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3	PATRICK ROGAN, PRESIDENT	
4	TIMOTHY PERRY, VICE PRESIDENT	
5	WILLIAM GAUGHAN - absent	
6	KYLE DONAHUE - absent	
7	MARY WALSH DEMPSEY	
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9	LORI REED, CITY CLERK	
10	KATHY CARRERA, ASSISTANT CITY CLERK - absent	
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1	(Pledge of Allegiance recited and a
2	moment of reflection observed.)
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4	MR. ROGAN: Roll call, please.
5	MS. REED: Mr. Perry.
6	Mr. PERRY: Here.
7	MS. REED: Mr. Donahue. Attorney
8	Dempsey.
9	ATTY. DEMPSEY: Here.
10	MS. REED: Mr. Gaughan. Mr. Rogan.
11	MR. ROGAN: Here.
12	MR. PERRY: I make a motion to
13	appoint Attorney Dempsey as temporary Chair for
14	the Committee on Community Development.
15	ATTY. DEMPSEY: Second.
16	MR. ROGAN: On the question? All
17	those in favor signify by saying aye.
18	MR. PERRY: Aye.
19	ATTY. DEMPSEY: Aye.
20	MR. ROGAN: Aye. Opposed? The ayes
21	have it and so moved. Please dispense with the
22	reading of the minutes.
23	MS. REED: THIRD ORDER.
24	3-A. MINUTES OF THE SCRANTON
25	LACKAWANNA HEALTH & WELFARE AUTHORITY

MEETING HELD OCTOBER 17, 2019.

3-B. CORRESPONDENCE SENT TO MAYOR EVANS REGARDING AN ALTERNATIVE ANALYSIS OF THE 2020 BUDGET.

3-C. CORRESPONDENCE SENT TO MAYOR EVANS REGARDING COUNCIL QUESTIONS
CONCERNING THE CITY'S 2020 OPERATING BUDGET.

MR. ROGAN: Are there any comments?

If not, received and filed. Do any Council

members have announcements at this time?

ATTY. DEMPSEY: No.

MR. ROGAN: I have a few. This
Wednesday, December 4th at 4 p.m., Council will
hold a special caucus in chambers with members
of the administration to discuss the 2020
operating budget. This caucus is open to the
public.

Next Monday, December 9th at 5:45 p.m., there will be a public hearing for Item 5-G on tonight's agenda, a liquor license transfer for use at 100 North Main Avenue.

MS. REED: FOURTH ORDER. CITIZENS PARTICIPATION.

(The following speakers offered

1 public comment on agenda items or matters of 2 general concern: 3 Joan Hodowanitz 4 Dave Dobrzyn.) 5 MS. REED: FIFTH ORDER. 5-A. 6 7 MOTIONS. MR. ROGAN: Mr. Perry, any motions 8 9 or comments? 10 MR. PERRY: I have nothing at this 11 time. 12 MR. ROGAN: Attorney Dempsey, any 13 motions or comments? 14 ATTY. DEMPSEY: Thank you. 15 motions, one quick comment. Joan, I would just 16 like to address your issue regarding whether 17 we're going to go to December 16th with 18 meetings. As I said in caucus, I certainly 19 have absolutely no objection to going until 20 December 16th. 21 However, this will be my first year 22 voting on the taxing legislation and also 23 voting on the budget. So I did discuss with 24 our solicitor whether there were any adverse 25 repercussions or any legal implications I

should be aware of if we didn't vote on them or we didn't have all of the readings associated with them.

And, in fact, he wisely said and it makes sense to me that he felt the taxing legislation should be voted on at the same time as the budget which I have to say does make some sense to me.

And since the budget has to be voted on by December 15th and we're probably going to do it next week on December 9th, it does make some sense to me that we would do the same thing with the taxing legislation. I just wanted to make that clear. If there is any other issues or business that mandate us to be here until December 16th, I'm more than happy to do it.

MR. ROGAN: Thank you. Just to pick up on that and I actually was planning on mentioning that at the meeting tonight. We did just discuss it. In the past, Council always does recess at the time of the budget being passed in past years.

I know we looked back last year we were actually done a week sooner, the year

before around the same time of the Sewer

Authority Sale. Because we delayed the budget
a week we're actually meeting a week later than
we have last year.

And the other comment about, you know, Council's accessibility, the vast majority of the requests at least I know that I get come from going to the grocery store, Facebook page, e-mail. We always do get people at the podium that are looking for help here and there.

But Council's always accessible whether we're meeting or not. And even more so than us, our office is staffed by three great people that do a great job. So they're available during business hours every day.

Just one other item I want to mention, I know I brought this up in caucus.

We did receive a letter from

Attorney Minora regarding the Council

Solicitorship. And I do want to read it and give some comment.

It says, Gentlemen, please accept this as my resignation from the position of Council Solicitor effective January 6th, 2020.

If I could be any assistance to the incoming solicitor, please do not hesitate to call.

Thank you for allowing me to be a service to this city. It's been my honor and privilege.

I would just like to thank Attorney Minora for his service to Council over of the last six years. We've gotten a lot done from where the City is then to now nobody could --we're definitely in better shape now than we were six years ago.

And a couple key points I do want to mention and I know Attorney Minora wouldn't bring these up himself because he's a very modest guy. One thing about Attorney Minora that I'd really like to commend him for is there were many times over the last six years when he had an opportunity to get other fees on top of his salary as Council Solicitor and every time he turned those down. And they were large fees.

Previous solicitors City and Council solicitors have accepted fees. I know there was an issue at the school district as well on bond fees, the Sewer Authority deal, you know, many times he was asked and always declined and

did his review on Council as part of his salary.

So I want to commend him for that.

And I do think that that sets a standard for the next Council Solicitor that they should be limited to just their salary and also our City Solicitor as well. Our current City Solicitor has not accepted any fees on top of her salary and previous City Solicitors in years past have.

So I think that's a good practice moving forward. Also want to note that Attorney Minora wrote the new ethics law that I know we've talked about quite a bit over the last year. I know he put a lot of work and effort into that.

And one item that I specifically want to thank him for is obtaining the state police report on the double pensions. I know it was not an easy task getting a state investigative agency to release a report to a noninvestigative body.

So I want to thank you for all your service and for all of those items and sad to see you go but we'll thank you for your

service.

MR. PERRY: We were lucky to have you, Amil. Thank you.

ATTY. MINORA:

ATTY. DEMPSEY: Thank you, Amil.

Thank you.

MR. ROGAN: We did discuss prior to the meeting in caucus, obviously there will be a vacancy in Council's office for solicitor position. So we agreed to put an advertisement in the newspaper. Any other attorneys living in the City of Scranton that are interested in applying shall do so by sending a letter of interest and a resume to the City Council office.

The deadline for submission we agreed would be the 13th of this month. So there's a little bit of time and there will be an ad in the newspaper going in as well. But I do want to announce that at the meeting as well. That is all for tonight.

MS. REED: 5-B. FOR INTRODUCTION —
AN ORDINANCE - AMENDING FILE OF THE COUNCIL
NO. 6, 1976 ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE (AS AMENDED)
IMPOSING A TAX FOR GENERAL REVENUE PURPOSES ON
THE TRANSFER OF REAL PROPERTY SITUATE WITHIN

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1 THE CITY OF SCRANTON; PRESCRIBING AND REGULATING THE METHOD OF EVIDENCING THE PAYMENT 2 3 OF SUCH TAX: CONFERRING POWERS AND IMPOSING THE DUTIES UPON CERTAIN PERSONS, AND PROVIDING 4 PENALTIES", BY IMPOSING THE RATE OF THE REALTY 5 TRANSFER TAX AT TWO AND TWO TENTHS PERCENT 6 7 (2.2%) FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2020 AND THE SAME 8 SHALL REMAIN IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT ANNUALLY 9 THEREAFTER. 10 MR. ROGAN: At this time I'll 11 entertain a motion that Item 5-B be introduced 12 into its proper committee. 13 ATTY. DEMPSEY: So moved. 14 MR. PERRY: Second. 15 MR. ROGAN: On the question? 16 those in favor signify by saying aye. 17 MR. PERRY: Aye. 18 ATTY. DEMPSEY: Aye. 19 MS. ROGAN: The ayes have it and so 20 moved. 21 MS. REED: 5-C. FOR INTRODUCTION -AN ORDINANCE - AMENDING FILE OF THE COUNCIL. 22 23 NO. 11, 1976, ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE (AS 24 AMENDED) ENACTING, IMPOSING A TAX FOR GENERAL 25 REVENUE PURPOSES IN THE AMOUNT OF TWO PERCENT

(2%) ON EARNED INCOME AND NET PROFITS ON PERSONS, INDIVIDUALS, ASSOCIATIONS AND BUSINESSES WHO ARE RESIDENTS OF THE CITY OF SCRANTON, OR NON-RESIDENTS OF THE CITY OF SCRANTON, FOR WORK DONE, SERVICES PERFORMED OR BUSINESS CONDUCTED WITHIN THE CITY OF SCRANTON, REQUIRING THE FILING OF RETURNS BY TAXPAYERS SUBJECT TO THE TAX: REQUIRING EMPLOYERS TO COLLECT THE TAX AT SOURCE: PROVIDING FOR THE ADMINISTRATION, COLLECTION AND ENFORCEMENT OF THE SAID TAX: AND IMPOSING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATIONS", BY RE-ENACTING THE IMPOSITION OF THE WAGE TAX AT TWO AND FOUR TENTHS (2.4%) PERCENT ON EARNED INCOME FOR RESIDENTS AND ONE (1%) PERCENT ON EARNED INCOME FOR NON-RESIDENTS OF THE CITY OF SCRANTON, FOR WORK DONE, SERVICES PERFORMED OR BUSINESS CONDUCTED WITHIN THE CITY OF SCRANTON FOR THE YEAR 2020 AND THE SAME SHALL REMAIN IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT ANNUALLY THEREAFTER.

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

ATTY. DEMPSEY: So moved.

MR. PERRY: Second.

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MR. ROGAN: On the question? All those in favor signify by saying aye.

MR. PERRY: Aye.

ATTY. DEMPSEY: Aye.

MR. ROGAN: The ayes have it and so moved.

MS. REED: 5-D. FOR INTRODUCTION -AN ORDINANCE - AMENDING FILE OF THE COUNCIL. NO. 43, 2018, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING FILE OF THE COUNCIL NO. 100, 1976, ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE (AS AMENDED) LEVYING GENERAL AND SPECIAL TAXES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 1977", BY SETTING THE MILLAGE FOR THE YEAR 2020 AND THE SAME SHALL REMAIN IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT ANNUALLY THEREAFTER" BY AMENDING SECTION 1 REVERTING BACK TO THE MILLAGE RATES FROM 2016 WHICH ARE .232521 MILLS LEVY ON LAND AND .050564 MILLS LEVY ON ALL BUILDINGS AND BY ELIMINATING THE DEDICATED MILLAGE FOR DEBT SERVICE CONTAINED IN SECTION 2 AND REPLACING THE DEDICATED MILLAGE FOR DEBT SERVICE WITH A DEDICATED DEBT PERCENTAGE OF 33% OF REAL ESTATE TAX REVENUES COLLECTED ON A CURRENT YEAR BASIS.

MR. ROGAN: At this time I'll entertain a motion that Item 5-D be introduced

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into its proper committee.

ATTY. DEMPSEY: So moved.

MR. PERRY: Second.

MR. ROGAN: On the question? All those in favor signify by saying aye.

MR. PERRY: Aye.

ATTY. DEMPSEY: Aye.

MR. ROGAN: The ayes have it and so moved.

MS. REED: 5-E. FOR INTRODUCTION -AN ORDINANCE - AMENDING FILE OF THE COUNCIL NO. 147, 1986, ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE GENERAL REVENUE BY IMPOSING A TAX AT THE RATE OF TWO (2) MILLS UPON THE PRIVILEGE OF OPERATING OR CONDUCTING BUSINESS IN THE CITY OF SCRANTON AS MEASURED BY THE GROSS RECEIPTS THEREFROM; REQUIRING REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT OF THE TAX AS CONDITION TO THE CONDUCTING OF SUCH BUSINESS; PROVIDING FOR THE LEVY AND COLLECTION OF SUCH TAX; PRESCRIBING SUCH REQUIREMENTS FOR RETURNS AND RECORDS; CONFERRING POWERS AND DUTIES UPON THE TAX COLLECTOR; AND IMPOSING PENALTIES", BY IMPOSING THE BUSINESS PRIVILEGE TAX AT THE RATE OF ONE (1) MILL (.001) FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2020 AND THE

SAME SHALL REMAIN IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT 1 ANNUALLY THEREAFTER. 2 3 MR. ROGAN: At this time I'll entertain a motion that Item 5-E be introduced 4 5 into its proper committee. ATTY. DEMPSEY: So moved. 6 Second. 7 MR. PERRY: 8 MR. ROGAN: On the question? A11 9 those in favor signify by saying aye. MR. PERRY: Aye. 10 11 ATTY. DEMPSEY: Aye. 12 MR. ROGAN: Aye. Opposed? The ayes 13 have it and so moved. 14 MS. REED: 5-F. FOR INTRODUCTION -AN ORDINANCE - AMENDING FILE OF THE COUNCIL 15 16 NO. 148, 1986, ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING 17 FILE OF THE COUNCIL NO. 98, 1976 AS AMENDED, 18 AND IMPOSING A MERCANTILE LICENSE TAX OF 2 MILLS FOR THE YEAR 1987 AND ANNUALLY THEREAFTER 19 UPON PERSONS ENGAGING IN CERTAIN OCCUPATIONS 20 21 AND BUSINESSES THEREIN; PROVIDING FOR ITS LEVY 22 AND COLLECTION AND FOR THE ISSUANCE OF 23 MERCANTILE LICENSES: CONFERRING AND IMPOSING 24 POWERS AND DUTIES UPON THE TAX COLLECTOR OF THE 25 CITY OF SCRANTON: AND IMPOSING PENALTIES

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 1987", BY IMPOSING THE 1 MERCANTILE LICENSE TAX AT ONE (1) MILL (.001) 2 FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2020 AND THE SAME SHALL 3 4 REMAIN IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT ANNUALLY 5 THEREAFTER. MR. ROGAN: At this time I'll 6 entertain a motion that Item 5-F be introduced 7 8 into its proper committee. 9 ATTY. DEMPSEY: So moved. 10 MR. PERRY: Second. 11 MR. ROGAN: On the question? A11 12 those in favor signify by saying aye. MR. PERRY: Aye. 13 14 ATTY. DEMPSEY: Aye. 15 MR. ROGAN: Aye. Opposed? The ayes 16 have it and so moved. 17 MS. REED: 5-G. FOR INTRODUCTION -18 AN ORDINANCE - APPROVING THE TRANSFER OF A 19 RESTAURANT LIQUOR LICENSE OWNED BY KAYGEECEE, 20 INC. D/B/A J.J. BRIDGES, CURRENTLY IN SAFE 21 KEEPING WITH THE PENNSYLVANIA LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD FORMERLY USED AT 925 NORTHERN 22 23 BOULEVARD, SOUTH ABINGTON TOWNSHIP, 24 PENNSYLVANIA, 18411, FOR USE AT 100 NORTH 25 MAIN AVENUE, SCRANTON, LACKAWANNA COUNTY,

PENNSYLVANIA, 18504 AS REQUIRED BY THE 1 PENNSYLVANIA LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD. 2 3 MR. ROGAN: At this time I'll entertain a motion that Item 5-G be introduced 4 5 into its proper committee. ATTY. DEMPSEY: So moved. 6 Second. 7 MR. PERRY: MR. ROGAN: On the question? 8 A11 9 those in favor signify by saying aye. MR. PERRY: Aye. 10 11 ATTY. DEMPSEY: Aye. 12 MR. ROGAN: Aye. Opposed? The ayes 13 have it and so moved. 14 MS. REED: 5-H. FOR INTRODUCTION -A RESOLUTION - AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND 15 OTHER APPROPRIATE CITY OFFICIALS TO APPLY FOR 16 17 AND EXECUTE A GRANT APPLICATION BY THE CITY OF 18 SCRANTON TO THE PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF 19 COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SMALL WATER AND SEWER PROGRAM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$418,774.00 20 21 TO BE USED TO INSTALL NEW AND MORE EFFICIENT INLETS AND LARGER PIPES TO ADEQUATELY CONVEY 22 23 THE RUNOFF ON BRIGGS STREET TO KEYSER CREEK, 24 ITS ORIGINAL OUTLET POINT. 25 MR. ROGAN: At this time I'll

1 entertain a motion that Item 5-H be introduced 2 into its proper committee. 3 ATTY. DEMPSEY: So moved. MR. PERRY: Second. 4 MR. ROGAN: On the question? 5 A11 those in favor signify by saying aye. 6 MR. PERRY: Aye. 7 8 ATTY. DEMPSEY: Aye. 9 MR. ROGAN: Aye. Opposed? The ayes 10 have it and so moved. MS. REED: 5-I. FOR INTRODUCTION -11 12 A RESOLUTION - AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND OTHER APPROPRIATE CITY OFFICIALS TO APPLY FOR 13 14 AND EXECUTE A GRANT APPLICATION BY THE CITY OF SCRANTON TO THE PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF 15 COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SMALL WATER 16 17 AND SEWER PROGRAM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$179,575.00 18 TO BE USED TO REPLACE EXISTING STORM ARCH STRUCTURE WITH A NEW CONCRETE ARCH STRUCTURE ON 19 BLOOM AVENUE. 20 21 MR. ROGAN: At this time I'll 22 entertain a motion that Item 5-I be introduced 23 into its proper committee. 24 ATTY. DEMPSEY: So moved. 25 MR. PERRY: Second.

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MR. ROGAN: On the question? All those in favor signify by saying aye.

MR. PERRY: Aye.

ATTY. DEMPSEY: Aye.

MR. ROGAN: Aye. Opposed? The ayes have it and so moved.

MS. REED: SIXTH ORDER. READING BY TITLE - FILE OF THE COUNCIL NO. 79, 2019 - AN ORDINANCE - AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A TAX AND REVENUE ANTICIPATION NOTE, SERIES OF 2020 IN THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$12,750,000; PROVIDING FOR THE DATED DATE, INTEREST RATE, MATURITY DATE, REDEMPTION PROVISIONS, PAYMENT AND PLACE OF PAYMENT IN RESPECT OF THE NOTE; ACCEPTING THE PROPOSAL ATTACHED HERETO AS EXHIBIT "B" FROM THE FINANCIAL INSTITUTION NAMED THEREIN FOR THE PURCHASE OF THE NOTE; NAMING A SINKING FUND DEPOSITARY/PAYING AGENT; AUTHORIZING THE PROPER OFFICERS OF THE CITY TO EXECUTE AND DELIVER THE NOTE AND CERTAIN OTHER DOCUMENTS AND CERTIFICATES IN CONNECTION THEREWITH: AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE PREPARATION, CERTIFICATION AND FILING OF THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF

1	COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OF THE
2	COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA; SETTING FORTH A
3	FORM OF THE NOTE.
4	MR. ROGAN: You've heard reading by
5	title of Item 6-A. What is your pleasure?
6	MR. PERRY: I move that Item 6-A
7	pass reading by title.
8	ATTY. DEMPSEY: Second.
9	MR. ROGAN: On the question? All
10	those in favor signify by saying aye.
11	MR. PERRY: Aye.
12	ATTY. DEMPSEY: Aye.
13	MR. ROGAN: Aye. Opposed? The ayes
14	have it and so moved.
15	MS. REED: SEVENTH ORDER. 7-A. FOR
16	CONSIDERATION BY THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC
17	SAFETY - FOR ADOPTION - RESOLUTION NO. 193,
18	2019 - ACCEPTING A ONE THOUSAND (\$1,000.00)
19	DOLLAR DONATION FROM BRIDON AMERICAN GIVEN TO
20	THE CITY OF SCRANTON POLICE DEPARTMENT SPECIAL
21	OPERATIONS GROUP.
22	MR. ROGAN: What is the
23	recommendation of the Chair for the Committee
24	on Public Safety?
25	MR. PERRY: As Chairperson for the

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1	Committee on Public Safety, I recommend final
2	passage of Item 7-A.
3	ATTY. DEMPSEY: Second.
4	MR. ROGAN: On the question? Roll
5	call, please.
6	MS. REED: Mr. Perry.
7	MR. PERRY: Yes.
8	MS. REED: Attorney Dempsey.
9	ATTY. DEMPSEY: Yes.
10	MS. REED: Mr. Rogan.
11	MR. ROGAN: Yes. I hereby declare
12	Item 7-A legally and lawfully adopted.
13	MS. REED: 7-B. FOR CONSIDERATION
14	BY THE COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT -
15	FOR ADOPTION - RESOLUTION NO. 194, 2019 -
16	ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE HISTORICAL
17	ARCHITECTURE REVIEW BOARD ("HARB") AND
18	APPROVING THE CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS
19	FOR CHARLES JEFFERSON, 2030 TILGHMAN STREET,
20	SUITE 203, ALLENTOWN, PA 18104 FOR THE
21	FOLLOWING ALTERATIONS, RESTORATIONS AND
22	RENOVATIONS TO TRIM AND DECORATIVE WOODWORK,
23	SIDING AND MASONRY, WINDOWS, DOORS, AND
24	ASSOCIATED HARDWARE, LIGHT FIXTURES AND
25	DEMOLITION AT SCRANTON-SPRUCE, LP, 200 ADAMS

1	AVENUE, SCRANTON, PA 18503 THE FORMER STOEHR
2	AND FISTER BUILDING.
3	MR. ROGAN: What is recommendation
4	of the Chair for the Committee on Community
5	Development?
6	ATTY. DEMPSEY: As temporary
7	Chairperson for the Committee on Community
8	Development, I recommend final passage of Item
9	7 - B .
10	MR. PERRY: Second.
11	MR. ROGAN: On the question? Roll
12	call, please.
13	MS. REED: Mr. Perry.
14	MR. PERRY: Yes.
15	MS. REED: Attorney Dempsey.
16	ATTY. DEMPSEY: Yes.
17	MS. REED: Mr. Rogan.
18	MR. ROGAN: Yes. I hereby declare
19	Item 7-B legally and lawfully adopted.
20	If there is no further business,
21	I'll entertain a motion to adjourn.
22	ATTY. DEMPSEY: Motion to adjourn.
23	MR. ROGAN: This meeting's
24	adjourned.
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