

**Dan Kaman called the meeting to order** at 5 p.m. after the **Invocation**, given by Diedre Cole, and the **Pledge of Allegiance**.

The clerk called **the roll** and the following Commissioners responded: Diedre Cole, Pervis Brown, Dan Kaman, John Hamilton, Dick Brady, Julie Farrar and Dave Waddington.

**City staff present:** Todd Roth – Engineer, Jim Lang – Interim Police Chief, Paul Ricci – Fire Chief, Carrie Handy – Planner, Scott Miller – General Services Director, Tom Whitted – IT Manager, Don Icsman – Law Director & Acting City Manager, Hank Solowiej – Finance Director and Kelly Kresser – Commission Clerk.

Dan Kaman welcomed Commissioners-Elect Keith Grohe, Wesley Poole and Jeff Smith.

**Upon motion of Pervis Brown and second of Dave Waddington, the commission voted to approve the minutes of the October 24, 2011 meeting and dispensed with the oral reading. The President declared the motion passed.**

#### **AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION** (*agenda items only*)

Tim Schwanger, 362 Sheffield Way, asked if the amount of CDBG funding has been earmarked as the total amount has gone from \$60,000± to \$48,000 with the lower bid cost for Item #4.

Dan Kaman thanked the restaurant sponsors for the **2011 Pride Results in Desirable Environments (P.R.I.D.E.) awards**: Mr. Smith's Coffee House, J. Bistro, East Side Café, The Krunchie Pickle, Berardi's Family Kitchen, The Lunch Box, Mama B's, Port Sandusky, The Better Half & Joe Sundae and The Water Street Grille. Dan Kaman then introduced the 2011 PRIDE award winners and presented each with a plaque and a gift certificate: Yolanda Webb, 526 Meigs Street, Sandra Hamilton, 1205 Ogontz Street, Terry Payton, 909 Hancock Street, Barbara Pitsenbarger, 1312 Columbus Avenue, Russell & Linda Layton, 1014 Vine Street, Jeffrey Elchert, 1002 Carr Street, Martha Williamson, 1725 Buchanan Street, Hap Rogers & Monica Romes, 1416 West Jefferson Street, William & Barbara Werner, 122 44<sup>th</sup> Street, Lorenzo Hood, 1966 East Oldgate and Donald & Sherrie Waddington for Port Sandusky Restaurant, 325 Market Street.

**Upon motion of Dave Waddington and second of Julie Farrar, the commission voted to hold an executive session regarding the purchase and sale of water. Roll call on the motion: Yeas: Diedre Cole, Pervis Brown, Dan Kaman, John Hamilton, Dick Brady, Julie Farrar and Dave Waddington, 7. The President declared the motion passed.**

**The commission adjourned and entered into an executive session at 5:10 p.m. At 5:45 p.m., upon motion of Diedre Cole and second of Pervis Brown, the commission voted to return to open session. The President declared the motion passed.**

#### **CURRENT BUSINESS**

**Upon motion of Diedre Cole and second of Dave Waddington, the commission voted to accept all communications. The President declared the motion passed.**

#### **INTRODUCED 11.14.11**

**ORDINANCE NO. 11-106:** It is requested an Ordinance be passed **authorizing the commencement of negotiations with the Northern Ohio Rural Water of Norwalk, Ohio, a regional water district, relating to the sale and distribution of surplus water and connection to storage tanks and distribution facilities owned and/or operated by Northern Ohio Rural Water of Norwalk, Ohio;** and declaring an emergency.

**Upon motion of Dave Waddington and second of Pervis Brown, the commission voted to adopt this Ordinance under suspension of the rules and in accordance with Section 14 of the city charter.**

*Discussion:* Julie Farrar said she is in favor of this ordinance as Sandusky's water plant was designed and built to sell water to residents, businesses and the entire region. Dick Brady said every township and municipality in the county is struggling with issues of revenues and expenses. He said Sandusky is blessed by the fact that our forefathers built sewer and water plants and it is incumbent to increase water and sewer sales and the city commission intends to meet this obligation. Dave Waddington said

currently the sale of water - by Sandusky - is restricted. He said the revenue from new water sales will be unrestricted and can be utilized for any purpose(s) determined by the city.

**Roll call on the motion: Yeas: Diedre Cole, Pervis Brown, Dan Kaman, John Hamilton, Dick Brady, Julie Farrar and Dave Waddington, 7. The President declared the motion passed. Roll call on the Ordinance: Yeas: Diedre Cole, Pervis Brown, Dan Kaman, John Hamilton, Dick Brady, Julie Farrar and Dave Waddington, 7. The President declared the Ordinance passed.**

**ITEM #1 – Submitted by Amanda Meyers, Paralegal**

**Budgetary Information:** The cost associated with the request for proposals is the total amount of administrative staff time for preparation and fees for newspaper publication.

**ORDINANCE NO. 11-107:** It is requested an Ordinance be passed **declaring that certain real property acquired through the city's land reutilization program and owned by the city identified as parcel #58-01506.000 located at 2026 Shelby Street, Parcel #56-00475.000 located at 821 First Street and Parcel #57-00945.000 located at 1631 Campbell Street, are no longer needed for any municipal purpose and authorizing and directing the city manager to proceed with a request for proposals process for the sale of property;** and declaring that this ordinance take immediate effect in accordance with Section 14 of the city charter.

**Upon motion of Diedre Cole and second of Dave Waddington, the commission voted to adopt this Ordinance under suspension of the rules and in accordance with Section 14 of the city charter.**

*Discussion:* Dan Kaman said he will abstain from the vote as he owns property next to 1631 Campbell Street.

**Roll call on the motion: Yeas: Diedre Cole, Pervis Brown, John Hamilton, Dick Brady, Julie Farrar and Dave Waddington, 6. Abstain: Dan Kaman, 1. The President declared the motion passed. Roll call on the Ordinance: Yeas: Diedre Cole, Pervis Brown, John Hamilton, Dick Brady, Julie Farrar and Dave Waddington, 6. Abstain: Dan Kaman, 1. The President declared the Ordinance passed.**

**ITEM #2 – Submitted by Amanda Meyers, Paralegal**

**Budgetary Information:** The cost of the acquisition of 1306 Clinton Street, 910 Central Avenue and 1309 Pearl Street includes only the administrative staff time necessary for acquisition and transfer fees, if any. The city will recoup these costs upon sale. The cost of acquisition of 1815 Hayes Avenue will be approximately five hundred dollars (\$500) in title fees and closing costs which will be paid out of the land reutilization account utilizing proceeds from previous sales of land bank property. The acquisition fees will be recouped upon sale of the property; however, demolition of the structure will be paid for with CDBG funds and will not be recouped. The taxing districts will not collect the delinquent taxes, assessments, penalties and interest currently due and owing in the amount of \$65,947.68 whether the city accepts the property or not. However, if the city would not accept the parcels into its land reutilization program and the properties were forfeited to the State of Ohio, the property would be exempt from taxation and the city would not be able to assess the property and recoup the costs of mowing and maintenance. By returning this abandoned nonproductive land to tax producing status, the taxing districts will begin collecting approximately \$4,971.16 yearly in real estate taxes, which will eventually increase with rehabilitation and development of the property.

**RESOLUTION NO. 044-11R:** It is requested a Resolution be passed **approving and accepting certain real property for acquisition into the land reutilization program;** and declaring that this resolution shall take immediate effect in accordance with Section 14 of the city charter.

**Upon motion of Dave Waddington and second of Diedre Cole, the commission voted to adopt this Resolution under suspension of the rules and in accordance with Section 14 of the city charter. Roll call on the motion: Yeas: Diedre Cole, Pervis Brown, Dan Kaman, John Hamilton, Dick Brady, Julie Farrar and Dave Waddington, 7. The President declared the motion passed. Roll call on the Resolution: Yeas: Diedre Cole, Pervis Brown, Dan Kaman, John Hamilton, Dick Brady, Julie Farrar and Dave Waddington, 7. The President declared the Resolution passed.**

**ITEM #3 – Submitted by Todd J. Roth, P.E., P.S.**

**Budgetary Information:** The additional 1 ton of potassium permanganate will cost \$4,020 which will be taken out of the operating budget for the water plant.

**ORDINANCE NO. 11-108:** It is requested an Ordinance be passed **authorizing and directing the city manager to purchase an additional 1 ton, more or less, of potassium permanganate from Marubeni Specialty Chemicals of Tampa, Florida, for use at the Big Island Water Works plant during the calendar**

year 2011; and declaring that this ordinance shall take immediate effect in accordance with Section 14 of the city charter.

**Upon motion of Pervis Brown and second of Julie Farrar, the commission voted to adopt this Ordinance under suspension of the rules and in accordance with Section 14 of the city charter.**

*Discussion:* Dave Waddington said this purchase is a preventative measure due problems with the algal bloom.

**Roll call on the motion: Yeas: Diedre Cole, Pervis Brown, Dan Kaman, John Hamilton, Dick Brady, Julie Farrar and Dave Waddington, 7. The President declared the motion passed. Roll call on the Ordinance: Yeas: Diedre Cole, Pervis Brown, Dan Kaman, John Hamilton, Dick Brady, Julie Farrar and Dave Waddington, 7. The President declared the Ordinance passed.**

**ITEM #4 – Submitted by Todd J. Roth, P.E., P.S.**

**Budgetary Information:** The cost of the project based on bids, including engineering, inspection, advertising and miscellaneous costs is \$578,341.45. The Local Public Authority (LPA) project will be funded with Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) funds through the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) and the Erie County Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) in the amount of eighty percent (80%) of the eligible costs in the amount of \$462,673.16. The remaining 20% (city portion) of the project costs will be funded with \$48,542.64 from Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds and \$67,125.65 from the street fund.

**ORDINANCE NO. 11-109:** It is requested an Ordinance be passed **authorizing and directing the city manager to enter into a contract with Erie Blacktop, Inc., of Sandusky, Ohio, for the Cedar Point Drive improvement project;** and declaring that this ordinance shall take immediate effect in accordance with Section 14 of the city charter.

**Upon motion of Diedre Cole and second of Pervis Brown, the commission voted to adopt this Ordinance under suspension of the rules and in accordance with Section 14 of the city charter.**

*Discussion:* Dick Brady said he will continue voting in opposition to use CDBG money for blacktop. Julie Farrar asked about the CDBG funding for this item and Todd Roth said these funds have not yet been earmarked for another project or purpose. Pervis Brown said the CDBG portion has been reduced because of the total bid amount.

**Roll call on the motion: Yeas: Diedre Cole, Pervis Brown, Dan Kaman, John Hamilton, Julie Farrar and Dave Waddington, 6. Nays: Dick Brady, 1. The President declared the motion passed. Roll call on the Ordinance: Yeas: Diedre Cole, Pervis Brown, Dan Kaman, John Hamilton, Julie Farrar and Dave Waddington, 6. Nays: Dick Brady, 1. The President declared the Ordinance passed.**

**ITEM #5 – Submitted by Todd J. Roth, P.E., P.S.**

**Budgetary Information:** The city will collect an annual registration fee of fifty dollars (\$50) per vehicle for the purpose of inspection, administration and enforcement of Chapter 955. One half of the permit fees collected will be paid by the city to the Board of Health for providing bulky and solid waste vehicle inspection services.

**RESOLUTION NO. 045-11R:** It is requested a Resolution be passed **authorizing the city manager to enter into a contract for services with the Erie County General Health District Board of Health for bulky and solid waste vehicle inspection services;** and declaring that this resolution shall take immediate effect in accordance with Section 14 of the city charter.

**Upon motion of Pervis Brown and second of Dave Waddington, the commission voted to adopt this Resolution under suspension of the rules and in accordance with Section 14 of the city charter. Roll call on the motion: Yeas: Diedre Cole, Pervis Brown, Dan Kaman, John Hamilton, Dick Brady, Julie Farrar and Dave Waddington, 7. The President declared the motion passed. Roll call on the Resolution: Yeas: Diedre Cole, Pervis Brown, Dan Kaman, John Hamilton, Dick Brady, Julie Farrar and Dave Waddington, 7. The President declared the Resolution passed.**

**ITEM #6 – Submitted by Todd J. Roth, P.E., P.S.**

**Budgetary Information:** There is expected to be no significant impact on the general fund. The U.S. EPA Assessment grants require no matching dollars. The grant applications will be prepared by a combination of staff and consultants – TRC and Haag Environmental – efforts. TRC is assisting free of charge and Haag Environmental will be paid with funds from the engineering department's operating

budget.

**RESOLUTION NO. 046-11R:** It is requested a Resolution be **passed authorizing the filing of applications with the United States Environmental Protection Agency for the FY 2012 Brownfields Assessment grants**; and declaring that this resolution shall take immediate effect in accordance with Section 14 of the city charter.

**Upon motion of Julie Farrar and second of Dave Waddington, the commission voted to adopt this Resolution under suspension of the rules and in accordance with Section 14 of the city charter.**

*Discussion:* Pervis Brown asked the total amount to be paid from the engineering budget is expected to be and Todd Roth said this will cost \$110,000.

**Roll call on the motion: Yeas: Diedre Cole, Pervis Brown, Dan Kaman, John Hamilton, Dick Brady, Julie Farrar and Dave Waddington, 7. The President declared the motion passed. Roll call on the Resolution: Yeas: Diedre Cole, Pervis Brown, Dan Kaman, John Hamilton, Dick Brady, Julie Farrar and Dave Waddington, 7. The President declared the Resolution passed.**

**ITEM #7 – Submitted by Hank S. Solowiej, CPA, Finance Director**

**Budgetary Information:** There would be an estimated savings of up to 16% for these electric accounts. The savings over 12 months is estimated to be greater than \$83,000. This savings is larger than the city residential and small commercial accounts aggregation program administered by AMP Ohio which provides a savings of 3%. Programs like these are available to larger users with usage greater than 700,000 kWh per year.

**ORDINANCE NO. 11-110:** It is requested an Ordinance be passed **approving a pricing schedule addendum to the agreement with FirstEnergy Solutions, substantially in the same form attached, for electric service for the city's largest accounts located in the City of Sandusky for the period of June, 2012 to June, 2013**; and declaring that this ordinance shall take immediate effect in accordance with Section 14 of the city charter.

**Upon motion of Dave Waddington and second of Diedre Cole, the commission voted to adopt this Ordinance under suspension of the rules and in accordance with Section 14 of the city charter. Roll call on the motion: Yeas: Diedre Cole, Pervis Brown, Dan Kaman, John Hamilton, Dick Brady, Julie Farrar and Dave Waddington, 7. The President declared the motion passed. Roll call on the Ordinance: Yeas: Diedre Cole, Pervis Brown, Dan Kaman, John Hamilton, Dick Brady, Julie Farrar and Dave Waddington, 7. The President declared the Ordinance passed.**

**ITEM #8 – Submitted by James Lang, Interim Police Chief**

**Budgetary Information:** The total amount of this expenditure is \$13,775. The funds for this expenditure are budgeted for in the 2011 police operating budget, account #110 1020 530 00.

**ORDINANCE NO. 11-111:** It is requested an Ordinance be passed **authorizing and directing payment to TAC Computer, Inc., of Oakwood, Ohio, for the annual maintenance fee for the period April 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012**; and declaring that this ordinance shall take immediate effect in accordance with Section 14 of the city charter.

**Upon motion of John Hamilton and second of Julie Farrar, the commission voted to adopt this Ordinance under suspension of the rules and in accordance with Section 14 of the city charter.**

*Discussion:* Dick Brady said this invoice is not delinquent; rather, the city has been working with the vendor since its receipt. Jim Lang said the problems have been taken care of and is the reason why the city is now paying/processing the invoice.

**Roll call on the motion: Yeas: Diedre Cole, Pervis Brown, Dan Kaman, John Hamilton, Dick Brady, Julie Farrar and Dave Waddington, 7. The President declared the motion passed. Roll call on the Ordinance: Yeas: Diedre Cole, Pervis Brown, Dan Kaman, John Hamilton, Dick Brady, Julie Farrar and Dave Waddington, 7. The President declared the Ordinance passed.**

**ITEM #9 – Submitted by James Lang, Interim Police Chief**

**Budgetary Information:** The total amount of this expenditure is \$16,961.47. The funds for this expenditure are budgeted for in our 2011 police operating budget, account #110 1020 530 00. The replacement cost is \$9,342.22 and the maintenance cost is \$7,619.25.

**ORDINANCE NO. 11-112:** It is requested an Ordinance be passed **authorizing payment for replacement and maintenance costs pursuant to the 9-1-1 agreement between the City of Sandusky and Erie**

**County;** and declaring that this ordinance shall take immediate effect in accordance with Section 14 of the city charter.

**Upon motion of Dick Brady and second of Julie Farrar, the commission voted to adopt this Ordinance under suspension of the rules and in accordance with Section 14 of the city charter. Roll call on the motion: Yeas: Diedre Cole, Pervis Brown, Dan Kaman, John Hamilton, Dick Brady, Julie Farrar and Dave Waddington, 7. The President declared the motion passed. Roll call on the Ordinance: Yeas: Diedre Cole, Pervis Brown, Dan Kaman, John Hamilton, Dick Brady, Julie Farrar and Dave Waddington, 7. The President declared the Ordinance passed.**

**ITEM #10 - Submitted by Kelly L. Kresser, Clerk of the Commission**

A notice has been submitted to the City of Sandusky from the Ohio Division of Liquor Control, requesting a liquor permit transfer from Clay Distributing Co. dba Friendship Food Store #84 to Beck Suppliers, Inc. dba Friendship Food Store #84 Units B & C, 1318 Cleveland Road, Sandusky. It is requested the clerk notify the Ohio Division of Liquor Control the city has no objections to this request.

**Upon motion of Dave Waddington and second of Julie Farrar, the commission voted to request the clerk of the city commission to notify the Ohio Division of Liquor Control the city has no objections to this request. Roll call on the motion: Yeas: Diedre Cole, Pervis Brown, Dan Kaman, John Hamilton, Dick Brady, Julie Farrar and Dave Waddington, 7. The President declared the motion passed.**

**ITEM #11 - Submitted by Kelly L. Kresser, Clerk of the Commission**

A notice has been submitted to the City of Sandusky from the Ohio Division of Liquor Control, requesting a new D5J (Community Entertainment District) liquor permit for HDT Operating Company LLC dba Hot Dog Tony's, 115 – 117 West Water Street, Sandusky. It is requested the clerk notify the Ohio Division of Liquor Control the city has no objections to this request.

**Upon motion of Julie Farrar and second of Diedre Cole, the commission voted to request the clerk of the city commission to notify the Ohio Division of Liquor Control the city has no objections to this request.**

*Discussion:* Dan Kaman said this will be a great addition to the downtown.

**Roll call on the motion: Yeas: Diedre Cole, Pervis Brown, Dan Kaman, John Hamilton, Dick Brady, Julie Farrar and Dave Waddington, 7. The President declared the motion passed.**

**CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

**Upon motion of Dave Waddington and second of Pervis Brown, the commission voted to accept a donation in the amount of \$30 from Pierre and Anne Vanraepenbusch to the Friends of the Greenhouse fund (Acct. #863 3483 485 00). The President declared the motion passed.**

**Upon motion of Diedre Cole and second of Pervis Brown, the commission voted to accept a donation in the amount of \$357 from Diane Dearmond-Akers on behalf of the Sandusky Quarter Mania (Sandusky Eagles Club) to the police department's trust fund for the "Shop with a Cop" program (Acct. #863 1010 485 00). The President declared the motion passed.**

**Upon motion of Diedre Cole and second of Pervis Brown, the commission voted to accept a donation in the amount of \$100 from the Erie Township Volunteer Fire Department in memory of Jean Wimmer to the Fire Department's trust fund (Acct. #863 1310 485 00). The President declared the motion passed.**

**Upon motion of Diedre Cole and second of Dave Waddington, the commission voted to accept a donation in the amount of \$20,000 from an anonymous donor to be used for the abatement of asbestos and demolition of two condemned houses. The President declared the motion passed.**

Don Icsman said the city received a complimentary letter from Muirwood Village Management for the wonderful job done by the city's water department in installing new meters on each of the buildings at Muirwood Village. He said Muirwood Village Management also provided gift cards to the employees in the water department who, in turn, donated them (8 - \$50 cards) to the city employee Christmas luncheon.

Don Icsman provided a written update from Paul Ricci and Todd Roth regarding **progress made at the Sandusky Cabinets property.**

Don Icsman said he received a letter from Ralph Chamberlain, executive director of Erie Metro Housing Authority (EMHA), regarding **the reappointment of Julie Farrar to the EMHA board.** Don Icsman said he will be reappointing Julie Farrar to this board, according to state law.

Jim Lang said the **ICMA comprehensive analysis** recommended the SPD policies and procedures be reviewed and to date, 19 of the 54 policies have been reviewed and are completed. He said this is a lengthy process and is being actively worked upon.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

Dave Waddington said the **solar panels for the greenhouse**, which cost \$137,000 and were partially paid for by grant money, have now been working for one year and the city received approximately six months worth of free electricity at this facility because of them. He said this was a great project. Hank Solowiej said the greenhouse is a hidden jewel which was almost shut down, but the city is now celebrating its rebirth. Dave Waddington said the city previously considered closing this facility and is thrilled about the way it has turned out.

Diedre Cole said the **Safe Routes to School** grant information will be forthcoming next month. She said Wesley Poole was previously appointed to serve on this committee and will need to be replaced by another citizen due to his being elected as a city commissioner.

Dave Waddington said the Friends of Pipe Creek volunteers worked at **Lions Park beach** this past weekend to clean up debris. He said Erie County Commissioner Pat Shenigo and Bob Kreimes came out to help with their Bobcats. He said the improvement project for the park was competitively bid and hopes work will begin soon. He is excited about the project for the future. Dan Kaman said this project is being funded through grant money and more grants are now available for parks and recreation than for police departments.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

**Upon motion of Dave Waddington and second of Pervis Brown, the commission voted to hold an executive session regarding collective bargaining. Roll call on the motion: Yeas: Diedre Cole, Pervis Brown, Dan Kaman, John Hamilton, Dick Brady, Julie Farrar and Dave Waddington, 7. The President declared the motion passed.**

**Upon motion of John Hamilton and second of Pervis Brown, the commission voted to hold an executive session regarding personnel, city manager. Roll call on the motion: Yeas: Diedre Cole, Pervis Brown, Dan Kaman, John Hamilton, Dick Brady, Julie Farrar and Dave Waddington, 7. The President declared the motion passed.**

**Upon motion of Pervis Brown and second of Dave Waddington, the commission voted to hold an executive session regarding personnel, police department. Roll call on the motion: Yeas: Diedre Cole, Pervis Brown, Dan Kaman, John Hamilton, Dick Brady, Julie Farrar and Dave Waddington, 7. The President declared the motion passed.**

**Upon motion of Pervis Brown and second of Dave Waddington, the commission voted to hold an executive session regarding pending litigation. Roll call on the motion: Yeas: Diedre Cole, Pervis Brown, Dan Kaman, John Hamilton, Dick Brady, Julie Farrar and Dave Waddington, 7. The President declared the motion passed.**

**Upon motion of Pervis Brown and second of Dave Waddington, the commission voted to hold an executive session regarding pending litigation. Roll call on the motion: Yeas: Diedre Cole, Pervis Brown, Dan Kaman, John Hamilton, Dick Brady, Julie Farrar and Dave Waddington, 7. The President declared the motion passed.**

**Upon motion of Pervis Brown and second of Julie Farrar, the commission voted to hold an executive session regarding pending litigation. Roll call on the motion: Yeas: Diedre Cole, Pervis Brown, Dan Kaman, John Hamilton, Dick Brady, Julie Farrar and Dave Waddington, 7. The President declared the motion passed.**

Under **Audience Participation**, the following persons offered their comments:

Gary Guendelsberger, 726 Walnut Ridge Lane, complimented the city for selling the street sweeper on [www.govdeals.com](http://www.govdeals.com) for \$7,025 (was initially told the city may only get \$3,000 – 5,000). He asked if crack sealing is included in the bid price for the Cedar Point Drive and Columbus Avenue projects and Todd Roth said it is not. Gary Guendelsberger asked about ownership of the pier track which was previously on the unfinished business list but now shows it is completed; he asked if anyone knows who owns the pier track. Dan Kaman said there are seven people claiming ownership. Gary Guendelsberger asked about the progress regarding enforcement of the commercial industrial property code. Todd Roth said the city is pursuing properties and requesting plans from the property owners to address violations. Gary Guendelsberger asked the status of the Keller Building development and Don Icsman said Mr. Fortin is still working with the city's attorney. Don Icsman said there are issues of ownership with the pier track but the city could not amicably resolve the claims. Gary Guendelsberger asked if a workshop will be held regarding the solid waste ordinance and Diedre Cole said she believes the situation has resolved itself, but she will confirm this with Don Icsman and Todd Roth.

Sharon Johnson, 1139 Fifth Street, asked if collective bargaining has begun and Dan Kaman said this will begin soon. She asked what the first executive session was for this evening and Dan Kaman said the city approved beginning negotiations with Rural Water Authority. Sharon Johnson asked about the package deal presented for the city manager and Dan Kaman said the city is working through negotiating this.

Andy Ouriel, Sandusky Register, asked if there was formal offer submitted for the new city manager and Dick Brady said an update will be received tonight, but he does not know the results of the negotiations. He said negotiations are at the will of the law department and are not performed by the city commission. Dan Kaman said the law department has passed this along to Marc Fishel. Andy Ouriel asked the latest progress about regional dispatching with Erie County. Paul Ricci said there have been discussions between the county and the city and in a short period of time, these discussions will be finalized. Andy Ouriel asked about the contract for Ohio Bike Week and Dan Kaman said he does not believe there is yet an agreement with Steve Ernst for this event. Andy Ouriel asked why the city wants to sell water to another entity and Dan Kaman said the more water the city sells, the lower the cost for everyone in the region. He said part of the agreement with Erie County provided that the county would sell 500,000 gallons more water, but they have not yet done this and the city has a customer who is willing to purchase it. Andy Ouriel asked if there is a cost for the city and Dan Kaman said this will be part of the negotiations.

Dennis Timple, 553 Bimini Drive, thanked the Sandusky Register for their coverage on the new family resource center. He said Holy Angels Church will host a Thanksgiving dinner from 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. and the Church of the Nazarene will host one from 1 p.m. – 4 p.m. on Thanksgiving Day.

Tim Schwanger, Save Our Shoreline Parks, 362 Sheffield Way, said work began at the Lions Park beach three weeks ago and thanked Dick Brady for lining up use of the Bobcats this past weekend. He said an Eagle Scout has been working at the foot of Mills Street planting trees and shrubs and cleaning up the area.

Dan Kaman said the **Christmas Lighting Ceremony** will take place on Friday, November 25 beginning at 6 p.m.

**At 6:30 p.m., Dan Kaman announced adjournment. Six executive sessions were held beginning at 6:35 p.m. At 8:15 p.m., Dan Kaman announced adjournment.**

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Kelly L. Kresser  
Clerk of the City Commission

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Daniel J. Kaman  
President of the City Commission