

OLD FORGE BOROUGH COUNCIL
OLD FORGE, PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE: REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

DECEMBER 18, 2018

7:00 P.M.

OLD FORGE MUNICIPAL BUILDING

314 SOUTH MAIN STREET

OLD FORGE, PENNSYLVANIA

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

ROBERT SEMENZA, PRESIDENT

JOSEPH FERRETT

RUSSELL RINALDI

LOUIS FEBBO

RICK NOTARI

JAMES HOOVER

MICHAEL LETTIERI

WILLIAM RINALDI, ESQUIRE, SOLICITOR

MARYLYNN BARTOLETTI, BOROUGH MANAGER

Mark Wozniak
Official Court Reporter

1 (The Pledge of Allegiance was
2 recited.)

3 MR. SEMENZA: Welcome to the
4 December 18th regular council meeting of the
5 Old Forge Borough. Roll call, please,
6 Marylynn.

7 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Febbo?

8 MR. FEBBO: Here.

9 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Ferrett?

10 MR. FERRETT: Here.

11 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Hoover?

12 MR. HOOVER: Here.

13 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman
14 Lettieri?

15 MR. LETTIERI: Present.

16 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Notari?

17 MR. NOTARI: Present.

18 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Rinaldi?

19 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Here.

20 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Semenza?

21 MR. SEMENZA: Here. Tonight we're
22 going to do things a little different. For
23 for the record, Pagnotti Enterprises, we
24 have Fred Rinaldi, please.

25 MR. FRED RINALDI: Good evening. I

1 guess we are here to say thank you and honor
2 Pagnotti Enterprises. Two years ago the Old
3 Forge Little League entered into an
4 agreement of sale because Pagnotti was
5 willing to make a very generous donation of
6 eight acres of land adjoining Pagnotti Park.
7 We are here today to say thank you, honor
8 them, and also to sign the agreement of sale
9 to Old Forge Borough because Old Forge
10 Little League thought it was in the best
11 interest of the community that the community
12 have this land to use, which will be named
13 after one of their longtime employees, Mike
14 Martinelli.

15 I think it's appropriate -- you
16 know, Old Forge Little League, for the past
17 four years, went on capital improvement
18 projects that improved Miles Park and
19 Pagnotti Park, and I think it's important
20 for council to hear and understand the
21 generosity from certain organizations,
22 certain individuals.

23 The only thing I'm asking of you, if
24 you see them in the community, just to say
25 thank you. They never wanted recognition.

1 Their willingness to help was unconditional.
2 Tonight, here with me is a representative of
3 Old Forge Little League, Joe Granko, our
4 treasurer for the past seven years, who was
5 instrumental in helping this get
6 accomplished.

7 So just to go through it quickly,
8 the Miles Street Park project in 2014,
9 Lackawanna County cash contribution of
10 \$30,000. The Ronald McDonald House
11 Charities through the generosity of the
12 local McDonald's, Albert and Carl Mueller,
13 \$20,000. Waste Management, \$1,000.

14 In-kind contributions: Dunbar
15 Evergreen Landscaping, \$22,000. GPI, David
16 Johns, who is sitting with me tonight, who
17 was instrumental on each and every project
18 gratuitously, \$15,000. Joe Lenceski and the
19 union workers, even Council President Bobby
20 Semenza with the brick work on Miles Park,
21 \$20,000. Keystone Landfill, \$5,000. Their
22 donation of materials and dumping fees and
23 containers. Waste Management, a thousand
24 dollars. They did street sweeping at the
25 end of the project. That project was

1 \$114,000.

2 In 2016 Old Forge Little League set
3 out on the Pagnotti Park renovations.
4 Lackawanna County, \$30,000. Ronald McDonald
5 House Children's Charities, \$10,000. Once
6 again, the generosity of Albert and Carol
7 Mueller, your local McDonald's operator.
8 The Weinberg Foundation, \$7,000. My
9 parents, attorney Raymond and Rose Marie
10 Rinaldi, \$5,000. Pagnotti Enterprises, here
11 tonight, generosity of \$5,000. The Greater
12 Northeast Chamber of Commerce, \$3,400.
13 Dunbar Evergreen Landscaping, \$1,700.

14 In-kind contributions on the
15 Pagnotti Park project: GPI, David Johns,
16 \$15,000. Dunbar Evergreen, \$10,000.
17 Mariotti Building Products, \$5,000.
18 Keystone Quarry and Keystone Landfill,
19 \$5,000. That project was \$97,000.

20 We also did a health and wellness
21 project, 2016. Pennsylvania Ambulance,
22 donation of AED defibrillators, two of them,
23 \$5,000. CPR training and AED training,
24 \$5,000.

25 In 2017, the lighting project. The

1 local share grant through the help of the
2 late Representative Sid Michaels and Senator
3 Blake, \$77,750. The Lackawanna County
4 Reinvest grant, \$7,000. The generosity of
5 Old Forge Borough, \$10,000. Old Forge
6 Little League through our campaign raising,
7 \$10,000. Mascaro Sanitation, \$5,000.

8 In-kind, once again, GPI, David
9 Johns, \$10,000. Bowen Excavation, \$5,000.

10 Here tonight is, with great honor,
11 to discuss and just explain to you about --
12 you know that show on WVIA about My Town,
13 there's one company I think -- it was a
14 great show, but one company I think our
15 borough should recognize is Pagnotti
16 Enterprises. It is, first and foremost, a
17 local business deeply tied to this
18 community. It is third generation of family
19 ownership. The company's success has always
20 depended on hard work, loyalty and
21 dedication of long-serving employees.

22 Pagnotti Enterprises is here tonight
23 to honor the very best of these employees,
24 Mike Martinelli, who for over 60 years has
25 contributed so much to their proud mining

1 legacy.

2 Originally founded in 1934 by Louis
3 Pagnotti, Henry Ventri, James Tedesco and
4 other Italian immigrants, Pagnotti
5 Enterprises had its birth in anthracite coal
6 mines of northeastern Pennsylvania. Pooling
7 their money, these men purchased the
8 Sullivan Trail Mine located in West
9 Pittston. Although the mine was flooded and
10 thought to be unworkable, they took the
11 chance of believing with more powerful pumps
12 the coal could be profitably mined. Proven
13 right, the venture was a success and
14 provided the young enterprise with the
15 capital needed to purchase other coal
16 properties.

17 Guided by Louis Pagnotti's visionary
18 leadership, Pagnotti Enterprises quickly
19 grew into one of the largest anthracite
20 mining companies in Pennsylvania, acquiring
21 and operating major coal properties
22 throughout Lackawanna, Luzerne, Carbon and
23 Schuylkill counties. Ultimately, in 1964
24 the company obtained a substantial coal
25 property located near Hazleton, Pennsylvania

1 known as the Jeddo Basin property and
2 purchased a 8700 Marion dragline, the
3 largest dragline in the anthracite industry.

4 The Jeddo Basin mine continues to
5 operate today with the same 8700 Marion
6 dragline and a modern coal preparation plant
7 according to the mining plans set in motion
8 by Louis Pagnotti himself.

9 Looking beyond the coal mining
10 business, the company founders expanded to
11 other ventures including worker's
12 compensation insurance, the Lackawanna
13 Insurance Group, Heavy Highway Construction,
14 Number One Contracting Corporation, and
15 cable television, Verto Cable TV. While
16 Number One Contracting Corporation and Verto
17 Cable TV had both been sold, Pagnotti
18 Enterprises still operates the Lackawanna
19 Insurance Group. With annual premiums in
20 excess of \$120 million, the Lackawanna
21 Insurance Group is the sixth largest
22 worker's compensation carrier in the
23 commonwealth of Pennsylvania and is rated A
24 by A.M. Best.

25 Now led by its third generation of

1 family owners, Pagnotti Enterprises has
2 continued to honor Louis Pagnotti's
3 entrepreneurial spirit by further expanding
4 into other areas as well, including
5 alternative energy and real estate
6 development.

7 So it's with great honor I get to
8 introduce Mark DeStefano, the CFO of
9 Pagnotti Enterprises. Just so everyone
10 knows, the value of this land as determined
11 by a real estate appraisal is approximately
12 \$144,000. So it's the largest single gift
13 to the little league and also to Old Forge
14 Borough. Mark?

15 MR. DESTEFANO: I'll be a little
16 more brief. I'd like to recognize some of
17 the third generation team members that I've
18 actually worked with now for about 30 years.
19 James Pagnotti. He's the president of Jeddo
20 Coal. Beth Ann Pagnotti Brandon is one of
21 the grandchildren of Louis Pagnotti, and she
22 works in our accounting department. Mike
23 Brandon worked for Mike for a number of
24 years. Colorful times. David Pagnotti, who
25 also works in our accounting and purchasing

1 department, and Dave Slisher, who is the
2 chief operating officer. Dave and I are
3 cousins, so we're grandchildren of Henry
4 Ventri. Obviously, the rest of the group
5 are grandchildren of Louis Pagnotti, who
6 really was quite a visionary.

7 I called down to the payroll
8 department the other day to get Mike's
9 starting date, which was April 12, 1958, so
10 I know he started when he was about two. So
11 he's with the company 60 years, a little
12 over 60 years, which is incredible, and Mike
13 has really been a constant with the company.
14 Again, over 60 years, 1958. He started as a
15 young oiler on one of our dragline shovels.
16 Early on Mike proved himself a leader by
17 assisting the rescue efforts during the 1959
18 Nox Mine disaster. That was really his
19 second year with the company.

20 In 1960 the company transferred Mike
21 to the Kidder stripping operations, which
22 are locate where the Wyoming Valley Mall is
23 now. That's where they were. And he was
24 integral to that operation. Mike was
25 ultimately promoted to a supervisory role in

1 1972, and shortly after he again
2 demonstrated his ability and leadership by
3 supervising the cleanup of portions of
4 Kingston, Swoyersville and Wilkes-Barre
5 after the flood of 1972.

6 For the following 22 years Mike
7 played an instrumental role in Number One
8 Contracting Corporation, managing several
9 large contracting and excavation projects as
10 well as anthracite stripping reclamation
11 projects.

12 In recognition of his superb
13 qualities, the company, in 1995, promoted
14 Mike to his current role of vice-president
15 and superintendant of coal operations, where
16 he remains responsible for the Jeddo Coal
17 Company's mining and coal preparation
18 operations in Hazleton, and he's still very
19 active today.

20 Like the company founders, Mike is a
21 lifelong resident of Old Forge and has
22 always proudly supported his home town. As
23 a booster of local sporting events, Mike can
24 regularly be found at Pagnotti Park
25 encouraging the young athletes in the Old

1 Forge community.

2 Our company can think of no greater
3 honor than to dedicate the land we're giving
4 to the borough tonight in Mike's name. It's
5 an honor he's earned through a lifetime of
6 steadfast service as a husband, father, a
7 community volunteer and a loved employee of
8 Pagnotti Enterprises. Simply, Mike
9 exemplifies daily all the traits that we
10 strive to live our lives by: Hard work,
11 loyalty and integrity.

12 For all these reasons, it is with
13 great pleasure and immense pride that
14 Pagnotti Enterprises honors Mike Martinelli
15 in perpetuity by naming the new Pagnotti
16 Park playing field the Martinelli Field at
17 Pagnotti Park.

18 MR. MARTINELLI: Today I became a
19 great grandfather. I know that 60 years
20 seems like a long time for anybody to stay
21 in one job, but I managed that, and I did it
22 without one day of -- I never collected a
23 check, an unemployment check in my whole
24 career, and I never had -- well, I consider
25 this lucky -- compensation. I never

1 collected a compensation check. But in the
2 industry that we're in that's luck.

3 But I want to thank the company, the
4 officers, the people that are here right
5 now. They were behind me 100 percent in
6 anything I ever did. I want to thank them
7 for that and I want to thank them for this
8 honor. I thank you.

9 MR. NOTARI: If I could, I'd just
10 like to let the Pagnottis know that Mike
11 doesn't only go to Pagnotti Park to root on
12 the kids. He actually participates. Maybe
13 last year or the year before he played in a
14 men's softball game as a pinch runner, and I
15 think he scored a run, actually, in the
16 men's league. He's there more than just
17 watching. I think it's an honor for all
18 council, if I could speak. It's a great
19 honor to have your name associated with our
20 borough and our fields here in Old Forge.
21 Thank you.

22 MR. SEMENZA: I would like to say to
23 the Pagnottis thank you for the donation to
24 the little league. Thank you and to
25 everyone that Fred had said. I'd like to

1 thank everybody on the borough's behalf.

2 Bill, do I do this resolution with
3 our new business?

4 ATTY. RINALDI: You can do it now.

5 MR. SEMENZA: The chair is going
6 entertain a resolution authorizing the
7 donation of real property in the borough of
8 Old Forge, authorizing the proper officers
9 to execute and deliver such documents
10 required for the donation of the said
11 property, and authorizing the payment of
12 fees and expenses incurred for the donation
13 and acceptance of the said property.

14 MR. NOTARI: I'll make that motion.

15 MR. SEMENZA: By Councilman Notari.
16 May I have a second?

17 MR. FEBBO: I'll second it.

18 MR. SEMENZA: Seconded by Councilman
19 Febbo. On the question? Public input?
20 Roll call, please.

21 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Febbo?

22 MR. FEBBO: Yes.

23 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Ferrett?

24 MR. FERRETT: Yes.

25 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Hoover?

1 MR. HOOVER: Yes.

2 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman
3 Lettieri?

4 MR. LETTIERI: Yes.

5 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Notari?

6 MR. NOTARI: Yes.

7 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Rinaldi?

8 MR. RUSSEL RINALDI: Yes.

9 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Semenza?

10 MR. SEMENZA: Yes. At this time the
11 chair is going to go into housekeeping
12 items. We'll entertain a motion to approve
13 the minutes that were in your packet.

14 MR. HOOVER: Can we get a picture of
15 the family? I think it would be a good idea
16 for everybody involved.

17 (A brief recess was taken.)

18 MR. SEMENZA: At this time the chair
19 would entertain a motion to approve the
20 minutes in your packets.

21 MR. FEBBO: I'll make that motion.

22 MR. SEMENZA: By Councilman Febbo.
23 May I have a second?

24 MR. HOOVER: I'll second it.

25 MR. SEMENZA: Seconded by Councilman

1 Hoover. On the question? Public input?

2 Roll call, please.

3 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Febbo?

4 MR. FEBBO: Yes.

5 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Ferrett?

6 MR. FERRETT: Yes.

7 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Hoover?

8 MR. HOOVER: Yes.

9 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman
10 Lettieri?

11 MR. LETTIERI: Yes.

12 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Notari?

13 MR. NOTARI: Yes.

14 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Rinaldi?

15 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Yes.

16 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Semenza?

17 MR. SEMENZA: Yes. The next motion
18 is a motion to approve treasurer reports.
19 Note that this does not include the sewer
20 accounts.

21 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: I'll make that
22 motion.

23 MR. SEMENZA: Motion by Councilman
24 Rinaldi.

25 MR. LETTIERI: Second.

1 MR. SEMENZA: Seconded by Councilman
2 Lettieri. On the question? Public input?
3 Roll call, please.

4 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Febbo?

5 MR. FEBBO: Yes.

6 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Ferrett?

7 MR. FERRETT: Yes.

8 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Hoover?

9 MR. HOOVER: Yes.

10 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman
11 Lettieri?

12 MR. LETTIERI: Yes.

13 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Notari?

14 MR. NOTARI: Yes.

15 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Rinaldi?

16 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Yes.

17 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Semenza?

18 MR. SEMENZA: Yes. The next motion
19 is a motion to approve invoices for payment.
20 Note that this does not include sewer
21 accounts.

22 MR. LETTIERI: I'll make that
23 motion.

24 MR. SEMENZA: By Councilman
25 Lettieri. May I have a second?

1 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: I'll second
2 it.

3 MR. SEMENZA: Seconded by Councilman
4 Rinaldi. On the question? Public input?
5 Roll call, please.

6 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Febbo?

7 MR. FEBBO: Yes.

8 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Ferrett?

9 MR. FERRETT: Yes.

10 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Hoover?

11 MR. HOOVER: Yes.

12 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman
13 Lettieri?

14 MR. LETTIERI: Yes.

15 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Notari?

16 MR. NOTARI: Yes.

17 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Rinaldi?

18 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Yes.

19 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Semenza?

20 MR. SEMENZA: Yes. The next motion
21 is a motion to approve sewer department
22 financial reports.

23 MR. NOTARI: I'll make that motion.

24 MR. SEMENZA: By Councilman Notari.

25 May I have a second?

1 MR. HOOVER: I'll second it.

2 MR. SEMENZA: Seconded by Councilman
3 Hoover. On the question? Public input?
4 Roll call, please.

5 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Febbo?

6 MR. FEBBO: Yes.

7 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Ferrett?

8 MR. FERRETT: Yes.

9 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Hoover?

10 MR. HOOVER: Yes.

11 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman
12 Lettieri?

13 MR. LETTIERI: Yes.

14 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Notari?

15 MR. NOTARI: Yes.

16 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Rinaldi?

17 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Yes.

18 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Semenza?

19 MR. SEMENZA: Yes. The next motion
20 is a motion to approve sewer department
21 invoices for payment.

22 MR. NOTARI: I'll make that motion.

23 MR. SEMENZA: By Councilman Notari.

24 May I have a second?

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

1 MR. SEMENZA: Seconded by Councilman
2 Febbo. On the question? Public input?
3 Roll call, please.

4 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Febbo?

5 MR. FEBBO: Yes.

6 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Ferrett?

7 MR. FERRETT: Yes.

8 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Hoover?

9 MR. HOOVER: Yes.

10 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman
11 Lettieri?

12 MR. LETTIERI: Yes.

13 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Notari?

14 MR. NOTARI: Yes.

15 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Rinaldi?

16 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Yes.

17 MS. BARTOLETTI: Councilman Semenza?

18 MR. SEMENZA: Yes. At this time the
19 chair is going to go to our department
20 heads. Everybody has Paul Papi's report in
21 their packet. Does anybody have any
22 questions for Paul?

23 MR. NOTARI: The two no truck
24 traffic signs placed on East Mary and
25 Alicia, have they been doing the job? Have

1 we had any reports of any problems?

2 CHIEF DUBERNAS: One or two. Last
3 two months I think we had three and all
4 three of them were cited. It's been down a
5 lot more, and I think since Lonesome Road is
6 back open. I think that alleviated a little
7 bit of the problem, too. It was detoured.
8 They were coming up that way.

9 MR. SEMENZA: Anybody else have
10 anything for Paul? Thanks, Paul. Anything
11 to add?

12 MR. PAPI: No. Everything is good.

13 MR. SEMENZA: Thank you, Paul.
14 Chief, I'm going to go to you. Everybody
15 has Chief Dubernas' report in their packet.
16 Chief, you did a traffic study on Edith
17 Street for the parking, drop off and pick up
18 only?

19 CHIEF DUBERNAS: The only other
20 thing I have is with Mrs. Wictorek and
21 Stafurski. He received the certified mail
22 on Saturday. He contacted me Monday. That
23 car will be gone within ten days. If not, I
24 told him we're taking it.

25 MR. LETTIERI: Is that that green

1 truck?

2 CHIEF DUBERNAS: No, that one is
3 still legal. It has a good inspection and
4 registration. Once the signs go up we're
5 going to have to ask Mr. Kwitakowski to
6 move that.

7 MR. SEMENZA: He does drive that
8 every once in a while.

9 CHIEF DUBERNAS: Williams Street,
10 with the handicapped, they're going back and
11 forth with that.

12 MR. SEMENZA: Chief, just tell us
13 your findings for that.

14 CHIEF DUBERNAS: It's going to be
15 the north side on Edith Street, it's going
16 to be 80 feet -- on the west side it's going
17 to be 80 feet. The east side is going to be
18 100 feet. It's going to be 15 minutes, the
19 same we did with ABC Kiddie Campus, eight to
20 noon.

21 MR. SEMENZA: That will be just
22 Monday through Friday?

23 CHIEF DUBERNAS: Yes. They told me
24 they're usually done by 11:30.

25 MR. SEMENZA: They are. So that

1 will be in new business tonight for everyone
2 to vote on that. Bill, everything's good
3 with that? It was in the paper?

4 ATTY. RINALDI: Yes.

5 MR. SEMENZA: Chief, anything to
6 add?

7 CHIEF DUBERNAS: No.

8 MR. SEMENZA: Anybody have any
9 questions for Chief Dubernas?

10 MR. NOTARI: Chief, any issues at
11 the school in terms of the need for the
12 police department?

13 CHIEF DUBERNAS: We haven't had any
14 issues there.

15 MR. NOTARI: In your report I see
16 incident and arrest numbers. Nothing?

17 CHIEF DUBERNAS: No.

18 MR. NOTARI: Have we had anything
19 over the last couple months?

20 CHIEF DUBERNAS: No.

21 MR. SEMENZA: Anybody else have any
22 questions for Chief Dubernas? Thanks,
23 Chief. Steve, zoning and code enforcement.
24 Everybody has Steve's report in their
25 packet. Anybody have any questions for

1 Steve? Steve, anything to add?

2 MR. BIERYLA: 914 South Main Street
3 is totally cleaned up, the building is
4 empty. That's the one behind the Chicken
5 Coop. So they had the company come up,
6 clean up all the mess that's around there,
7 then they went in and took the U-Haul and
8 cleaned it out. It's totally vacated right
9 now.

10 As you were wondering about the
11 garage on Orchard Street, the file got
12 misplaced down at the magistrate's. I had
13 to refile on that one.

14 Then we were in court again today
15 with the Keyser cleanup, and let's just say
16 the judge was not very pleased. The next
17 meeting will be the 22nd. The judge told
18 him if he doesn't have a vast improvement he
19 was going to jail.

20 MR. SEMENZA: Marylynn, let
21 everybody know what time.

22 ATTY. RINALDI: It's 9:30.

23 MR. NOTARI: Steve, since you
24 brought up that property at 914 South Main,
25 do we own a portion of that alley?

1 MR. BIERYLA: No.

2 MR. SEMENZA: We do not. Serafini's
3 private driveway.

4 MR. LETTIERI: So from where Killino
5 used to live there --

6 MR. BIERYLA: Right from Main Street
7 right through past Bridge Street, past 914,
8 that's all owned by Serafini from across the
9 street.

10 MR. NOTARI: The signage at the new
11 business, Monster Security, is that all up
12 to code and zone?

13 MR. BIERYLA: Yes.

14 MR. NOTARI: It's kind of unsightly.

15 MR. BIERYLA: It's all a matter of
16 square footage, what it says he can have on
17 the building.

18 The other one, we're going to have a
19 zoning meeting, the 730 South Main, where
20 the Medicine Shoppe was. They want to put
21 up one digital sign, so they have to go
22 through the zoning board for the sign.

23 MR. SEMENZA: What did they put a
24 sign up for?

25 MR. BIERYLA: They're just putting a

1 digital sign up where the old sign was.

2 MR. SEMENZA: What's going in there?

3 MR. BIERYLA: Apartments.

4 MR. SEMENZA: So why are they
5 putting a sign up?

6 MR. BIERYLA: We'll find out when
7 they come to the zoning meeting. That will
8 be in January.

9 MR. FEBBO: Did they say the number
10 of apartments?

11 MR. BIERYLA: No, and the reason
12 they didn't do that is because the architect
13 was in here speaking with me, and I told him
14 to look in the book because certain
15 efficiencies and two unit, two bedroom, they
16 require so much footage, and he did. I
17 believe they wanted to try to get eight in
18 there. They were looking at ten but I
19 believe it's going to be cut down to eight
20 because of the square footage. So until he
21 submits a plan we wouldn't know.

22 MR. SEMENZA: Anybody have any
23 questions for Steve? No? Thank you, Steve.
24 Dave, engineer's report, please.

25 MR. LOPATKA: I have the report. We

1 did a cost estimate for the church based off
2 existing conditions. The roof, some of this
3 stuff was included in the original report.
4 Then we went back and we added some items
5 that needed to be addressed.

6 Overall, the number comes, like,
7 \$323,000. That's including contingencies
8 and any plans that may need to be done.
9 Also what this does not include -- and it's
10 based off code, but what will be needed is
11 an elevator, I believe, because it's a
12 public building.

13 MR. SEMENZA: What are we looking at
14 for an elevator, roughly?

15 MR. LOPATKA: Probably between 60
16 and a hundred.

17 MR. SEMENZA: Why did this one in
18 the borough building -- how much did that
19 cost?

20 MS. BARTOLETTI: Not that much more.

21 MR. LOPATKA: A regular three-story
22 elevator, it would be built basically to the
23 exterior of the building, like they're going
24 to do here. Anywhere from 60 to a hundred,
25 depending on whether it has to be regulated

1 air space because of access and everything
2 else. That actually wasn't on here.

3 MR. NOTARI: What is the code and
4 the law? Do we definitely need to put an
5 elevator in?

6 MR. LOPATKA: If it's a public space
7 and it's open to the public they need a way
8 to get to each floor, according to the code.
9 I mean, I don't know if there's any other
10 way around that, if there's any kind of
11 stair-type machine you could mount or
12 something.

13 MR. SEMENZA: So we're looking
14 closer to \$400,000, if not a little more.
15 Anybody have any questions for Dave on the
16 cost estimate?

17 MR. FEBBO: How did you come up with
18 these prices?

19 MR. LOPATKA: We basically took the
20 building size, and we had a bunch of
21 pictures from when we visited the last time
22 and just kind of estimated sizes. We didn't
23 look at -- like, a lot of the plaster is in
24 good shape. There's some cracks. I think
25 the third floor, a good portion of it was

1 broken. I think that has to do with the
2 venting because it was up against the
3 ceiling and hot and cold. Some of that was
4 bad. A lot of the plaster was in pretty
5 good shape throughout the building, so we
6 didn't really include that. We included
7 insulation.

8 Windows, you would need certain
9 types of doors based off the public use
10 also. You can't just put a regular wooden
11 door for your access and exits.

12 The basement upgrade was based off
13 our initial walk through there, and there
14 was, like, a mildewish-type smell down
15 there. A lot of that would probably have to
16 come out. You'd probably have to waterproof
17 it, depending on what you were going to do
18 with it.

19 MR. FEBBO: So you're working on the
20 high side with all these figures?

21 MR. LOPATKA: Yeah.

22 MR. FEBBO: I'm looking at \$30,000
23 to redo a bathroom.

24 MR. LOPATKA: There's a couple.
25 It's not just one.

1 MR. FEBBO: And \$40,000 for kitchen.
2 There's work to be done, but converting it
3 into a commercial.

4 MR. NOTARI: We don't need a
5 commercial kitchen because there's one in
6 the church. So you can remove that \$40,000
7 right off the bat.

8 MR. FEBBO: I can probably shave
9 \$100,000 off that price.

10 MR. HOOVER: The water service is
11 cheap. Are you going to need fire
12 protection in that building?

13 MR. LOPATKA: Potentially. I don't
14 know. The building itself, being it's
15 there -- we didn't go all the way into the
16 code. We were just kind of putting together
17 numbers based off of updated needs.

18 MR. HOOVER: If you need a four-inch
19 for a fire service --

20 MR. LOPATKA: If you needed
21 sprinklers or something.

22 MR. HOOVER: Looking at \$30,000 just
23 for a pit.

24 MR. SEMENZA: Does that have to be
25 in there, sprinkler system?

1 MR. LOPATKA: I'd have to check with
2 our code guys.

3 MR. SEMENZA: That's a major thing
4 if it's a \$30,000 swing there.

5 MR. LOPATKA: We'd look into that as
6 you get further along because if you're
7 going to do something to that building you
8 need to get an architect and you need to get
9 MEP people to actually do a plan. Then you
10 can kind of get a better idea, cost
11 estimate-wise. This is kind of just based
12 off the existing building that's sitting
13 there.

14 MR. HOOVER: Even the electrical
15 upgrade. Circuit breakers, outlets,
16 lighting, additional circuits. If you have
17 to rewire some of that --

18 MR. LOPATKA: Again, some of that's
19 covered, we cover some of the lighting.
20 There's some stuff covered in the lighting,
21 some stuff based off of what our MEP people
22 looked at the last time they were in there.
23 There was a bunch of circuits, I guess, that
24 are rusting a little bit, probably from
25 moisture. So some of the breakers and stuff

1 have to be replaced depending on your need,
2 depending on the type of -- we also
3 estimated here putting in -- right now
4 there's steam heat. All that's radiators.
5 There's no air or anything. So we kind of
6 just put a number in there and say all
7 right, we're putting in one unit which will
8 do both. And we accounted for a certain
9 amount of ductwork or whatever if it was
10 forced hot air or however you did it. The
11 radiator system is an older system, the
12 furnace.

13 I believe the way we had it stated
14 in our original report I think the hot water
15 heater's disconnected, the furnace was
16 15-plus years old. Probably close to the
17 point where you need to replace it. If you
18 were going to replace it and going to put
19 air in, we kind of accounted for that.

20 MR. SEMENZA: If we're going to do
21 remodeling work we might as well do it now
22 than later.

23 MR. LOPATKA: Well, if you're going
24 to get in there and do stuff. You don't
25 have to. Can you replace the furnace and

1 keep the steam heat without air? You can do
2 that.

3 MR. FEBBO: Replace the furnace in
4 there. I know you guys are a little anxious
5 about this. Keep in mind, guys, that this
6 does not have to be done immediately or at
7 one time. Also, as I was listening to
8 Mr. Rinaldi go over some of these
9 organizations and companies that are willing
10 to pitch in to keep our town upgraded and
11 modernized, I think there's a lot of money
12 to be had out there.

13 I think if we put this list in a
14 priority order of what we need immediately,
15 then I would say that's heating. Looking at
16 the roof, I don't know that it needs a roof
17 immediately. I'm not a contractor --

18 MR. LOPATKA: Based off the roof and
19 looking at the age we kind of put a number
20 in there for it.

21 MR. FEBBO: You know, take ownership
22 of that with the idea of bridging into a
23 community center at the church. So I'm
24 saying again that you don't have to come up
25 with an amount of money -- anywhere near

1 this amount of money immediately. Put it in
2 priority order, meet on it, special meetings
3 to go over this thing an what we want to do
4 with it and how we want to handle it.
5 That's a whole issue by itself.

6 MR. SEMENZA: My understanding was
7 we were letting it sit until we figured out
8 what we're doing with the church.

9 MR. FEBBO: Either way, Bob, but I
10 think we should consider putting a heating
11 system in there.

12 MR. SEMENZA: I dont think we should
13 do anything until we know what's going on
14 with the church.

15 MR. HOOVER: I think you shouldn't
16 put a heating system in there with the roof
17 being bad.

18 MR. FEBBO: The roof is not bad.

19 MR. HOOVER: It needs a heating
20 system, but I think you have to do other
21 things first. You have to insulate the
22 building first before you do heating.

23 MR. LETTIERI: You shouldn't just do
24 patchwork here and there. If you're going
25 to get it done and bring it up to where it's

1 at you need to --

2 MR. FEBBO: I agree.

3 MR. HOOVER: If you start you have
4 to continue.

5 MR. FERRETT: Dave, these numbers
6 that you got down here, that's dealing with
7 all new pipes and new everything. Correct?

8 MR. LOPATKA: A good portion of it.
9 Some of the stuff I don't think is bad.
10 There's definitely some stuff in there that
11 needs to be replaced.

12 MR. FERRETT: Don't forget, you're
13 talking a lot of money that you want to put
14 into this building. You can't just go to
15 work and say you're going to put \$400,000
16 into a building and leave that pipe there.
17 That don't make sense.

18 MR. LOPATKA: Well, a lot of stuff,
19 if you open walls up, you're probably going
20 to end up replacing.

21 MR. FERRETT: Let me ask you this
22 question. What's your opinion on this whole
23 matter?

24 MR. LOPATKA: I was asked to do a
25 cost estimate.

1 MR. FERRETT: Well, let me ask you
2 this, the figure that you got right in here,
3 there's not a plan on the table what's going
4 to be done with this building. How do you
5 know that the electricity could increase
6 another \$5,000, this may cost another
7 \$7,000? These figures down here, I don't
8 know how you could go to work and come up
9 with a number like this and not even have a
10 plan what you're going to do or how you're
11 going to make this building or what you're
12 going to make out of this building.

13 MR. FEBBO: He has a starting point,
14 Joe.

15 MR. FERRETT: Be quiet, now. Let me
16 do the talking.

17 MR. LOPATKA: There's a contingency
18 in here because I know -- I mean, until you
19 have an actual plan you're not going to get
20 a totally detailed cost estimate. All we
21 can do is estimate based off the square
22 footages and what not and you go through a
23 catalog that you can kind of estimate
24 certain costs.

25 MR. FERRETT: So, in other words,

1 you're telling me the figure you got on the
2 bottom is not an accurate figure?

3 MR. SEMENZA: No.

4 MR. LOPATKA: No, it's an eyeballed
5 figure. Did we go in there and tear walls
6 out and see what needs to be replaced? No.
7 You have to do that with a plan when you get
8 to that point. I mean, we could estimate
9 stuff, but in the long run I don't know what
10 the final cost is going to be. But this
11 gives you at least a rough idea.

12 MR. FERRETT: I understand that, but
13 you have to understand seven people sitting
14 at this table have to make a decision what
15 kind of money we're going to put into this
16 and whether it's worth it or whether it's
17 not, and the figure we're looking at now is
18 only a rough draft. It's not --

19 MR. LOPATKA: No. I mean, to do it
20 the right way is how we're doing it with the
21 borough building. You've got to put plans
22 together to do it.

23 MR. FERRETT: See, my point behind
24 all this, if I'm building a house I'm not
25 going to say well, this cost this much, this

1 cost that. I'm going to have a plan what
2 I'm going to do with this house and what's
3 going into this house. What it's going to
4 cost.

5 MR. LOPATKA: I agree a hundred
6 percent, but all we can do is based off of
7 the conditions we see. We can do an
8 estimate off that based off of typical
9 prices in the area for certain things, Joe.
10 I'm not a magician. Right? Like, if we
11 were going to actually fix the place up we'd
12 get a plan put together. But right now you
13 guys were looking just for an estimate as to
14 what the approximately cost is.

15 MR. FERRETT: It appears to me we
16 just seem to be going backwards instead of
17 doing things the right way.

18 MR. FEBBO: The chairman had it
19 right when he said we don't have to do
20 anything with that building until we go
21 through the church and see what we got
22 there. We have a whole year to decide what
23 you want to do, how you want to do it, and
24 how you're going to finance it and find
25 time.

1 MR. FERRETT: I don't agree with
2 your philosophy, what you're saying, we
3 should do this, it's only a rough estimate.
4 That's a lot of nonsense because nobody does
5 business that way unless you have a lot of
6 money you want to spend and you don't care
7 about it. That's fine. I'm sitting here,
8 I'm dealing with taxpayer money.

9 MR. FEBBO: Not necessarily for all
10 of it, Joe. If you have a brain for
11 business, like you claim you do, there's
12 ways of getting money.

13 MR. FERRETT: You show me where
14 we're going to get the money, how we're
15 going to get it and how we're going to pay
16 for this thing.

17 MR. FEBBO: Well, again, Joe, you
18 haven't been in business. If you listened
19 to Mr. Rinaldi before, he read out a whole
20 litany of donors and contributors and so on.
21 Don't forget, this is not going to be a
22 one-time deal. You're going to go after
23 people that are willing to participate in
24 this for the community of Old Forge. That's
25 who we represent at this table, the

1 community. The taxpayers. The kids and the
2 adults. It's not just for what we want to
3 do. What do you want to do? Do you want to
4 knock it down, Joe? Is that what you want
5 to do?

6 MR. FERRETT: I didn't say nothing.

7 MR. FEBBO: Or do you want to make
8 it into a slum house down there, turn it
9 into a low income place? You're looking at
10 the third and fourth oldest buildings in the
11 community and you're wondering what you're
12 going to do with the Goddamn thing. What do
13 you have in mind, Joe?

14 MR. FERRETT: Mr. Febbo, let me tell
15 you something. When I do something I cross
16 my T's and I dot my I's. I want to make
17 sure I know where I'm getting the money
18 from, how I'm going to pay for it and where
19 it's going to come from.

20 MR. FEBBO: What we're looking at
21 right now, Joe, is not to raise taxes and
22 not to even have the borough put a penny in
23 the place. It needs time, and that's what
24 we have in our favor. We have time, Joe.
25 We don't need to reach out tomorrow and say

1 we need \$400,000 to put in this building or
2 any other building.

3 MR. FERRETT: That's fine. I don't
4 have a problem with that. You show me where
5 you're going to get it, how you're going to
6 get it and I'll go along with it.

7 MR. FEBBO: Give me time. Just give
8 me time. Okay? Give the right people time,
9 we'll show you how to do it, Joe. You're
10 always negative about everything you want to
11 do unless it's your idea. If it's your idea
12 it's a good idea. You undermine everything
13 that comes to the table that's positive.

14 MR. FERRETT: You're totally wrong.

15 MR. FEBBO: No, I'm not. I'm
16 getting tired of the nonsense that goes on
17 at these council meetings.

18 MR. FERRETT: The next time I
19 present a plan about paving the roads don't
20 ask me where I'm going to get the money
21 from. I'll tell you how much I want to
22 spend whether we have it or don't have it.
23 We'll get it someplace. Don't worry about
24 it.

25 MR. FEBBO: You have it in your

1 budget already. We put money in there for
2 you to spend.

3 MR. FERRETT: You're out in left
4 field.

5 MR. FEBBO: Remember, you're getting
6 these buildings for a dollars apiece, and we
7 have time to decide what you want to do with
8 them. There's things this town does not
9 have that we need and want, and walking away
10 from these two buildings is ludicrous.

11 MR. NOTARI: Dave, at some point we
12 got a number that said \$125,000 to bring
13 that building up.

14 MR. LOPATKA: That was just our
15 initial assessment. We looked at it from a
16 structure standpoint, we looked at it from
17 certain MEPs, and it was just a visual
18 inspection. So based off of that inspection
19 and the photos and stuff that we took we
20 figured out square footages -- and there's
21 documentation and publications out there
22 where you could look at certain things per
23 square foot. But basically that's what we
24 do just to get a rough idea.

25 MR. NOTARI: So it's not like there

1 was anything that additional, what you gave
2 us tonight.

3 MR. LOPATKA: Well, we got a little
4 more detailed based off -- like, we didn't
5 include a kitchen. Like, what it would
6 cost. We just basically figured out a
7 square footage what a kitchen would cost,
8 what a bathroom would cost.

9 The original estimate, we were asked
10 to look at it from basically a structural
11 point of view and the MEPs. Like the
12 furnace. We looked at that and we had
13 someone look at all the electrical. We had
14 an electrical engineer look at all the
15 electrical. So the initial report was just
16 for guts and stuff, and this kind of takes
17 it a little step further.

18 MR. FEBBO: Again, Dave, the
19 structure, sound?

20 MR. LOPATKA: The structure, for the
21 most part, yes.

22 MR. SEMENZA: What do you mean for
23 the most part?

24 MR. LOPATKA: It's in the report.
25 When you typically look at an older house,

1 if you see tons of cracks all over the
2 place -- in this house, a lot of the plaster
3 walls there's just some minor cracking,
4 other than the third floor. The third floor
5 was basically just an attic at one point.
6 So, you know, when you put that in there and
7 it's not properly insulated you get that
8 hot/cold all the time. So some of that
9 plaster in the attic started to
10 disintegrate. So a lot of the stuff in the
11 attic probably has to be replaced.

12 MR. FEBBO: Not falling down but
13 there are cracks.

14 MR. LOPATKA: Right, but the brunt
15 of the structure is pretty solid. We had a
16 structural engineer look at that. Now,
17 again, we're not tearing down ceilings and
18 stuff but, you know, we looked at the
19 foundation, the structure. Just by looking
20 at rooms and stuff you could tell whether or
21 not you have settlement in certain areas and
22 what not because you'd have a lot more
23 cracks in the plaster if you have a lot of
24 settlement.

25 You know, we didn't go through this

1 with a fine-tooth comb, but based off of
2 years of experience of people we had look at
3 it this is how we came up with a number.

4 MR. LETTIERI: Dave, how much more
5 do you think it would be if you started from
6 scratch and built a brand new building
7 compared to trying to renovate an old
8 building?

9 MR. LOPATKA: That's kind of a tough
10 question.

11 MR. SEMENZA: You can't look at
12 that. You have to look at upkeep and
13 maintenance. It's going to be a lot more in
14 upkeep and maintenance to maintain this
15 building than it would be a new building.

16 MR. HOOVER: What year was that
17 building built, 19 --

18 MR. FEBBO: Eighteen.

19 MR. LOPATKA: Your building
20 materials, from an insulation standpoint
21 they're better, your heating would be more
22 efficient, but in the same respect you might
23 be paying a little more up front for it,
24 too.

25 MR. HOOVER: But you wouldn't have

1 the maintenance. You build a new building
2 you wouldn't have maintenance for years.

3 MR. LOPATKA: Something like this,
4 you do the whole package and you do it the
5 right way you won't have as much maintenance
6 in there, either. But it's still an older
7 building that needs to be maintained to a
8 point.

9 MR. SEMENZA: Anybody else have any
10 other questions for Dave? Dave, anything
11 else?

12 MR. LOPATKA: One other thing.
13 Steve e-mailed me some photos today, and
14 this goes to what we were talking about a
15 little bit last time with regard to the DPW
16 site and why we're looking to kind of fix
17 that situation. I mean, I printed these.
18 These show a pretty good amount of water
19 that comes off the DPW site, crosses that
20 area. So what we're doing and how we're
21 going about it and why it's going in there,
22 I know we were talking about do you just let
23 it flow across there or do you collect it.

24 From the rainstorms we've had this
25 year and typical rainstorms, I think

1 collecting it and piping it to where we're
2 showing is the proper approach. This is
3 probably a pretty good rainstorm. You put
4 that pipe in, put a rock apron at the end
5 and you dissipate that, eliminate the issues
6 where you're getting a channel created like
7 that running down through the property. I
8 think what we're doing, if we can get the
9 sign off, is the proper way to fix that
10 issue.

11 MR. SEMENZA: Where are we at?

12 MR. PAPI: Chester is here tonight,
13 I haven't heard from --

14 ATTY. RINALDI: I sent everything to
15 his lawyer. They'll get it back to me. I
16 made changes, so it should be okay.

17 MR. LOPATKA: As long as the
18 neighbor signs off.

19 MR. FEBBO: We agreed that we would
20 give a blanket whatever --

21 ATTY. RINALDI: He wants
22 unconditional --

23 MR. FEBBO: Did we agree to that?

24 ATTY. RINALDI: Yes.

25 MR. LOPATKA: That kind of water

1 flowing over land could do damage. If you
2 put it in a pipe, you put in an outlet, an
3 apron on it, you dissipate it, that amount
4 of water isn't going to create some major
5 issue somewhere.

6 MR. CALLIS: I'm Chet. This water
7 runoff problem, most of you don't know, it's
8 been going on for the last 18 years. It's
9 not just recently. It got worse when the
10 borough put in that truck ramp or earthen
11 dam. It's diverting all the water to the
12 front. There's a drainage ditch in the back
13 and it used to go there, but when they put
14 the ramp in they changed the elevation
15 anywhere from zero up to two feet. So
16 everything pitched toward the front before,
17 say 40 percent used to go to the creek. I
18 brought it up to other council members and I
19 said how could you put this four feet from
20 my property line? I was told we're the
21 borough, we do what we want.

22 MR. SEMENZA: Who told you that?

23 MR. CALLIS: Other councilmen.
24 Whoever was here the last time.

25 MR. SEMENZA: I've been here and

1 that was never told to you.

2 MR. CALLIS: When Pero was here.

3 MR. SEMENZA: I was here when Pero
4 was here. When we put that ramp in I was
5 here. That was never told to you.

6 MR. CALLIS: Okay. Joe came down,
7 he looked at it.

8 MR. SEMENZA: I've been there
9 numerous times.

10 MR. CALLIS: I said how could you
11 put a structure next to the property line,
12 there's supposed to be so much setback, and
13 they said it's not a structure. It's a
14 mound of dirt.

15 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: Somebody told
16 you that in private or at a meeting?

17 MR. CALLIS: Couple council members
18 came down.

19 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: I've been here
20 since 2006. I never heard anything like
21 that.

22 MR. SEMENZA: I was there with
23 Donnie Vender. I never said we're the
24 borough, we can do what we want. I can tell
25 you that much.

1 MR. CALLIS: They changed the
2 elevation, which they shouldn't. If they
3 left it the way it was you'd have the water
4 going in the back. Now everything's
5 diverted to the front.

6 I'm willing to sign the paper no
7 problem, but I want to see a print. Then I
8 called Steve, he came down the one day. I
9 said where's the print? What size is the
10 pipe?

11 He said he called the engineer and
12 he said it's an eight-inch pipe. I said
13 eight-inch pipe ain't big enough. How can
14 an eight-inch pipe carry all this excess
15 water over 500 feet? I'm willing to sign
16 but you need a bigger pipe.

17 MR. SEMENZA: I couldn't give you
18 that.

19 MR. LOPATKA: We ran the numbers.

20 MR. CALLIS: Do you realize there's
21 excess water coming from that housing
22 development behind the borough garage,
23 coming over that way, too?

24 MR. LOPATKA: We looked at the
25 drainage area. Based off the drainage

1 area --

2 MR. CALLIS: Around the building,
3 what about what comes off the field?

4 MR. LOPATKA: We looked at the
5 entire drainage area.

6 MR. CALLIS: The amount of water
7 that comes during a normal rainstorm, not a
8 heavy rainstorm, the erosion is ten inches
9 deep and two feet wide. That wouldn't go in
10 an eight-inch pipe.

11 MR. LOPATKA: I'm telling you we ran
12 the drainage areas. We're trying to --

13 MR. CALLIS: You can guarantee that
14 will take all the water?

15 MR. LOPATKA: We're trying to solve
16 your problem, not create a problem. I think
17 council is trying to address the issue.

18 MR. FEBBO: Whatever happened in the
19 past happened. We've been working with --

20 MR. CALLIS: An eight-inch pipe
21 ain't going to handle it.

22 MR. FEBBO: An engineer will
23 determine that.

24 MR. CALLIS: He can guarantee it's
25 not going to erode any more? He cannot

1 guarantee that.

2 MR. SEMENZA: If we're paying our
3 engineer to do a job, he's guaranteeing to
4 council that that job is going to be done
5 correctly. That's why Ruether and Bowen is
6 our engineer.

7 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: You said the
8 problem has been happening for 18 years?

9 MR. CALLIS: Other people were on --

10 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: How many
11 meetings have you come to to address this?

12 MR. CALLIS: I gave up coming.

13 MR. RUSSELL RINALDI: But you never
14 came to one. I haven't seen you here in 12
15 years.

16 MR. FEBBO: We'll handle it.
17 Correct?

18 MR. NOTARI: We're doing our best.

19 MR: CALLIS: Next time we get a
20 normal rainstorm come down and see the water
21 running through there.

22 MR. FEBBO: I've been there. I'll
23 go on our engineer.

24 MR. SEMENZA: We're going to do the
25 best to rectify the problem. I have the

1 utmost confidence in our engineer. I feel
2 that whatever he says, we'll follow his
3 lead. If he says it's going to take it --

4 MR. FEBBO: Can we just go with a
5 bigger pipe?

6 MR. LOPATKA: You could. There's
7 not a huge difference in the cost if you
8 wanted to put a ten in there.

9 MR. HOOVER: You're digging the
10 hole, you might as well put a bigger pipe
11 in.

12 MR. SEMENZA: If you want to look at
13 a bigger pipe go up a little bit, if you
14 want, if you feel unsure of yourself. We're
15 going to try to rectify the problem as soon
16 as we can. He'll sign.

17 ATTY. RINALDI: He's going to get it
18 back.

19 MR. SEMENZA: Anything else?

20 MR. LOPATKA: No.

21 MR. SEMENZA: Anybody have any other
22 questions for Dave? All right. Thank you,
23 Dave. Bill?

24 ATTY. RINALDI: In your packet you
25 have a new ordinance for the Edith Street

1 loading zone, you have the resolution -- I
2 only gave you the agreement.

3 You're adopting the agreement for
4 the land bank.

5 You have an ordinance adopting a
6 budget and an ordinance passing the tax rate
7 for 2019.

8 We discussed Saint Lawrence, and I
9 sent another e-mail asking where the deed is
10 for the ambulance building on Monday or
11 Tuesday this week. I have not heard back.

12 Grace Street, we have that deed.
13 That's been recorded. Marylynn has it.

14 Stocki, you heard about that hearing
15 this morning.

16 Pagnotti Park, I will try to get
17 that closed by the end of the year. We have
18 that resolution to adopt. That's it.

19 MR. SEMENZA: Anybody have any
20 questions for Bill? Thanks, Bill.
21 Marylynn, borough manager's report, please.
22 Everybody has Marylynn's stuff. Any
23 questions?

24 MS. BARTOLETTI: You have all the
25 financial reports. So the only thing I have

1 to talk about tonight is the budget, and we
2 could probably do that at the time you're
3 going to pass it rather than go through
4 everything now.

5 Bill mentioned about Grace Street.
6 I have two quotes and I'm waiting for two
7 other ones. We need three, I asked for four
8 just in case. If there's a bid under the
9 amount that has to go out for the official
10 newspaper bidding and the whole bit, if they
11 come in when we need them to come in I'll
12 just go forward as soon as we have our third
13 one.

14 MR. SEMENZA: Anybody have any
15 questions for Marylynn?

16 MR. NOTARI: If the quotes come in
17 over what the bid threshold is, Bill, do we
18 have the ability to make an emergency
19 decision on awarding a bid or does it have
20 to go through the process?

21 ATTY. RINALDI: I don't think we're
22 going to have to worry about that. It
23 should be okay.

24 MR. SEMENZA: Anybody else? Thanks,
25 Marylynn. At this time the chair is going

1 to go into public comment. Keith?

2 MR. LESCHINSKY: It's me again. I
3 was just wondering if we came to a
4 resolution. I missed the meeting maybe two
5 weeks ago about the parking situation over
6 on Butler Street. I do want to say, not in
7 a nice way, but Ron -- Mr. Coles has really
8 cleaned up his property in the last couple
9 days. Got rid of a lot of tires over the
10 weekend. It was really nice. I was going
11 to bring him a dozen doughnuts for actually
12 making an effort, and then he flatbedded two
13 cars to Garber Street again the next day.

14 So I was wondering if -- last time I
15 came to a meeting was last week, and it was
16 actually a planning meeting. I was never to
17 one of those before. Steve was here, and
18 Steve told me that I come here a lot and I
19 disrupt these meetings. If so, I apologize.
20 He said I speak out of turn. I apologize.
21 He said I hop the meetings up. I apologize.
22 That's not my job. I'm just trying to see
23 if he's doing his job, and everybody said
24 that it rested on him and I'm wondering what
25 we came up with? Do we have an answer?