

The Council of the City of Milford met in Regular Session at 7:00 p.m. on, May 4, 2005, in Council Chambers, 745 Center St., Milford, Ohio. Mayor Bishop opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

**Roll Call:** Present: Mayor Bishop, Ms. Hinners, Ms. McBeath, Mr. Kolb, Mr. Gradolf, Mr. Reynolds, Mr. Antell.

**Minutes:** Motion by Ms. McBeath, second by Ms. Hinners to waive the reading and approve the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of April 19, 2005. Voting yes: Mayor Bishop, Ms. Hinners, Ms. McBeath and Mr. Kolb, Mr. Gradolf, Mr. Reynolds. Abstaining: Mr. Antell

**Correspondence:** None

**Proclamations:** Mayor Bishop presented proclamations to Roger Asbury, Raymond Butler, Carol Woerner and Pamela Lee for 25 years or more of employment in the City of Milford. A proclamation was also presented to Patrolman Gregory Lee upon his return from active duty in Iraq. Skip Stewart of American Legion Post 450 presented Patrolman Gregory Lee with a plaque and a membership to the Post for his service to our County. Officer Lee thanked Council and the American Legion for their presentations.

### **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Public Services:** Mr. Gradolf reported that the Committee met on April 25, 2005 and on May 4, 2005. The City Manager informed the Committee that only one bid was received for sludge removal at the Waste Water Plant. Further options are being reviewed. The Manager also distributed a bid from Steel Building Materials Co. (PDQ) in the amount of \$96,148 for the Service Department cold storage building. The Committee agreed to draft an Ordinance. A motion by Mr. Gradolf, second by Mr. Kolb to draft an Ordinance for a purchase order and agreement with Steel Building Materials Co. in the amount of \$96,148 for the design and construction of a storage building for the Service Department. All voted yes. The Manager distributed a list of proposals for five stormwater projects submitted by three companies. The most favorable was from NeCamp Construction Company in the amount of \$34,450 for stormwater and drainage projects. The Committee agreed to draft an Ordinance to NeCamp Construction Co. A motion by Mr. Gradolf, second by Ms. McBeath to draft an Ordinance for a purchase order and agreement with NeCamp Construction Company in the amount of \$34,450 for stormwater and drainage projects. All Voted yes. The Manager distributed an engineer's estimate and draft resolution needed to apply to Clermont County for Fiscal Year 2005 Community Development Block Grant funds to install a sidewalk along Main St. between Edgecombe Dr. and Crestview Dr. The Committee agreed to draft a Resolution for the Block Grant Funds. A motion by Mr. Gradolf, second by Mr. Reynolds to draft a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to make application for the Community Development Block Grant program for 2005. Ms. Rokey also informed the Committee that the Hazard Mitigation Plan revisions are in process with the consultant, FMSM. Once the revisions are received from the State an Ordinance adopting the plan will be requested. City Manager Rokey informed the Committee that an Ordinance is needed for the City to accept dedication of the public waterline installed as part of the Pattison Elementary School. The Committee agreed to draft the Ordinance. A motion by Mr. Gradolf, second by Ms. Hinners to draft an Ordinance accepting the dedication of the public waterline which was installed by Milford Exempted Village School District as part of the Pattison Elementary School Project. All voted yes. The City Manager also distributed a draft ordinance authorizing a reimbursement agreement between the City and the Milford Exempted Village School District which requires the City to have future users who tap into the waterline installed by the District to reimburse the school district a pro-rata portion of the cost of the line. The Committee agreed to motion to draft the Ordinance. A motion by Mr. Gradolf, second by Ms. McBeath to draft an Ordinance authorizing the agreement between the City of Milford and the Milford Exempted School District regarding the waterline extension reimbursement. All voted yes. Ms. Rokey informed the Committee that an Ordinance is required to clarify that the existing sections of the codified ordinances relating to rules and regulations for water and sanitary sewer charges are to be used for the enforcement of delinquent storm water utility payments. The Committee agreed to draft the Ordinance. A motion by Mr. Gradolf, second by Mr. Kolb to draft an Ordinance clarifying the rules and regulations established for enforcement of delinquent storm water utility charges. All voted yes.

The Manager informed the Committee that the building department received its new ISO rating. The City has a very good rating for a community our size. She also informed the Committee that the Price Rd. erosion project will start as soon as CInergy relocates a power line. Ms. Rokey introduced Mr. Lou Ethridge with the Clermont County Planning Department for a discussion of the County's Thoroughfare Plan. A discussion was held on possibilities of improvements to congestion on St. Rt. 28 and Rt. 131. Mr. Ethridge will return after feedback from various communities.

At the May 4<sup>th</sup> Committee Meeting Mr. Haight advised the Committee in consultation with the engineer that due to erosion problems affecting the Castrucci property, a contractor had been hired by Castrucci to stabilize the stream bank affecting their property. The City is also experiencing problems threatening Happy Hollow Rd/Bridge and the U.S. 50 bridge. By hiring the contractor already working for Castrucci the City can save at least \$1500 for mobilization. The Committee agreed to draft an Ordinance for this project. A motion by Mr. Gradolf, second by Ms. Hinners to draft an Ordinance authorizing a contract with

Motz Enterprises Inc. in the amount of \$17,000 for erosion control along Happy Hollow Creek. All voted yes. Between this project and other stormwater contract repairs this line item should be increased \$25,000 to \$55,000 total. The Committee agreed to draft an Ordinance increasing this line item. A motion by Mr. Gradolf, second by Mr. Antell to draft an Ordinance amending Appropriation Ordinance 05-433 in the amount of \$25,000 increasing the stormwater budget line item for contract repair. All voted yes.

**Administrative Services:** No Report  
**Safety Services:** No Report  
**Community Development:** No Report

**City Manager's Report:** City Manager Rokey requested an Executive Session for legal purposes immediately following the regular Council Meeting. Motion by Mr. Kolb, second by Ms. Hinnners to hold an Executive Session. All voted yes.

Ms. Rokey reported that the Service Department continues to mow and prepare for Memorial Day. The Price Rd. project should be completed in three weeks. The City is currently advertising for a Municipal Service Worker position. This is due to the vacancy created by the retirement of Randy Andersen. A utility pole was hit on May 2<sup>nd</sup> which resulted in a 1 hour power outage to part of the City. The Water Department repaired a curb stop and box and the line and tank cleaning at the plant has been completed. The Wastewater Treatment Plant Expansion/Phase II bid will be opened on May 6<sup>th</sup>.

**Committee Meetings**

Public Services	Monday, May 9, 2005	5:30 p.m.
Public Services	Monday, May 16, 2005	5:30 p.m.
Admin. Services	Tuesday, May 10, 2005	7:00 p.m.
Com. Development	Monday, May 9, 2005	7:00 p.m.

**Reminders**

"Lets Talk"	Monday, May 9, 2005 (Firefighter Hall)	7:00 p.m.
Planning Commission	Wednesday, May 11, 2005	6:00 p.m.
Parks & Recreation	Monday, May 16, 2005	5:30 p.m.
Citizens' Housing	Monday, May 16, 2005	7:00 p.m.
Go with the Flow	Sunday, May 22, 2005	
Memorial Day parade	Monday, May 30, 2005	
Frontier Days	June 2 <sup>nd</sup> through June 5 <sup>th</sup>	

**Police Department:** Chief Machan distributed the monthly Police Department report. He reported that the Police Department would hold a "Lets Talk" session on drugs on Monday, May 9<sup>th</sup> at the Firefighter Hall. The Department will conduct a seat belt check in the middle of June. This will be held on Milford Parkway. Drivers using seat belts will be rewarded and those not using seat belts will not be cited but will be warned. A brief discussion was held on school warning lights that are activated on off school days.

**Fire Department/EMS:** Chief Cooper reported on the pole that was struck at Garfield and Water Sts. The Department was able to secure the situation quickly with a power outage of only about one-hour. Another power outage occurred today, May 4<sup>th</sup> due to a power line that was dropped from the towers on Milford Parkway. The line dropped from the railroad tracks to Rt. 131. There was some damage to cars at Kerry Dodge. This was a dangerous situation but was handled quickly and efficiently by the Fire Department and CINergy.

**Comments:** Mayor Bishop commented on the noncompliance of some signs and abandoned buildings in the City. There are signs still up and in disrepair for businesses no longer open. He stated these signs should be removed and said that the codes should be enforced. Mr. Reynolds also agreed. Mayor Bishop said that the signs and the empty buildings are hurting business in downtown Milford. Council agreed and the situation will be looked into.

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:**

Ordinances and Resolutions:

- 05-440 An Ordinance Authorizing an Agreement with Steel Building Materials Co. for the design and Construction of a storage building. Motion by Mr. Kolb, second by Ms. McBeath to suspend the rules and read by title only. All voted yes. Motion by Mr. Antell, second by Mr. Reynolds to adopt. All voted yes.
- 05-441 An Ordinance Authorizing an Agreement with NeCamp Construction Co. for stormwater and drainage projects. Motion by Ms. McBeath, second by Mr. Kolb to suspend the rules and read by title only. All voted yes. Motion by Mr. Reynolds, second by Ms. Hinnners to adopt. All voted yes.
- 05-442 An Ordinance Regarding the Enforcement of the Storm Water Utility Program. Motion by Ms. McBeath, second by Mr. Antell to suspend the rules and read by title only. All voted yes. Motion by Ms. Hinnners, second by Mr. Reynolds to adopt. All voted yes.
- 05-443 An Ordinance Authorizing a Contract with Motz Enterprises, Inc. for erosion control along Happy Hollow Creek. Motion by Ms. McBeath, second by Mr. Kolb to suspend the rules and read by title only. All voted yes. Motion by Mr. Reynolds, second by Mr. Antell to adopt. All voted yes.
- 05-444 An Ordinance Amending Appropriations Ordinance No. 05-433. Motion by Ms. McBeath, second Mr. Antell to adopt. All voted yes.

05-513 A Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to make application for the Community Development Block Grant Program for 2005. Motion by Mr. Gradolf, second by Ms. Hinners to adopt. All voted yes.

**Adjourn:** There being no further business to come before Regular Council the meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m. to enter into an Executive Session for legal purposes, with a motion by Mr. Reynolds, second by Ms. Hinners. All voted yes. Council returned from Executive Session at 9:15 p.m. and adjourned with a motion by Mr. Antell, second by Mr. Gradolf.

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Joanne Trilety, Clerk of Council

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Lou Bishop, Mayor