

SCRANTON CITY COUNCIL MEETING

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CITY OF SCRANTON COUNCIL:

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JOHN LOSCOMBE

JOSEPH WECHSLER

WILLIAM GAUGHAN

LORI REED, CITY CLERK

KATHY CARRERA, ASSISTANT CITY CLERK

AMIL MINORA, SOLICITOR

1 (Pledge of Allegiance recited and  
2 moment of reflection observed.)

3 MR. MCGOFF: Roll call, please.

4 MS. CARRERA: Mr. Wechsler.

5 MR. WECHSLER: Here.

6 MS. CARRERA: Mr. Rogan.

7 MR. ROGAN: Here.

8 MS. CARRERA: Mr. Loscombe.

9 MR. LOSCOMBE: Here.

10 MS. CARRERA: Mr. Gaughan.

11 MR. GAUGHAN: Here.

12 MS. CARRERA: Mr. McGoff.

13 MR. MCGOFF: Here. Dispense with  
14 the minutes, please. And prior to Third  
15 Order we do have a proclamation to read.  
16 The young ladies who were involved who are  
17 receiving the proclamation are unable to  
18 attend this evening, but I do want to read  
19 the proclamation and they will be presented  
20 to these two young ladies at a later date.

21 It says, "WHEREAS, the Council of  
22 the City of Scranton is desirous of honoring  
23 "ELIZABETH MORAN" and "NICHOLETTE SEVERE"  
24 the two "CITY OF SCRANTON LIFEGUARDS" who  
25 are responsible for saving the life of a six

1 (6) year old boy; and

2 WHEREAS, the "LIFEGUARDS" on duty at  
3 Weston Field indoor pool Thursday, May 1,  
4 2014, were tending to their everyday  
5 responsibilities, when "LIFEGUARD ELIZABETH  
6 MORAN" caught sight of a child who  
7 disappeared underwater and stayed down; and

8 WHEREAS, this alarming sight caused  
9 "ELIZABETH" to jump into the pool to rescue  
10 this child; and

11 WHEREAS, upon successfully  
12 retrieving the boy from under the water and  
13 bringing him to the surface, "LIFEGUARD  
14 NICHOLETTE SEVERE" helped pull the boy out  
15 of the pool; and

16 WHEREAS, "ELIZABETH MORAN" a  
17 lifeguard for 12 years and "NICHOLETTE  
18 SEVERE, a senior at Scranton High School and  
19 a lifeguard for 2 years, performed CPR on  
20 the boy who was unconscious and not  
21 breathing; and

22 WHEREAS, "ELIZABETH'S" quick  
23 thinking and watchful eyes enabled her to  
24 retrieve the boy from the water with  
25 'NICHOLETTE'S" assistance and perform

1 critical rescue procedures that are part of  
2 a lifeguard's required training; and

3 WHEREAS, after some mouth to mouth  
4 resuscitation and chest compressions,  
5 "ELIZABETH AND NICHOLETTE" were able to  
6 bring the boy back to life;

7 WHEREAS, Scranton City Council, the  
8 Administration, their PARENTS AND FAMILIES  
9 and ALL of the Citizens of the City of  
10 Scranton are very proud of these "LIFEGUARDS  
11 ELIZABETH AND NICHOLETTE: And we are very  
12 grateful to them for all of their efforts,  
13 not only for their actions on this  
14 particular day, but on each and every day  
15 throughout the year.

16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT  
17 ON Thursday, May 8, 2014, Scranton City  
18 Council wishes to honor "ELIZABETH MORAN"  
19 and "NICHOLETTE SEVERE", for their bravery  
20 and heroic actions during this life saving  
21 event.

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this  
23 Proclamation be made a permanent part of the  
24 Minutes of this City Council, as lasting  
25 tribute to "ELIZABETH MORAN" and "NICHOLETTE

1 SEVERE.

2 And I had the opportunity to speak  
3 to two of these young ladies Monday evening,  
4 they were again working at Weston Field pool  
5 and offered them a thank you on behalf of  
6 the City Council and the City of Scranton.  
7 This is why we need trained individuals at  
8 all of the city facilities. These people  
9 are integral to the safety of the community.

10 I would also like to mention that  
11 both of the lifeguards were trained by the  
12 same person, Ms. Lisa Walsh, who conducts a  
13 lifesaving class. I would also like to  
14 commend Ms. Walsh for her efforts and  
15 training, you know, young people for this  
16 important role in our community.

17 Anyone else? Thank you.

18 MS. REED: THIRD ORDER. 3-A.  
19 COMPARISON OF CITY FUNDS TO DISTRIBUTED TO  
20 FROM THE SINGLE TAX OFFICE FOR THE YEARS  
21 2013 AND 2014.

22 MR. MCGOFF: Are there any comments?  
23 If not, received and filed.

24 MS. REED: 3-B. MINUTES OF THE  
25 SCRANTON LACKAWANNA HEALTH & WELFARE

1                   AUTHORITY'S REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD  
2                   MARCH 20, 2014.

3                   MR. MCGOFF: Are there any comments?  
4                   If not, received and filed.

5                   MS. REED: 3-C. TAX ASSESSOR'S  
6                   REPORT FOR THE HEARING DATE TO BE HELD MAY  
7                   21, 2014.

8                   MR. MCGOFF: Are there any comments?  
9                   If not, received and filed.

10                  MS. REED: 3-D. TAX ASSESSOR'S  
11                  RESULTS REPORT FOR HEARING DATE HELD ON  
12                  APRIL 23, 2014.

13                  MR. MCGOFF: Are there any comments?  
14                  If not, received and filed.

15                  Are there any announcements from the  
16                  council? On the agenda this evening are  
17                  just a couple of new items which should be  
18                  mentioned. The leases for the little  
19                  leagues throughout the city, it would be  
20                  noted that certain little leagues in West  
21                  Side are not included because there was a  
22                  change in the nature of the operations in  
23                  West Side so those leases are being done  
24                  individually or separate from these. They  
25                  will be on the forthcoming agenda.

1                   Also, there are a number of pieces  
2                   that involve the grant received from DCED  
3                   with the accepting of the funds. These will  
4                   be voted on this evening, and if passed we  
5                   will look to expedite these pieces of  
6                   legislation next week since some are -- some  
7                   of them are time sensitive and need to be  
8                   passed with some alacrity, and that is all.

9                   MS. REED:   FOURTH ORDER.   CITIZENS'  
10                  PARTICIPATION.

11                  MR. MCGOFF:   Marie Crispino.

12                  MS. CRISPINO:   Good evening,  
13                  council. My name is Marie Crispino. I live  
14                  in Scranton and I'm head of the public  
15                  services at the Albright Memorial Library.  
16                  I'd like to use this forum to invite  
17                  Scrantonians to our fifth annual "Swinging  
18                  on the Vine." It's our only fundraiser that  
19                  we have. As always, it is held on the  
20                  Friday before the Memorial Day weekend and  
21                  this year it's May 23 from 5 until 8.

22                  Tickets can be purchased at our  
23                  libraries or online at [www.albright.org](http://www.albright.org).  
24                  Purchased in advance they are \$15 and at the  
25                  door they are \$20. Paul Labelle and his



1 Exact Change will be there again. There  
2 will be food, beer, wine, margaritas and  
3 many, many raffles to choose from.

4 Every year we try to add something  
5 different and this year the library has had  
6 a tremendous help from Lackawanna College's  
7 Culinary Arts Program. Their director  
8 Stephanie Decker and her students are  
9 cooking up several surprises for our guests.

10 If anyone has recently visited the  
11 library or travel passed it you have seen a  
12 great amount of scaffolding surrounding the  
13 building. With the city's help, the library  
14 was able to secure a Keystone grant which  
15 has enabled us to undertake a major  
16 renovation project. The project completion  
17 date is some time in the late October. In  
18 effect, this project will ensure that the  
19 library remains an architectural gem in our  
20 community.

21 Obviously with such a large  
22 renovation project, with the Keystone grant  
23 not covering the entire costs, all local  
24 donations are truly needed. Please plan on  
25 attending "Swinging on the Vine". In doing

1 so, it will help your public library and  
2 have a great deal of fun along the way.

3 In closing, I'd like to speak about  
4 the gems you will find inside your public  
5 library. If you are not a member, please  
6 join. The library card is free. You will  
7 have access to all of those things you think  
8 about when you think about a public library,  
9 but we also offer free computer classes,  
10 resume building and job searching and help,  
11 programming for all of the ages especially  
12 for children and teens, reference and  
13 genealogy resources, and many electronic  
14 resources that you can access from your home  
15 with your library card. Our staff are  
16 professional and always willing to help one  
17 on one.

18 We also operate the only new  
19 bookstore in the City of Scranton at the  
20 Steamtown Mall. Library Express is located  
21 on the second floor of the mall. It is a  
22 new and used book store, but it is also a  
23 small public library. The Albright Memorial  
24 Library is your library and we really want  
25 you to take advantage of it. Any questions

1 please contact us. You are more than  
2 welcome to ask for me. If I don't have an  
3 answer for you, I will get it for you.  
4 Thank you and please attend "Swinging on  
5 Vine," May 23, starting at 5 p.m. and I  
6 really do wish you all can join us. Thank  
7 you.

8 MR. GAUGHAN: Thank you very much.

9 MR. MCGOFF: I'm sorry, are there  
10 fliers for --

11 MS. CRISPINO: I already gave them  
12 to her, yes.

13 MR. MCGOFF: Thank you very much.

14 MS. CRISPINO: You're very welcome.  
15 Thank you.

16 MR. MCGOFF: And we also see that it  
17 is hopefully put onto the roll for ECTV as  
18 well.

19 MS. CRISPINO: All right, great.  
20 Thank you.

21 MR. MCGOFF: Our next speaker, I'm  
22 sorry, Mr. Spindler.

23 MR. SPINDLER: Good evening,  
24 Council. Les Spindler, city residents and  
25 homeowner and taxpayer.

1 MR. LOSCOMBE: Good evening.

2 MR. SPINDLER: I read that article  
3 in the paper two days ago about those  
4 lifeguards and I have to add, also, that was  
5 a great act of bravery and heroism. Because  
6 of them the family still has their little  
7 boy and I would like to add my thanks to  
8 those people. It was a great thing they did  
9 and I think besides the proclamation I think  
10 they deserve to have a day to be honored, if  
11 that would be possible, I don't know, but  
12 thank you to those two lifeguards.

13 Okay, last week I came here to talk  
14 about my property how it's been flooded  
15 years and years and before any of you were  
16 even on council I have been coming here and  
17 talking about it, and letter after letter  
18 had been sent to the previous DPW director  
19 with no response.

20 As I said, I was here last Thursday,  
21 last Friday I think it was, Councilman Rogan  
22 called DPW Director Gallagher, Monday  
23 morning Director Gallagher was at my front  
24 door. I was at work, but my wife answered  
25 the door and he told her what he was going

1 to do. I spoke to Councilman Rogan, he said  
2 he is going to take care of it, but he has  
3 to wait until they get the hot blacktop I  
4 guess, and he said it might be a few weeks,  
5 he said they will take care of it, the hot  
6 stuff will stick better. Tuesday I come  
7 home from work it was done. I don't know if  
8 you knew that, Councilman Rogan?

9 MR. ROGAN: I spoke to Mr. Gallagher  
10 and actually, I might as well thank him now,  
11 he actually went out with the DPW crew and  
12 help fix this curb on your property, and the  
13 reason why I took special interest in it,  
14 and obviously not everyone's problem are  
15 going to be resolved in one day, but like  
16 you mentioned city council over the last  
17 four years we have sent probably a dozen  
18 letters, phone calls to the DPW and we  
19 certainly have to thank Mr. Gallagher for a  
20 job well done and the guys at the DPW for  
21 getting on top of this so quick. I was  
22 astonished as well how quickly it was done,  
23 but unfortunately it took four years.

24 MR. SPINDLER: Oh, longer than that.

25 MR. ROGAN: Longer than that, but it

1 is --

2 MR. SPINDLER: It was fixed four  
3 years ago poorly, it washed away, but the  
4 reason I'm here is to thank Director  
5 Gallagher and the DPW people that did that  
6 because I'm waiting a long, long time and it  
7 looks like a great job and thank you to you,  
8 Councilman Rogan, for the quick action. And  
9 you know what, it's cooperation like this  
10 that hopefully will turn this city around.  
11 We need cooperation from everybody in this  
12 city. I said that for your first council  
13 meeting when I came here, first meeting of  
14 the year I said we need cooperation from  
15 everybody, everybody has got to work with  
16 the mayor and council, all of the directors  
17 and I know the things are being done behind  
18 the scenes. A lot of people don't know this  
19 and I think some people have said that in  
20 the past some council people and lot of  
21 things can't be said yet because nothing is  
22 done yet, but people are working.

23 Yet you get people coming here week  
24 after week being negative. We don't need  
25 any more negativity, we have for 12 years.

1 We got to be positive. I think the mayor is  
2 it going to do a great job, no secret I  
3 supported him because I think he is going to  
4 do a great job and I think along with this  
5 council and I think the city is going to do  
6 a good job, and you are only in office four  
7 months along with the mayor. It's only four  
8 months. Miracles can't happen in four  
9 months. It's going to take a long time to  
10 get the city back on it's feet.

11 But, as I said, I have been told  
12 that things are being done there is talks to  
13 fix this and fix that, so I'm encouraged,  
14 but I am being patient like everybody else  
15 has to be patient. And I know that this  
16 city will be back and the feet it's one day.  
17 I love this the city, as I'm sure all of do  
18 and a lot of other people do, so I can't  
19 wait for the day that Scranton is back on  
20 top again.

21 That's all I have to say other than,  
22 like I said, thanks again to DPW Director  
23 Gallagher. I really appreciate it. Thank  
24 you.

25 MR. MCGOFF: Thank you. Mr. Quinn?

1 MR. QUINN: Good evening. Ozzie  
2 Quinn. Member of the Citizens and Taxpayers  
3 Association. I, too, would like to thank  
4 Mr. Gallagher and Mr. Wechsler.  
5 Mr. Wechsler and Mr. Gaughan attended our  
6 neighborhood meeting and at that meeting  
7 they heard about a stump that was -- a tree  
8 that was cut down in the 900 block of Monroe  
9 Avenue and the stump remained and the stump  
10 was pushing the sidewalks up, people were  
11 falling and it was a real safety problem. I  
12 called Brian McAndrew from LIPS, he in turn  
13 I sent a letter into Mr. Hinton. In a  
14 matter of three days the stump was removed.

15 Now those people called me up and  
16 they said that for three years they have  
17 been trying to remove that stump and it was  
18 out of there in a matter of four or five  
19 days of their meeting, so I appreciate you  
20 people up there for doing that, and I  
21 appreciate Mr. Gallagher for doing that.

22 And I told the people who called, I  
23 says, it wasn't me, it was the council and  
24 the administration working together to get  
25 things done and basically that's what it



1 was, okay?

2 Next, I have to talk about an  
3 ordinance that I talked about in April here  
4 and follow-up a letter and then, Mr. McGoff,  
5 you talked about it about the ordinance with  
6 household furniture on people's front  
7 porches, especially couches, how it looks  
8 like heck in the city and the blight. I  
9 just come over the Harrison Avenue bridge at  
10 5:00, the gateway to the city and with a new  
11 bridge and in that block there was a guy  
12 hanging his laundry on the front porch and  
13 sitting on two kitchen chairs, you know?

14 So what I'm asking is that I'm  
15 writing letters to Mr. Hinton about the  
16 different locations, okay, but what is  
17 council going to do to enforce this? I  
18 remember the last time you said you were  
19 going to muster up the people who were  
20 responsible for enforcement, has there ever  
21 been anything done?

22 MR. GAUGHAN: Mr. Quinn, I spoke to  
23 Mayor Courtright about this issue and he had  
24 said that -- I had mentioned to him that I  
25 thought it might be a good idea for a

1 saturation of the Hill with inspectors,  
2 police officers. He also thought it would  
3 be a good idea so that is something you may  
4 see in the future, and when they are going  
5 to do that he said he will let council know  
6 and obviously let the Hill Neighborhood  
7 Association know.

8 MR. QUINN: That's good news, thank  
9 you.

10 MR. WECHSLER: Mr. Quinn, I also  
11 spoke to the mayor about that and he thought  
12 it would probably be a good idea to get the  
13 District Attorney involved with that. They  
14 have some greater resources than our police  
15 department has so when we do this I believe  
16 we are going to get District Attorney  
17 Jarbola's office involved.

18 MR. QUINN: Thank you. The last  
19 thing I want to know is have you received  
20 the letter I sent in with regards to the Nay  
21 Aug Pool? You know, I sent that letter on  
22 behalf of the Hill Neighborhood Association,  
23 okay? Basically the points in there is that  
24 it was a reviewed by an attorney, the  
25 Pennsylvania Municipal Authorities Act, and

1 he saw leeway in regards to changing an  
2 ordinance getting done by the governing  
3 body, to change the Recreation Authority's  
4 purpose basic projects such as the Nay Aug  
5 charging for pools, okay?

6 The PTA Prescott School has joined  
7 us. They called me last night. The  
8 president come over my house and said she  
9 was happy that we finally took a step  
10 towards this and they have been trying to  
11 get something done to no avail. They are a  
12 little upset with the fact that \$5 for a kid  
13 to go it Nay Aug Pool when historically Nay  
14 Aug Pool was for the Hill Section kids and  
15 if the kids want to swim they have to walk  
16 two miles to Weston Field and two miles back  
17 and you know a kid -- this isn't the day and  
18 the age for kids to be walking that far,  
19 okay?

20 The point and part in the letter was  
21 the fact that we want collaborators. We are  
22 not going to (unintelligible) about it, you  
23 know? If we could sit down and talk with  
24 the PTA and HOA and council and the mayor to  
25 see what we can do in regard -- and the

1           Recreation Authority unless you resolve it  
2           by putting forth litigation that would  
3           change the purpose of the Recreation  
4           Authority similarly to what they did with  
5           the golf authority, if you recall? So, you  
6           know, it's not something that's etched in  
7           stone or it can't be changed, it can't be  
8           changed, it's a municipal authority, that's  
9           baloney. Okay?

10                         So on behalf the Hill Neighborhood  
11           Association the families up there, children  
12           and the PTA, please, realize that these kids  
13           got to have a place to swim, okay? And ten  
14           years olds can't be walking, 11 year olds  
15           can't be walking, you know? We could sit  
16           down and come up with some solution, you  
17           know? That's all we want, but none of this  
18           hard nose stuff like the Recreation  
19           Authority either pay up the \$5 or you don't  
20           get in, okay? I appreciate if you would  
21           follow up on that because summer is coming  
22           very quickly. Thank you very much.

23                         MR. MCGOFF: Joan Hodowanitz.

24                         MS. HODOWANITZ: Good evening,  
25           Council. Joan Hodowanitz, Scranton.

1 MR. LOSCOMBE: Good evening.

2 MS. HODOWANITZ: First of all, I  
3 want to thank Mrs. Reed. Last week I asked  
4 about a document in the background material  
5 for the general public, it was the Ross  
6 report on the status of the audit and there  
7 was only one page, clearly there were pages  
8 missing and she made sure I got access to  
9 those missing pages tonight. That's the  
10 good news.

11 The bad news was instead of nine  
12 items of information lacking for the  
13 completion of the audit, there are 28 items  
14 and nine outstanding memos, so it would  
15 appear that we are not going to have the  
16 audit on it's due date of May 31. And this  
17 is worrisome, because as I said last week,  
18 that you audit could offer valuable  
19 information in terms of preparing next  
20 year's budget.

21 When a corporation has to submit its  
22 annual report to the SEC every year, it has  
23 a 90 to 120 day window and that's firm and  
24 fast. And we have what, five months and yet  
25 we still year after year miss the target.

1 I'm hoping that because this is the first  
2 year of the new administration that will be  
3 the last year when we have any significant  
4 delays with that audit, because it's an  
5 important document and we need it.

6 The second thing I'd like it address  
7 is in tonight's packet for review by the  
8 public in the Clerk's Office there was a  
9 one-page document, it was a Single Tax  
10 Office item and it showed a year-to-year  
11 comparison as of the end of the April, what  
12 we collected last year as of April 30 and  
13 this year. For real estate we did very  
14 well. There was a 62 percent increase of  
15 about \$7 million and I think we can  
16 attribute that to the increase in real  
17 estate taxes. Delinquent taxes, however,  
18 were down 12.7 percent or \$39,300 for the  
19 same period. Earned income taxes was down  
20 over 56 percent for a decrease of \$66,500.  
21 The LST/EMS tax was about flat, and the  
22 business privilege mercantile tax was down  
23 5.75 percent for a decrease of \$82,000.

24 Now, you might say, well, this is  
25 preliminary data, the year is young and this

1 money will flow in. Well, what happens if  
2 these trends are sustained through the  
3 course of the year? You are looking a  
4 significant shortfall, and the fact that  
5 earned income tax is put down 56 percent is  
6 something that demands an explanation.

7 Now, I know this was just a one-page  
8 document, but as we go forward with your  
9 budget planning process, you need to look at  
10 that and why are we not taking in the  
11 revenue we should be. Do we have fewer  
12 people working, are they working for less  
13 money or are we simply not having employers  
14 sending in that tax? There's a problem  
15 somewhere?

16 MR. ROGAN: I think the discrepancy  
17 with the earned income tax is because, and I  
18 may be wrong but we can look into it, that's  
19 handled by Berkheimer and I do remember last  
20 year when tax reports came in the delinquent  
21 EIT was still being collected by the tax  
22 off, but from years, I think it was '13 on  
23 it was collected by Berkheimer so that  
24 number that is included in that report may  
25 only be the delinquent earned income tax.

1 MS. HODOWANITZ: It just said earned  
2 income tax.

3 MR. ROGAN: I'm almost positive, we  
4 could check for you.

5 MS. HODOWANITZ: Yeah.

6 MR. ROGAN: Because I know the  
7 earned income actually generally tends to go  
8 up.

9 MS. HODOWANITZ: But if this were to  
10 be a trend, it is a something you certainly  
11 want to try to fix now rather than address  
12 it in November and December when you are a  
13 going to go, oops.

14 MR. ROGAN: And if it is, indeed,  
15 the delinquencies, that collection amount  
16 should go down every year because  
17 eventually, hopefully they will all be paid.

18 MS. HODOWANITZ: Well, I didn't see  
19 the word delinquent so that's --

20 MR. ROGAN: We could check.

21 MS. HODOWANITZ: -- that peaked my  
22 interest. I'm just bringing it to your  
23 attention because if it's an issue it should  
24 be addressed now rather than later in the  
25 year. Thank you.



1 MR. WECHSLER: Just we have been --  
2 I have been meeting with Wayne Beck, the  
3 city treasurer, and Mr. Bulzoni, constantly  
4 reviewing these numbers and we are concerned  
5 as well. These numbers do not include,  
6 especially under the business privilege and  
7 mercantile tax, you know the hits that we  
8 took earlier this year with some of the  
9 businesses leaving, so these numbers are  
10 very accurate and reviewed constantly.

11 MS. HODOWANITZ: It would make sense  
12 with VaxServe leaving and whoever else left  
13 I would understand that, but that 56 percent  
14 figure for earned income tax just it's like  
15 a red flag.

16 MR. MCGOFF: Anyone else who wishes  
17 to address council?

18 MR. DOBRZYN: Good evening. Dave  
19 Dobrzyn, resident. I haven't heard anything  
20 about Steamtown and it was mentioned a  
21 couple of weeks ago about how the half  
22 marathon brought a lot of people into town.  
23 Well, on a good weekend Steamtown would  
24 probably bring in three to four hundred  
25 people in a town and they might stop at a

1 restaurant or whatever on the way out.

2 Also, there is several people from  
3 the area that are an employed there as  
4 rangers, and it's an interesting experience  
5 if you have never been there. You should  
6 try going and it would be -- I would be  
7 overjoyed if you would send a letter to our  
8 representatives to get the funding back to  
9 normal.

10 Now, last week words such as urgency  
11 came up and one of the things that I find  
12 disturbing over the years is that there is a  
13 lack of collection on trash fees and so  
14 forth. I mean, if everybody that does pay  
15 has to pay \$300, I heard a story last week  
16 and it's hearsay but I could check it out in  
17 the newspaper, I remember the name, six  
18 properties owned and they haven't paid a  
19 dime of trash fees since 2001 or something  
20 like that. That's a lot of money. That's  
21 in the tens of thousands of dollars plus and  
22 that's totally not acceptable to let some  
23 honcho to get away with something like that.

24 At least we should have a lien, and  
25 I don't know far back it would go. I think

1           in Pennsylvania you only have two years to  
2           sue over a lot of other things. My sister  
3           would have qualified for a medical lawsuit,  
4           a malpractice suit, she was missed her  
5           cancer five years in a row, but by the time  
6           everything unfolded two years had passed and  
7           it was out the door, you know?

8                        So it's really serious that 22  
9           percent are not paying a dime on that, and  
10          if they are unable to pay we could just  
11          leave the lien stand hopefully and when they  
12          pass away some day or sell their house and  
13          go into nursing home or whatever, at least  
14          you will have your foot in the door to get  
15          compensated when the house is traded.  
16          Conceivably somebody could move into town  
17          and buy a house and live there for five or  
18          six years and move out and never pay a dime  
19          on that and it might get under the radar, so  
20          that's very serious.

21                       And, of course our property taxes,  
22          so I'd like to see something, I had a wish  
23          list here and that was on one of them was  
24          trash fees, and I'm happy to see that the  
25          utilities are fixing the roads and, Jack,

1           like I said last week don't let the sewer  
2           authority or the gas company know and that  
3           goes for you out in TV land.

4                       And I'd also like to mention that  
5           it's voting time. Get informed, get out and  
6           vote your conscience and really consider it  
7           important that the situation with voting in  
8           this town is terrible. 22 percent last  
9           time, that is ugly, so the public needs to  
10          get involved and start getting involved and  
11          it's only one or two days a year.

12                      And once again, contact your  
13          congressman and tell him no to the  
14          transpacific trade pack. We don't need  
15          anymore people on the unemployment line,  
16          including in our area.

17                      And the golden parrot once again  
18          goes to Jenny Beth Martin, tea party  
19          darling, earns more and the president, 400  
20          grand a year, she pays five percent of that  
21          money out into candidates and the rest goes  
22          into consulting fees and whatever, you know,  
23          so maybe that's a good think because I don't  
24          particularly care for tea party candidates  
25          anyway. Thank you and have a good night and

1 done forget to bawk, bawk, bawk.

2 MR. LOSCOMBE: Thank you.

3 MR. MCGOFF: Anyone else who wishes  
4 to address counsel?

5 MR. MORGAN: Good evening, council.

6 MR. GAUGHAN: Good evening.

7 MR. MORGAN: I just have a question  
8 here, on the paving machine if a citizen  
9 would like to make a bid on that when is  
10 that paving machine going to go up for  
11 either auction or scrap? Can a resident bid  
12 and that machine? Could it be possibly that  
13 it has to be done?

14 MR. GAUGHAN: I'm not sure to be --  
15 I don't believe so. I'm not sure. I can  
16 check into that. I don't even know when it  
17 is going to be up for auction or for  
18 scrapping.

19 MR. MORGAN: Well, I'd like to make  
20 an offer on that machine as crazy as that  
21 sounds, even if I just put it in my yard for  
22 a decoration.

23 You know, the other thing is I came  
24 in this week and I paid my garbage fee, and  
25 I rolled into the mayor's office. I

1           figured, well, I'm downtown I might as well  
2           since I'm in the building go in there, and I  
3           did ask the mayor to send up to council SAPA  
4           again. I hope he does. He didn't say  
5           whether he supported it or whether he didn't  
6           and I just came back here today to say that  
7           I just really hope that council is really  
8           thinking about that issue. I know it's been  
9           on my mind for a lot of years and I just  
10          hope that when it was initially brought  
11          forward that it would have been voted and  
12          passed and it would have took the city  
13          recovery really a very far way, and I just  
14          hope that every councilman that you are  
15          talking amongst yourselves, pro and con.

16                   I hope that maybe in the next  
17          meeting you might share why you might be  
18          opposed to that because I really would be  
19          interested to hear that or, of course, why  
20          you support it. But I hope that for lack of  
21          any other meaningful plan and considering  
22          the ramifications of passing that and what  
23          it will do for the city and Dunmore, I think  
24          that even though Dunmore is not part of  
25          Scranton I hope you really, really give it

1 some consideration.

2 And the last thing I have here is I  
3 know it's too early yet, but, Mr. Wechsler,  
4 I asked you a question last week, and I know  
5 you probably didn't have a chance to do  
6 that; right?

7 MR. WECHSLER: I requested the  
8 information, but I did not get an answer.

9 MR. MORGAN: Look it, I appreciate  
10 your time. Thank you.

11 MR. GAUGHAN: Thank you.

12 MR. MCGOFF: Anyone else who wishes  
13 to address council?

14 MS. REED: FIFTH ORDER. 5-A.

15 MOTIONS.

16 MR. MCGOFF: Mr. Wechsler?

17 MR. WECHSLER: Thank you,  
18 Mr. McGoff. On Monday, President McGoff and  
19 I did attend the meeting of the Recreation  
20 Board that was held at Weston Field. At the  
21 meeting, we did request -- I should say I  
22 requested if there was any chance for any  
23 free swimming or change of hours for the May  
24 Aug complex this year. Unfortunately, right  
25 now in terms of the Rec Board that's not an

1 option right now. Free swimming, in their  
2 eyes, is something that they can't have  
3 because the funds that they do generate goes  
4 for chemicals and for maintenance at the Nay  
5 Aug complex. The money that is generated  
6 from those fees if it were to be a free  
7 swimming would have to come from the City of  
8 Scranton's budget.

9 So it's something that I think that  
10 we can look at for 2015, it's a term of  
11 making some adjustments to our budget. I do  
12 agree with Mr. Quinn it's something that we  
13 do have to look at going forward for next  
14 year.

15 One of the things that did come out  
16 at the meeting, and I know Mr. Quinn asked  
17 this last week about an audit, they are in  
18 the process of bidding their audit for this  
19 year.

20 They also said that it was the first  
21 time that they ever had a council person at  
22 meeting in 25 years, so we did get a lot of  
23 information out of that and I was happy that  
24 I went.

25 I had a success similar to



1 Mr. Spindler's up on East Mountain. Dennis  
2 Gallagher came and helped out with a  
3 constituent there who has had a problem for  
4 many years. Mr. Gaughan and I made a visit  
5 there and contacted Mr. Gallagher and he did  
6 do the same thing for a person on East  
7 Mountain, which was very good.

8 Some of the numbers that we received  
9 now that we want to talk about in terms of  
10 the this EIT tax, Berkheimer & Associates  
11 has provided us numbers for the first four  
12 months of 2014. It's hard to do a  
13 comparison to the 2013 because the 2013  
14 first four months include some monies that  
15 came from 2012, and there are also was an  
16 increased efficiency in collection that kind  
17 of skewed the numbers, so as it compares to  
18 2013 \$8.8 million was collected, and in 2014  
19 \$7.4 was collected. Like I said, those  
20 numbers really can't be compared because in  
21 2013 they are kind of inflated.

22 Looking at it in terms of where we  
23 are at with the budget, our budget forecasts  
24 \$23 million in the EIT collections, so with  
25 about a third of the year done we have about

1 a third of the money collected.

2 And, you know, we continue to get  
3 these reports, we are watching them because  
4 I believe that the budget process is a  
5 yearly, weekly thing. We have to get into  
6 the habit of looking at the numbers,  
7 reviewing them as we go along,  
8 unfortunately, making adjustments. Looking  
9 at this I don't know if we are going to be  
10 adjusting any numbers up or down looking at  
11 this, but, once again, this is a cooperative  
12 effort. These numbers were provided to us  
13 by the Berkheimer agency through the City  
14 Treasurer's Office. Mr. Beck was happy to  
15 review them with me and they are looking at  
16 them together as we move forward, and that's  
17 all I have tonight, Mr. McGoff. Thank you.

18 MR. MCGOFF: Mr. Rogan?

19 MR. ROGAN: Yes, just two very brief  
20 comments and one issue, the pools have been  
21 much of the topic and discussion at these  
22 meeting for the last few weeks and,  
23 unfortunately, for this year we are kind of  
24 under a tight schedule to get much of  
25 anything done, but I think we have to start

1 planning for next year. What I'm going to  
2 request that our office does is we contact  
3 city engineer CECO and Associates to do an  
4 examination on the pools that are closed to  
5 determine exactly what needs to be done, an  
6 itemized list of what needs to be done to  
7 get the closed pools reopened and what --  
8 and approximate of what those costs would  
9 be.

10 Once we determine what the costs are  
11 to make the repairs that are necessary to  
12 get the pools open, city council and the  
13 administration can then look at either  
14 including it in the budget as a line item,  
15 using OECD funds, or the third option, which  
16 is the one that I think we really need to  
17 pursue, is trying to raise the money  
18 privately.

19 As I mentioned in the last few  
20 meetings, there are a number of different  
21 ways to raise these funds privately for the  
22 pools by selling naming rights, having  
23 signs, even having -- putting in a walkway  
24 with bricks where people could buy a brick  
25 for "X" amount of dollars and have their

1 name on it. I know a lot of other cities  
2 have used that successfully to raise funds  
3 for different projects, and by doing that we  
4 will be saving the taxpayers as well, the  
5 businesses would get their name, get their  
6 recognition and best of all the children  
7 would have a place to swim in the  
8 neighborhoods. So if we can do that, I will  
9 send that in tomorrow morning to request  
10 that itemized list.

11 And just finally, once again, I  
12 would like to thank DPW Director Denny  
13 Gallagher for a fantastic job on an issue  
14 that was lingering for many, many years and  
15 those of you that watch council meeting on a  
16 regular basis know that Mr. Spindler has  
17 been at this meeting dozen of times bringing  
18 up this issue, and once he came last week,  
19 we called Denny Gallagher, he went out  
20 personally, visited the site, followed back  
21 up with city council. I went out and  
22 visited the site and a couple of days later  
23 the problem was solved, so definitely a job  
24 well done to the Mr. Gallagher on a number  
25 of the fronts from what my colleagues are

1 saying as well this week.

2 And finally, Item 6-A I will be  
3 making a motion to table that following our  
4 vote. There is a 30-day required public  
5 comment period on that item, so that's why  
6 that will be tabled after the vote, and that  
7 is all for tonight. Thank you.

8 MR. MCGOFF: Mr. Loscombe?

9 MR. LOSCOMBE: Yes, just briefly two  
10 things. I would like to congratulate our  
11 lifeguards who were honored here this  
12 evening. Too bad they weren't able to  
13 appear in person, but they have done a great  
14 job in that position and you hope the  
15 training you have been taught would never  
16 have to be used and, you know, they used it  
17 to the best of their ability and they were  
18 able to save a child's life, and that's how  
19 the system works and I really appreciate  
20 what they have done and the fact that they  
21 have taken their training to heart, and this  
22 is something that they will live with  
23 forever and it is an honor, and so I thank  
24 them along with my colleagues.

25 The other thing I would just like to

1 correct the record on something Mr. Wechsler  
2 just stated, nothing against Mr. Wechsler,  
3 but Mr. Joyce and myself attended a Rec  
4 Authority meeting in our first year in  
5 office and they told us the same thing, we  
6 are the first councilmen in 25 years, so it  
7 was just funny hearing that.

8 MR. WECHSLER: That is it funny.

9 MR. LOSCOMBE: But we did go and,  
10 you know, we have tried to stay apprised of  
11 things since then.

12 MR. WECHSLER: I stand corrected,  
13 Jack.

14 MR. LOSCOMBE: Oh, no, no, you are  
15 just repeating what you were told. I just  
16 thought it was humorous though, but as you  
17 can see our panel is working on a lot of  
18 different issues as we continue to do so, as  
19 I stated last week. You know, everything is  
20 open as far as it can be and there is a  
21 progress being made little by little each  
22 day, so hang in there and down the road you  
23 will be surprised. Thank you.

24 MR. MCGOFF: Mr. Gaughan?

25 MR. GAUGHAN: Yes. Thank you. I'd

1           like to echo Mr. Loscombe's statement about  
2           the two lifeguards. I'd like to also thank  
3           them for saving the young boy's life down at  
4           Weston Field and I'm glad to hear the young  
5           boy that was saved is doing well.

6                        A few weeks ago I received a few  
7           complaints from residents in Minooka on  
8           Colliery Avenue concerning the Laurel Woods  
9           development, which is right off Davis Street  
10          in Minooka. They were having issues with  
11          some of the residents of the development  
12          walking through their backyard. They  
13          requested that the developer put up or  
14          finish putting up a fence that would fence  
15          off the development from their back yards  
16          and they thought that would take care of the  
17          problem.

18                      Council had written a letter to Don  
19          King, our city planner. Don King had  
20          forwarded that letter to the developer of  
21          Laurel Woods. I spoke personally with the  
22          developer and we worked out an arrangement  
23          and they will be putting up a fence to take  
24          care of that issue, so I thank Glenn Morgan,  
25          who is a developer of Laurel Woods for being

1 so kind and working together with myself and  
2 Don King and council.

3 I received a complaint from a  
4 resident today about speeding in the 700  
5 block of West Elm Street. The resident is  
6 afraid that someone is going to get,  
7 especially a child. It is where many  
8 children play in that area. I spoke with  
9 the Chief of Police Carl Graziano today via  
10 e-mail and he said that the police has spent  
11 considerable time in that area in the past.  
12 He will direct the patrolmen to continue  
13 enforcement efforts in that area and assess  
14 the signage situation, one-way sign that the  
15 resident had also mentioned to me that may  
16 need be repaired because residents are not  
17 able to see it properly.

18 Also, tonight in caucus we discussed  
19 parking issues in the 900 block of Prescott  
20 Avenue. I have been getting complaints  
21 about that for about two months now and we  
22 have been working on that. I think we are a  
23 going to possibly hold a forum on that in  
24 the next few weeks. Attorney Minora is  
25 going to be in contact with the police



1 chief, Carl Graziano, so hopefully we will  
2 be able to take care of that issue and get  
3 those residents permit parking in that area.

4 The DPW street sweeping schedule May  
5 12 through May 19, which will be next week,  
6 are scheduled to be in North Scranton, Oak  
7 Street in Wood Street including all avenues  
8 and streets.

9 And finally in the caucus we  
10 discussed Mr. Amaroso and when he will be  
11 coming back to council. I asked President  
12 McGoff and he explained that somewhere in  
13 the area of two to three weeks in the future  
14 Mr. Amaroso will be coming back hopefully to  
15 council and in caucus similar to the first  
16 one that was had to give us his  
17 recommendations. And that was all I had.  
18 Thank you.

19 MR. MCGOFF: Thank you, Mr. Gaughan.  
20 I did have one announcement that I forget to  
21 make earlier in the evening. Monday, May  
22 19, the Electric City Cocktail Wars will be  
23 held from 6:00 to 9 p.m. at Posh at the  
24 Scranton Club. This is sponsored by  
25 Scranton Tomorrow. Tickets are \$10, \$15 at

1 the door. What it is, upon entry you will  
2 be given a small cocktail glass and they  
3 have bartenders competing for prizes.  
4 Bartenders will be using -- it's being  
5 sponsored by some Jim Beam distributor.  
6 They will be using Jim Beam products making  
7 cocktails, you will be able to sample the  
8 different cocktails and then vote on the  
9 best ones. So the bartenders win prizes and  
10 you get to sample some hopefully some very  
11 good cocktails. They are also some other  
12 events, auctions and things going on, but it  
13 sounds like a very nice evening and very fun  
14 evening. That's May 19 at Posh, the  
15 Electric City Cocktail Wars.

16 Also, I would like a thank you to  
17 the Scranton Fire Department. Last evening  
18 there was a house fire a block from my home.  
19 The Scranton Fire Department responded very  
20 quickly and, you know, controlled the fire  
21 and also controlled its spread to an  
22 adjoining home where it was contained a  
23 one-half of a double and also, you know,  
24 prevented it from moving to the building  
25 next door. So, again, a thank you to the

1 Scranton Fire Department for another good  
2 job.

3 And last thing I have, somebody  
4 mentioned SAPA and whether we would comment  
5 on that, this is it something -- SAPA is  
6 something that needs to be addressed by both  
7 the administration and the council. This is  
8 not something that I think that council  
9 should initiate unless there is an agreement  
10 between council and the administration to  
11 put forth legislation to adopt SAPA then its  
12 becomes a moot point. I don't believe that  
13 there is any sense in legislation being put  
14 forward if, in fact there is not an  
15 agreement between the administration and  
16 council for adopting it.

17 Hopefully, in the near future we  
18 will be able to have some legislation on  
19 that matter if it, in fact, the  
20 administration wishes to pursue it, but  
21 making comment on that until such time there  
22 is legislation really is fruitless.

23 And that is all I have. Thank you.

24 MS. REED: 5-B. FOR INTRODUCTION -  
25 AN ORDINANCE - AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND

1 OTHER APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS OF THE CITY  
2 OF SCRANTON TO ENTER INTO LEASE AGREEMENTS  
3 WITH VARIOUS LITTLE LEAGUE, TEENER LEAGUE,  
4 MISS-E LEAGUE, AND JUNIOR FOOTBALL LEAGUE  
5 ASSOCIATIONS FOR USE OF CITY OWNED PROPERTY  
6 IN CONNECTION WITH APPROVED LITTLE LEAGUE,  
7 TEENER LEAGUE, MISS-E LEAGUE, FARM LEAGUE,  
8 T-BALL LEAGUE AND JUNIOR FOOTBALL LEAGUE  
9 ACTIVITIES FOR A THREE-YEAR PERIOD  
10 COMMENCING APRIL 15, 2014 AND ENDING APRIL  
11 14, 2017.

12 MR. MCGOFF: At this time I'll  
13 entertain a motion that Item 5-B be  
14 introduced into its proper committee.

15 MR. ROGAN: So moved.

16 MR. LOSCOMBE: Second.

17 MR. MCGOFF: On the question? Once  
18 again, I would like to mention that these  
19 are -- they are three-year leases and they  
20 are for little leagues other than the ones  
21 in West Side which we will be addressing  
22 when other legislation is before us.

23 All those in favor of introduction  
24 signify by saying aye.

25 MR. WECHSLER: Aye.

1 MR. ROGAN: Aye.

2 MR. LOSCOMBE: Aye.

3 MR. GAUGHAN: Aye.

4 MS. MCGOFF: Aye. Opposed? The  
5 ayes have it and so moved.

6 MS. REED: 5-C. FOR INTRODUCTION -  
7 AN ORDINANCE - CREATING AND ESTABLISHING  
8 SPECIAL CITY ACCOUNT NO. 02.229607 PA  
9 LOCAL GOVERNMENT INVESTMENT TRUST ("PLGIT")  
10 ENTITLED "PLGIT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUNDS"  
11 FOR DISBURSEMENT AND TRACKING OF THOSE FUNDS  
12 FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PURPOSES.

13 MR. MCGOFF: At this time I'll  
14 entertain a motion that Item 5-C be  
15 introduced into its proper committee.

16 MR. ROGAN: So moved.

17 MR. LOSCOMBE: Second.

18 MR. MCGOFF: On the question?

19 Again, just for clarification, the PLGIT is  
20 the grant money that was we voted upon and  
21 received from DCED, and now we are just  
22 approving the acceptance of these funds  
23 creating an account for accepting these  
24 funds.

25 All those in favor of introduction

1 signify by saying aye.

2 MR. WECHSLER: Aye.

3 MR. ROGAN: Aye.

4 MR. LOSCOMBE: Aye.

5 MR. GAUGHAN: Aye.

6 MS. MCGOFF: Aye. Opposed? The  
7 ayes have it and so moved.

8 MS. REED: 5-D. FOR INTRODUCTION -  
9 AN ORDINANCE - TRANSFERRING FUNDS FROM FUND  
10 06 CAPITAL PROJECTS CASH-PLGIT 2003 BOND  
11 WHICH FUNDS AND ACCOUNT ARE NO LONGER NEEDED  
12 FOR THE CONDUCT OF CITY BUSINESS, AND  
13 ABOLISHING AND CLOSING SAID ACCOUNT AND  
14 TRANSFERRING THE FUNDS REMAINING IN SAID  
15 ACCOUNT TO A NEW SPECIAL CITY ACCOUNT LISTED  
16 BELOW.

17 MR. MCGOFF: At this time I'll  
18 entertain a motion that Item 5-D be  
19 introduced into its proper committee.

20 MR. ROGAN: So moved.

21 MR. LOSCOMBE: Second.

22 MR. MCGOFF: On the question? All  
23 those in favor of introduction signify by  
24 saying aye.

25 MR. WECHSLER: Aye.

1 MR. ROGAN: Aye.

2 MR. LOSCOMBE: Aye.

3 MR. GAUGHAN: Aye.

4 MS. MCGOFF: Aye. Opposed? The  
5 ayes have it and so moved.

6 MS. REED: 5-E. FOR INTRODUCTION -  
7 AN ORDINANCE - CREATING AND ESTABLISHING  
8 SPECIAL CITY ACCOUNT NO. 02.229608 ENTITLED  
9 "ACT 47 GRANT" FOR THE RECEIPT AND  
10 DISBURSEMENT OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT  
11 BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) GRANT FOR FINANCIAL AID  
12 UNDER AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF MUNICIPALITIES  
13 FINANCIAL RECOVERY ACT, ACT 47 OF 1987, AS  
14 AMENDED.

15 MR. MCGOFF: At this time I'll  
16 entertain a motion that Item 5-E be  
17 introduced.

18 MR. ROGAN: So moved.

19 MR. LOSCOMBE: Second.

20 MR. MCGOFF: On the question? All  
21 those in favor of introduction signify by  
22 saying aye.

23 MR. WECHSLER: Aye.

24 MR. ROGAN: Aye.

25 MR. LOSCOMBE: Aye.

1 MR. GAUGHAN: Aye.

2 MS. MCGOFF: Aye. Opposed? The  
3 ayes have it and so moved.

4 MS. REED: SIXTH ORDER. 6-A.  
5 READING BY TITLE - FILE OF THE COUNCIL NO.  
6 17, 2014 - AN ORDINANCE - AMENDING FILE OF  
7 THE COUNCIL NO. 47, 2013, ENTITLED "AN  
8 ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND OTHER  
9 APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS OF THE CITY OF  
10 SCRANTON TO TAKE ALL NECESSARY ACTIONS TO  
11 IMPLEMENT THE CONSOLIDATED SUBMISSION FOR  
12 COMMUNITY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS  
13 TO BE FUNDED UNDER THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT  
14 BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM, HOME INVESTMENT  
15 PARTNERSHIP (HOME) PROGRAM AND EMERGENCY  
16 SOLUTIONS GRANTS (ESG) PROGRAM FOR THE  
17 PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2014" BY  
18 AMENDING THE 2014 ACTION PLAN TO ACCEPT THE  
19 ONE HUNDRED SIXTY THOUSAND (\$160,000.00)  
20 DOLLARS REQUESTED UNDER THE EMERGENCY  
21 SOLUTIONS GRANT PROGRAM IN THE ORIGINAL  
22 PLAN AND AN ADDITIONAL FIFTY-THREE THOUSAND  
23 FIVE HUNDRED NINETEEN (\$53,519.00) DOLLARS  
24 RECEIVED UNDER THE PROGRAM TO ADDRESS THE  
25 NEEDS OF HOMELESS PEOPLE IN EMERGENCY OR



1                   TRANSITIONAL SHELTERS FOR A TOTAL GRANT OF  
2                   TWO HUNDRED THIRTEEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED  
3                   NINETEEN (\$213,519.00) DOLLARS.

4                   MR. MCGOFF: You've heard reading by  
5                   title of Item 6-A, what is your pleasure?

6                   MR. ROGAN: I move that Item 6-A  
7                   pass reading by title.

8                   MR. LOSCOMBE: Second.

9                   MS. MCGOFF: On the question? All  
10                  those in favor signify by saying aye.

11                  MR. WECHSLER: Aye.

12                  MR. ROGAN: Aye.

13                  MR. LOSCOMBE: Aye.

14                  MR. GAUGHAN: Aye.

15                  MR. MCGOFF: Aye. Opposed? The  
16                  eyes have it and so moved.

17                  MR. ROGAN: I make a motion to table  
18                  Item 6-A per the required 30-day public  
19                  comment period.

20                  MR. LOSCOMBE: Second.

21                  MR. MCGOFF: On the question? All  
22                  those in favor of tabling Item 6-A signify  
23                  by saying aye.

24                  MR. WECHSLER: Aye.

25                  MR. ROGAN: Aye.

1 MR. LOSCOMBE: Aye.

2 MR. GAUGHAN: Aye.

3 MS. MCGOFF: Aye. Opposed? The  
4 ayes have it and so moved.

5 MS. REED: SEVENTH ORDER. 7-A.  
6 FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES  
7 -FOR ADOPTION - FILE OF THE COUNCIL NO. 16,  
8 2014 - AMENDING SECTION 108.1 OF THE CODE OF  
9 THE CITY OF SCRANTON GOVERNING DISPOSAL OF  
10 CITY-OWNED PERSONAL PROPERTY BY ADDING  
11 SUBSECTION C.

12 MR. MCGOFF: As Chair for the  
13 Committee on Rules, I recommend final  
14 passage of Item 7-A.

15 MR. ROGAN: Second.

16 MR. MCGOFF: On the question? Roll  
17 call, please?

18 MS. CARRERA: Mr. Wechsler.

19 MR. MCGOFF: Yes.

20 MS. CARRERA: Mr. Rogan.

21 MR. ROGAN: Yes.

22 MS. CARRERA: Mr. Loscombe.

23 MR. LOSCOMBE: Yes.

24 MS. CARRERA: Mr. Gaughan.

25 MR. GAUGHAN: Yes.

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MS. CARRERA: Mr. McGoff.

MR. MCGOFF: Yes. I hereby declare  
Item 7-A legally and lawfully adopted.

Any further business? If not, I'll  
entertain a motion to adjourn.

MR. LOSCOMBE: Motion to adjourn.

MR. MCGOFF: This meeting is  
adjourned.

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I hereby certify that the proceedings and evidence are contained fully and accurately in the notes of testimony taken by me at the hearing of the above-captioned matter and that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the same to the best of my ability.

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