit
8 chillier than it is right now, but they can do some stuff in
9 the -- you know, in the frozen tundra as time goes on, so
10 they're working on doing that. I guess sometimes it's easier
11 for them to dig -- do some of the digging that they have to
12 do. They're not putting roads in.

13 MR. GALLOWAY: Right.

14 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: And, additionally, I think it's
15 important to note I did meet with Riverside Schools on Monday
16 of this week and there were three consultants there,
17 administrator, treasurer, their attorney, two board members.
18 We had probably approximately a three-hour meeting, a little
19 bit over that. There was an another additional couple hours
20 that I spent with our legal counsel afterwards and then prior
21 to that meeting there was probably about a thousand documents
22 that I had an opportunity to take a look at. So -- and I
23 looked at those documents prior to going into the meeting, so
24 that meeting probably went a little bit quicker since, you
25 know, we were or I was informed better.

26 So that meeting is unusual, because when you're in
27 litigation and there's an exchange of documents prior to us
28 even filing an answer, because we just got served, I think
29 Mike would say it was unusual for -- for such a thing to take
30 place. But, again, information was received by me that was

1 something I never received or saw before, and so the more
2 information, the better. And so it's always positive to get
3 information because you're moving in a positive direction. So
4 that's about all I can say on that, except that there will be
5 additional information coming to us, there will be additional
6 discussions, and we'll hopefully work to a better resolution
7 and understanding of where everybody is at.

8 MR. GALLOWAY: I appreciate you being our
9 representative as part of that process.

10 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Sure.

11 MS. LUHTA: Me too. Thank you.

12 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Sure. It was a productive meeting,
13 so that's the most important thing.

14 MS. LUHTA: Yes.

15 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: And we're moving the ball forward.

16 With regards to additional items besides the
17 stormwater, there's nothing else additional.

18 Department reports. Kathy Mitchell.

19 MS. MITCHELL: All right. Thank you. I have two
20 items to report on. I'm very happy to report that we have our
21 newly improved website updated and it is -- it looks great.
22 If you haven't gone on and looked at it, it's concordtwp.com.
23 It has a new design, improved functionality, enhanced content
24 and a huge difference and improvement in the mobile
25 responsiveness, which was a real flaw with our last system and
26 we struggled with that. So we're real exited. Again, check
27 it out. All the information is there.

28 I will point out, the calendar in particular, there are
29 some things that still need to be tweaked. The staff is going
30 to actually be getting training tomorrow on how to make

1 changes ourselves to the new site. So there is some inform --
2 there is some information on there that is -- that is a little
3 bit inaccurate. For example, they're showing we have a staff
4 meeting next week. We actually already had it this week and
5 that's going to get updated. So just stay tuned. Or if you
6 have questions or if it doesn't look right, please ask us. I
7 think overall we're very pleased with it, but I'm sure there's
8 a few kinks we have to work out, so thank you for your
9 patience on that.

10 Secondly, I'm in regular contact with the Ohio Department
11 of Transportation with regard to the timing and the
12 coordination of that Auburn, Crile and 44. They actually put
13 in and installed software and they call it coordination
14 timings between Capital Parkway and I-90 westbound and now
15 they are hopefully running on that same -- on the same cycle,
16 if you will. However, the timings are still off and I had
17 another conversation with them this week about that. Their --
18 they actually have consultants that actually focus just on
19 signal operations. They are going to be actually visiting
20 either tomorrow or Friday to tweak again the timing of those
21 -- of those signals both at -- and we've mentioned, everybody
22 is aware of the problem with the blocked condition that occurs
23 when, say in the mornings when I take it, if I'm coming to
24 work and I'm southbound on 44 and I want to make a left onto
25 Auburn, there are times when the folks that are coming either
26 from the hospital and are trying to head north onto 44, you
27 know, the intersection gets blocked. They know it's a
28 problem, they know it needs to be fixed and that is their goal
29 is to make that running in more of an optimal situation.
30 Also, the timing of the arrow, the turn, the left turn signal

1 is too short. We know that, we are addressing that, and we
2 have asked them to make sure that that gets changed.

3 The third issue that we've asked them to address is the
4 signal, the traffic light at Capital Parkway on Crile. That's
5 been ongoing on and off throughout the year, but now that
6 again ODOT has control, complete control of the project now
7 that Karvo is off the job, that is their focus is to work on
8 the signalization.

9 So all I can say is long story short, we are aware of the
10 problems and we are working with ODOT to make sure that those
11 get updated and they are aware of the problem. So thank you
12 also for your patience on that.

13 That's all I have.

14 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Thank you.

15 One quick question. Ohio Checkbooks, when we had them
16 here, and we're going to be running that program, you know, it
17 will be to TV, but there were some glitches in, I guess, the
18 name of the categories. Did they fix that?

19 MS. DAWSON: No, it's all fixed.

20 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Okay.

21 MS. DAWSON: It's all done and it was -- and it
22 had to do with a voided check.

23 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Will that pop back up again?

24 MS. DAWSON: No, it's all good. It's all done.
25 It was the vendor name. It had nothing to do with the
26 categories.

27 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Okay. All right. Very good. Thank
28 you.

29 Service Department, Mr. Kraska. Saw some white stuff
30 yesterday.

1 MS. DAWSON: You didn't do fire department.
2 MS. LUHTA: You didn't do the fire department.
3 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Oh, I'm sorry.
4 MR. GALLOWAY: He wanted to give Kathy a break.
5 MR. KRASKA: The fire department can wait. I'm up
6 here now. I'm not worried about the snow yet, although I am
7 ready to buy salt and plow blades.
8 MR. GALLOWAY: Yes, your are.
9 MR. KRASKA: Good evening.
10 MS. LUHTA: Good evening.
11 MR. KRASKA: As we wind down our construction
12 season for 2017, it would be accurate to say that we had a
13 successful and productive year.
14 Service Department crews in October completed 900 square
15 yards of concrete replacement on Thatchum Lane, Whitney Lane,
16 and Equestrian Court.
17 Pacheco Cement and Company completed 1500 square yards of
18 concrete replacement on Gallant Way and Waterfowl Way.
19 This combined effort, along with earlier accomplishments
20 this season by the Service Department, combined for the
21 replacement of nearly 5,200 square yards of road surface.
22 Asphalt improvements on Lambton Court, Hobby Horse
23 Development, and Little Mountain Country Club Subdivision,
24 combined with the aforementioned concrete improvements,
25 completed a successful road infrastructure program for the
26 year.
27 Another benefit attained that should not be overlooked
28 from the infrastructure program was the trustees and local
29 residential support of retrofitting large paved cul-de-sacs
30 with bio-retention islands prior to road improvement to

1 improve local drainage and implement effective stormwater
2 treatment practices prior to entering -- the water, the
3 stormwater entering tributaries that lead to our great Lake
4 Eire.

5 Now in November, this year's curbside leaf pickup will be
6 held the week of November 27th. The collection will begin at
7 6 A.M. on the morning of Monday the 27th. There will be no
8 return trips to pick up bags that were not at the curbside
9 when the collection began. Township wide collection typically
10 takes three to four days.

11 Residents are required to supply their own bio-degradable
12 leaf bags. After the bags have been filled with leaves only,
13 they should be placed at the curb where the vendor will pick
14 them up. Only bagged leaves will be picked up. No bulk,
15 piled or leaves in plastic bags or containers will be
16 accepted.

17 The Concord Service Department will also allow for bagged
18 leaves only to be dropped off by township residents at the
19 service department yard Thursday, November 2nd through Friday,
20 November 24th. This site is located at 7229 Ravenna Road.
21 You may drop off between the hours of 8 A.M. until 3 P.M.
22 Monday through Friday. This is in addition to what we've done
23 in the past.

24 And with winter at our doorstep, mailbox snow barricades
25 are available to Concord residents. We have installed 22
26 recently and since the inception of the program, we are now at
27 574 active participants in that program.

28 Applications can be obtained on our website at
29 www.concordtwp.com or stop by town hall during business hours
30 where our staff will be glad to help you. Cost for barricades

1 this year, which includes installation, has remained at \$40.

2 Please visit the township website, our township website,
3 our new township website for regular updates, current events,
4 and related information.

5 In closing, we wish our residents well and have a good
6 evening.

7 MS. LUHTA: Thanks, Frank.

8 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Frank, I just want to remind people,
9 the bio-retention on those cul-de-sacs that we did, those
10 planting are a little immature for now.

11 MR. KRASKA: Correct.

12 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: They're going to grow. And if they
13 don't grow, we'll replace them. And we've already talked with
14 Stormwater. Stormwater will work with us in trying to get us
15 some things that will take off in there. But, again, they're
16 just in their infancy.

17 MR. KRASKA: And, again, we pick plants that are
18 salt tolerant, that are a little bit -- they'll, you know,
19 withstand the rigors of winter and stuff --

20 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Right.

21 MR. KRASKA: -- more so than, you know, a delicate
22 plant.

23 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Yeah.

24 MR. KRASKA: And, again, it will take, you know, a
25 year or two for them to, you know, fully mature and establish
26 themselves. But, you know, it really enhances -- not only is
27 it, you know, helping to clean, you know, the water that's
28 running off the road, but it also enhances the neighborhood
29 appearance too once -- you know, once these fully take place,
30 you know, into their, you know, full --

1 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: They're going to grow. I appreciate
2 that.

3 MR. KRASKA: And we eliminated over 14,000 square
4 feet of pavement. You know, that's a lot of area where water
5 would run straight off and into a ditch and, you know, right
6 down, you know, to the creeks and stuff, whereas these systems
7 collect the water and release it slowly and filter out the
8 pollutants prior to it entering into the creeks and streams.

9 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Thank you.

10 MR. KRASKA: Okay? Have a good day.

11 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: I appreciate it.

12 Kathy, do you want to talk about the fire department?

13 MS. MITCHELL: I would love to.

14 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Thank you.

15 MS. MITCHELL: In the month of October the total
16 runs are as follows: For motor vehicle accidents, there was a
17 total of 8; agency assists 24; fire alarm responses 11; odor
18 investigation 3; basic rescues 29; advance/paramedic 66;
19 public assists 22; structure fires 1; wires down 4.

20 Under the Fire Prevention Bureau, they completed a total
21 of 8 plan reviews; 18 annual inspections; 11 follow-ups; 3
22 site inspections; and 26 fire protection system testings.

23 As for public education, they had one Knox box
24 installation and overview, they attended or participated in 13
25 public education events, and also 2 consultations.

26 I don't know if you want to do the POs right now, he put
27 that in there, or do you want to wait until later, request PO
28 to --

29 MR. GALLOWAY: Oh, on the camera.

30 MS. MITCHELL: -- Warren Fire Equipment for \$9,738.

1 MR. GALLOWAY: Yeah. Well, I would -- I'm going to
2 make a motion to approve PO 71-2017 to Warren Fire Equipment
3 in the amount of \$9,738 and this is replacing a thermal
4 imagining camera.

5 MS. LUHTA: I'll second that.

6 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: All in favor say, "Aye."
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8 (Whereupon, all members of the board stated, "Aye.")
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10 MS. MITCHELL: And also he is requesting that the
11 trustees accept the resignation of part-time lieutenant,
12 Joseph Warner, effective October 30, 2017.

13 MS. LUHTA: I'll move to accept with regret the
14 resignation of Joe Warner.

15 MR. GALLOWAY: And we wish him well --

16 MS. LUHTA: Yes.

17 MR. GALLOWAY: -- in his other endeavors, so good
18 things. So second it.

19 MS. MITCHELL: Last item, he --

20 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Hold on.

21 MS. MITCHELL: Oh, I'm sorry. Sorry, sorry.

22 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: All in favor?
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24 (Whereupon, all members of the board stated, "Aye.")
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26 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: He's gonna -- he'll be wonderfull.
27 Thank you.

28 MS. MITCHELL: And Chief Sabo just wanted to point
29 out, the reason for his absence, on Saturday, June 3rd of this
30 year, Concord Fire was requested to respond to University

1 Hospital's Urgent Care on Auburn Road for a male having chest
2 pain. EMS arrived at the patient's side at 11:12 A.M. Both
3 the onsite physician and EMS quickly concluded that the
4 patient was having a heart attack. EMS immediately made
5 contact with the cardiologist at UH Geauga Medical Center
6 and electronically transmitted all data, including 12 lead
7 EKG to the -- to the physician. The patient was transported
8 to UH Geauga and care was transferred directly to the team in
9 the cath lab at 11:46 A.M. That was just over a half hour
10 later.

11 University Hospitals was invit -- has invited Chief Sabo
12 to the Harrington Heart & Vascular Institute's Heart Heroes
13 Celebration this evening, which required his absence here.
14 This is an opportunity to connect heart patient survivors with
15 their healthcare provider teams, including EMS, nurses,
16 technicians and physicians. It is his honor to be able to
17 join this patient as University Hospitals celebrates his life
18 and survival.

19 That's all I have.

20 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: That's great. I remember when Matt
21 was not the chief, but a lieutenant, and he came in this room
22 when they introduced -- UH introduced the 12 lead system. It
23 was in the morning, because we're not here that often in the
24 morning and I remember him being here in the morning when that
25 was introduced, and so that's awesome.

26 All right. We will go to zoning department, Heather
27 Freeman.

28 MS. FREEMAN: Hi. Good evening.

29 MS. LUHTA: Good evening.

30 MS. FREEMAN: During the month of October the zoning

1 department processed 35 zoning permits, applications, and that
2 brings our year to date to 389 permits. In October we
3 approved 8 accessory buildings, 3 residential additions, 1
4 agricultural building, 1 change in use, 2 commercial building
5 alterations, 5 decks, 5 single-family dwellings, 8 fences, 1
6 in-ground pool, and 1 accessory structure.

7 Also just to let you know, the zoning commission is going
8 to be meeting next week on November 7th at town hall at 7 P.M.
9 They will be reviewing a cite plan review and design review
10 application for the last phase of the of the Crile Crossing
11 Retail Center where Chipotle will be building -- will be built
12 on an out parcel. They will also be reviewing the site plan
13 review and design review application for the proposed
14 relocation of the Crile Road Hardware Store. And, finally,
15 they will have a work session that is planned to discuss some
16 potential zoning amendments. The detailed agendas can be
17 found on the Concord Township website.

18 And, also, next week the board of zoning appeals will
19 have a meeting on November 8th at town hall at 7 P.M. and they
20 will be hearing four applications for variance requests.
21 Their agenda can also be found on the website.

22 That's it.

23 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Thank you.

24 Rec Department, Debra Esker.

25 MS. ESKER: Good evening.

26 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Good evening.

27 MS. ESKER: I brought props tonight. Thanks to
28 everyone who participated in Concord Township's Annual
29 Halloween Haunt at Gristmill Village Thursday evening. The
30 weather held out as hundreds of costumed kids trick-or-treated

1 their way around the shopping center. The recreation
2 department is deeply grateful to the Gristmill businesses for
3 once again warmly welcoming our guests and providing treats
4 for this wonderful, family-friendly event.

5 As requested by the trustees, we polled parents at the
6 Halloween Haunt about Halloween 2018 and asked "Since
7 Halloween is on a Wednesday in 2018, what's your preferred day
8 for trick-or-treating in Concord Township?"

9 10 percent of parents preferred Sunday evening for
10 trick-or-treating; 16 percent preferred Friday; 28 percent
11 preferred Saturday; but the largest percentage preferred
12 Halloween itself, October 31st, regardless of the day of the
13 week, 46 percent.

14 If anyone didn't participate in the Halloween Haunt but
15 would like to share their opinion on Halloween 2018, please
16 just email or call the trustees or the recreation department
17 directly.

18 In November the recreation department classes begin to
19 focus on the holidays. Relieve stress, create beautiful
20 hand-made gifts or learn a new skill by taking Tai Chi for
21 balance and relaxation; essential oils, make and take sprays
22 for the holidays; Mah Jongg, the ancient Chinese tile-based
23 game of skill and luck; Gifts of Herbs cooking class; Gobble
24 Up Goodness kids cooking class; create a beautiful embroidered
25 sunflower tea towel, or a unique stained glass Christmas tree.
26 There are still spaces available in all these classes, so sign
27 up today.

28 The annual Concord Township photo contest is currently
29 underway. Photos are displayed at Vista Springs Quail
30 Highlands assisted living facility at 7960 Auburn Road through

1 Tuesday, November 9th. Stop by to see the photos and vote in
2 person, or view photos and vote online on our brand new
3 website, concordtwp.com. Winners of the photo contest will be
4 announced on Tuesday, November 14th. And I've got to say
5 every year I'm amazed by the talent of our local artists and
6 this year is no exception. It's really worth your while to go
7 online, take a look at the photos and vote. It will blow you
8 away. It's just gorgeous.

9 The 55+ Group was treated to a presentation on the
10 history of the Morley Library this afternoon. Our next 55+
11 Group gathering will be Wednesday, November 15th where we'll
12 host a special Paint & Punch Workshop. A local artist will
13 guide guests through painting a personal masterpiece while
14 they enjoy punch and light refreshments.

15 Our first ever Concord Consolidated School Reunion will
16 be held this Saturday, November 4th beginning at the Old Stone
17 School at 10:30 A.M. and then moving over to the Riverside
18 Maintenance Building at 11:30 A.M, which used to be a Concord
19 school. So if you were a student, staff or faculty member of
20 a Concord Township school from 1923 through the early
21 eighties, we encourage you to come to the special gathering to
22 reminisce and share Concord history.

23 And our first ever Fall Bridal Show is Sunday, November
24 12th from noon to 4 P.M. at the community center. Admission
25 is free and open to all, so if you've already set the date or
26 just want to get some great party planning ideas and
27 resources, please join us. Vendors attending include: Say
28 Yes to Her Dress, the bridal store on Mentor Avenue; Up and
29 Away Designs; Bonquets by Becky; Eventistry; Cupcakes by
30 Sandra Sue; VYBE Entertainment; MK Photography; Julie

1 Elizabeth Event Styling; Lake Erie Limo; and much more. It's
2 an event worth going to.

3 In October Connie Luhta, Dan Maxson, who's our old stone
4 school docent, and I met with a man named Rob Morrison, who is
5 a resident of Concord, Massachusetts. Rob's touring as many
6 of the Concords throughout the United States and he can and he
7 was in our neck of the woods a few weeks ago, so we shared
8 information about our township and he gave us these awesome
9 T-shirts. That's the front of their T-shirt and that's the
10 back of their T-shirt. I wish I had thought of that first, "I
11 came, I saw, I Concord."

12 So we wish Rob --

13 MR. GALLOWAY: It works more when you're in New
14 England and they pronounce it Concord (con-kerred).

15 MS. ESKER: Yes.

16 MR. GALLOWAY: Ohio tends to be more Concord
17 (con-cord).

18 MS. ESKER: So we wish Rob well on his
19 adventures. We hope he keeps us informed and we'll certainly
20 try to stay in touch.

21 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: How many are there? Did he tell you?

22 MS. ESKER: Well, seven in Ohio, but I don't
23 know.

24 MR. GALLOWAY: It's hundreds. It's hundreds.

25 MS. ESKER: Remember that this Sunday, November
26 5th ends daylight savings time, so be like Cher and turn back
27 time before going to bed on Saturday night.

28 All of this information and more can be found in fall
29 edition of the township newsletter, the Concord Grapevine, and
30 on Concord Township's new website, concordtwp.com or contact

1 the recreation department at 440-639-4650.

2 Thank you very much.

3 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Thank you.

4 MS. LUHTA: Thank you, Deb.

5 MR. GALLOWAY: All right, Sergeant Butler, can you
6 do a Cher reference in your report?

7 SGT. BUTLER: I can't follow that, no way.

8 MR. GALLOWAY: Everyone's required to now make a
9 Cher reference.

10 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: He does have a photographic memory,
11 though. I know. Come on up here and give your report,
12 Sergeant.

13 SERGEANT BUTLER: Good evening, everyone. I'm Sergeant
14 Brian Butler from the sheriff's office.

15 The activity for October 2017 for the sheriff's office:
16 We recorded 1,368 calls for service. Of those calls there
17 were 4 injury accidents, 10 property damage accidents. We had
18 4 arrests for disorderly conduct, 1 arrest for domestic
19 violence, we responded to 46 alarm drops, and conducted 254
20 business checks. There were 319 crime preventions. Traffic,
21 we issued 13 citations, 56 warnings, 1 driving under
22 suspension. The new investigations that have begun, there was
23 an abuse case, 4 assaults, 1 breaking and entering, 1 breaking
24 and entering into a vehicle, 2 burglaries, 1 drug offense, 1
25 sex offense, 1 shoplifting, 20 thefts, 3 threats, 1
26 trespassing, 1 vandalism, and 2 stolen vehicle complaints.

27 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Sergeant, do your investigations
28 go to the detective bureau?

29 SERGEANT BUTLER: It depends on the investigation.
30 There are some investigations that --

1 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Will stay?

2 SERGEANT BUTLER: -- they contact us for. There are
3 simple documentation and other cases that require further
4 follow-up will either go to the detective bureau, depending on
5 the extent of the investigation.

6 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Thank you.

7 SERGEANT BUTLER: Thank you.

8 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Appreciate it.

9 Okay. That will take us to the audience portion. Mr.
10 Call, do you plan on taking tonight? You can come on up.
11 We're going to limit it to three minutes; okay?

12 MR. CALL: Three minutes? I'll go quick.

13 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Okay.

14 MR. CALL: One quick question. My name is Ron
15 Call. I live on Girdled Road. We have a problem with
16 somebody dumping broken concrete and gravel, dump truck loads
17 on the northwest corner of 608 and Girdled Road. I wonder if
18 anybody knows about that?

19 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: We'll take a look at it.

20 MR. CALL: That's not legal, i don't believe.

21 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: It is not.

22 MS. LUHTA: No.

23 MR. GALLOWAY: Certainly not.

24 MR. CALL: All right.

25 MR. GALLOWAY: We will look into it.

26 MR. CALL: Thank you.

27 MR. GALLOWAY: Sergeant Butler's on it.

28 MR. CALL: Also, I want to be sure that there's
29 signs keep posting on the corner there, the northeast corner.
30 And, I mean, if they keep going up there, I'm might as well

1 put a billboard up there and make some money on it. They're
2 posting signs there for -- one's a website, one was up there
3 for garbage pickup, one was for a dumpster.

4 MR. GALLOWAY: Oh, on your property on the corner
5 they're putting up signs?

6 MR. CALL: Yeah, there's been signs up there.

7 MR. GALLOWAY: Various business signs. Huh.

8 MR. CALL: Yeah. All right. The main reason I
9 was here was because of the real estate tax. And people on
10 fixed income have another real estate increase brought on by
11 our state legislators and I don't know if anybody knows about
12 this, but they're doing away with the homestead exemption.
13 And that's for people who hit 65 in 2017 and there's a limit
14 of 31,800. If if you make less than that, I guess you can
15 keep the homestead, but if you make more than that, you're
16 going to lose the exemption. On my taxes, that's about ten
17 percent of my tax, the gross tax.

18 They've also done away with -- the state legislators have
19 done away with the credits on your e real estate taxes, so any
20 new renewals that come up, it's actually a tax increase and
21 the signs are up there saying, "No tax increase." Well, it is
22 a tax increase. Your money's going to go out.

23 I guess that's it. There's two subjects mainly --

24 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Okay.

25 MR. CALL: -- they did away with the homestead
26 exemption and the credit on your income tax.

27 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Okay. Thank you. Appreciate it.

28 MR. CALL: Yep.

29 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Anybody else behind Mr. Call?

30 MS. DANKOVICH: Yes, I've been a Concord resident for

1 31 years.

2 MS. DAWSON: Excuse me. Please state your name
3 and your address, please.

4 MS. DANKOVICH: Connie Dankovich and I'm on 7301
5 Pinehill Road. I've been a Concord resident for 31 years.
6 I've lived on Pinehill for 20. And I've come here to seek
7 your assistance, if I can get any, for the water main breaks
8 that we've had on our street. I don't know if any of you have
9 had that, but we have had on an average of three to four
10 water main breaks a year. The water is just automatically
11 shut off. They say nothing. We've been supposed to have a
12 replacement of the line three years ago and I've been trying,
13 even talking with Mr. Malchesky. I just keep getting a
14 runaround where they're, you know, not really giving any
15 answers. Now they're saying it's not even on for 2018.

16 When you boil the water and have a cup of tea, it looks
17 like your cup has been dirty and not washed for a week. That
18 is a concern. We don't drink the water. Many people on our
19 street do not drink the water. They said -- I'm sure I've
20 asked him, I said, "Is there some asbestos concrete in that
21 piping?" And he said, "Possibly, probably." That's not
22 reassuring.

23 MR. GALLOWAY: Why is that funny?

24 MS. PESEC: No, no, I'm laughing, because that's
25 absolutely right. That's terrible.

26 MS. DANKOVICH: Yeah, who would feed that to your
27 child, give it to them to drink? And I get no answers.

28 When we had to have our hot water tank replaced, the
29 plumber who replaced it said he never saw such black gunk in
30 the bottom of a tank.

1 I mean, something has to be done. Somebody has to give
2 an answer. Today I spoke with Frank McKeon and he was
3 absolutely no help.

4 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Where is Frank from?

5 MS. DANKOVICH: He's the head of the Painesville
6 Water Department there. He told me then to call a Randy
7 Brubeck. He's the director of infrastructure in Lake County,
8 he said, and see if I could get any answers from him.

9 But I'm here to see if anyone can give some assistance in
10 seeking that.

11 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Yeah. Connie, I'll tell you this,
12 because you and I have spoke and then, Kathy, if you want to
13 chime in a little bit, because Kathy has -- our administrator
14 has been kind of working on this.

15 So Painesville Water supplies that line.

16 MS. DANKOVICH: Yes.

17 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: And I've been down there and I don't
18 know if you've ever seen how the line is prepared.

19 MS. DANKOVICH: Yes.

20 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: When they break it open, you know,
21 the line is, I think it's an eight-inch line about that thick.

22 MS. DANKOVICH: We had one break right out in front
23 of the house and it was very close to the gas line.

24 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: All right. They go down there and
25 they dig around it. They actually take a hatchet and, you
26 know, the hatchet -- they chip around it and you can see the
27 hole.

28 MS. DANKOVICH: Yes.

29 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: And they put a clamp and the clamp's
30 about this wide. It goes right around it. It's got a seal

1 and they've bolt it down there. That's how they fix those main
2 -- those main breaks.

3 MS. DANKOVICH: Right.

4 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: And they inspect a little bit to the
5 left and a little to the right and then close it up. And then
6 the time that you and I talked and they were down in the hole,
7 they had another one break right next to it.

8 MS. DANKOVICH: They've had that break in that same
9 spot I think maybe twelve times in that same spot, so how are
10 they --

11 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Right in the bottom, right on the
12 curve and it's -- it's, you know, like putting your
13 finger there and it busts here.

14 MS. DANKOVICH: It's in different spots. And,
15 honestly, after they paved the road on our street, which
16 Concord pays for --

17 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Yeah.

18 MS. DANKOVICH: -- it's been broken out many times by
19 Painesville Township and now there's little ruts every place
20 that's been.

21 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Yeah.

22 MS. DANKOVICH: But, I mean, it is ridiculous how
23 many times it breaks.

24 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: And, again, I want to give you at
25 least an idea of what is going on there. There is --
26 Painesville Water owns that line. They have an agreement that
27 has to be resigned with the county I believe sometime next
28 year.

29 MR. GALLOWAY: It expires at the end of 2018.

30 MS. DANKOVICH: Yeah.

1 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: End of next year. I've talked to
2 Jason Boyd. Jason Boyd is the County Administrator. So
3 you've got three commiss -- you've got three trustees, you've
4 got three county commissioners. Jason Boyd is their
5 administrator.

6 MS. DANKOVICH: Yeah, and he told me there is nothing
7 more they can do, that it has to go to Painesville Water.

8 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: It's Painesville's water, but, like I
9 said, and I think you're doing exactly what needs to be done.
10 There has to be continued pressure by the trustees and by the
11 county --

12 MS. DANKOVICH: Yes.

13 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: -- to get them to do that. I
14 believe, and I didn't count them all, but there's about sixty
15 -- at least sixty residents that would serve that waterline
16 and it's a fairly long trunk line that goes up there --

17 MS. DANKOVICH: Yes, it is.

18 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: -- and it's got some terrain. The
19 -- at least the position I had and the discussion that we had
20 just recently, which was not --

21 MS. DANKOVICH: Right.

22 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: -- not what we talked to our legal
23 counsel yet about, but the discussion really is is that, you
24 know, what is it that the township can do to assist them in
25 getting this done and do they have the ability to go ahead and
26 reimburse us if we're able to do that? And that's been
27 floated out there. That's something that has never been
28 officially put on the table, but there is some consideration,
29 becasue, quite frankly --

30 MS. DANKOVICH: They don't give you any warning. You

1 could be in the shower, you could be any -- I mean, anywhere.
2 The water is -- just you're doing something in the house. I
3 mean, I've been in the shower. How many times I was late for
4 work, I mean, when I worked. And you go into work and you
5 say, "I had a water main break again."

6 "Yeah, uh-huh. Oh, I really believe that."

7 And I said, you know, "Call Painesville Water if you
8 don't believe me."

9 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: And the day you had that break, there
10 was seven or eight of them.

11 MS. DANKOVICH: We were without water that day eight
12 days. No, eight hours, I mean.

13 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: But there were seven to eight breaks,
14 I think, throughout the township. And I think some of that
15 was in Quail and then I'm in Painesville, Painesville
16 waterline, that waterline broke there that day. So -- and
17 they got lots of calls there. But it's something that we will
18 continue to just -- I mean, you and I have talked several
19 times. I keep on top of them. The idea that I had is being
20 researched and determined, but the question becomes really is
21 there -- is there an ability for our township to go ahead and
22 help facilitate that and we be reimbursed. Because, quite
23 frankly, on the one hand it's Painesville Water's problem, but
24 it's our residents' problems, so what do we do to fix it?

25 MS. DANKOVICH: Yeah, we used to have to test our
26 water, like not running water from midnight until like seven
27 in the morning and then put it in a little container outside
28 your door.

29 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Yeah.

30 MS. DANKOVICH: I mean --

1 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Yeah, I know.

2 MS. DANKOVICH: -- it doesn't make you feel
3 comfortable drinking the water, so you don't. I mean, I've
4 told them frankly, I've said, "I'm paying \$30 a month just
5 going out buying water just to drink that I should be getting
6 in my water.

7 MR. GALLOWAY: Connie, we discussed this actually
8 yesterday in the staff meeting, this topic came up, and what
9 Paul was discussing was part of the conversation of is there
10 something that the township is able to do in terms of
11 infrastructure. I don't know the answer to that from a legal
12 standpoint yet, because it's not our infrastructure. It's the
13 City of Painesville.

14 MS. DANKOVICH: When there was someone heading the
15 department before, it was a George, and I can't remember his
16 last name --

17 MS. MITCHELL: Yeah.

18 MR. GALLOWAY: Yeah.

19 MS. DANKOVICH: -- that we were supposed to have the
20 waterline replaced three years ago. He said the money was set
21 aside.

22 MR. GALLOWAY: Right. It was supposed to be done
23 before that, and even before that.

24 MR. DANKOVICH: They said it was the developer that
25 put in -- that wasn't -- that wasn't put -- the right pipe
26 wasn't put in or --

27 MR. GALLOWAY: My understanding is the issue was the
28 pipe that was put in all those years ago, I don't know that
29 anybody knew that the soil acidity in that area eats through
30 that type of pipe and that's why there's all these breaks

1 happening.

2 MS. DANKOVICH: Right.

3 MR. GALLOWAY: Beyond what Paul's talking about in
4 terms of our trying to find out, and from an infrastructure
5 standpoint what we can or cannot do --

6 MS. DANKOVICH: Right.

7 MR. GALLOWAY: -- there is also the question for us
8 in terms of the franchise agreement. So City of Painesville
9 has that agreement to serve water there and it's granted to
10 them by the county and the county commissioners. And that is
11 up, as Paul mentioned, at the end of 2018. So the county and
12 the city are right now in the process of negotiating that
13 franchise extension. The city wants to extend that franchise.
14 And I will be frank, our discussion internally is whether or
15 not we are going to either, A, object to it --

16 MS. DANKOVICH: Uh-huh.

17 MR. GALLOWAY: -- or I've actually had some
18 preliminary conversations with the commissioners about whether
19 or not if you're going to extend it, can you force them to
20 make the repairs --

21 MS. DANKOVICH: Right.

22 MR. GALLOWAY: -- before you grant them the
23 extension on it.

24 MS. DANKOVICH: Uh-huh.

25 MR. GALLOWAY: Because right now our problem is, of
26 course, as your elected representatives in Concord, is that we
27 don't have -- we don't have a dog in that hunt --

28 MS. DANKOVICH: Right.

29 MR. GALLOWAY: -- other than the fact that you're
30 our resident.

1 MS. DANKOVICH: Right. And that's why I come here,
2 because I get no help from them.

3 MR. GALLOWAY: Right. And the commissioners grant
4 the franchise. So I view this as the perfect opportunity for
5 us to be able to inject ourselves and say, "We may object to
6 this whole thing and raise a ruckus if you don't get some
7 guarantees to get some relief there." So we're trying to look
8 at it from two different angles in terms of how we can try to
9 affect some changes for you guys, because I can't even imagine
10 how you, you know -- I feel your pain.

11 MS. DANKOVICH: I mean, a knock on your door would be
12 nice to say, you know, "The water's going to be off in fifteen
13 minutes" --

14 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Exactly.

15 MS. DANKOVICH: -- you know, but there's no warning,
16 none whatsoever.

17 MR. GALLOWAY: And that's not good and we will talk
18 to them about that, that, you know, if another one occurs,
19 you've got go go up and down the road and let people know.

20 MS. DANKOVICH: You have to.

21 MR. GALLOWAY: You know, you can't -- and I don't
22 know if there's a -- I don't know if there's a -- they shut it
23 off, you know, a protocol thing before anybody can get to all
24 the houses.

25 MS. DANKOVICH: Sometimes it runs for hours, before
26 anybody comes to shuts it off, so obviously they're not
27 concerned about an extra fifteen minutes.

28 MR. GALLOWAY: Listen, I found a water main break on
29 Auburn Road back in the summer down the road from my house
30 where I had driven by it in the morning and seen -- it had

1 rained, it was raining --

2 MS. DANKOVICH: Right.

3 MR. GALLOWAY: -- so I had seen this water trickling
4 across the road. And I thought, "Boy, that's an odd place for
5 all this rainwater to be coming out of the woods." So I came
6 home back like around 7:00 at night and it was still flowing
7 down the road. So I called folks that I know in Painesville
8 and I said, "Hey, I stopped" -- you know, because now I'm
9 like, "Okay. That's not right. It hasn't been raining for
10 eight hours. Why is there still all this water coming out of
11 the woods"?

12 MS. DANKOVICH: Yes.

13 MR. GALLOWAY: So I called and I said, "You've got a
14 water main break that's been going on here for like ten
15 hours."

16 And they said, "Really? No one's called it in."

17 MS. DANKOVICH: They were probably afraid the water
18 would get shut off.

19 MR. GALLOWAY: They have no idea; right? So we had
20 to let Ellison Creek know, because somehow the pressure was
21 such that it wasn't even -- people weren't getting affected or
22 they were just getting home from work and they didn't realize
23 it. But Painesville didn't have a mechanism that told them
24 that they -- I mean, it was rolling out of there and into the
25 creek. They had to have lost hundreds of thousands of gallons
26 of water and they weren't aware that on the system, you know,
27 there was nothing telling them, an alarm or anything saying,
28 you know, "Hey, you're draining all the towers and all the
29 infrastructure, all the water's pouring out."

30 So I know that that technology, at least as it relates to

1 their system, doesn't exist, because I discovered that this
2 summer and I had always assumed it probably did.

3 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: I thought so too and that's when I
4 realized it didn't, after that issue.

5 MR. GALLOWAY: So -- so, I mean, that's going to be
6 our approach is a two prong, one, looking at the
7 infrastructure and what we can do; and then, two, discussing
8 with the county and whether or not we're going to officially,
9 you know, object. And if we do that, we may ask all of you
10 folks on Pinehill to write statements and things like that to
11 back that up to be able to submit to that.

12 MS. DANKOVICH: Right.

13 MR. GALLOWAY: Because, you know, the extension of
14 that franchise agreement will be the decision of the
15 commissioners. Now, my thought process is if Painesville is
16 unable or unwilling to fix the infrastructure for our
17 residents, then I would much prefer that that franchise
18 agreement go to an entity that will commit to doing that, be
19 it another -- you know, the county taking it over, another
20 public entity, or, you know, maybe even Aqua Ohio or somebody.
21 So, I mean, that's my thought process.

22 MS. DANKOVICH: Any help you can give.

23 MR. GALLOWAY: And I appreciate you coming here,
24 because this is the kind of thing that helps us in our case
25 when we go and talk to the commissioners and say, "Look, this
26 is a real thing for these people."

27 MS. DANKOVICH: Okay. Well, thank you.

28 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Did you sign in so we have your
29 address?

30 MS. DANKOVICH: Yes.

1 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: We'll -- we'll follow up and act.
2 And I think the first thing to do is just -- we'll just
3 probably maybe pen our thoughts now and we will send it to the
4 county. We'll CC you and if you want to, you know, A, bird dog
5 us or bird dog them, but we will follow up. And I think the
6 first thing to do is probably just have a joint meeting, you
7 know, the county administrator, the township, and Painesville
8 Water and see where we're going to go on this -- this matter;
9 okay?

10 MS. DANKOVICH: Okay. Thank you.

11 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Thank you.

12 MS. LUHTA: Well, that's not very reassuring. I
13 just hooked up to city water two weeks ago.

14 MR. GALLOWAY: I have no comment on that. But I
15 have a well, so...

16 MS. LUHTA: Yeah, well, I did. I do still.

17 MR. GALLOWAY: I will tell you my well water's not
18 that great.

19 MS. LUHTA: Mine wasn't.

20 MR. GALLOWAY: I have a really nice system filtering
21 it.

22 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: All right. Any additional audience?

23 MR. GALLOWAY: Anyone?

24 MS. PESEC: Hi. Vanessa Pesecc, 11705 Cali Court.
25 I'll keep it short tonight. You put on the ballot Concord tax
26 levy increases about 36 percent over the years. Do you have
27 any plans to decrease our taxes?

28 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Okay. Anybody else?

29 MR. CALL: I do have a -- you were talking
30 about that --

1 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Come on up here, Mr. Call.

2 MR. CALL: Sorry about that.

3 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: We've got a court reporter. We've
4 got to put you on the record again. We have to put you on the
5 record again.

6 MR. CALL: You want me to put my name down
7 again?

8 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: No, no, Mr. Call. Go ahead.

9 MR. CALL: All right. You were talking about
10 that water level thing where there's a record -- there should
11 be a record of water being used excessively.

12 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Sure.

13 MR. CALL: There is one. There's a fire plug in
14 front of my house that periodically gets hit and they're out
15 there within 24 hours to shut that thing off.

16 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Is it Painesville Water?

17 MR. CALL: Yeah.

18 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Okay.

19 MR. CALL: And they tell me they have a record
20 because they're concerned about contractors tapping into the
21 waterline, so they do keep track of that.

22 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Okay. Good. Thank you.

23 MR. CALL: I'm surprised she's having trouble.

24 MR. MIOCIC: My name is Dario Miotic. I live at
25 6993 Sturbridge. Today I come up here not to question anybody
26 or make a dig. I'm making a request for the community.
27 Recently we've seen the trustees and the township increase
28 their request for citizen input after some of it being from
29 citizen demand regarding township concerns, economic concerns.
30 These attempts to increase citizen input have been through

1 Facebook, next door, township websites and the Grapevine. We
2 appreciate that. As a community we expect this to continue
3 post-election relevant to whoever the trustees are. We think
4 it's important that a huge attempt is made to involve the
5 community, even if we're able to just come to the township
6 meetings. We would like to be notified as much as possible
7 going on in the community. I personally feel the trustees
8 should take that personally to make it a point to go above and
9 beyond to try to educate the community to keep us involved.
10 That's all I have.

11 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Thank you. Anybody else?

12 MS. CIANI: Gina Ciani, 10925 Quail Hollow Drive.
13 I'm here, this is kind of a good follow-up from the previous
14 person, because this is my first time speaking at a meeting
15 and I want to clear up a misconception that I think is being
16 thrown about in the community and that is some of the citizens
17 who are not showing up to meetings and not voicing their
18 opinion are behaving that way because they are uninformed or
19 something that this administration is doing is not being
20 transparent.

21 I am here to speak for myself and for several of the
22 people that I know to say that is not at all how we feel.
23 There is a large group of us that feels perfectly informed.
24 We call and ask questions. You are always very responsive.
25 We thank you for the efforts that this administration has done
26 in terms of putting the meetings online and putting the
27 transcripts online and increasing the circulation of the
28 Grapevine. We are very grateful for that.

29 And I want to step -- a second point is that there is
30 such negativity in our township unlike anything I've ever

1 seen. And I'm on social media and I'm trying to state my case
2 and my opinions on social media, but I wanted to come here and
3 I wanted to do that, because I'm hearing constantly that
4 businesses that are failing is because of the trustees; ODOT
5 issues are because of the trustees; frankly, the sky is
6 falling and it's because of the trustees. And what I'm not
7 hearing is the fact that over the past twelve years there is a
8 large group of us as citizens who want to thank you for the
9 positive efforts that you've made, the fact that we have
10 increased safety forces, services; the technology and the EMS
11 that my own mother has benefited from by riding in those
12 ambulances; the fact that you had the forethought years ago to
13 put forth this emergency flood plan before we even had an
14 emergency. And Lake County, if I'm not mistaken, the command
15 center was here in our township.

16 MS. LUHTA: Right.

17 MS. CIANI: That shows forethought. That shows
18 leadership.

19 Very often there's the squeaky wheel that will come in
20 and complain, but it's the rest of us that don't come in and
21 thank you for your efforts. That's the purpose of me saying
22 -- coming in today.

23 The fact that we are fiscally sound in a time when
24 municipalities all around us are not, in a time when funds
25 have been decreased to help us and you guys have managed to
26 keep us not only fiscally sound, but we have has surpluses.
27 I'm watching these things. Quietly, but I'm watching them
28 over the years. And we've seen that we've squeezed out extra
29 road construction, we've done extra things with surpluses.
30 That's unheard of, at least from what I've seen, and we are

1 very fortunate for that.

2 The JEDD, the -- nobody seems to argue about the JEDD. I
3 think everybody agrees that that was huge, the revenue, the
4 4.5 million that it brought in already. That has not gone
5 unnoticed and I feel that you have been sometimes beaten down
6 at particularly some of these public meetings and I want to
7 stand up as the other side, the other side that says, "We
8 appreciate it. We appreciate that we're fiscally sound. We
9 appreciate the efforts that you've made. You have shown
10 forethought and sound leadership --

11 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Thank you.

12 MS. CIANI: -- and I hope that that continues and
13 that you take us into the future.

14 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Times up, but thank you.

15 MS. LUHTA: Thank you.

16 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Anything else? Any additional
17 comments? Mr. Crews?

18 MR. CREWS: Hi. My name is Denny Crews. I live
19 at 7291 Mountain Quail Place. I've heard, and this is a
20 question for the trustees, that there is a memorandum of
21 understanding between the trustees and a private landowner on
22 Auburn Road for the sale of approximately four acres of land
23 for 4.5 million and I would like some clarification on that.
24 Maybe is that true?

25 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: It's not true, but I can -- I could
26 explain --

27 MR. CREWS: It's not true?

28 MR. GALLOWAY: We'll walk you through that.

29 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Yeah.

30 MR. CREWS: Good. Okay. I would like that.

1 Thank you.

2 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Anything else?

3 I'm going to close the public portion.

4 When the seven -- when we purchased seven acres and we
5 were sending out for an RFP, we asked if any other
6 individuals, any property owners around us would like to join
7 in entertaining offers for their property. And four entities
8 entities did. They signed memorandums of understanding with
9 the township, the JEDD, which included Painesville and Concord
10 Township of suggesting that when a developer -- they would
11 entertain an offer from a developer. And they put their pie
12 in the sky price of what they would like, sort of to speak
13 their initial demand out there. There were some that put it
14 for 900,000. There was one that put it one for 450,000.

15 Mr. GALLOWAY: Well, it's whatever they feel that
16 they're --

17 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: And Mr. -- I'm sorry, the entity
18 which is Capra --

19 MR. GALLOWAY: Capra.

20 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Capra is the one who suggested
21 that they wanted \$4.5 million for their property. Now,
22 their reason for that is i think there are existing
23 businesses on there and, you know, when someone comes in,
24 they're never going to go higher than your -- than your
25 first demand and so he put his price high, which is fine.

26 MR. GALLOWAY: Just to make something clear, the
27 MOU that Mr. Crews is referencing, as you mentioned, was
28 a document of these property owners that have property
29 that they are interested in selling. It's either on the
30 market actively or they are interested in selling at some

1 point. And they asked to be a part of the RFP to let any
2 developer that might be interested or someone that might
3 be interested in purchasing their land be aware that they
4 are interested in selling it.

5 It was advised to us by legal that we would need to
6 -- we should do this understanding since the township was
7 putting out the RFP and, therefore, we would need some
8 agreement from the property owners that were property
9 that the township did not control to say, "Yes, we would
10 like to be a part of this process."

11 As far as that document, that document asks them to
12 say, from an informational standpoint, "Let us know what
13 you believe your property is worth." So that's what the
14 signers of the memorandum of understanding put down.
15 They all put down their own dollar amounts of what they
16 believe their property is worth. That document does not,
17 despite misinformation, indicate that the township has
18 committed to purchasing any land for \$4.5 million. The
19 township has not agreed to purchase that land.

20 MS. LUHTA: Right.

21 MR. GALLOWAY: Let me say it one more time. The
22 township has not agreed to purchase any land at any
23 dollar amount.

24 MR. LUCAS: Well, in fact, having drafted
25 those memorandums of understanding, all you have to do is
26 read them.

27 MR. GALLOWAY: Right.

28 MR. LUCAS: There's nothing about the
29 misinformation that was conveyed at the last meeting
30 about what was inferred as the township buying it. It's

1 not a long legal document. It's not that complicated.
2 You read it and you understand what's being said here
3 right now and I know because I wrote it.

4 MR. CREWS: It's an option then.

5 MR. LUCAS: To read it? Sure.

6 MR. CREWS: No.

7 MR. GALLOWAY: It's not an option to purchase it.

8 MR. LUCAS: How do you get that?

9 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: It's not a purchase -- it's not a
10 purchase agreement or --

11 MS. LUHTA: Or an option.

12 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: -- or an option. If we're sending
13 out an RFP and we're asking someone to make it -- you know, an
14 offer on a piece of property that Concord Township has, these
15 people are also joining us and saying, "Hey, you can make us
16 an offer as well."

17 Now --

18 MR. GALLOWAY: Not us, not the township.

19 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Yeah, not the township, but the
20 individual --

21 MR. LUCAS: Property owner.

22 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: -- property owners. The township is
23 not, was not, not going to purchase those pieces of property.
24 It's a memorandum of understanding in a joint effort to
25 entertain offers.

26 MS. LUHTA: Well, it lets the developer,
27 potential developer know that there's more land available --

28 MR. GALLOWAY: And what their interest in it is.

29 MS. LUHTA: -- and what they're interested in
30 selling it for. That's it.

1 MR. CREWS: Thank you.

2 MR. GALLOWAY: You wrote it. Is it an option to
3 purchase property?

4 MR. LUCAS: No, no.

5 MR. GALLOWAY: No.

6 MR. LUCAS: I don't know how you can contort it
7 and say it is an option.

8 MR. GALLOWAY: Well, reading comprehension is hard,
9 I guess.

10 MS. LUHTA: Right.

11 MR. LUCAS: It's ridiculous.

12 MR. GALLOWAY: Vanessa had a question. That was the
13 only one. Plan to decrease our taxes? I don't know about
14 your number given on the increases. Any levy that's obviously
15 been before the township is voted on by the people of the
16 township. So, for example, the safety services levy that was
17 voted on by and in favor of by 70 percent of the residences is
18 being used to fund our fire department and our law enforcement
19 contract with the sheriff's office.

20 As it relates to, you know, future needs and taxes, you
21 know, the idea was -- has always been, the creation of the
22 JEDD that we did in 2008 was to be able to grow that over time
23 so that it would provide a counterbalance revenue source that
24 would be used to offset future fiscal needs. It did that to a
25 degree during the recession when we saw somewhere between 10
26 and 15 percent of our revenue cut from the state for the
27 purposes of, you know, balancing their own budget, via
28 eliminating the estate tax, tangible personal property tax, and
29 then obviously the reduction in the valuations on property.
30 All of that culminated in a significant reduction in the

1 amount of revenue the township was seeing.

2 The idea of the JEDD is for in the future. In the event
3 that there are those types of fiscal challenges in the future,
4 the JEDD would be able to create -- would be a revenue source
5 that would be able to counterbalance any of those cuts. And
6 as it grows, and reminding folks that it's -- even though it's
7 nine years old, it is truly in its -- still in its infancy and
8 growing. We've added more JEDD partners this year.

9 MS. LUHTA: Uh-huh.

10 MR. GALLOWAY: But the idea being over time it will
11 be able to be a nice counterbalance as it relates to the need
12 for future tax increases, any -- and I've said this, I don't
13 know, 100 times in these meetings, but any community that
14 wants to have good, long-term sustainability and good tax
15 balance needs to have a good balance between residential
16 revenue and commercial revenue. In that the township has only
17 eight percent of its property zoned as commercial, the JEDD is
18 part of the idea of maximizing those revenue streams to make
19 sure that we have balance.

20 The examples that I always give of communities that have
21 very little commercial, Willowick, Mentor-on-the-Lake, it's
22 not a coincidence that they have the highest tax, property
23 taxes in the county.

24 So our goal is to continue to expand the JEDD, use those
25 dollars to offset costs. We've done other things as well in
26 terms of tax increment financing for infrastructure. We've
27 done things like EMS billing in our very first year as
28 trustees --

29 MS. LUHTA: Right.

30 MR. GALLOWAY: -- which helped pay for -- we've

1 bought a couple of ambulance based on that revenue.

2 MS. DAWSON: Several.

3 MR. GALLOWAY: And so there is a lot of those things
4 you do to try to manage the growth in cost so that you don't
5 have to keep coming back to folks again and again for
6 additional tax revenues.

7 And the best example I can give you based on that sort of
8 fiscal responsibility is, you know, our friends next door in
9 Painesville Township. How many -- how many fire and EMS
10 levies do they have, Amy?

11 MS. DAWSON: A lot.

12 MR. GALLOWAY: Well, how many? Eight, nine?

13 MS. DAWSON: No, I don't think it's that many.

14 MR. GALLOWAY: I mean, it's a lot.

15 MS. DAWSON: It's a lot.

16 MR. GALLOWAY: We have two.

17 MR. DAWSON: But they put on continuous levies
18 every four years, four to five years.

19 MR. GALLOWAY: Right. So they have like eight
20 levies funding their fire department and we have two. And I
21 think that -- I think that we've, you know, demonstrated the
22 ability to manage that, manage those costs and those revenue
23 streams.

24 MS. DAWSON: So I would like to say that, you
25 know, through December 31st, and this information is online
26 every month, you know the revenue, we've received 9.6 million.
27 We've spent 9.3. We don't have a lot of excess. The reason
28 we have the carryover, which should be 2.5 to 3 million is
29 because I don't get money in, significant amount of money in
30 until the end of the first quarter. We have payroll, we have

1 OPW -- or BWC taxes. There's a lot of significant expenses in
2 the first quarter that we have every year, snowplowing, that
3 we have to pay for before we get any new revenue. So it's a
4 continuous cycle.

5 The last couple of years we've -- it's been, you know,
6 close but at least on my watch, you know, we're trying to
7 underspend what we get for revenue, so...

8 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: I think probably the most important
9 -- I mean, with regards to increases in levies, those are
10 voted on by the public as a whole. And what we've always
11 presented to them and probably the more specifically the
12 safety forces levy, the combined levy that both funds the
13 sheriff's department and a portion of the fire department.
14 And the purpose of that was because, A, the firefighters and
15 the sheriff's department work hand in hand together. When
16 there is a fire, the sheriff's department is there directing
17 traffic, assisting and stabilizing the outside area. And when
18 there is a wreck that the sheriff's department responds to,
19 the fire department then responds as well. So they work hand
20 in hand together.

21 But when you look at infrastructures, and we've had some
22 discussions about having our own Concord police force, when we
23 were able to contract with the sheriff's department, we got
24 ourselves two guys 24/7 seven days a week, which is really
25 like buying eight officers. And -- and the result of that is
26 is that if you put a new police department in, you would have
27 four to \$5.5 million infrastructure cost for that new police
28 force and then additionally probably two, \$2.5 million is what
29 Madison Township should spend on their force -- on their
30 force.

1 MS. LUHTA: Uh-huh.

2 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: And we are adequately protected now
3 because of that vote and the monies that are spent on
4 sheriff's services.

5 And then the additional thing is with regards to the fire
6 department, EMS, the infrastructure that we put in and we
7 spend is with our, you know, the firefighters themselves and
8 our squads and our fire trucks. You know, one of the things
9 that I always stayed away from is you see entities, and
10 Painesville Township was one of them, that built these, and
11 Madison Township is another one, have built these huge
12 manstrosities of firehouses and the result of it is is that
13 the services have suffered because of the burden of the cost
14 of those things.

15 And all we do is we put money into the infrastructure and
16 in the personnel to make sure we're adequately protected. I
17 think that's why, you know, the residents vote for the
18 increase, you know, the increase in levies that were there.
19 With regards to road, the dollars and cents that we have
20 additional are put back into those roads.

21 MS. LUHTA: Right.

22 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: The most cement, the more asphalt
23 that you can buy, the more road repair we can do. We try to
24 squeeze something in every, every year, an additional thing.

25 This year we're able to squeeze in, I think, additional
26 stormwater projects, additional concrete projects on the road.
27 You know, I think you've got to equate the levies with what
28 you get for those levies and what is being put back into --
29 you know, back into the township. And I think as you look at
30 that and you analyze that, all those dollars and cents are put

1 back in there each year making sure there's more and more
2 roads paved, there's more and more roads repaired, there's
3 more and more safety forces on the -- on the streets, there's
4 more and more EMS runs.

5 So, you know, again, I think what the result of the JEDD
6 and the JEDD revenues do is stabilize all those -- all those
7 areas and making sure that we're able to kind of continue to
8 provide the same service at a -- as a stable cost, which I
9 think we've done.

10 MS. DAWSON: Well, and I have to say since 2008
11 and even now that we have, you know, a little bit more, we're
12 not running so tight in the service department, you know,
13 Frank and I are working on a lot of OPWC grants. So we're
14 able to go for those larger grants because we can -- you know,
15 for instance, we've got a pending one next year for 890,000 in
16 Far Hills, so if that goes through and we get that and we
17 actually fund that, we'll get \$400,000 back. I mean, that's
18 -- we can do those bigger projects and get more things done
19 because, you know, we're not at the bear minimum, so...

20 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: And roads are expensive. I mean,
21 they're getting more and more expensive.

22 MS. DAWSON: Yeah.

23 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: And they're full depth repairs,
24 because now the roads are older and they're going to need the
25 infrastructure underneath them, they're just not just
26 overlays, so...

27 MR. GALLOWAY: Connie.

28 MS. LUHTA: I want to say something.

29 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: I'm sorry.

30 MS. LUHTA: That's okay. I have to -- I have to

1 fight to get a word in.

2 I just want to say that this is my twenty-sixth year as a
3 trustee and I want to thank Amy and Paul and Chris for being
4 the most efficient, best team that I've worked with, because
5 they look forward beyond their term to the future of Concord
6 Township and they're very efficient and very, very hard
7 working for Concord Township. Thank you.

8 MR. GALLOWAY: So the answer -- my answer to Vanessa
9 is yes, I would look forward to a day when we can cut some of
10 those property taxes because the JEDD revenue is so
11 substantial. And then I would -- my other response to that
12 would be is if you want to cut something like the road levy or
13 the fire levy now, what are those roads you're not repairing
14 now and what are those EMS services you don't want provided
15 now? Those are real world decisions that we have to deal
16 with.

17 MS. LUHTA: That's right.

18 MR. GALLOWAY: Should we get on with --

19 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Yeah. Financial statements. Chris?

20 MR. GALLOWAY: I move that we approve the October
21 financial statements that were provided to us by our fiscal
22 officer.

23 MS. LUHTA: And I will second that.

24 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: All in favor say, "Aye".

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26 (Whereupon, all members of the board stated, "Aye.")

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28 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: I will entertain Resolution 2017-31
29 authorizing the board of trustees to enter into an agreement
30 with Davey Resource Group in accordance with a case settlement

1 with Stewart and Company Investment Group, LLC, for the
2 completion of the Capital Parkway Improvement Project.

3 MS. LUHTA: So moved.

4 MR. GALLOWAY: I will second that.

5 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: All in favor say, "Aye."
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7 (Whereupon, all members of the board stated, "Aye.")
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9 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: I'll entertain a vote for renew the
10 depository agreement with First Federal of Lakewood through
11 December 1st of 2022.

12 MR. GALLOWAY: I will -- I will approve that and
13 point out that that will be our 200th anniversary as a
14 township in 2022.

15 MS. DAWSON: I'll let them know.

16 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Do you second that, Connie?

17 MS. LUHTA: Yes, I will second that.

18 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: All in favor say, "Aye."
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20 (Whereupon, all members of the board stated, "Aye.")
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22 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: All right. Entertain Resolution
23 2017-32, a permanent appropriations, and ask that motion
24 include a roll call as we have the permanent annual
25 appropriation in front of us at our desk.

26 MS. LUHTA: I move that we approve Resolution
27 2017-32.

28 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Chris, do you want to second that?

29 MR. GALLOWAY: I reviewed this earlier this evening
30 and I second that.

1 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Roll call.

2 MS. DAWSON: Mrs. Luhta?

3 MS. LUHTA: Yes.

4 MS. DAWSON: Mr. Galloway?

5 MR. GALLOWAY: Yes.

6 MS. DAWSON: Mr. Malchesky?

7 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Yes.

8 MS. DAWSON: Thank you.

9 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: That brings us to Service Department
10 P.O. 72-2017 to Cargill in the amount of \$20,000 for ClearLane
11 road salt.

12 MS. LUHTA: So move.

13 MR. GALLOWAY: I would point out that this is an
14 additive that will help with the other salt that we buy in
15 much larger guarantees in terms of the freezing point, so I
16 will second that.

17 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: All in favor say, "Aye."
18

19 (Whereupon, all members of the board stated, "Aye.")
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21 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: All right. I will entertain a motion
22 for executive session for the purposes of discussing pending
23 litigation and we will ask for a roll call on that.

24 MR. GALLOWAY: Mr. Chairman, I will make that
25 motion.

26 MS. LUHTA: I'll second that.

27 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Amy?

28 MS. DAWSON: Mrs. Luhta?

29 MS. LUHTA: Yes.

30 MS. DAWSON: Mr. Malchesky?

1 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Yes.

2 MS. DAWSON: Mr. Galloway?

3 MR. GALLOWAY: Yes.

4 CHIRMAN MALCHESKY: Okay. We will return at a later time
5 -- well --

6 MS. DAWSON: Do you want to read -- do you want to
7 do the future meetings and announcements?

8 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: You can read those.

9 MS. DAWSON: Okay. On Tuesday, November 7th at 7
10 P.M. our zoning commission meeting will be held here at town
11 hall.

12 Wednesday, November 8th at 7 P.M. we will have the board
13 of zoning appeals meeting here at town hall.

14 Friday, November 10th we'll be closed in observance of
15 Veterans Day.

16 Saturday, November 11th at 9 A.M. we're gonna be holding
17 a public auction down by the service garage, so if you want to
18 come in the back, keep going down by the orange plow.

19 Wednesday, November 15th at 6:30 P.M. and at 7 P.M. the
20 trustees regularly scheduled office hours and trustee meeting
21 here at the conferene room at town hall will be canceled, so
22 our next meeting will be December 6th. That will be the first
23 meeting of December.

24 MR. GALLOWAY: December 6th.

25 MS. DAWSON: I don't have my phone.

26 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: December 6th, yes.

27 MS. DAWSON: December 6th at 6:30 P.M. will be
28 trustee office hours and December 6th 7:30 P.M. trustee
29 meeting here at town hall.

30 MR. GALLOWAY: Really quick, I would point out for

1 anybody that has AT&T U-verse, we did get notification today
2 that the State of Ohio Department of Commerce has renewed
3 AT&T's video franchise for that U-verse TV service in Concord
4 and other areas and it is effective through October 13th of
5 2027, so just to point that out.

6 And then, since we will not be back here before --
7 residents, before Thanksgiving, which seems like a long time,
8 I would say to everybody, "Happy Thanksgiving."

9 MS. LUHTA: Right.

10 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: Yeah, Happy Thanksgiving.

11 MS. LUHTA: Happy Thanksgiving.

12 CHAIRMAN MALCHESKY: We'll see ya.

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14 (Meeting Adjourned at 8:41 P.M.)

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