Charlie Cash,

Thank you for your detailed explanation. My whole goal here is to try to understand what our members are voting on and input from a member of the negotiating team with facts helps greatly. I made an error and used the wrong CPI from BLS.gov which led to the 24cents. I have no reason to think your explanation is not true. This is not personal and again, I thank you. I adjusted the table assuming the .63 cents an hour you explained as the COLA increase into the below table. If you have any input or corrections, I would greatly appreciate it so we can all agree on the facts.

Evaluating the adjusted numbers in the below spreadsheet, I still believe voting no is the only option for the 2021 proposed contract. Our members will continue to go backwards financially if this contract is approved. I stand by my reasoning in the previous article and still say Vote No! -John L. Marcotte

