

**MINUTES OF THE WORK SESSION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF AVON, OHIO HELD MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2022
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING
AT 7:30 P.M.**

PRESENT: Council Members: 1st Ward – Jennifer Demaline; Council-at-Large – Tammy Holtzmeier; 2nd Ward - Dennis McBride; 3rd Ward -Tony Moore; 4th Ward - Scott Radcliffe; Council-at-Large – Craig Witherspoon; Council-at-Large and Council President – Brian Fischer; Mayor – Bryan Jensen; City Engineer – Ryan Cummins; Planning/Economic Development Coordinator – Pam Fechter; Law Director – John Gasior; Finance Director– William Logan; Safety/Public Service Director – Duane Streater; Acting Clerk of Council – Nicole Rambo-Ackerman, Planning Commission Clerk

ABSENT: Clerk of Council – Barbara Brooks

1. **PRESENTATION BY CANVUS, LLC - RECYCLED WIND TURBINES MADE INTO OUTDOOR PARK FURNITURE TO BE LOCATED AND UTILIZED IN THE CITY PARKS**

Ryan Funk, Managing Director Canvus, LLC

Mr. Funk of 18500 Lake Road, Rocky River, Ohio advised he was sure this concept is a unique one for City Council where recycled wind blades are turned into park products. He said it is a unique concept and Canvus, LLC is the only company in the country that is doing this and doing it right here in Avon. Mr. Funk stated he wanted to give some background on who they are and some information on their products and hopefully they will end up being used in Avon's parks. He advised he appreciates this opportunity to present tonight, and he would try to be respectful of their time.

Mr. Funk said that Canvus has been in the wind industry for about 6 years and every 12 – 15 years they replace components from wind farms or are removing and replacing entire farms. When we get involved, we are taking care of the metals, fluids, and fiberglass blades that come off from those projects. Metals and fluids are easy to recycle as there is no shortage of scrap companies. When it comes to the fiberglass blades, that has been a major issue in the industry. They are massive structures and unfortunately, they are being landfilled in mass capacity around the country. So being in renewable energy, it is counter intuitive to what we are trying to do so we have gotten involved and our process is called co-processing where we reduce these blades down to 2-inch particles and then they go into some actuants for fuels. It is better than landfilling, but it is an option that is still emitting carbons into the atmosphere and it is essentially still burning. So we knew there was some other option, something more sustainable and that was where Canvus was born. So over the last 3 years we have been really looking at different designs and different options, looking at what is possible from these structures, and we came up with this line of products: smart street furniture for parks, cities, college campuses, hospitals, hotels, and venues, across the country. To be able to really reuse these and give them another 20 or 25 years of life rather than throwing them in landfills.

Mr. Funk displayed some slides so they could see the blades being landfilled once they are cut. He said that in Northeast Ohio we have a handful of these turbines; they are about 300 ft. high and the blades are about 150 – 180 ft. in length; they are massive structures. Further slides showed the blades once they are cut into 3 or 4 sections. Mr. Funk said, looking at the side profile of the blade, you see at the top from the root end which is about 8 ft. in circumference, as it thins out toward the tip you get that tear drop shape, that really unique design and then from there what can we make from it and that is where our products came from. So this is one of those products that is our beacon and this is using the root end of that blade at the base and then the tip as that piece of signage. Mr. Funk said that our headquarters are in Rocky River but we need a lot more space and that is where Avon came into play. We always wanted to be in Northeast Ohio, which is not wind country, but we want to be here in the Cleveland area first and foremost and then expand out. Our flagship studio is here in Avon and we are going to be renovating it in a big way. We want it to be a really efficient setup and we want it to be a great design and somewhere the employees are proud to work so we are really putting a lot into it.

Mr. Funk advised there is a large talent pool in Avon and when he met with Mayor Jensen and the rest of the team he learned there are a lot of people wanting to move to Avon and it is becoming a really popular area and he felt they are offering some really competitive wages and bringing in some high talent, artists and craftsmen, to help design these products. He displayed a rendering of the products that included the original beacon design as well as some seating options, planters, and more to give them an idea of Canvus' backstory and how they got here. They are making massive strides and they hope to start production at the end of the year and shipping in Q1 and they want the City of Avon to be that first customer.

Eric Clay, Director of Business Development at Canvus, took Council through all the products that Canvus offers. They take fiberglass blades from these wind turbines, and they do not just view it as park furniture; they are trying to create functional art and harness the engineering excellence of this entire field and stick with the shapes that are already there and then they create smart street furniture out of it. Their products include beacons, tables, chairs, and benches that are everyday items that are being used all the time. Mr. Clay said their three priorities are to always be sustainable, for their products to be authentic and engaging and allow cities a unique way to communicate with their citizens that fits with the time we are in today. The main focus is always going to be fiberglass that we are using in a sustainable way but then you have the wood that is going to come in two options. We are going to have an ash that is sustainably harvested from MN and an oak that comes directly from a sustainable farm in northern PA.

Mr. Clay then displayed and explained several products which could be used as barriers, planters, benches, interior desks or tables or any type of seating option. There are solar options with some of these products and with the solar option, everything is going to be completely off grid, you never have to connect it to anything; it is all sustainable light. Each and every product has a QR code on it which allows these products to connect to a digital world. It would allow the City of Avon to communicate with your citizens or visitors to engage with your community in a very unique way. When you click on it, it takes you to a fully customizable setup so any time you want to change it, you can do that. It could include a message from the Mayor, the history of the City, local maps, or any information that you feel is important to the City of Avon that you want to communicate to anyone who visits one of your parks or any area. We also have a selection in there that is the product page and we get to tell you about the product and where it came from. Because no one other than Canvus thought when they saw that turbine blade that this could be a planter someday. So we can actually track these products from cradle to grave. From the day the turbines went up, we can tell you how many homes they powered, exactly what farm they came from, what part of the blade we cut this product from, and now it is here as this product. It is incredible how much we can track these. And just to take this one step further: our team and our branding division has dreamt up what Avon's digital space could look like. Now all of this is going to be linked to what is currently on your website today. And these are all things that we chose so if it is anything that you would want to change, it is a click of a mouse; it is that easy to change.

Mr. Clay then displayed some playground products. He said that he and Mr. Funk went out to the playground last week and took some pictures. They chose to use the City's eagle as a decal and to dig even a little bit further into that you scan the QR code right there and this is actually where it will take you into our app. We designed it to where everything is going to link up with what is currently there. So it has today's date, the weather, the City logo, the Parks & Rec logo and you click the dashboard and this is your space. We included a message from the Mayor, and the City's events calendar as well. And the City is already using the QR code throughout the parks. These products are large, unique, and beautiful and are definitely attention-grabbers; he thinks that will encourage people to access that even more.

Mr. Funk stated, so that is the gist of our products. It has taken a lot of work and a lot of talent within our teams to make this happen. We have a lot of work to go but again, based on our schedule, we originally talked about delivering these products next spring. We are going to have a final design ready in the next month or so, so we will be able to include a proposal for you and be able to give you details on delivery, tech sheets,, the maintenance guides, etc. He said that they really appreciate this time and they can open it up for some questions.

Mayor Jensen stated that, as everybody knows, we get between \$40,000 - \$50,000 in recycling grant money each year. We have always tried to leverage what we get in grant money to do a little bit more. These products are not inexpensive but are of really high quality. We were talking about focusing on one park this year so

through the budget process, we are going to ask for a bit more plus the grant money to do something that is really nice. We always have issues with where we can light things, or put lights for protection and the Canvas pieces have that and again, it is another way that we can do a little something to save the planet – one piece at a time. We are excited to have Canvas in the City of Avon and not just as part of our community but far outreaching that area. As we discussed the first time we met, this is something that nobody else has and he thinks that this Council is always on the forefront of everything we do and they always see a vision that is different than what other communities do and that is what makes us special. He thanked Mr. Funk and Mr. Clay for coming in.

Ms. Fechter asked Mr. Funk if she was correct that their beacons are also charging stations and Mr. Funk said that was correct. Ms. Fechter stated that that was one of the main reasons she bought into this, that our residents will have charging stations in the parks. Mr. Funk said, yes, the sides of those beacons will actually have charging ports in them so laptops, computers, etc. can be charged.

Mr. Moore asked if the products could be painted, perhaps with the City colors of purple and gold. Mr. Funk said that their flagship color is that brilliant white and they are also going to offer a dark gray and more of a beige color as well. As far as customization, that is always something that we can discuss further. We do not want to get too far down the colors of the rainbow, just from an efficiency standpoint in production but we can certainly have discussions about what is possible in terms of this playground for example. He was sure there is something we can accommodate in terms of representing the colors of the City.

Mr. Moore asked what the maintenance was on the beacons and Mr. Clay said that there is no maintenance whatsoever. Mr. Moore then asked about the light they provided and Mr. Clay said they are going to produce plenty of light and plenty of power for charging stations; it should not ever be a problem. The fiberglass will last forever and the wood is all thermo-treated and rot-resistant. You should see 25 years out of it. Mr. Clay added, and that is the beauty of the material itself – the longevity and low maintenance. And again, these outdoor public areas, especially here in NE Ohio, are getting a lot of natural damage from just the environment so this material is really going to be able to take on the brunt of that.

Mr. Radcliffe said, first of all, welcome to Avon; we are glad to have you here. He asked for clarification on the fiberglass, are there any concerns with that degrading? Are we going to see something 5 years down the road where you are going to have some splinters start to show up or anything like that? Mr. Funk said, no, we are going to have a finishing process in place where we are sanding these down, painting, and refurbishing. Think of all the boats out on the water on Lake Erie for decades. They are not going to wear down at all and that is the beauty of it. Mr. Radcliffe asked if they would be doing the fabrication here with the material coming in here? The cutting, the grinding, painting and assembly? All of that will be done here? Mr. Funk said, yes, and just talking about the facility itself, once we are up and running and it is renovated, we would love to have the Council come out and give you a tour because it is really going to be a unique setup.

Mr. McBride said he was glad they mentioned fiberglass and all the boats. Fiberglass does waterlog; he has done tests with sailboats. When they are brand-new they ride nice and high; when you fill them up they are barely floating. He then asked that when you slice these the turbines and are taking a slice, how are you refinishing those edges? Are you re-coating the entire piece? Mr. Funk said that wherever they have that cut they are going to be sealing it. There are adhesives that are specifically for use out in the wind farms, where the turbines are up 300 ft. high taking all this wind and everything that comes with it- thunder and lightning, etc. So they have unbelievable materials out there now to really seal it so the damage is negligible. We want to keep the natural, genuine nature of it so even if it has taken some dings out in the farm, as long as it is functional and it still looks good, we are going to put it out to market. We think that is kind of the charm of it in the re-use.

Mrs. Demaline asked what the warranty was that comes with these products. Mr. Funk said that is to be announced. It is tough to find comparable products. We are doing research right now and again finalizing our pricing and our warranty. There will be a warranty and he thinks they can be really confident with what they put on there, especially with the fiberglass and the longevity that comes with that material. Mrs. Demaline asked about the decking on the seat area on certain products. They had mentioned the specific wood and she asked if it was a wood decking seating area or was it a composite. Mr. Funk said that it is 100% natural wood but it is

thermo-treated so basically it is a stain process. It gives it the same longevity of any other type of treated lumber but without the chemicals and the poisons and the things that can harm people so it is perfect for what we are doing and the longevity of it is incredible. Mrs. Demaline noted that it should be reasonably adaptable to the weather. She has a deck and it is very hot to the touch so she wanted to make sure that this is safe for the children at the playground to sit on without it getting too warm in the sun. Mr. Funk said, yes, it is natural wood and you will not have to worry about it and it is also rot-resistant.

Mr. Witherspoon stated that he was just curious as to what the average thickness of the blade itself was. Does it vary? Mr. Clay said that it depends; so the very base end you are looking at could be anywhere from about 3" to 5".

Mr. Fischer thanked Mr. Funk and Mr. Clay for coming in this evening.

2. ORDINANCE NO. 111-22 - AMENDING §256.04 AND 256.98 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF AVON TO CREATE THE PERMANENT FULL-TIME, CLASSIFIED POSITION OF CLERK/SECRETARY II AND TO ADOPT THE NEW CLASSIFICATION SPECIFICATION FOR SAME

Mr. Streator

Mr. Streator said that this is a housekeeping issue with HR. In going through the classifications we have people in the Clerk/Secretary II position without the position descriptions. He stated that the Mayor can go into a little more detail on the history of that.

Mayor Jensen explained that as they went through the classifications, they found we had people in positions where year after year, there were no job descriptions. So we decided that it was time to clean that up and add the job descriptions. The Mayor added that Item No. 3 is going to be kind of similar. This will try to bring everything up to be even. We see positions that are doing similar jobs where we are paying different amounts of money. We want to make sure that we are competitive so we are trying to clean those up too and make everything fair.

3. ORDINANCE NO. 112-22 - AMENDING COMPENSATION FOR THE POSITION OF PART-TIME, UNCLASSIFIED RECREATION SUPERVISOR FOR THE CITY OF AVON

Mayor Jensen

Mayor Jensen stated that this is just bringing the pay up to basically the same pay as what everybody else is being paid. Sometimes in the Parks Department we were hiring people and paying them less and so this makes it competitive across the board, so someone can work in with our Parks Dept. or could work in the field and still be paid the same amount of money.

4. ORDINANCE NO. 113-22 – REAPPROPRIATIONS

Mr. Logan

Mr. Logan explained the reappropriations as follows:

General Fund No. 101

Appropriate and transfer \$30,000.00 to the 2023 Road Program Fund No. 421 for Just Imagine Drive resurfacing, for preliminary and design engineering. This is a 2023 construction project.

Appropriate and transfer \$100,000.00 to the Middleton Road Extension Fund No. 452, for preliminary and design engineering. This is potentially a 2024 construction project.

Total General Fund Reappropriations \$130,000.00

Special Revenue Funds

Fire Department Equipment Fund No. 106

Increase appropriations \$235,000.00 to purchase 28 SCBA's (self-contained breathing apparatus) as the current equipment is 22 years old. We have been awarded a grant through an Assistance to Firefighter program in the amount of \$154,645.45. The City's "net cost" for this equipment is \$77,684.55 once we have been reimbursed.

Total Special Revenue Fund Reappropriations \$235,000.00

Debt Service Funds

Capital Improvements – Water Fund No. 303

Increase appropriations \$15,000.00 for engineering associated with the Miller Road Pump Station project, phase 2 watermain work

Total Debt Service Fund Reappropriations \$ 15,000.00

Capital Project Funds

Appropriate \$30,000.00 for the 2023 Road Program Fund No. 421, for Just Imagine Drive resurfacing, for preliminary and design engineering. This is a 2023 construction project.

Appropriate \$100,000.00 for the Middleton Road Extension Fund No. 452, for preliminary and design engineering. This is potentially a 2024 construction project.

Total Capital Project Fund Reappropriations \$130,000.00

Enterprise Funds

Storm Water Utility Fund No. 633

Increase appropriations \$4,000.00 for additional Ohio Environmental Protection Agency educational endeavors

Total Enterprise Fund Reappropriations \$ 4,000.00

Total Reappropriations All Funds \$564,000.00

Mayor Jensen said that in regard to the Middleton Road Extension, we are talking with the Army Corps about extending that through from Nagel Road over to Jaycox Road. If that project were to move forward, we would try to recoup some of those costs from the engineering from whoever puts that roadway in. Typically, we probably would not be the ones putting the roadway in unless there was an assessment or something happened that we wanted through there. It is easier for us to go back to the Army Corps because it is a safety reason to get that road across so if someone was on Nagel they could get all the way over to Avenbury if they needed it or vice versa. We have had developers that tried to do that and when we talked with the Army Corps and said it was for building houses, that did not go over well with them. We do not care if there are houses built on that road if we get it through there at some point but it is going to be for safety reasons, not so we can spur development. But at some point, it does need to connect. And it would not be a 2023 project because as Mr. Cummins has said, it would be about a year and a half just to start this process and that is why we are starting it now. Mr. Cummins said that is correct; the Army Corps permitting process is probably going to take 18 months in itself.

Mr. McBride thanked Mr. Logan for putting the resurfacing on Just Imagine on the Capital Projects list. He was sure that businesses down that street will be very happy. He asked if we were widening any of that and Mayor Jensen said that was not part of the process because we got some OPWC money. Mr. Cummins said that was correct; that was last year's OPWC application. Mr. Logan added that he should have mentioned that; he thought that we have \$400,000 in grant funds.

Mrs. Holtzmeier asked if the total amount of the reappropriation for the Middleton Road must be spent for the preliminary design and engineering 2022? Is that why the timing of it is now if it is 18 month look-ahead project? Mr. Cummins said, yes, there will be significant efforts in 2022 in preliminary design in order to know what to put in the application and there are also efforts in preparing the application and getting it submitted. We have been talking about meeting with the landowners and starting to see if this is going to be an assessment project or a development-based spec project so there are a lot of efforts

already going on in the background to move the process forward. Mrs. Holtzmeier then asked that with that preliminary engineering cost, would you expect much more on the back end after you have already spec'ed it out? Mr. Cummins said, yes, in total this is going to be probably a \$3 or \$4 million dollar job. There are some pretty sizable culverts and the project includes extension of sanitary trunk lines, 12" water mains going across that area which is fairly low agricultural fields at the moment. There will be some substantial fill placed to get the elevation needed in order to get the drainage to work properly. So in total, it is a pretty significant project. Mr. Logan stated that this year we have already spent \$62,000 of that \$100,000. We have been spending it out of the General Fund but now that we have set up a project fund, we can appropriate money in there.

Mrs. Holtzmeier said so clearly this project is something we are going to see in 2023 in our budget and we will have some advice from the Army Corps sooner than later. Mr. Cummins stated we will if we talk to the property owners because we will have to make sure that they are on board. They have all stated verbally that they want the project to move forward, as an assessment if need be, and so we do not want to do something that causes them to be stuck with a wetland delineation if we are not going to move forward with it. So we will be meeting with them and then we will be moving full steam ahead on the application and in the back and forth with the Army Corps to see that process through.

Mrs. Demaline said that she wanted to thank the Administration for the grant that has been obtained to purchase the SCBA's for the Fire Department. Twenty- two years is a little long for the equipment so she was glad they have given that attention and we have gotten alternative funding.

Mr. Radcliffe asked what the status was on the Miller Road Pump Station and Mr. Cummins said there are actually two parts to that project. There is the part of redoing the pump station itself and that is ongoing and getting toward the end of the structure redo. Then there is also expanding the size of the line that connects up to Avon Lake so that part of the overall project is in design now and we are interacting with the railroads to be boring under the railroads. So that is where we are right now.

5. ORDINANCE NO. 114-22 - GRANTING A SPECIAL USE PERMIT TO SOUTHERN ROCK RESTAURANTS, LLC TO AUTHORIZE THEIR TENANT, McALISTER'S DELI, LLC, TO CONSTRUCT A 3,568 SQ. FT. RESTAURANT TO INCLUDE AN OUTDOOR PATIO SEATING AREA FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 35355 CHESTER ROAD Planning Referral

Ms. Fechter stated that we are excited to have McAlister's Deli come to town. They are headquartered in GA and there are two locations that are kind of close by, one in N. Canton and one in N. Olmsted. The location in Avon will be on Chester Road just east of City Barbeque, kind of in front of Ashley Furniture. They are only proposing 7 tables with 20 seats on their patio. Ms. Fechter said that the drawing on the screen shows the placement of the bollards around the impact areas of the patio. McAlister's will be open from 10:30 A.M. to 9:00 P.M. and they have no music proposed whatsoever on the patio. Ms. Fechter said that their engineer, Aaron Appell, is here if anybody has any questions.

Mr. McBride asked if there was an escape drive all the way around that drive-through line so that if there is a long wait, a car can just drive away? Ms. Fechter stated that this is not a drive-through window; this is a carry out window only. There is no signage for ordering; all orders and payments are done in advance. They did get a variance from the BZA. They have 8-car stacking instead of 10 but they have provided 3 dedicated parking spaces right in front of that drive-through so if you come up to pick up your carry-out order and it is not ready, you will be asked to park ahead and not wait in line. But no transactions will take place at that window.

Mr. McBride stated that they are still picking up food so it is a transaction. Ms. Fechter said, yes, they are picking up food but they are not ordering at that point. Mr. McBride said that when we do a Developer's Agreement, we need the reserve, the right to require them to increase stacking. Ms. Fechter said that McAlister's was at Planning Commission last month for their 1st presentation and Planning had those same concerns. That is when we required them to put in those 3 spaces to pull off and get those

designated as being there for the carry-out parking only. McAlister's is back in front of Planning this Wednesday night for their 2nd presentation and they hope for approval.

Mr. McBride asked, then does that lane block parking spaces? Ms. Fechter responded that it blocks internally but with everything we have done, it does not block anything out on Chester Road because we have all those access and service drives. It will not block up the main access drive but it could possibly block up the internal parking lot. Mr. McBride said that is really not acceptable, in his opinion. Ms. Fechter stated that all of their 8 stacking spots do not block any parking. You can see from the drawing on the screen behind you, the kind of entrance starts and so if they blocked up it would be those few parking spots at the bottom. Mr. McBride said, and the problem with that is, that once you pull into that queue, you have no way to get out until it is your turn at the window. There is no escape. You ought to be able to drive away.

6. ORDINANCE NO. 115-22 - DECLARING THE INTENTION OF THE CITY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE BRIDGE INSPECTION PROGRAM SERVICES BEING IMPLEMENTED BY THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (ODOT) Mr. Cummins

Mr. Cummins said that he believed for the past 6 years, ODOT has offered to municipalities a program where they will hire consultants to come in and do the mandated bridge inspections each year at no cost to the cities, and Avon has been one to take advantage of this. They generally have run that program in 3-year intervals. This year we received notice that at least for 2023 they were just going to a single year. They were trying to line up additional funding to keep the program going and they did get enough funding for the program to occur in 2023 and so they asked if we wanted to participate and pass an Ordinance saying as much. This is basically the same Ordinance that we have passed two times previously to participate in the program.

7. RESOLUTION NO. R-28-22 - SUPPORTING THE SUBMISSION OF AN OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION STATE ISSUE ONE FUNDING APPLICATION FOR THE CHESTER ROAD WIDENING PHASE 3 PROJECT Mr. Cummins

Mr. Cummins stated that, for the Ohio Public Works Commission recent round of applications for grant funding, we put together an application to apply for widening to 3 lanes another section of Chester Road. This would be the section from Moore Road headed eastward approximately 2,245 ft. It is generally the area of Chester Road that has hardly been developed on both sides. There has been some interaction with some of those businesses and making the left hand turn in a two lane section can be dangerous sometimes so instead of continuing on from Rt. 83 to the west, we have decided to hop down to Moore Road and do this section. There has been some talk recently of potential development occurring in the middle and he thought that there certainly would be a request for the developer to either make improvements or participate in the improvements.

8. RESOLUTION NO. R-29-22 - TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR THE GROUND STORAGE WATER TANK REPAINTING PROJECT Mr. Cummins

Mr. Cummins stated that the Utilities Dept. has been working with a company called GRW Engineering out of Lexington, KY. They do a lot of consulting for Rural Lorain Water Co. and have been recommended by Rural Lorain Water, and have helped with some of our tank maintenance issues in the past. The Utilities Dept. had GRW take a look at the ground storage tank and they felt that we need to update some of the painting and coatings at that facility, both interior and exterior so they have put together some plans and specifications and would like to take that out to bid. It is approximately a \$275,000 project that would occur in the spring of 2023. We would like to bid it now as obviously it is weather-dependent and there is a limited number of contractors that we would like to bid early to try to get better pricing as they are looking to fill up their slate so they can get started right away at the beginning of spring. So we would like to bid it this fall with the understanding that the work would not occur until the weather permits next spring.

Mr. McBride asked what the anticipated timeline was from the time they drain the tank and Mr. Cummins said 3 to 4 months. That timeline has been considered by the Utilities Dept. and the water usage during that timeline has been considered and they feel that they have enough capacity within the system to be able, with that type of interruption, to get this needed work done. Mr. McBride said he was surprised that the timeline is that long as it seems like a small tank. Mr. Cummins said, from what he understands, the interior work is pretty substantial. Mr. McBride then asked Mr. Cummins if he knew when we were going to be due for the Rt. 83 tank again and Mr. Cummins said, no, not off the top of his head. Mayor Jensen said that we just did some touch-up work over there, and we did some work on it a couple years back but it is coming due again because it is an old tank. Mr. Cummins added that he knows that the Utilities Dept. works with an inspection company to keep an eye on all the tanks for needed coating, so he knows it is in their thought process.

9. REPORTS AND COMMENTS

MAYOR JENSEN stated that he is always mentioning to Council how the Administration works together and tries to help everybody out. He said that Mrs. Brooks had a funeral she had to go to and Mrs. Rambo-Ackerman stepped up to take her place at the meeting tonight and so he is appreciative of how everybody works together. Mrs. Rambo-Ackerman was willing to step in tonight on really a moment's notice and help us out and he thanked her very much.

The Mayor noted that the parking lot by the pool that used to be all stone and dusty, has been blacktopped. Now that it has been blacktopped, the PTA has asked if they might be able to hold their Trick or Treat there instead of in the Early Learning Center parking lot that has always been a disaster. So we are working with them in terms of trying to find a location that makes it easier for parents to get in and out of. That has been such a popular thing to happen now with Halloween. Again, it is just another thing to thank Council that we are able to do those kind of things and share what we do with our schools and with the residents. Having the schools and City work together is making a big difference. The Mayor noted that pickle ball is going on now and we are working with the schools to get a few more parking spaces over there so pickle ball can go on while there is still school. It is really a good day to be an Eagle and be part of what is going on there.

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

MRS. DEMALINE, WARD 1, had no comments.

MRS. HOLTZMEIER, AT LARGE, stated that since the Mayor mentioned Halloween, someone is going to ask about the date and time and she asked if the Mayor wanted to announce that. Mayor Jensen said that we are not moving Halloween unless it ever gets to a point where safety is an issue and we need to do something else. This year we are not changing it and it will be October 31st, 6:00 P.M. – 7:30 P.M.

MR. MCBRIDE, WARD 2, stated that hopefully the Developers Agreement for Dunkin' Donuts on Nagel Road allows us to require more stacking spaces there. The cars are backing up onto Nagel and it is just not acceptable. They have that big parking lot and they can reconfigure the spaces for stacking. There is going to be an accident there; on Sunday people were going left of center to get around the waiting cars. At least half a dozen cars went left of center to get around that. This just should not occur and Dunkin' Donuts needs to solve this problem.

MR. MOORE, WARD 3, stated that he and Mr. Cummins have talked about the intersection at Jaycox Road and Riegelsberger Road and Mr. Moore noted the accident that happened there about 4 or 5 days ago. He asked if we could entertain the idea of doing a safety study about improvements there because it does get sketchy trying to get onto Jaycox from Reiegelsaberger with the guardrails and seeing past there. Mr. Moore said he is not beating a drum for a stoplight but he wondered if there are any additional improvements we can make to that intersection to make it easier to get out of there. Mr. Streator said that he does not know the details of that accident but he will look into it and get with Mr. Cummins and see if there is something to do from a safety study standpoint there.

MR. RADCLIFFE, WARD 4, had no comments.

MR. WITHERSPOON, AT LARGE, had no comments.

MR. FISCHER, AT LARGE, stated that he would also like to thank Mrs. Rambo-Ackerman for helping us out tonight.

DIRECTORS/ADMINISTRATION:

MR. CUMMINS, CITY ENGINEER, had no comments.

MS. FECHTER, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT/PLANNING COORDINATOR, stated that since Mrs. Brooks is absent tonight, she just wanted to say that the Shred Event on Saturday went very well and people were very thankful yet again to come and get rid of their papers.

Ms. Fechter said that also she wanted to let everyone know that this Saturday is our Super Heroes Day and we are very excited. It will be at the pool area and the kids will be treated from 11:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M. with their special events and the luncheon. At 1:00 P.M. the general public is allowed to arrive and the Day will go until 3:00 P.M. 50-60 people will be there as part of this event, wandering around and interacting with everyone. It will be a lot of fun if you get a chance to come out.

MR. GASIOR, LAW DIRECTOR, had no comments.

MR. LOGAN, FINANCE DIRECTOR, had no comments.

MR. STREATOR, SAFETY/PUBLIC SERVICE DIRECTOR, had no comments.

AUDIENCE:

There were no comments from the audience.

10. ADJOURN: 8:27 p.m.

There being no further business, the Work Session of Council was adjourned.

PASSED: _____

SIGNED BY: _____
Brian Fischer, Council President

ATTEST: _____
Barbara Brooks, Clerk of Council