

1 OLD FORGE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING

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3 Old Forge Borough Building  
4 314 South Main Street  
5 Old Forge, Pennsylvania

6 Tuesday, July 18, 2017

7 7:00 p.m.

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9 MEMBERS PRESENT: ROBERT SEMENZA, CHAIRPERSON  
10 JOSEPH FERRETT, COUNCIL MEMBER  
11 RUSSELL RINALDI, COUNCIL MEMBER  
12 RICHARD NOTARI, COUNCIL MEMBER  
13 JOSEPH LENCESKI, COUNCIL MEMBER  
14 LOU FEBBO, COUNCIL MEMBER

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16 ALSO PRESENT:

17 MARYLYNN BARTOLETTI - BOROUGH MANAGER  
18 WILLIAM RINALDI, ESQ.-SOLICITOR  
19 ROBERT MULKERIN, MAYOR  
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CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Welcome to Tuesday,  
July 18th Old Forge Borough Council Meeting. Start the  
meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

(Pledge of Allegiance.)

CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Roll call.

ATTORNEY RINALDI: Mr. Brown is absent.  
Mr. Notari.

MR. NOTARI: Present.

ATTORNEY RINALDI: Mr. Febbo.

MR. FEBBO: Here.

ATTORNEY RINALDI: Mr. Ferrett.

MR. FERRETT: Here.

ATTORNEY RINALDI: Mr. Rinaldi.

MR. RUSSEL RINALDI: Here.

ATTORNEY RINALDI: Mr. Lenceski.

MR. LENCESKI: Here.

CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: I'm going to do things  
a little different here tonight because I see the  
audience and I know what some of the concerns are.

So, at this point, I'm going to go right  
into public comment. I hate for everybody to be  
sitting here all night long and waiting to speak.

Chuck, you're first on my list.

1 MR. TERMINI: Chuck Termini.  
2 T-e-r-m-i-n-i. 738 Moosic Road. I'm actually here  
3 today in protest of that went on in Mariotti's, behind  
4 our homes.

5 We lived on 738 now for almost 20 years.  
6 And we have an empty lot behind us, as most of you who  
7 live here know. I put a message out in the middle of  
8 the night. My son coming home, took him over 40  
9 minutes to get home, which would typically, from the  
10 exit, getting off the exit.

11 And the reason being is that 11:30,  
12 12:00, 1:00 in the morning, Mariotti decided to let  
13 their property be used for this Camp Bisco four-day big  
14 concert event up at Montage, where it probably had  
15 close to a thousand cars in our back yards.

16 Just when I asked, I called into Marylynn  
17 here and Marylynn had no idea about it. When I saw  
18 Councilman Rinaldi and Semenza, asked them, did you  
19 know anything about it? Didn't know anything about  
20 it.

21 Nobody in this town knew anything about  
22 it. First off, they never got a permit to do that.  
23 Okay? If it was us, there's a noise ordinance. It's  
24 late at night.

25 They were bussing these people in 24

1 hours a day. They never got any kind of conditional  
2 use permit. They used that area as a staging area,  
3 traffic problems. I'm just going to give you a list of  
4 problems.

5 Environmental hazards. These people went  
6 to the bathroom out there. They were in our woods  
7 going to the bathroom. You had to worry about oil  
8 leaking into the ground from their cars, gas leaking in  
9 the ground from their cars.

10 They weren't supposed to sleep there and  
11 they weren't supposed to be there overnight. Yet, you  
12 had probably close to a thousand people out there for  
13 four days, coming and going 24 hours a day, bussing it  
14 in like it's some kind of project here in our town.

15 It's horrible. I got video. I can send  
16 it to everyone, if you'd like. I got video of every  
17 car. They're New York, New Jersey, California,  
18 Massachusettes.

19 They don't care about our town. We do.  
20 And we don't sell out for them to use a piece of land  
21 as a parking lot that's not even there for a parking  
22 lot.

23 Other than the environmental hazards, we  
24 had non-compliance. We had no compliance of any kind  
25 of noise ordinance. 3:00 in the morning, blasting

1 music out there.

2           They were told they weren't supposed to  
3 sleep out there. They were sleeping in the cars, on  
4 hoods, on the ground, trash everywhere.

5           7 in the morning -- I don't know if I'm  
6 allowed to say this. But, at 7 in the morning, they're  
7 waiting for buses yet because they were picked up from  
8 1:00 in the morning.

9           They were out there chanting, and we have  
10 video of it. And excuse my language. I won't say the  
11 word. They used the word, the four-letter word. F  
12 this shit. I have to tell you what it is. And they're  
13 out there chanting that until theses buses were able to  
14 get them out of there.

15           People roaming through our woods, walking  
16 up our streets. Let me just give you a couple things.  
17 They jeopardized our safety and our security.

18           We couldn't leave our kids out in our own  
19 backyard because I'm afraid, and I have an inground  
20 pool, worried about, A, them bathing in it, because  
21 that's what they do in the mountain, they bathe in it.  
22 It was all over the news last year.

23           And then our kids, our kids are not safe.  
24 I could not leave my kids to play out in that backyard.  
25 How do I know when these guys who are on hallucinogens

1 and everything else and every kind of drug you can  
2 imagine that are OD-ing and dying up there all weekend  
3 long, aren't going to be here in our town. They're  
4 still wandering around.

5 I still see people wandering around out  
6 there, up and down the streets that you never see here  
7 before. One guy was naked out in the parking lot,  
8 changing his clothes. We have video to show you.

9 You know, the cops were paid. They  
10 didn't know anything about it. Cops were out there.  
11 We were having to spend our tax dollars to sit there  
12 and secure it.

13 Moosic cops were out there. Neither  
14 police department knew a thing about it. At 1:00 in  
15 the morning, these guys tried to sneak these people in,  
16 in and out for 24 hours a day.

17 If nothing more, you know, I wanted to  
18 give you a couple excerpts from the paper. Here there  
19 was one guy, he was reported missing in our area here  
20 in Scranton.

21 He was missing for three days. He  
22 actually slept for three days. That's where he was.  
23 They found him. He slept for three days, because they  
24 also arrested another guy here that was through this  
25 area.

1               Several people from bringing hundreds and  
2 hundreds of pounds of hallucinogens into the area and  
3 drugs into the area for this stupid concert. I'm one  
4 for a concert, not against a concert.

5               But you know what, that stuff stays up  
6 there on the mountain, not in our town. If anything, I  
7 want to ask that you to pass an ordinance tonight that  
8 we don't have Peach Fest out there. We don't have  
9 anything else with Mariotti's property out there, doing  
10 this stuff illegally.

11              CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Chuck, as you know,  
12 you saw myself and Councilman Rinaldi out there.

13              MR. TERMINI: Yes, I did.

14              CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: I stayed there until  
15 the general manager of Live Nation to come down and  
16 speak with me personally.

17              He assured me that he had a contract,  
18 like, you know, with Mariotti's, that they were in  
19 hopes to have it done before the morning. Couldn't  
20 guarantee it.

21              He was being brutally honest with me. He  
22 told me that there would be a clean-up crew coming the  
23 day they leave, it will be cleaned up, which it has  
24 been. I'm sure you notice.

25              Our police force was not paid for by your



1 tax dollars. Our police force was paid for by Live  
2 Nation. They came in and we gave them a dollar amount.  
3 They paid us ex-amount of dollars for the police  
4 service in the Borough.

5 I don't know about Moosic or whatever.  
6 Just giving you some facts I know. Everything you  
7 said, I understand and I get. . And, you know, I don't  
8 want it in my backyard either.

9 As far as passing an ordinance tonight,  
10 it's not as easy as that. Councilman Lenceski has been  
11 researching over the past couple days, ordinances for  
12 mass gatherings.

13 We are going to look into it and do  
14 something like that. We don't want that kind of stuff  
15 happening again.

16 MR. TERMINI: I appreciate that.

17 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Over the past days,  
18 like I told the rest of the Council, I was down there  
19 quite a bit. I was in contact with the Mariotti's on a  
20 daily basis and, you know, just to make sure that  
21 everything was going, you know, to be done the right  
22 way, like clean up and whatever.

23 It was there. It happened. Boy, let me  
24 tell you something, I wish it didn't. I know you wish  
25 it didn't also.

1                   Our zoning officer had given them a  
2 verbal warning because, for a written warning, by the  
3 time they got it, it would have been over and done  
4 with.

5                   Steve, do you want to speak real quick on  
6 the verbal warning? You could.

7                   MR. BIERLYA: Yes. I contacted our  
8 solicitor because I had no idea that this was  
9 happening. It was Friday at quarter after 1 when I was  
10 notified.

11                   There was already a thousand cars there  
12 and hardly any people. Our solicitor and myself went  
13 over the ordinances. And it comes out that the permit  
14 from Mariotti's is for Mariotti Building Products.

15                   So, if Mariotti Building Products wishes  
16 to hold an auction on their site, they can, but it's  
17 not for public parking.

18                   And, so, I verbally, because written was  
19 kind of like useless, because it was going to be over  
20 and done with by Monday, I verbally told the Mariotti's  
21 that your permit is for your Mariotti Building  
22 Products, not Live Nation.

23                   So, no more mass parking unless you're  
24 holding something there for Mariotti Building Products.

25                   And he said it was the biggest mistake he

1 ever made. He didn't realize what was going on.

2 And I told him, I said, if it happens anymore, I says,  
3 you will be cited. But, at this time, I said, just to  
4 let you know, you couldn't do it.

5 And the other thing was that nobody was  
6 notified. That was an agreement between you and on the  
7 mountain. They were looking for places to park. I  
8 said, Rocky Glenn was gone.

9 And I said, you thought you were doing  
10 nothing. I said had -- from what I heard from the  
11 officers, had the transportation from Live Nation been  
12 down here in a manly time, you would have never known  
13 it happened.

14 But you had a thousand people waiting in  
15 line like a herd of cattle for two or three hours, and  
16 then got frustrated.

17 MR. TERMINI: They bus them in 24 hours a  
18 day, in and out. If they wanted to come back to their  
19 car, they come back to their car. It wasn't drop them  
20 off and leave them there.

21 MR. BIERLYA: Actually, it was once you  
22 got in your car and got out of the lot, you never came  
23 back.

24 According to Mariotti's, if their car  
25 pulled out, they never came back. I can't attest --

1 MR. TERMINI: That's what it is. They  
2 didn't pull out.

3 MR. BIERYLA: Was going back to get  
4 something and then take them back.

5 MR. TERMINI: Correct. The bus came and  
6 --

7 MR. STANO: Anthony Stano, 740 Moosic  
8 Road, his neighbor. And they were coming back and  
9 forth with busses all day and night long.

10 COURT REPORTER: One at a time, please.

11 MR. STANO: They didn't pull their car  
12 out. They slept in the car, on the hood. Got back in  
13 the bus and went back up.

14 They didn't pull the car out, but they  
15 were coming back and forth day and night. I'm a  
16 nightowl. I go to Walmart 3:00 in the morning to get a  
17 snack, and they are roaming the street.

18 And they had a guy on the corner with a  
19 big red thing, event parking with a big arm like that,  
20 at 3 in the morning, day and night.

21 He's not exaggerating. As a matter of  
22 fact, I think he's downplaying it.

23 MR. TERMINI: The thing I want to say is,  
24 it's horrible that nobody in this town knew it was  
25 going to happen.

1                   So, how sorry are people that this  
2 happened? Not us. I'm talking about them. I like the  
3 Mariotti people. I know Eugene and all them.

4                   But, you know what, you sneak people in  
5 at midnight, 1 in the morning and nobody in this town  
6 knows what's going on, that's --

7                   CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Chuck, the intention  
8 wasn't -- like I said, when I spoke to the G.M. of Live  
9 Nation, I mean, Councilman Rinaldi can attest to it, it  
10 wasn't that they were trying to sneak people in.

11                   What they were trying to do was, take  
12 them in at that point in time so there wasn't an  
13 inconvenience to the Borough in a daytime manner. You  
14 understand what I mean?

15                   MR. TERMINI: Okay.

16                   CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: When I did speak with  
17 Mike Mariotti, I know him for a long time, since we  
18 were children, he's very sorry that this and, you know,  
19 I mean, I'm sorry that it happened. You know, guys --

20                   MR. TERMINI: You guys can only do what  
21 you know about. You can't do anything if you don't  
22 know about it.

23                   CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Where is the Chief?  
24 Chief, what time did you find out about this happening?

25                   CHIEF DUBERNAS: When we were first

1 notified on Tuesday, they said it was only going to be  
2 an alternate lot, like, there might not even be cars  
3 there.

4 All of a sudden, on Wednesday afternoon,  
5 they said, no, it was a secondary lot and I'm  
6 scrambling to get cops to try to -- because of the  
7 residents.

8 Because they provide their own security  
9 and their own traffic. That's what they said, there  
10 was people with event parking.

11 They supplied all that. They only wanted  
12 our presence there. So, at 4:00 on a Wednesday  
13 afternoon, these guys are coming at midnight, and I'm  
14 scrambling to get cops to try to go there for at night  
15 and they end up paying the Borough for our services and  
16 our vehicles.

17 MR. TERMINI: I got to tell you one  
18 other, their security was two kids that probably don't  
19 even live around here, that travel with roadies with  
20 them all around.

21 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Out of New York State,  
22 City, I'm sorry.

23 MR. TERMINI: They weren't adults. They  
24 were young kids, standing at a gate, one kid at each  
25 gate. That was it. That's not security, on my part,

1 when there's hundreds of people who are using my  
2 backyard as their bathroom, our woods as their  
3 bathroom.

4 Their Arizona Ice Tea bottles were all  
5 over the place with urine in them. We have video of  
6 garbage and trash in our yards, everything along the  
7 lines.

8 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: I can tell you one  
9 thing, we're going to do our best to try to put an  
10 ordinance in place that will stop some stuff like this  
11 from happening Or at least control it a lot better.

12 MR. TERMINI: The other thing, Live  
13 Nation had it on their site now, all a sudden, Mariotti  
14 parking lot B or whatever it was called is on their  
15 website now. That's a place to park, on the Live  
16 Nation website.

17 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: I can almost, I'm not  
18 going to say I could speak for Michael Mariotti, but I  
19 could almost speak and say that --

20 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: You mean for future  
21 concerts?

22 MR. TERMINI: For this concert. That was  
23 an area, that's where you have to go. You have to  
24 report to this lot.

25 And now we made their Live Nation website

1 for a lot, a lot that's not a lot for them.

2 CHIEF DUBERNAS: They changed that on  
3 Wednesday afternoon. They said that was alternate,  
4 that was secondary lot. Stadium, Rocky Glenn and some  
5 other places weren't even -- came to Old Forge. They  
6 said they would probably not even use Mariotti. All of  
7 a sudden, on Wednesday afternoon --

8 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: One other thing I can  
9 talk about. I did contact the County about Camp Bisco  
10 up there.

11 And everybody knows what Camp Bisco is  
12 about. It's a nuisance. It's been banned in New York.  
13 The County, unfortunately, has a five-year contract  
14 with them. I believe this is year three.  
15 Councilman Notari.

16 MR. NOTARI: Yes.

17 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Another two years. I  
18 don't know if there's something that could be done in  
19 the meantime, because it does cause problems.

20 I mean, somebody was killed, God rest his  
21 soul, on Birney Avenue. And there's some drugs being  
22 brought in the area.

23 MR. TERMINI: It said in the paper  
24 hundreds and hundreds of pounds -- guys were arrested  
25 with hundreds and hundreds of pounds of what they call



1 hallucinogens.

2 I have kids that work for the ice cream  
3 place up there in Montage. And, you know, they're  
4 watching people O.D. right in front of them, fall on  
5 the floor. People are calling for Narcan. You know  
6 what I mean? You name it. I mean, it's just not good.

7 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Right. I agree.

8 MS. PEPERNO: Lisa Peperno,  
9 P-e-p-e-r-n-o. Quarry Road, Old Forge, right across  
10 from Mariotti Lumber.

11 Hi. I did call Chief Dubernas. I did  
12 call the gentleman, our officers. I'm with Carol  
13 Traeger, my neighbor, right across from Mariotti's.

14 I did call the police because there were  
15 people wandering down our road, parking behind my  
16 neighbors, who are EMTs. And I knew they were at work,  
17 so I called the officers.

18 It was a New York plate. I gave the  
19 plate number. I'm working in my garage. And this  
20 woman walks right up on my property into my garage,  
21 right up to me.

22 I called your officers, Chief Dubernas.  
23 The one officer was very nice. I saw where the young  
24 lady went. They did check the plate out. And the  
25 other officer told me don't make a big deal about it,

1 the other one of your officers.

2 CHIEF DUBERNAS: We can speak about that  
3 afterwards.

4 MS. PEPERNO: Yes. That would be lovely.  
5 So, in other words, with this concert, you said you  
6 spoke with Mr. Mariotti about the use of their parking  
7 lot.

8 When was that agreement, may I ask?

9 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: I do not know. But he  
10 does have a contract with them.

11 MS. PEPERNO: You spoke with him.

12 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Numerous times.

13 MS. PEPERNO: Numerous times.

14 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Yes.

15 MS. PEPERNO: Did he even mention when  
16 they approached him to use his parking lot as an  
17 alternate site?

18 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: He didn't say the  
19 date, but he said it was a last-minute thing, that the  
20 general manager from Live Nation had approached him,  
21 that he was in a bind. He needed a parking lot. And  
22 could he do him a favor and sign a contract to park  
23 there.

24 MS. PEPERNO: Okay. So, Mr. Mariotti  
25 did do a favor. And, also, the other police officer

1 said that the police force, Old Forge, us, police  
2 force, had no knowledge of this. But, yet, you did  
3 state that Live Nation did pay the officers for their  
4 time. When was that arranged?

5 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: First of all, the  
6 words that our police force did not know anything about  
7 it never came out of my mouth.

8 MS. PEPERNO: Okay. Pardon me. Maybe I  
9 misunderstood. But you did say Live Nation did pay --

10 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Live Nation did pay  
11 our salary.

12 CHIEF DUBERNAS: Monday, yesterday.

13 MS. PEPERNO: When was that arranged that  
14 Live Nation was going to pay the police force and not  
15 the taxpayers?

16 CHIEF DUBERNAS: Wednesday when I got the  
17 call they were coming there.

18 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: The Wednesday that  
19 it happened, at 11 p.m, that Wednesday afternoon, he  
20 was notified.

21 MS. PEPERNO: So the police officer --

22 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Probably seven  
23 hours before it happened.

24 MS. PEPERNO: Fair enough. So, when I  
25 called the police for people wandering around Quarry

1 Road, again, yelling 3:00 in the morning, us finding  
2 debris, the police then did know on Wednesday; is that  
3 correct?

4 CHIEF DUBERNAS: Yeah, they were  
5 scheduled there.

6 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Not until 11:00  
7 p.m. they weren't scheduled.

8 MS. PEPERNO: So, Wednesday, they knew  
9 that parking was going to happen with the thousands of  
10 cars behind Mariotti.

11 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Supposed to be an  
12 alternative lot and it turned into the secondary --

13 MS. PEPERNO: But they knew that was  
14 going to happen.

15 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: I don't know.

16 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: The Chief knew.

17 MS. PEPERNO: Chief knew.

18 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Yes.

19 MS. PEPERNO: Okay. So, fair enough.  
20 Because there's no doubt about it, everybody in this  
21 Council cares about all the health and well-being of  
22 the citizens in our town.

23 That's not the question. The question  
24 is, when did Mr. Mariotti make this arrangement with  
25 Live Nation? When was the police chief informed? And

1     why weren't we, as residents --

2                   CHAIRMAN SEMENZA:  He just told you.  And  
3     it's a private contract between two people.  It was  
4     private property.  It's not a Borough property.

5                   MS. PEPERNO:  But the gentleman just said  
6     that is a commercially-zoned property.

7                   CHAIRMAN SEMENZA:  Correct.

8                   MS. PEPERNO:  But not allowed to do  
9     private parking.

10                  CHAIRMAN SEMENZA:  Correct.  And,  
11     therefore, they did not come to the Borough.  Our  
12     zoning officer did go down there and give them a verbal  
13     warning, like he said.

14                  Because, if we had to do it in writing,  
15     it would not reach them until Monday or if not maybe  
16     later.  By that point in time, Monday, it was said and  
17     done, cleaned up.  I mean, it was over and done with.

18                  Like I said, the Borough is going to do  
19     our best right now to go forward and put ordinances in  
20     place that this will not happen again.

21                  We don't want this to happen.  You know,  
22     I mean, I understand -- I understand your concern.  I  
23     understand that you all are upset, as I was, because  
24     Chuck saw me down there.  And I was pretty bad that we  
25     didn't know.

1                   Like I said, I stayed there until I got  
2 an answer from somebody. A couple people prior to  
3 that, managers of this person and that person gave me  
4 some lines of BS. I didn't like the answers.

5                   Finally, they got the G.M. to come out of  
6 bed or wherever he was, to come down and speak with me.  
7 Me and Councilman Rinaldi were there until 2.

8                   MR. TERMINI: I was there until 1 and you  
9 were there.

10                  MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: I'm sure if every  
11 Councilman was aware what was going on --

12                  CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: They would have been  
13 down there also.

14                  MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: I'm sure they would  
15 have been there too.

16                  COURT REPORTER: One at a time.

17                  MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Excuse me one  
18 second. We stayed there. I think we finally left  
19 there -- because we left, we came back. We finally  
20 left there 3:30, because he came down around 2, 2:30  
21 when President Semenza, he told the one guy who was  
22 supposed to be head of security, some Bob, older  
23 gentleman.

24                  He asked him to come down. He called him  
25 and the guy came right down. Not saying that's going

1 to solve our problem or anything but --

2 MS. PEPERNO: Pardon me, Russell. I  
3 don't mean to interrupt. Again, the officers did  
4 inform me that they were aware of two security guards  
5 that were always -- two security guards that were  
6 always on premises and that the buses were shuttling  
7 every 15 minutes to the mountain, every 15 minutes.

8 And I said to the one officer, very  
9 lovely gentleman, I said, so, you're saying there's two  
10 security guards. And there's over -- estimate over  
11 1500 cars. He said yes. He goes, we have no control  
12 over that.

13 So, my question is, what are the next  
14 proponents that the Council plans to make so that this  
15 incident does not repeat?

16 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Like I said right now,  
17 we're researching ordinances, like I said, with  
18 Councilman Lenceski.

19 MS. PEPERNO: Do we have a time frame?

20 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: I don't. First of  
21 all, they would have to go to the solicitor. By next  
22 month's meeting, we would have an ordinance in place, I  
23 would hope. I can't guarantee it.

24 COURT REPORTER: Hold on a second. I can  
25 only take one person at a time and I don't know who

1 everybody is. Thank you.

2 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: And I can't say that's  
3 not going to happen with Peach Fest. But the number of  
4 people that go to Peach Fest, compared to the people  
5 that go to Camp Bisco, it's --

6 MS. TRAEGER: Why is it allow if it's  
7 not --

8 COURT REPORTER: 'Ma'am, I don't know  
9 your name.

10 MS. TRAEGER: Carol Traeger.

11 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Why is what allowed?

12 MS. TRAEGER: Why would it be allowed  
13 again when he just got done saying it's not a --

14 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: It won't be allowed  
15 again.

16 MS. TRAEGER: Oh, because you said Peach  
17 Fest, there's a lot less cars.

18 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: No, no, no. I'm not  
19 saying that. I'm just saying just on the mountain in  
20 general. There was probably 45,000 people on the  
21 mountain.

22 MS. TRAEGER: Okay. That's a good  
23 answer. I have a question for you, because you did  
24 seem to know that this was going to come about.

25 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: I did not. I found



1 out at quarter of 12 that night.

2 MS. TRAEGER: Okay. So --

3 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: And the only reason I  
4 found out because I was on the convenient at the bottom  
5 of Moosic Road at that time. And I just saw car after  
6 car.

7 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: President Semenza  
8 found out about it when there was already about 300  
9 cars in the lot.

10 MS. TRAEGER: 11:30 at night on a  
11 Wednesday.

12 MS. PEPERNO: I want you to understand,  
13 not only is it the noise, the litter, the drugs,  
14 everything that you don't want in your neighborhood,  
15 but also, the extra transportation. Every 15 minutes  
16 you're listening to buses back and forth, back and  
17 forth.

18 And if you have a thousand cars, you got  
19 all those people that you got to bus up the mountain.

20 Now, that disrupts us at 3:00 in the  
21 morning because we are trying to sleep. And we live  
22 right on Moosic Road. So this can't go on again.

23 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Right.

24 MR. TERMINI: One more thing. Sat down.  
25 I got a question for you then. I got a question that,

1 if it was any one of us who did this, right, and I  
2 broke those ordinances and I didn't have a permit, I  
3 want to ask the zoning, what would happen to me? Did  
4 they get fined?

5 I heard they got almost \$50,000.00 to let  
6 them use their parking. And then I heard they got  
7 season tickets and backstage passes for every concert  
8 for rest of the thing, the Mariotti's. Are we going to  
9 fine them? I would be fined.

10 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: You would get the same  
11 warning as they got.

12 MR. TERMINI: I can't put three-foot  
13 sidewalk in my --

14 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Same warning or a  
15 written warning.

16 MR. TERMINI: If I didn't have a permit  
17 for building at my house, I would get fined.

18 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Get the same -- no.  
19 You would get the same warning. I can't say he got  
20 money. I can't say he didn't, because I didn't see the  
21 contract, so.

22 The bottom line is, the Borough is going  
23 to do everything they can --

24 MR. TERMINI: I can tell.

25 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: -- for something like

1 this not to happen again. I apologize that you had to  
2 put up with that for three days. I wish I could take  
3 it back. I wish I knew about it ten days earlier  
4 because we would have tried to put a stop to it.

5 VOICE: No one is blaming the Council.

6 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: I know you're not.

7 VOICE: Can't fix what you don't know.

8 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: I mean, throughout the  
9 weekend, I was down there 50 times, throughout the  
10 night, the middle of the night.

11 I spoke with the security guards asked if  
12 you need anything. Need the cops, please call 911.  
13 You know.

14 MR. TERMINI: We thank you guys because I  
15 was really impressed that even though we were up and  
16 caught wind of it at 1 in the morning --

17 COURT REPORTER: I can't hear Chuck.

18 MR. TERMINI: I said, even though I was  
19 impressed because even though we knew about it, found  
20 out about it at 1 in the morning, by the time I walked  
21 down there, 12:30, whatever it was, you guys were right  
22 there. So that's impressive.

23 I know you guys care about this town.  
24 You guys have grown up here. I'm only here 20 years,  
25 but I know you care about the town. So I have no

1 question about that.

2 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Chuck, for that one  
3 weekend, three days, I haven't pulled into Mariotti's  
4 parking lot so many times. I was in and out of that  
5 parking lot 20 times a day.

6 MR. TERMINI: In 20 years, I've never  
7 drove down that road until then.

8 MS. PEPERNO: Councilman, you and I did  
9 speak with Cindy more than once. I was in convenient.

10 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: And I understood.  
11 I actually stayed with Cindy until almost midnight that  
12 night.

13 MS. PEPERNO: Because I pop in there so  
14 many times it's not even funny. And, so, we did speak.

15 Again, what I'm curious again is, yes,  
16 timeline on hopefully passing this from happening  
17 again. You said one month. Do we have a guarantee on  
18 that?

19 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Bill, can we get an  
20 ordinance in place by next month's meeting?

21 ATTORNEY RINALDI: I can prepare it, but  
22 you still have to advertise it for ten days.

23 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: So we'd have to  
24 advertise it and prepare for ten days.

25 ATTORNEY RINALDI: You can't pass an

1 ordinance unless it's advertised. So probably two  
2 months.

3 MS. PEPERNO: In the classified. So, two  
4 months then would that be the --

5 ATTORNEY RINALDI: Could be a month.  
6 Could be the next meeting, if everybody agrees on the  
7 language.

8 MR. LENCESKI: I found an ordinance for  
9 mass gathering in Newton Township, next to Ransom. I  
10 believe it was 13.6 in their code. And it said that  
11 any gathering over 500 people, they need to give  
12 sixty-day advance notice.

13 They needed to have ingress and egress  
14 out of the property. They needed bathroom facilities.  
15 They needed water for the safety of the citizens. They  
16 would have to -- there was something about decibel  
17 levels. They wouldn't be able to go over that.

18 MS. PEPERNO: Sound ordinance.

19 MR. LENCESKI: Yeah.

20 THE MAYOR: Councilman Lenceski, that  
21 would also have to be -- that's all permit too.

22 MR. LENCESKI: Right.

23 THE MAYOR: A permit would have to be  
24 approved for all that.

25 MR. LENCESKI: Right.

1 THE MAYOR: It's not if they meet all  
2 those guidelines, they can do it. It's also --

3 MR. LENCESKI: Right.

4 MS. TRAEGER: Right. But how could they  
5 turn it into a transportation hub? That's what it is.  
6 I mean, back and forth, back and forth.

7 MR. LENCESKI: That was 500 vehicles.  
8 And then that excludes anything with churches or  
9 anything to do with the school district.

10 But at least that would give us a heads  
11 up. There would be fines in that if they just all of a  
12 sudden show up somewhere, we could prevent and fine  
13 them then. Right now, we have nothing in our books.

14 MS. TRAEGER: Did I misunderstand, Mr.  
15 Semenza, you said Mariotti said he wouldn't do it  
16 again?

17 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: He told me that was  
18 the biggest mistake he had made.

19 MS. TRAEGER: He wouldn't do it again?

20 MR. PEPERNO: Get it in writing.

21 MR. FEBBO: I have an ordinance that it  
22 would be under the discretion of Council.

23 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Right. I mean, I  
24 can't speak for him. A lot of things are said when  
25 people talk to you. The way I took it from him, I

1 don't think he'll ever do it again.

2 My personal opinion, I think he realized  
3 that, you know, look what I did, people are mad at me.  
4 I can't believe I did it. I'm not a troublemaker.  
5 Never been known to be a troublemaker. I think he  
6 realizes it was a mistake. I don't think --

7 MS. TRAEGER: Based on his reputation, I  
8 was very surprised that he did it.

9 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: I don't think it will  
10 ever happen on that property again. That's my opinion.  
11 I mean, the Mariotti's are not troublemakers.

12 MR. FEBBO: They were kind of blindsided  
13 too.

14 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Could you state your  
15 name and address for the record?

16 MS. IACAVAZZI: Christine Iacavazzi,  
17 I-a-c-a-v-a-z-z-i, 2 Bertha Street. I just want to say  
18 it's not just the people on Moosic Road that were  
19 affected.

20 I'm up off of Carbon Street, and it was  
21 loud. Kept my family up every night that it was there.  
22 It was ebbing and flowing, but was continual noise.

23 Speaking to my other neighbors up there,  
24 it's not just me. So, it was a huge concern. It's not  
25 that it was just on Moosic Road. So, it affected the

1 whole lot of us. Most people going up and down my road  
2 that, for people that know Carbon Street, all the way  
3 to the top, Fred and Bertha, nobody goes up there.

4 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Where is that, that  
5 Carbon Street?

6 MS. IACAVAZZI: All the way up in the  
7 back. Corner of Fred and Bertha. People lived in Old  
8 Forge their whole life, never knew it was there.

9 The cars that go by our street are our  
10 neighbors. And there was so much traffic this weekend.  
11 So, my question to you is that we're saying that it's  
12 not going to happen again.

13 Peach Fest is coming. Will there be a  
14 fine if it does happen again?

15 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: If it happens on his  
16 property?

17 MS. IACAVAZZI: Yes.

18 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: I believe so, yes.

19 MS. IACAVAZZI: If he was given a  
20 warning, verbal or otherwise, we can count on a fine  
21 being done because it's a huge concern.

22 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: We'll take action.

23 MS. IACAVAZZI: The traffic, the  
24 litter. I can go over everything. I got up and out of  
25 my house not knowing what the noise was and drove down



1 and found it. It takes a lot to get me up.

2 MR. NOTARI: Shouldn't we have Steve send  
3 a written warning now, just so it's on file?

4 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Bill.

5 ATTORNEY RINALDI: Yeah.

6 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Should we have Steve  
7 send a written warning at this point so it's on file?

8 ATTORNEY RINALDI: Yep, yep. It's only a  
9 warning. Got 30 days to appeal it.

10 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Steve, could you do  
11 that and have 30 days for a reply? Just so we have it  
12 on the record.

13 MS. IACAVAZZI: It affected my sleep.  
14 And I know how much it affected the people there.

15 MS. PEPERNO: What about emergency  
16 vehicles? If you know, Wednesday night at 11:30 in the  
17 morning, they were lined up back to back to back for  
18 miles.

19 What if you needed an ambulance or a fire  
20 truck? And that whole right lane is jammed headlight  
21 to headlight.

22 So, safety issues. One road in and out.

23 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: No one is  
24 disagreeing with anyone in the public.

25 MS. PEPERNO: Want to get it solved and

1 make sure it doesn't happen again.

2 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: This is what I want  
3 to ask, while you guys are here, because I heard some  
4 terminology saying that's never going to happen again.

5 Bill, if we have an ordinance in place  
6 and there's regulations to follow, like Councilman  
7 Lenceski was reading some of the wording in the  
8 ordinance in Newton Township, if somebody in town  
9 follows everything that we tell them to follow,  
10 wouldn't they be able to do it?

11 ATTORNEY RINALDI: Depends on what kind  
12 of ordinance you want to put together.

13 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: No. I'm asking,  
14 while they're here, because I don't want them to leave  
15 confused. And I'm a little confused on it.

16 Like, if we were to say that a  
17 mass-gathering ordinance, you can only have -- over 500  
18 cars, you have to have -- this is just fallacy right  
19 now, you have to have 20 bathrooms, you have to have  
20 paved parking lot, you have to spend 10,000 in permit  
21 fees, you have this and this and this.

22 If the person wants to hold it and has a  
23 big area and they come in and they follow everything we  
24 tell them they have to follow, can we stop them from  
25 having it?

1 MR. RUSSICK: Is it zoned for that?

2 ATTORNEY RINALDI: Yeah. Are you talking  
3 about overriding the zoning?

4 VOICE: One thing to park the car --

5 COURT REPORTER: Hold on a second. I  
6 didn't hear what he said.

7 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: What did you say,  
8 Bill?

9 ATTORNEY RINALDI: Are you talking about  
10 overriding the zoning and saying you're going to allow  
11 it, even though it's not zoned for it but here's the  
12 criteria?

13 Or are you going to just say you can't?  
14 Unless it's somebody buying a parcel of vacant land.

15 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: I want to make sure  
16 that the ordinance --

17 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: I think if the  
18 property is not zoned for it, there's no if ands or  
19 buts about it. Shouldn't be able to do it.

20 MR. NOTARI: Here's my question. And,  
21 Steve, I think it goes to you, is that we know the  
22 property is not zoned for what it was used for.

23 If they came in for a conditional permit  
24 of use, would we be able to turn them away, tell them  
25 no?

1                   MR. BIERLYA: Here's the whole problem in  
2 a nutshell, Mariotti Building Products property is  
3 contingent to Mariotti Building Products.

4                   You cannot say it's public parking for  
5 somebody else's event. Unless Mariotti Building  
6 Products is holding something at their site, because  
7 it's -- the property is under Mariotti Building  
8 Products. So, it goes with the business.

9                   CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: If they were holding  
10 an auction --

11                   MR. BIERLYA: If he had an auction or  
12 cabinet sale or lumber sale and had a thousand cars  
13 there, they're good. But they can't have, quote,  
14 public parking for another event on their property.

15                   MR. NOTARI: Couldn't they ask for a  
16 variance?

17                   MR. BIERLYA: The only thing they could  
18 do, if they did that, if they were a part of a sponsor  
19 to that event, they would have to come in and ask  
20 Council for Council to say, yea or nay.

21                   But at least Council and everybody else  
22 would be notified. Right now, the way it worked out,  
23 we had four, five days and nobody knew anything until  
24 the last minute.

25                   Alternate site, turned into a primary

1 site. And this is where we came into the trouble.

2 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Here's the thing, I  
3 don't want to interrupt you, while we're on it, my  
4 comments aren't specifically saying this for the  
5 Mariotti's.

6 My comments are saying this for any place  
7 in the Borough of Old Forge, any landowner who has  
8 land, I want to make sure that we either have the right  
9 ordinances in place, the right wording in the ordinance  
10 in place for anybody throughout the Borough.

11 I'm not just saying them. I know we're  
12 talking about them, because this is where it happened.  
13 I mean anywhere.

14 So, if we do say you can and can't do  
15 this and they follow everything that's in the  
16 ordinance, then we can't stop it.

17 Like, if they want to pay the permit  
18 fees, get their set permit fees. If they have enough  
19 bathrooms, if they have sewer in the parking lot, all  
20 the things that we mentioned in that other ordinance,  
21 then we can't stop them, Bill; correct?

22 ATTORNEY RINALDI: Well, if --

23 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: If they do what we  
24 tell them to do through our code book.

25 ATTORNEY RINALDI: If somebody comes in

1 and buys a parcel of land, 10 acres, and says, I'm  
2 coming to planning to make it a public parking lot,  
3 they can design it and plan it.

4 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Right. Exactly  
5 That's exactly what I'm saying.

6 MS. PEPERNO: Has to be zoned for that.

7 ATTORNEY RINALDI: Has to be zoned for  
8 that.

9 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: This is what I'm  
10 saying, if somebody -- I don't want to say it. But if  
11 somebody was to come into town, purchase land, and they  
12 wanted to use it specifically for something like that,  
13 in the future, they're going to hold venues up there  
14 for the next 40 years.

15 ATTORNEY RINALDI: They probably have to  
16 be in an I zone. I don't even know that you can do it  
17 maybe in a C1, C1 zone. I'd have to look better.

18 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: I'm trying to look  
19 out for the future of the Borough.

20 ATTORNEY RINALDI: Can't zone it out of  
21 existence.

22 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: So we don't see  
23 this happening every year and they're following the way  
24 they're supposed to. And Old Forge -- land in Old  
25 Forge becomes a secondary parking lot for venues,

1 because it is so close.

2 MS. PEPERNO: Russell, that was what I  
3 was going to say in terms of there's no way you can  
4 zone out anybody who runs a business, trying to earn a  
5 living or even just private citizens.

6 But the parameters really should be in  
7 terms of, if you're zoned for a commercial space, and  
8 Mariotti Lumber already has a certain amount of parking  
9 lots already there, couldn't it be, yes, if they're  
10 sponsoring an event and want to put more parking on  
11 their parking lot, if it went over, say, 50 cars, then  
12 you can have the parameters. It has to be fenced in.  
13 You have to have security. You have to have commodes  
14 available and time limits and a permit.

15 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: And the reason why  
16 I'm saying --

17 MS. PEPERNO: Why can't you do it that  
18 way? In terms of commercial, anything over 50 cars of  
19 what is already allotted zoned for that property, you  
20 need a permit.

21 And especially if you are within say 500  
22 yards of a residential area with more than three tax  
23 paying property owners within the vicinity.

24 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: All I'm saying is,  
25 what happened down there this past weekend --

1 MS. PEPERNO: Can't happen.

2 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: I would never do  
3 this, because this isn't my forte or my line of work.  
4 But with the mountain being so close and what happened  
5 down there today, to a developer who wants to come into  
6 the Borough of Old Forge, buy a hundred acres of land,  
7 year after year, venue after venue, and charge the  
8 people who run that 25,000 a concert, to park people in  
9 my parking lot, that I came to the Borough, I got  
10 rezoned, I put all the parking spots in, I put all the  
11 commodes and I have everything set in place, so for the  
12 next 25 years, I can sign a contract with those people  
13 up there and let you park in my lot.

14 I might have spent 150,000 one shot.  
15 It's all done. Now I'm collecting 300,000 a year,  
16 150,000 a year. Turned into a business.

17 MS. PEPERNO: Over 5,000 cars, a permit  
18 should be 100,000.

19 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: If I'm going to  
20 make 200,000 a year, I would buy the permit is what I'm  
21 saying.

22 MR. TERMINI: You're trying to prevent  
23 it.

24 MS. PEPERNO: Pay 100,000.

25 MR. TERMINI: He's trying to prevent it.



1 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Exactly.

2 MR. LENCESKI: Bill, when you do this  
3 ordinance up, can you make sure there's multiple --

4 ATTORNEY RINALDI: You're doing apples  
5 and oranges. If somebody wants to open a parking  
6 business, you have to follow the ordinance.

7 You're not going to charge them for a  
8 car, and to design and plan. It's a subdivision, like  
9 all other subdivisions in the Borough.

10 They're going to have buffers, got to be  
11 in the right zone. Not going to be able to be in a  
12 residential zone. It's a business. It's like somebody  
13 putting in a McDonald's, as long as they follow the  
14 code.

15 Asking about somebody using the parking  
16 lot for somebody else, then you can make that a permit,  
17 because that's a change in the use. So that's  
18 different.

19 MR. LENCESKI: With that mass-gathering  
20 ordinance, there has to be multiple egress and ingress  
21 in case there's an accident.

22 So, our largest properties in town only  
23 have one ingress and egress. So, if you have multiple  
24 ones, in case of a catastrophe, bus flips over or  
25 there's a riot, how do the people get into the riot if

1 the bus flips over and there's one way in the place?

2 MS. TRAEGER: Excuse me. Being Moosic  
3 Road is a state road, shouldn't PennDOT have known  
4 about the traffic?

5 MR. LENCESKI: I'm saying, where it was  
6 located, there was only one way into the property. So,  
7 if we wrote up an ordinance that multiple ingress and  
8 egress, that property is out of the picture.

9 ATTORNEY RINALDI: You'd have to change  
10 your zoning. I'm going to bet you that Newton's  
11 ordinance is tailored to them because they have  
12 thousands of acres of farmland. So it's not something  
13 where somebody is coming in the development.  
14 They're worried about somebody who has got a big field  
15 saying, I'm going to have this huge gathering. That's  
16 what that ordinance is for.

17 We can do something like that here. If  
18 somebody wants to come into planning and say, here's my  
19 parcel. I'm in an industrial-zoned area. I'm going to  
20 build a parking garage or lot, whichever you want,  
21 follow the code, set backs, buffers, the whole nine  
22 yards, lighting.

23 MR. RUSSICK: Has to be zoned for that.

24 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Correct, that's  
25 what I'm saying.

1                   MR. RUSSICK:    You got to zone it before  
2 that takes place.

3                   MR. STASI:    It's zoned industrial because  
4 there's a shop down there.  They manufacture doors down  
5 there.

6                   CHAIRMAN SEMENZA:  Right.  So let me ask  
7 you, can anything differently be done down there than  
8 on commercial or residential that they did?

9                   MR. RUSSICK:   Look in 165.

10                  MR. STASSI:   If they were putting  
11 parking, the lot has to be paved, water runoff, curbs,  
12 everything, go for the whole shot.

13                  ATTORNEY RINALDI:  Can't zone them out.

14                  MR. STASSI:   Really, they were illegal  
15 though.

16                  CHAIRMAN SEMENZA:  Right.  That's why  
17 Steve went down for a warning.  You know, a written  
18 warning wouldn't have done nothing at that point in  
19 time because they would have got it and everything  
20 would have been cleared.  I mean, what we could do --

21                  MR. STASSI:   Need so many parking spaces  
22 for all the people.

23                  CHAIRMAN SEMENZA:  Right.

24                  MR. STASSI:   That's how we come to the  
25 conclusion.

1                   CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: What we're going to do  
2 is, our solicitor is going to try to draw the best  
3 ordinance as possible for the Borough. And we're going  
4 to hope that this doesn't happen again to the capacity  
5 that it, at least. And I mean --

6                   MR. RUSSICK: You have a cardinal  
7 ordinance, carnival ordinance, which is public  
8 gathering and so on. Take a look in your book. I  
9 mean, if you need a book --

10                  CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: I got one.

11                  MR. RUSSICK: -- I got one.

12                  CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Lisa, do you have any  
13 more? I'll just cross you off.

14                  MS. TRAEGER: I'm good.

15                  CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Christine, you're  
16 good? Like I said, I knew you guys were here for this  
17 that's why I wanted to go first with the public input.  
18 You know, we want to help as much as possible.

19                  MS. TRAEGER: Excuse me. I do have one  
20 question. I'm sorry. I just thought of it.

21                  CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Go ahead, Carol.

22                  MS. TRAEGER: If he did try to get a  
23 conditional use change of the zoning or whatever, would  
24 us, as neighbors that would be affected by all that, be  
25 notified? I thought that was --

1                   CHAIRMAN SEMENZA:   Everybody within how  
2 many -- how far of a radius, 200-yard radius, would get  
3 a certified letter in the mail?

4                   MR. NOTARI:   There would be a public  
5 hearing for that.

6                   MR. RUSSELL RINALDI:   There would be a  
7 public hearing.

8                   CHAIRMAN SEMENZA:   You would be notified  
9 by mail.   Thanks, guys.   Thanks for coming in.   I'm  
10 going to go into Joe Moniak.

11                   MR. MONIAK:   M-o-n-i-a-k.   Since last  
12 week, three things I want to ask you.   I spoke to Jason  
13 yesterday about the electronic speed device in Taylor.  
14 And Jason said it's tied up for three weeks, so.   Okay.

15                   Number 2, since the last meeting, how  
16 many stop signs tickets were given out and speeding on  
17 Taroli Street?

18                   CHAIRMAN SEMENZA:   Chief.

19                   CHIEF DUBERNAS:   That was addressed  
20 yesterday.   He knows that answer.

21                   CHAIRMAN SEMENZA:   Okay.   Do you have  
22 that information, Joe?

23                   MR. MONIAK:   Not really.

24                   CHIEF DUBERNAS:   I told you yesterday, 83  
25 stops were conducted.   I can't tell you locations but

1 --

2 MR. MONIAK: Just from the week I want on  
3 our street.

4 CHIEF DUBERNAS: I didn't look from last  
5 week. You said you wanted to know how many.

6 MR. MONIAK: Since when I was here last.  
7 Could you get that?

8 CHIEF DUBERNAS: Only want to know a week  
9 span or from January?

10 MR. MONIAK: Last week when I was here,  
11 okay, up until there.

12 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: From Wednesday until  
13 this morning.

14 MR. MONIAK: Speeding and stop signs.  
15 Okay. For what reason was the stop sign put in Clark  
16 Street? And what correspondence was the paper code  
17 requirement for that? So, you were going to check into  
18 that. I wanted to bring it up.

19 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Chief, the chief was  
20 on vacation all week. The stop sign at the bottom of  
21 Clark, coming out of Shawnee Estates, whatever, that  
22 stop sign there. Was that before your time?

23 CHIEF DUBERNAS: Yeah.

24 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Mr. Russick, do you  
25 know when that stop sign was put there?

1                   MR. RUSSICK: Are you talking about the  
2 corner of Apache and Clark?

3                   CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: I'm talking coming up,  
4 your house on the right, that stop sign coming up.

5                   MR. RUSSICK: Down below.

6                   CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Coming out of the  
7 development.

8                   MR. RUSSICK: When was it put there?

9                   CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Yes.

10                  MR. RUSSICK: Probably in the late '70s,  
11 early '80s.

12                  CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Late '70s, early  
13 '80s.

14                  MR. RUSSICK: Yeah. As a matter of fact  
15 --

16                  MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: What was there that  
17 it would be there so early?

18                  MR. RUSSICK: Let me explain something to  
19 you. I've lived there since 1970. Okay. And  
20 subsequent to that, there's been a lot of development  
21 since then.

22                  In saying that, I had over \$10,000.00  
23 worth of damage done to my property over the period of  
24 years because of cars coming through the intersection,  
25 hitting my vehicles, hitting my house. Okay?

1                   So, subsequent to that, when we started  
2 getting more traffic there, I asked if we could put  
3 stop signs there to slow the traffic down. So, we're  
4 talking about the late '70s.

5                   CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: I'm not saying the  
6 stop sign coming from Apache Drive. I'm saying the  
7 stop sign coming out at Seneca Drive.

8                   MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Going north.

9                   MR. RUSSICK: That was put in there when  
10 Bay Street was put in there, 2000, somewhere in that  
11 area.

12                  MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Right. Somewhere  
13 around there.

14                  CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: You don't remember any  
15 of that?

16                  MR. RUSSICK: About 2000.

17                  ATTORNEY RINALDI: If it was done, it  
18 would have been done through planning and a requirement  
19 for the development.

20                  MR. RUSSICK: Which is a good idea, by  
21 the way. All they got to do is learn how to stop.

22                  MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Joe, you mentioned  
23 something about it last week. Are you saying that  
24 there's a stop sign there and there's an incline,  
25 you're wondering why you can't have one on your street.



1                   MR. MONIAK: Right. But, like I said,  
2 that stop sign had to meet requirements, right,  
3 legally, just like other ones have to meet.

4                   MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Last meeting, we  
5 did say --

6                   MR. MONIAK: You were going to check into  
7 it.

8                   MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: President Semenza  
9 said that the engineer was going to take a look at it  
10 because he wasn't here last week.

11                  MR. MONIAK: Yeah. I understand that. I  
12 just wanted to bring it up.

13                  MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: I wanted to see  
14 where you were coming from because that's what I  
15 thought you were going because you did mention that.  
16 You said there's one there and it's inclined.

17                  MR. MONIAK: I brought pictures for you.  
18 The first time I was there last year, I brought them,  
19 gave you pictures of all the inclines. I have pictures  
20 again, if you want to see them. Want to see where we  
21 are. Want to bring it up again.

22                  MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: No. I just wanted  
23 to clarify basically for myself too.

24                  MR. MONIAK: That's all I got to say.  
25 Thank you.

1                   CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Paul, state your name.

2                   MR. MURAWSKI: Paul Murawski,  
3 M-u-r-a-w-s-k-i. I live at 217 Orchard. I don't know  
4 if you remember, gentlemen, I addressed it last  
5 November at a work session regarding the garage and the  
6 deplorable condition of it.

7                   I originally filed a complaint with Steve  
8 back in May of last year. The property was posted two  
9 days later.

10                  It took until the middle of November,  
11 after the addressed you with pictures and so forth, to  
12 have them start cleaning it up. That continued until  
13 late April that he got the roof off and all the TVs.

14                  Had three dumpsters on his site, probably  
15 40 or 50 cubic yards of material went out of there. If  
16 you don't remember, the pictures are on the computer in  
17 the zoning office, which I submitted twice over the  
18 last year.

19                  I contacted Steve April 19th, talked to  
20 him in late May regarding what's going to happen with  
21 the property is sitting there idle now. Show you  
22 pictures what I live next to.

23                  My neighborhoods are concerned. We have  
24 ordinances on the book. Here's the pictures.  
25 This is as of yesterday. No work has been done there

1 for the last sixty days.

2 I was told by Steve, somebody from  
3 Council asked to work with them, which I can understand  
4 to a point, now we're 14 months into this.

5 When do you start assessing fines for  
6 noncompliance? What are we going to do about this?

7 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Steve.

8 MR. MURAWSKI: Wouldn't anybody here  
9 want this next to their house?

10 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Absolutely not.

11 MR. MURAWSKI: Want it next to your  
12 business.

13 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Steve, are you aware  
14 of this?

15 MR. MURAWSKI: Yes, he is.

16 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: What are we doing  
17 about it?

18 MR. BIERYLA: Sent two letters to Mr.  
19 Perrone. And today I sent him a letter stating that if  
20 I didn't have a reply from him within three days, he  
21 was going to get fined.

22 He had told me that he has trusses  
23 ordered and that was when they were doing the recycle  
24 for the TVs. And I told him I still need something in  
25 writing to let me know of his intentions.

MR. MURAWSKI: When I talked to you at recycling, I dropped off two TVs, you told me you knew nothing about what he was doing.

MR. BIERYLA: You're exactly correct. Then he came up a day later and told me. And I told him I needed something in writing.

And then we recycled the TVs. I went on vacation. I called him today, and I told him, if he doesn't have nothing for me within three days of his intentions of that building, he's going to get fined.

MR. MURAWSKI: Could I ask Mr. Papi, when you were code enforcement officer, you were familiar with the other buildings that he had to be torn down. Do you remember how long it took? Two years. He has a history of noncompliance in this valley.

MR. PAPI: Yes.

THE WITNESS: The man is in his mid 70s. If anything happens to him, the Borough will have the responsibility at the taxpayers' cost to tear it down.

The other question also is, I don't know if it is true or not, Steve told me, if he applied for a demolition permit, he has five years to tear the building down and you can't touch him. Is that true?

CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: I don't know.

MR. BIERYLA: Under the UCC, when you get

1 a permit, you have five years to complete it.

2 MR. MURAWSKI: There's nothing we can do.  
3 If he decides to leave this and the property burned  
4 down across the street --

5 MR. BIERYLA: I just told you, he's  
6 verbally told me he has done some work. I verbally  
7 told him, during the recycle, I need a letter. He has  
8 two letters stating that I need something in writing  
9 from him.

10 I called today and I spoke with him. And  
11 I told him, I need something in writing from your  
12 intentions of the building or within three days, I  
13 said, or I will --

14 MR. MURAWSKI: Will the Council enforce  
15 that then? Will you assess him monetarily if he  
16 doesn't comply because his past history? Again, we're  
17 14 months into this.

18 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Steve, let me ask you  
19 something. Like we did on the wall on Winter Street  
20 and the hearing and everything, how far away are we  
21 from that?

22 MR. BIERYLA: This is where we're going  
23 to go now. This is where we're going to go next if he  
24 doesn't comply with a written statement to me to tell  
25 me exactly what he wants to do. Because of his

1 verbalization to me during the recycle saying he has  
2 trusses on order.

3 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Right. Because the  
4 pictures I'm looking at there, to me, looks like a  
5 dangerous building.

6 If I had a child in that neighborhood, I  
7 wouldn't want them playing anywhere near that.

8 MR. BIERYLA: That is what I cited him  
9 with in the first place and Council said, work with  
10 him. And that's what we've been doing. But, at this  
11 point in time, I think --

12 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: That was in November  
13 we said work with him.

14 MR. MURAWSKI: 14 months. All right?  
15 Numerous phone calls, I would hope, we would --  
16 Council would do the job. If you have ordinances on  
17 paper, we have monetary damages assessment for people  
18 that don't comply and don't enforce it, what good are  
19 they?

20 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: We're here. We don't  
21 want to hurt anybody in the Borough but --

22 MR. MURAWSKI: I don't want it either. I  
23 want it fixed already. I spent \$8,000.00 on a roof. I  
24 want to work on my house. And it makes me disgusted I  
25 don't want to do anything with that crap hole next to

1 my house. My neighbors across the street feel the same  
2 way.

3 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: And I get it. It's  
4 just the point of people taking advantage of the  
5 situation.

6 MR. MURAWSKI: You guys are taken  
7 advantage of. As I mentioned to you in November,  
8 that's the history with him.

9 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: So, we will work on  
10 getting this resolved. Steve, keep me informed on it,  
11 please.

12 MR. MURAWSKI: Any timeframe or anything  
13 that -- do I need to keep following it up?

14 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Steve said that he  
15 would get three days. When is the time?

16 MR. BIERYLA: In three days to let me  
17 know. If not, we're going to do the same thing with  
18 the wall. We're going to have that meeting in front of  
19 Council.

20 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Public hearing in  
21 front of Council.

22 MR. BIERYLA: And then he's going to say  
23 yes or no.

24 MR. MURAWSKI: You can see where we are  
25 with this. It stopped two months ago. You would have

1 guys spend an hour a day, little bit at a time. It was  
2 cubic yards of crab that went out of there with the TVs  
3 and the rest.

4 And you saw it. So I hope we can get it  
5 fixed. Won't want to see it happen to anybody else  
6 here in town. I'm stuck with it, it can happen to  
7 anybody.

8 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Right. We will do our  
9 best at this point in time to try to resolve this  
10 matter for you, Paul. I apologize.

11 MR. MURAWSKI: Yeah. I appreciate it,  
12 gentlemen. Okay.

13 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Do you want your  
14 pictures back?

15 MR. MURAWSKI: Doesn't matter. If you  
16 want them for the record, doesn't matter. You're  
17 welcome to keep them.

18 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Steve, do you have  
19 them pictures?

20 MR. MURAWSKI: They've been on the  
21 computer. I did the work twice in the past. I have my  
22 own. I did the work, not Steve. I sent the pictures  
23 to him twice over the last year.

24 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: I just asked if he had  
25 them.



1                   MR. MURAWSKI: I know but I'm not mad  
2 about it. The fact is it's not my job to do the  
3 pictures. You pay a zoning officer.

4                   MR. BIERYLA: If I had my zoning phone  
5 with me, I would show you. But I don't have it. So  
6 you did what you had to do. I also have --

7                   MR. MURAWSKI: I appreciate it. Thank  
8 you for your time, gentlemen.

9                   CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Thank you, Paul.  
10 Joan Welk.

11                  MR. PAPI: She stepped out.

12                  CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: That's all I have on  
13 public input. If anybody else wants to speak, let me  
14 know. Jamie. Sure, Bud? The podium is open.

15                  All right. At this time, the Chair is  
16 going to go into housekeeping items. I'll ask for a  
17 motion to approve the minutes that we have in our  
18 packet.

19                  We didn't have any minutes in our  
20 packets, so that motion will be not made. Could I  
21 retract that motion?

22                  MS. BARTOLETTI: Yeah.

23                  CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Chair is going to  
24 entertain a motion to approve the Treasurer's report.  
25 Note, this does not include sewer accounts.

1 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: I'll make that  
2 motion.

3 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Motion on the floor by  
4 Councilman Rinaldi. Could I have a second?

5 MR. LENCESKI: I'll second that.

6 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Seconded by Councilman  
7 Lenceski on the question. Public input. Roll call,  
8 please.

9 ATTORNEY RINALDI: Mr. Brown. He's  
10 absent. Mr. Notari.

11 MR. NOTARI: Yes.

12 ATTORNEY RINALDI: Mr. Febbo.

13 MR. FEBBO: Yes.

14 ATTORNEY RINALDI: Mr. Ferrett.

15 MR. FERRETT: Yes.

16 ATTORNEY RINALDI: Mr. Rinaldi.

17 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Yes.

18 ATTORNEY RINALDI: Mr. Lenceski.

19 MR. LENCESKI: Yes.

20 ATTORNEY RINALDI: Mr. Semenza.

21 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Yes.

22 The next motion is a motion to approve invoices for  
23 payment. Note, this does not include sewer accounts.

24 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Mr. Chairman, I'll  
25 make that motion.

1                   CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Motion on the floor by  
2 Councilman Rinaldi. Could I have a second?

3                   MR. FEBBO: I'll second that motion.

4                   CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Seconded by Councilman  
5 Febbo on the question.

6                   MR. NOTARI: I have a couple questions,  
7 Chairman Semenza.

8                   CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Yes.

9                   MR. NOTARI: Mary, the bill from Dunbar  
10 Evergreen Landscaping, 2,500.

11                   MS. BARTOLETTI: That was for work at  
12 Miles Street Park. The Little League asked that we do  
13 some in-field work before all the all-stars, before the  
14 season started.

15                   And, so, what I did is I said yes to the  
16 work. And they paid a portion of it and the Borough  
17 paid a portion of it.

18                   MR. NOTARI: So that bill for 2,500,  
19 that's our portion?

20                   MS. BARTOLETTI: Yes.

21                   MR. NOTARI: How do I get that job?

22                   CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Apply for it. Fill  
23 out an application.

24                   MR. NOTARI: What kind of work could be  
25 done for \$5,000.00?

1 MS. BARTOLETTI: No. The Little League  
2 only paid 1,000.

3 MR. NOTARI: 3,500.

4 MS. BARTOLETTI: Yeah. They did the  
5 in-field. They had to dig it out. And then I guess  
6 the complaints were that the grass portion is higher  
7 than the dirt portion.

8 So, parts of it were dug out and then  
9 made smooth and filled in. Then they --

10 MR. NOTARI: I thought we just remodeled.  
11 Wasn't that just remodeled?

12 MS. BARTOLETTI: Not that part of it.

13 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: No. They needed some  
14 work on the in-field.

15 MS. BARTOLETTI: They didn't do the  
16 in-field. And then there was work done on the bank and  
17 mulch put in. Put in his work and the mulch itself,  
18 so.

19 MR. NOTARI: Okay. Go to my next.  
20 The fire department, have we gotten anywhere with the  
21 --

22 MS. BARTOLETTI: We did get some more  
23 information from them. So, I did release another check  
24 to each one. But they're not complete. One is  
25 complete, but the other two are not totally complete.

1 But I know it's in the works, so that's why I gave them  
2 another check.

3 MR. NOTARI: Do we want to release the  
4 company that did comply with our request?

5 MS. BARTOLETTI: They asked to keep  
6 everybody together, yes. That's why I'm doing it all  
7 at the same time.

8 MR. NOTARI: That's all I have.

9 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Thanks, Councilman  
10 Notari. Public input. Roll call, please.

11 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Notari.

12 MR. NOTARI: No.

13 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Febbo.

14 MR. FEBBO: Yes.

15 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Ferrett.

16 MR. FERRETT: Yes.

17 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Rinaldi.

18 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Yes.

19 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Lenceski.

20 MR. LENCESKI: No.

21 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Semenza.

22 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Yes.

23 The next motion is a motion to approve sewer department  
24 financial reports.

25 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: I'll make that

1 motion.

2 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Motion on the floor by  
3 Councilman Rinaldi.

4 MR. NOTARI: I'll second.

5 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Seconded by Councilman  
6 Notari on the question. Public input. Roll call,  
7 please.

8 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Notari.

9 MR. NOTARI: Note.

10 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Febbo.

11 MR. FEBBO: Yes.

12 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Ferrett.

13 MR. FERRETT: Yes.

14 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Rinaldi.

15 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Yes.

16 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Lenceski.

17 MR. LENCESKI: Yes.

18 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Semenza.

19 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Yes.

20 The next motion is a motion to approve sewer department  
21 invoices for payment.

22 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: I'll make that  
23 motion, Mr. Chairman.

24 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Motion on the floor by  
25 Councilman Rinaldi.

1 MR. NOTARI: Second it.

2 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Seconded by Councilman  
3 Notari on the question. Public input. Roll call,  
4 please.

5 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Notari.

6 MR. NOTARI: Yes.

7 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Febbo.

8 MR. FEBBO: Yes.

9 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Ferrett.

10 MR. FERRETT: Yes.

11 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Rinaldi.

12 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Yes.

13 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Lenceski.

14 MR. LENCESKI: Yes.

15 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Semenza.

16 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Yes.

17 That's it for housekeeping items. I'm going to into  
18 our department heads. Paul Papi, DPW manager's report,  
19 please.

20 **DPW MANAGER'S REPORT**

21 MR. PAPI: Good evening, everybody. The  
22 DPW report for June. A brief description of the some  
23 of the things we did.

24 I responded to 74 Pennsylvania 1 calls  
25 for the month of June. I sent two men out pothole

1 patching for two hours.

2 I was called out for a blocked line on  
3 Sibley Avenue, which turned out to be a blocked  
4 lateral.

5 Met with Dave Lopatka and LLVSA on June  
6 8th to figure a solution to ponding water on Pat  
7 Revello's back yard.

8 We sent our 2008 red F550 for tires and  
9 inspection. On June 9th, I sent out two men pothole  
10 patching for four hours.

11 I painted a handicapped parking spot at  
12 the main entrance to the Miles Street Park. I spent  
13 three long days during the Lackawanna County TV  
14 recycling program and went through one whole tube of  
15 Bengay.

16 I spent countless hours helping Larry  
17 Rossi maintain Miles, Marian and Sibley Avenue parks.  
18 I met with Dave Svadeba on Wood Street for a blocked  
19 sewer.

20 I popped the lid and showed him that the  
21 line was flowing and it was his lateral. We cut grass  
22 and weeds and overhanging branches in an unnamed alley  
23 off Moosic Road.

24 I sent everyone out cleaning storm drains  
25 after a rain event. I called Joe Gray from Medico



1 Industries to replace a broken ignition switch on our  
2 backhoe.

3 I was called to a PA One emergency at 709  
4 Moosic Road for a busted water line. I was called at  
5 on 6/28/71 at 8 a.m. to 208 Smith Street and marked all  
6 lines.

7 And on the back page is all the mileage  
8 on our vehicles.

9 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Anybody have any  
10 questions for Paul?

11 MR. NOTARI: I do for you. Paul, for you  
12 and Dave, have you come up with a plan yet for ponding  
13 water problems in the back of the Revello?

14 MR. LOPATKA: I think we did provide a  
15 sketch.

16 MR. NOTARI: Provide a sketch. I'm  
17 sorry. did you come up with a cost?

18 MR. LOPATKA: Cost, no.

19 MR. NOTARI: Would you please come up  
20 with a cost for both of them as soon as possible?

21 MR. LOPATKA: Yep.

22 MR. NOTARI: That way, we can look that  
23 over and see what we can possibly do to try to help the  
24 situation.

25 MR. PAPI: Bill, what does our book say

1 about when somebody trespasses water on to another  
2 property?

3 ATTORNEY RINALDI: Us doing it?

4 MR. PAPI: No. Where is the water coming  
5 from? Comes from two parking lots. Acaro and Genell's  
6 and Cusumano's Restaurant.

7 ATTORNEY RINALDI: Nobody is allowed to  
8 dump additional water on somebody else's property. Can  
9 be sued by the neighbor.

10 MR. PAPI: I believe Dave handed out --

11 MR. NOTARI: He did hand out --

12 MR. PAPI: Up to you guys to decide --

13 MR. NOTARI: Didn't hand out a price.  
14 I'd like to see a price.

15 MR. LENCESKI: Is that our business to  
16 get involved with?

17 MR. PAPI: That's why I asked Bill.

18 MR. LENCESKI: Yeah, yeah.

19 MR. PAPI: In the past, it wasn't. You  
20 know, but if it's the Borough's water, then it's our  
21 business. If it's not our water, then --

22 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Dave, in your  
23 professional opinion, where is the issue coming from?  
24 Is it coming from Borough property or coming from  
25 private property?

1                   MR. LOPATKA: It's just the two parking  
2 lots. Doesn't come from the road at all.

3                   MR. NOTARI: Doesn't come from Main  
4 Street at all?

5                   MR. LOPATKA: No. There's curb.

6                   MR. NOTARI: Okay.

7                   CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: I mean, that's what  
8 Council is going to have to look at right now. I mean,  
9 do we want to further this and spend engineering money  
10 on looking at an issue on a private property?

11                  MR. FEBBO: I think landowners are pretty  
12 much aware of the fact that it's their problem. I know  
13 Angelo is. It's just a matter of Cusumano's and  
14 whoever else.

15                  MR. NOTARI: I would still like to get  
16 Dave's opinion on cost though. Just because, I'm not  
17 saying we should necessarily pay for it. But I seem to  
18 think that there wasn't a problem before we fixed a  
19 sewer line.

20                  MR. PAPI: No. There's been a problem a  
21 long time.

22                  CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: What the problem was,  
23 Councilman Notari, that that sewer line was busted. It  
24 was taking water into --

25                  MR. NOTARI: I understand what happened.

1                   CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: You know what I mean.

2                   MR. NOTARI: Yeah.

3                   CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: So there was never an  
4 issue there, because the broken line was taking the  
5 water.

6                   MR. NOTARI: Right.

7                   CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: You know.

8                   MR. NOTARI: Right.

9                   MR. FEBBO: I think you're okay with  
10 that, getting a price. But perhaps pass that on to the  
11 landowners.

12                  MR. NOTARI: Sure. But --

13                  MR. PAPI: One of the things was, we had  
14 to take the sewer line from Stacchiotti's property and  
15 put it into front, take from the rear. That's part of  
16 the fix.

17                  MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Do we maybe,  
18 because I'm thinking about it, I was thinking about, I  
19 saw Councilman Febbo over there yesterday. I know he's  
20 been looking at it.

21                  And since Councilman Notari just said  
22 that, I'm thinking about it now. I've been at my  
23 restaurant for 17 years, 18 years.

24                  The past six months in the most I've been  
25 hearing about -- well, the most I've been hearing about

1 the water in that yard. And it seemed like it did  
2 occur after we did the work there.

3 Did we happen to divert any water that  
4 goes --

5 MR. PAPI: Listen, Galetti's yard was all  
6 holes in the backyard, leading right into the pipes and  
7 they were broken. They were all cement pipes, 24 inch.

8 And all the water would just go right  
9 down the holes into the pipe and down the street.

10 CHAIRMAN SEMENZA: Worked like a  
11 stormdrain. Got it.

12 MR. PAPI: So, when he wanted us to fix  
13 the pipe to get rid of holes, break your ankle on it.  
14 As soon as we fixed that, all the water puddled up now.

15 MR. LOPATKA: Nowhere for the water to  
16 go.

17 MR. NOTARI: My other question is, why  
18 are you spending countless hours with Larry Rossi at  
19 the park?

20 MR. PAPI: Because his helper hurt  
21 himself. He tore the muscle from his bone. They had  
22 to reattach it. So he's a one-man show now.

23 MS. BARTOLETTI: He hurt himself helping  
24 out with the TV collection. Yeah.

25 MR. PAPI: Cheeko, Charlie.

1 MS. BARTOLETTI: He's been by himself, so  
2 Paul has been helping him.

3 MR. NOTARI: Should we implement a backup  
4 list for part-timers, you know, DPW on-call in case  
5 stuff, you know, stuff like this happens?

6 MS. BARTOLETTI: I think we're okay,  
7 because we had a kid, you know, a young adult helping  
8 as well. And we do have a couple community service  
9 people who are doing some work that are filling in.

10 I hate to bring someone else on at this  
11 point because we're winding down and, you know, and --

12 MR. PAPI: Charlie wants to come back.

13 MS. BARTOLETTI: Sure he does.

14 MR. PAPI: As soon as his arm heals, he  
15 wants to come back.

16 MS. BARTOLETTI: Sure he does.

17 MR. NOTARI: I'm not talking about  
18 replacing anybody. I'm talking about having a  
19 substitute list.

20 MS. BARTOLETTI: Last year, I had so many  
21 people. And this year, we had the accident and I don't  
22 have people to fill in. And last year, I had so many  
23 people that I was limiting hours.

24 So, sometimes it's really hard to find  
25 people. Sometimes it's not.