APRIL 28, 2008 5:00 P.M.

At 5:00 p.m. a Regular Meeting was held by the Sandusky City Commission in the City Building Commission Chambers, 222 Meigs Street, with City Commissioners Dave Waddington, Dan Kaman, Craig Stahl, Dennis Murray, Brett Fuqua, Brian Crandall and Julie Farrar in attendance; as well as the Charter Officers of the City Manager Matthew D. Kline, Law Director Don Icsman, Finance Director Ed Widman and the Clerk of the City Commission B. Joyce Brown; the Administrative Staff of the Director of Engineering Services Kathy McKillips, Assistant Police Chief Charlie Sams, Fire Chief Mike Meinzer, Administrative Services Director Warrenette Parthemore, Economic Development Specialist Scott Schell, and Chief Planner Carrie Handy. The audience and the news media were present.

PRESENTATIONS

WWTP Phase II Expansion Project by Jones & Henry – brief update
Jeff Krabill – A Reality Today – Regreening Historic Sandusky

PROCLAMATIONS – American Business Women's Association's 35th Anniversary on May 12th; Building Safety Week May 5th – May 11th; William Merrick Semans honored

ARBOR DAY POEMS – presented by three youth

PREVIOUS BUSINESS

Mr. Crandall moved to accept all communications. Mr. Kaman seconded, carried.

PASSED AT FIRST READING MEETING OF APRIL 14th

ITEM #1 – Communication -Kathryn McKillips, Director of Engineering Services

BUDGETARY INFORMATION: There is no budgetary impact.

ORDINANCE NO. 08-034 - Amending Part Nine – Streets, Utilities, and Public Services Code, Title Three – Utilities, by the addition of Chapter 935 – Comprehensive Storm Water Management, in the manner and way specifically set forth hereinbelow. It was moved by Mr. Waddington and seconded by Mr. Kaman that this Ordinance be passed at **second reading**. ***Discussion*** – Mr. Waddington said he would like the extra 30 days in case the public and general contractors who would like to see the ordinances and comment, because we passed too many agenda items as an emergency status. President Murray said he agreed. This would not become effective for another 30 days after tonight with Section 13. The Clerk called the roll on final passage of the Ordinance: Yeas: Waddington, Kaman, Stahl, Murray, Fuqua, Crandall, Farrar, 7. Nays: 0. **President Murray declared the Ordinance passed at second reading, effective after 30 days.**

ORDINANCE NO. 08-035 - Amending Part Nine – Streets, Utilities, and Public Services Code, Title Three – Utilities, by the addition of Chapter 937 – Erosion and Sediment Control, in the manner and way specifically set forth hereinbelow. It was moved by Mr. Waddington and seconded by Mr. Kaman that this Ordinance be passed at **second reading**. The Clerk called the roll on final passage of the Ordinance: Yeas: Waddington, Kaman, Stahl, Murray, Fuqua, Crandall, Farrar, 7. Nays: 0. **President Murray declared the Ordinance passed at second reading, effective after 30 days.**

CURRENT BUSINESS

ITEM #2 - Communication – Rosanne Bodner, Public Transit Administrator

BUDGETARY INFORMATION: The state grant, if awarded, will allow Sandusky Transit System to increase services to our residents. The project will have no impact on the City's budget as all moneys for the additional service will be provided through State of Ohio JARC Grant Funding and matching local sources.

RESOLUTION NO. 011-08R - Filing of a Grant Application with the Ohio Department of Transportation through the US DOT Federal Transit Administration (FTA) for a Job Access Reverse Commute (JARC) Program Grant for the Sandusky Transit System. It was moved by Mrs. Farrar and seconded by Mr. Waddington that this Resolution be passed under suspension of rules in full accordance of Section 14 of the City Charter. ***Discussion*** – Mr. Stahl said our ridership was down in the last reported period of '07 to '06 or '06 to '05, the first full year under MV Ridership is down under the previous suppliers. Mrs. Bodner said that is correct, our ridership was down in '07 versus '06 at 15%. Mr. Stahl said he

knew Serving Our Seniors, Ohio Department of Jobs and Family Services, and Sandusky Erie County Community Foundation are assisting with fundraising, but he was having a tough time. If ridership is down 15%, why would we be going for more money? We should be getting a rebate from MV because they are not as busy. Mrs. Bodner said the ridership is down, although the actual rides for service hours remains about the same. The reason the ridership was down was because they had to cut back on evening service. The system was not sustainable under their previous one. The system had to change going in 2007. The system was put into a 2,100 cap and previously we had them running as much as 2,300, 2,400, 2,500 hours per month. They had to tighten the reins or limit service hours in order to keep the system running to serve the best they could. It wouldn't have mattered if MV was the transportation provider or the previous providers. The cap was in place and would have been in place, but it was just that they had to pull back hours in order to live within the money that they had. Mr. Stahl said he was not real comfortable and he would like to look at his notes before he voted. He was in business and he was troubled at the service level going down 15%, I hate to take foundation money just because it was available or SOS money. **He would like to look at this the next couple of weeks and make a motion that we table this issue so that he could answer some of these questions that he would prefer to answer in private versus in public.** President Murray said there is a motion, is there a second. Mrs. Bodner said she needed to insert something here. The application needs to be applied for now, this Wednesday is the mail in date for the application. This particular round of funds will not be available for another, next January was when they were going to put it in place again. This is not asking for additional funds. This is a grant that has become available. It's never been available for small urban systems before. It was always discretionary funds given to the large systems like Cleveland, Toledo, Cincinnati, and Columbus. And now the FDA under the new act, the SAFETEA-LU, has changed it's charge from a discretionary program to a large system and allocated $5 million to the state where small urbans are available for $1 million. We were never able to apply for this money before. STS is not asking for more money to cover its losses. We are actually going after a new grant before the year starts to expand the service that we already have put into place. A deviated route, which would be daily service or more of a route that would be a standard set time that would allow more people to ride at the same time. This is for standing service so that we can better serve our residents and get them to the jobs that they need on THE Route 250 Corridor. **Mrs. Farrar seconded the motion.**

Mr. Waddington said he was looking at this with gas cost with transportation and it is right in here under, Project Outcomes, "The most highly anticipated outcome will be for transportation disadvantaged persons to be able to obtain and keep jobs that otherwise would not be possible for them." Otherwise it would not be possible for them out in the County working out on 250 and at 8, 9, 10 bucks an hour at best for a lot of these jobs, and with insurance costs. He was riding a bicycle now. But at what cost? We're just going to lose more people, but I think this is something that we got to have to support them.

Mr. Fuqua said the Foundations are very generous, but in reading our packets he would have to think that they are extremely good at what they do and extremely intelligent and they're well versed and what our less fortunate in the community need. I can't think that Mrs. Judy Englehart or Ms. Sue Daughtery would agree to this if they had concerns about good money being thrown after bad. So he too was in total and complete support of this.

Mr. Stahl said his thought process goes back to the whole process that was selected, the one vendor of the first one, and he was still very uncomfortable with some of the questions. He would withdraw this, as long as he thought they had an award winning service before. They gave us a lot of hours and it did a daily pick up like a taxi cab service with disadvantaged people. The other services gave us a lot of freebies that they didn't bill for. He would ask these questions privately. **He would withdraw his motion.** He got elected by the citizens of this City on fiscal responsibility and part of that fiscal responsibility is to get the most bang for the buck that they could find. He would respectfully ask that staff be available to him to answer some of the questions that he does have in a private session. You would hear no more about this from him at this time. And he would withdraw his motion if Mrs. Farrar would withdraw her second. **Mrs. Farrar withdrew her second.**

President Murray said he saw these as very different issues. It was always appropriate to go back and take a look at the question of whether or not they should have awarded the contract to MV Transportation, who was the lowest bidder. Mr. Stahl has asked questions from time to time, but he sees this as being quite separate and quite needed at this particular point. So he supported this.

Mrs. Farrar asked if we were to get the grant, would we be able to reinstate the vehicle they took out of daily service and reinstate evening hours? Mrs. Bodner said yes, evening service would be started. The vehicle will run from 8:00 in the morning until 10 p.m. at night on a deviated route where now the Sandusky STS closes at 6:00 p.m. It's never been an issue of capital. We have the vehicles. It is not even a capital purchase. The vehicle is already in the fleet. It is a matter of operational money to be able to operate that vehicle. Thereupon the Clerk called the roll on the motion as follows: Yeas: Waddington, Kaman, Stahl, Murray, Fuqua, Crandall, Farrar, 7. Nays: 0. Thereupon the Clerk called the roll on final passage of the Resolution as follows: Yeas: Waddington, Kaman, Stahl, Murray, Fuqua, Crandall, Farrar, 7. Nays: 0. President Murray declared the Resolution passed.

ITEM #3 – Communication – Michael R. Meinzer, Fire Chief

BUDGETARY INFORMATION: No general fund money will be required for this project. This purchase has been budgeted in the Vehicle Equipment Replacement Fund and sufficient funds are available to purchase the vehicle. The cost is as follows: Fire Apparatus - $484,447.00; Required Ancillary Equipment - $32,870.00; Grand Total - $517,317.00.

ORDINANCE NO. 08-036 - Purchase one (1) 2008 Pierce Class "A" Triple Combination Fire Pumping Engine from Pierce Manufacturing, Inc. of Appleton, Wisconsin, through the State of Ohio Cooperative Purchasing Program. It was moved by Mr. Fuqua and seconded by Mrs. Farrar that this Ordinance be passed under suspension of rules in full accordance of Section 14 of the City Charter. ***Discussion*** – Mr. Fuqua said if this vehicle was purchased, it would be determined to be sold or disposed of, can it be sold someplace else so we won't have to throw away a truck and receive nothing from it? Fire Chief Meinzer said yes. The Beagle is 19 years old and it will not have much trade-in value or resale value, but we anticipate selling the vehicle through our advertising department for whatever we can get for it.

Mr. Kaman asked what was the extra $32,870 going to get us? Chief Meinzer said he had an itemized list, but it is loose equipment like hose, nozzles, scanners, etc. In the past they would keep three front-run pumpers and three back-up pumpers. They were down to one sole back-up. It was a 1996 Ferrara that would be moved into back-up status, which would allow that back-up truck to be equipped so when the truck goes in for an oil change or tire change, routine maintenance or breakdown, this vehicle would be placed right into service right away fully equipped. Mr. Kaman asked would this equipment fit all three trucks now? Chief Meinzer said this truck would match all three of our engines at all three stations, the same pumps, same equipment, same ladders. So a firefighter could move between stations and operate the same vehicle, probably the first time in 30 years. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Waddington asked who spec'd this out for what was needed on it and was this like the Cadillac of fire equipment? Chief Meinzer said this was spec'd out over a year and it was done by engine operators, company officers, and complete maintenance personnel and the Shift Supervisors, people who use the equipment. He really wasn't involved in the spec'ing of the equipment, but he did give them some parameters to work within. And the truck manufacturing industry is not unlike the American automotive industry right now. There are dozen of manufacturers going out of business. We do have an arial right now that has that problem and can't get parts. It's American LaFrantz where they purchased a stock truck that was an LTI and they went out of business. A company called American LaFrantz went out of business, came back in the business and bought LTI, now they're out of business. The one thing I asked them was to buy from a reputable manufacturer. And Pierce is the largest manufacturer of fire trucks in the United States and they are a sole provider and sole builder of this truck. So in doing so, they are able to provide the best warranty of the service and they also have their share of the market and their financial stability because there are many cities across the country that have put in big orders and they are tied up in these companies waiting for bankruptcy.

Mr. Waddington asked could this have been obtained cheaper? Chief Meinzer said this is the best price that we can get in Ohio for this truck. This was like

International and Freightliner. Those types of chassis were commercial trucks. We have them on three of our ambulances, a rescue truck. This is what you would call a custom truck that we were purchasing. The pros and cons of a commercial and custom truck was commercial has a smaller cab, but because of wheel base it's like a semi truck and has a longer turning radius. They are not rated for fire service. They have smaller frame rails than big custom trucks, which they are rescue bodies and they carry more weight. These are not crash tested. A commercial truck in an accident is not the custom truck, where they are roll tested, have airbags, and rated for fire service. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Crandall said his concern was that we were going to spend over $500,000 on an engine, how are we going to finance this vehicle? Chief Meinzer said we will probably pay cash for the vehicle initially and he believed sell short turn notes or bond issues and then spread the cost of this vehicle out over its useful life of 10 or 12 years and share the cost with the users of the vehicle. Mr. Crandall said a while back the Commission scrutinized the Police Department when they wanted to purchase a Tahoe and he guessed the personnel that was short on the Fire Department. His concern was if they got these trucks, but nobody to put on them because we were short staffed. His biggest concern was that a ladder truck was going to be well over a half million dollars. He was thinking maybe with the mutual aid system or cooperative purchasing, because anybody mutually could take part in usage of the equipment. There is going to come a point in time when the departments can't afford all of this money and it's going to come from the people that are riding on that ambulance. And a lot of those people, the vast majority, are citizens in Sandusky that are elderly. What the Commission should see is what is all of the ancillary equipment and also what is spec'd out for that piece of fire apparatus. We did the same thing with that Tahoe. And with the NFPA standards, if that is to make the fire fighters safer, then why are we waiting for 2008 when they go into place before we order this vehicle? Don't our people come first and he thought we needed to wait to get the safest vehicle at the most cost-effective price. Chief Meinzer said as far as the scheduling they did meet with the Erie County Fire Chiefs and he knows if we are going to have automatic aid responses and cohesive responses to emergencies countywide and regionalwide, that we have to work on communications because they can't respond unless they were all alerted at the same time. He agreed it is nonsense for all of them to keep duplicating all of this expensive equipment and ladder trucks are over a million. And they tried to budget for one and this was where they were going to maybe try to look at one of those European trucks and maybe there could be a cooperative effort between other districts or down the road forming fire districts and building our fire stations and locations where they could respond regardless of whose community or what yellow line they had to cross to do it. The EMS Fund, as far as staffing of that, they've looked at that and if that was feasible he would be the first one to do it, because it would make his life easy. But we bill a bond a million, we recover about $600,000, $150,000 of that goes directly into the General Fund and another $50,000 goes to billing. So that leaves us with about $400,000 a year. And by financing these vehicles and selling the notes, we're usually making payments and what's left we're trying to save up to purchase vehicles on a 10, 15 year replacement schedule. They did have the schedule worked out with the amortization of the vehicles. There is just not enough money. The most expensive thing in the fire service is people and a job with benefits.

Mr. Crandall asked if we waited until August for those new standards, what was the percentagewise that a vehicle would go up? Chief Meinzer said a typical vehicle, after they did an analysis, he believed it raises the price of this vehicle by $35,000. The safety standards that you are looking at on this vehicle was striking on the rear of the truck, the red and green striking. It is going to have a black box like an aircraft carrier so if there is a crash or something going on, it would monitor for over 100 hours for everything that that driver was operating that vehicle. Whether that driver came to a complete stop or red lights, how fast he was going and they had a policy of 10 miles over the speed limit. This truck has the rollover protection at 60 degrees and the center gravity of these big trucks is a lot different. They were carrying hundreds and thousands of gallons of water on the truck and you're taking corners, hopefully not 10 miles over the speed limit, but the stopping distances are increased, the rollover possibilities are greatly increased. These vehicles have censors, but at 60 degrees all of the airbags pop out. They increased the windshield space for visibility and the mirrors and a lot stuff in the truck was for safety and the

increase in price from the last truck was because of EPA emissions of about $30,000 to $40,000. Mr. Crandall asked could he go ahead and include that $35,000 in that price? Chief Meinzer said and get the newest interstate standards included into it? Mr. Crandall said yes. Chief Meinzer said he could if they directed him to. The standards would be out in August. Mr. Crandall said he thought $35,000 was a small piece of change with protecting personnel. President Murray said safety standards was important and there would always be improvements and we needed the vehicle. And the Fire Department says they needed to retire this old vehicle. He did not see that he would vote to wait because another year there would be an increase in safety requirements. Given the additional costs and how the new safety features apply to our situation, he was inclined to proceed and approve that. Thereupon the Clerk called the roll twice, first on the motion and then final passage of the Ordinance as follows: Yeas: Waddington, Kaman, Stahl, Murray, Fuqua, Crandall, Farrar, 7. Nays: 0. President Murray declared the Ordinance passed.

ITEM #4 - Communication – Michele Hall, Recreation Program Supervisor
BUDGETARY INFORMATION: The agreements will not result in any additional budgetary expenses. The City will benefit from the agreed upon cash payment to be made by the league to assist with the expenses of the Kiwanis Park Field.
ORDINANCE NO. 08-037 - Enter into a one (1) year License Agreement with the Northwest Ohio United States Specialty Sports Association Baseball League for priority use of the Kiwanis Park Ball Field located at 2227 First Street, Sandusky, Ohio, for the Northwest Ohio USSSA Baseball League Program (April 30 through July 31) beginning April 30, 2008. It was moved by Mr. Kaman and seconded by Mr. Waddington that this Ordinance be passed under suspension of rules in full accordance of Section 14 of the City Charter. Thereupon the Clerk called the roll on the motion as follows: Yeas: Waddington, Kaman, Stahl, Murray, Fuqua, Crandall, Farrar, 7. Nays: 0. Thereupon the Clerk called the roll on final passage of the Ordinance as follows: Yeas: Waddington, Kaman, Stahl, Murray, Fuqua, Crandall, Farrar, 7. Nays: 0. President Murray declared the Ordinance passed.

ITEM #5 - Communication – Carrie R. Handy, Chief Planner
ORDINANCE NO. 08-038 - Amending Part Eleven – Planning and Zoning Code, Title Three – Zoning Districts and Regulations, Chapter 1129 – Residential Districts and Chapter 1133 – Business Districts, Title Five – Additional Zoning Requirements, Chapter 1153 – Land Use Intensity and Chapter 1155 – Planned Unit Development. It was moved by Mr. Waddington and seconded by Mr. Stahl that this Ordinance be passed under suspension of rules in full accordance of **Section 13** of the City Charter. Thereupon the Clerk called the roll on the motion as follows: Yeas: Waddington, Kaman, Stahl, Murray, Fuqua, Crandall, Farrar, 7. Nays: 0. Thereupon the Clerk called the roll on final passage of the Ordinance: Yeas: Waddington, Kaman, Stahl, Murray, Fuqua, Crandall, Farrar, 7. Nays: 0. **President Murray declared the Ordinance passed, effective after 30 days.**

ITEM #6 - Communication – Jeffrey W. Rosekelly, P.E., Project Engineer
BUDGETARY INFORMATION: The total estimated project cost including engineering, inspection, advertising and miscellaneous expenses is $600,149.72. The estimated private assessment cost is $125,009.01. The City portion of the project cost is $279,800.71. The Water Funds expense will be $138,223.37, the Sewer Fund expense will be $8,776.25, the $5.00 Fee Fund will be $132,801.09 and the Ohio Public Works Grant expense will be $195,340.00.
ORDINANCE NO. 08-039 - Determining to proceed with the improvement of Monroe Street between certain termini by grading, paving, resurfacing, constructing curbs, gutters, sidewalks, driveway approaches and curb ramps, adjusting manholes, catch basins and a water valve box to grade, and installing a waterline between certain termini, all together with the necessary appurtenances thereto. It was moved by Mr. Kaman and seconded by Mr. Waddington that this Ordinance be passed under suspension of rules in full accordance of Section 14 of the City Charter. Thereupon the Clerk called the roll on the motion as follows: Yeas: Waddington, Kaman, Stahl, Murray, Fuqua, Crandall, Farrar, 7. Nays: 0. Thereupon the Clerk called the roll on final passage of the Ordinance as follows: Yeas: Waddington, Kaman, Stahl, Murray, Fuqua, Crandall, Farrar, 7. Nays: 0. President Murray declared the Ordinance passed.

Under the **City Manager's Report**, Mr. Matt Kline said the **City of Sandusky received two grants from the Dorn Foundation**. We passed legislation applying for and accepting it. **One was $4,000 expenses for the 2008 Sandusky Bay Pavilion Event and the other to offset the cost of our new timekeeping system (Kronos).**

Mr. Kline said he made an **appointment to the Erie County Board of Health to replace Mr. Clarence Seavers by Dr. Marsha Cooper**, which made up one of the five representatives. Her term is in effect through December of 2010.

Mr. Kline said as an update, he would like to thank the City and the Commission in general for supporting the Greenhouse. **They received more than $1,200 in memberships and donations raised to support the greenhouse and parks during Earth Day and Arbor Day Event. The Friends of the Greenhouse participated in the Sandusky Mall Earth Day Celebration and signed up 16 new members.** He would like to thank our volunteers and Tom Speer and Meijers for being our sponsor.

Mr. Kline said in addition the **Sandusky Garden Club toured the Greenhouse on April 24th and donated $185**. And this past Saturday the **Greenhouse Open House was a celebration of Arbor Day** and more than 100 people attended the event, which included information about the Kellogg Grant and plans for the improvements, a tree planting and poetry reading. Thank you to the volunteers. **They did raise over $955 in memberships, dues, donations and the Fern Raffle Fund.** Special thanks to Sandusky Erie County Community Foundation, Erie Metro Parks, Meijers and the Erie County Solid Waste District for their sponsorships and participation.

Mr. Kline said this upcoming Saturday the **Erie County Solid Waste Management District is offering an Appliance and Computer Drop-off** at the south entrance of the Erie County Fairgrounds between 9 a.m. and 12 noon.

Mr. Kline said as directed by the Commission, they have been in **negotiations with the YMCA**, which was ongoing. There are legal issues that need to be addressed.

Mr. Kline said updates on projects, still nothing positive on the **Gradel relocation**. Everyone needs to understand that these are large ships that bring in over 21,000 tons of salt at any one time, and between Cleveland and Toledo there are only about five ports that are able to take in the salt. They were in Cleveland, Lorain, Huron, Toledo and in two places in Sandusky. He had been in communications with the railroad and in other properties owned by the railroad Mr. Schell has come up with quite an inventive idea, but they have not gotten all of the parties to say yes yet. They do not have terms negotiated with the railroad yet. *Any questions?*

Mr. Waddington said this past Wednesday he asked the Park and Rec Board if they would approve ***Mr. Crandall's request of the last meeting in naming a City ball diamond after Mr. Clarence Seavers. The Park and Rec Board approved and they chose Diamond #4 at Dorn Park.*** *He would now request his fellow Commissioners to pass this and he along with Mr. Murray agreed to pay for the signage.* ***He would so move. Mr. Crandall seconded. The President asked for a vote on the motion and with all Commissioners voting "Aye", the motion carried.*** Mr. Kline said they would be getting everything ready and inviting the family, Commissioners and public for the official dedication to that field at the site.

Mr. Kaman said on the Gradel move, the stats on the five ports on Lake Erie, he thought it was imperative to do what they could to keep those jobs in Sandusky.

Mr. Kline said they were having a **power point on the Marina District**. A general introduction, he had invited Mr. John Eymann to come tonight. We have continued to have good talks with the development agreement and were close to general forms and a few items that yet needed to be addressed. However, we have involved attorneys on both sides and still our goal is to present this document in May.

Under **Old Business**, Mr. Kaman said he was informing the Commission that Mr. Crandall, himself and several administrative people have finished talking about **Section 145** and they hoped to have that at the next meeting. President Murray said he would like to have that sooner than the Thursday before the meeting, so Mr. Icsman would that be in their packets? Mr. Icsman said he had not received the final version and he knew that it would take much longer than a week. Mrs. Parthemore said she had the final piece of information that she was researching to do the content, but he had not gone through it for the legal aspect. If they would like the content version, it is what all of their committee has done, she could get that to them tomorrow afternoon. Mr. Icsman said it was up to them, they could pass it without his review and if there would be a problem, they could deal with them later. President Murray said it's been long enough, let them get it right.

Under **New Business**, Mrs. Farrar asked when was the City Commission going to start the **search for replacement of Mr. Brian Crandall**, how were they going to move forward? President Murray said he talked to Mr. Icsman and the Charter provides in terms of replacing a Commissioner, and it was one of those situations that the Charter does not specifically speak to, how it is that they go about selecting a replacement for Mr. Crandall. And Mr. Crandall, subsequent to the last meeting, announced he was going to resign, but didn't set the date. They should advertise and discuss it tonight because there have been various people that have expressed interest and they should have an open process and level playing field. They should ask Mrs. Joyce Brown to advertise. Then have all of those in for a meeting to discuss the timing, but he would like to narrow it down to 3 or 5. Then interview and have them comment at a Commission meeting after looking at their resumes and asking questions and making a decision as to how they want to go about filling that position. Mr. Fuqua said they should give themselves a time limit of no more than two or three weeks, because Mr. Crandall hasn't given a specific date but some time around June. ***Mrs. Farrar moved that they advertise for a deadline of May 12th to receive resumes for those interested in a seat on this City Commission. Mr. Fuqua seconded the motion.*** Mr. Kaman said he would like to see the applications go to Commission Clerk Joyce Brown, make copies, distribute them to all of the Commissioners, the Commissioners can get together then in executive session and pick out three, make that public. President Murray asked what was the requirement, because they would have to do this pretty publicly? Mr. Icsman said the time begins to forward when the vacancy is official, then you have 60 days from that day and that's the maximum time. Otherwise it is defaulted to the Civil Service Commission making the decision for them. The former Commission did do an executive session at that time with the people that applied. President Murray said a lot of this should be a very public process, because we've been given by the Charter the right to do what the voters normally do. But at the same token he didn't want to discourage people from applying thinking they were going to discuss whatever qualifications they were going to have negatively in public. Mr. Fuqua said he would like to see the whole process be public because the seven of them had their qualifications out there for the public to see. If someone is discouraged by that fact, then maybe they don't need to be a Commissioner, and he would like to expand it to five. **President Murray said the deadline would be Monday, May 12th at 4 o'clock.** Mr. Kline complimented the Commission for doing the process publicly and up front. The President asked the Clerk to call the roll. The Clerk called the roll: Yeas: Waddington, Kaman, Stahl, Murray, Fuqua, Farrar, Crandall, 7. Nays: 0. ***The President declared the motion passed.*** Mr. Crandall commented on his leaving.

Mr. Stahl said his **business of the week was Sandusky Sweeper Service**.

Mr. Kaman said **Hookers opened at Shoreline Fisheries for fishing needs**. It was open 6:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and in summer 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. seven days.

President Murray said **Arbor Day the Greenhouse staff was going to volunteer and had already contributed 83 hours to the Friends of the Greenhouse**.

President Murray said he was the guest leader for **Look Who's Walking Program** throughout Erie County. There were 11 different walks throughout summer, spring and summer to the end of August. They were posted on the City's website.

President Murray said May 13th BGSU Firelands would hold an **Energy Auditor's Panel** at 6:00 p.m. at the Cedar Point Center.

Under **Audience Participation**, Mr. Bob Butler, 2029 Stahlwood Drive, commented Sandusky High's Jayvee and Varsity Baseball games were held at Jaycee Park and the large pole directly behind home plate was sheared off and needed to be replaced. Mrs. Parthemore said they tried to make it safe and replacements were ordered.

Mr. Brad Lococo, 1323 Mills Street, questioned issues on Mr. Crandall's seat.

At 9:15 p.m. President Murray returned to the table and entertained motions for adjournment. Mr. Waddington moved, Mrs. Farrar seconded, carried.

ATTEST:_____ _____

B. JOYCE BROWN DENNIS E. MURRAY, JR., PRESIDENT
CLERK OF THE CITY COMMISSION SANDUSKY CITY COMMISSION