

The Council of the City of Milford met in Regular Session at 7:00 p.m. on, September 20, 2005, in Council Chambers, 745 Center St., Milford, Ohio. Vice Mayor Gradolf opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

Roll Call: Present: Mr. Gradolf, Ms. Hinnners, Mr. Kolb, Mr. Antell, Mr. Reynolds, Ms. McBeath. Absent: Mayor Bishop. Mr. Reynolds made a motion, second by Mr. Kolb to excuse Mayor Bishop. All voted yes.

Minutes: Mr. Antell made a motion, second by Mr. Kolb to waive the reading and approve the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of September 6, 2005. Mr. Antell asked for a correction on his vote on Resolution 05-517. The minutes were approved as corrected with all voting yes.

Correspondence: None.

Financial Statements: Mr. Antell made a motion, second by Ms. Hinnners to accept and approve the Income Tax Receipt Summary. All voted yes.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Services: Mr. Kolb reported that the Committee met on September 19, 2005. The City Manager distributed final copies of the Water Rate Study to the Committee. Rate increase options were discussed based upon Table 13. The Committee agreed to recommend that Council consider the study options outlined on pages 13 & 14. Another meeting will be scheduled to discuss recommendations. Manager Rokey advised that Valley View has submitted another application for WRRSP funding to acquire additional property in the flood hazard area along the East Fork. These funds would be generated based upon our application for an OEPA loan to construct the CSO elimination project. The Committee agreed to motion to draft a Resolution supporting nomination of the Valley View Foundation project for WRRSP funds related to the CSO project. Mr. Kolb made the motion, second by Ms. Hinnners. All voted yes. The Manager distributed a memo from Finance Director, Harry Steger, regarding his analysis of proposals for city banking services. Our current vendor, Fifth Third Bank offers the lowest fees and the lock-box services we require. The Committee agreed to motion to draft an Ordinance authorizing an agreement with Fifth Third Bank for banking services. Mr. Kolb made the motion, second by Mr. Reynolds. All voted yes. Bud White, City Engineer, provided an analysis of the bids for the Mohawk/Lila Avenue Signal Improvement Project. Bansal Construction, Inc. was the lowest and most responsive bid in the amount of \$59,460.75. The Engineer's estimate was \$100,000. The Committee agreed to draft an Ordinance authorizing a contract with Bansal Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$59,460.75. Mr. Kolb made the motion, second by Mr. Reynolds. All voted yes. The City Manager discussed with the Committee correspondence from our OPWC District 10 Committee and OML requesting support of Issue I. The Committee will review the request and determine if Council support is recommended in the form of a Resolution. The Manager also provided a cost estimate for the Powhatton Storm Sewer Project. This will be reviewed by staff and probably bid in the spring. The Manager provided a revised Exhibit B proposed for the Waterline Reimbursement Ordinance.

Administrative Services: No report

Safety Services: No report

Community Development: Mr. Antell reported that the Committee met on September 7, 2005 and on September 19, 2005. The September 7th meeting was to meet with the Milford Disaster Relief Committee to discuss the ways and means of relocating a displaced family in our area. It was agreed that the Committee does support the efforts of the Relief Committee. Members of the Relief Committee include Jon Peterson, Chairman, Nadine and Ron Metz, Don Chandler, Dave Metz, Joan Sence, Barb Antell, Mariene and Britta Peterson.

Mr. Antell reported that at the September 19th meeting the Committee met with Wendi Crabill from the Ohio Department of Natural Resources Urban Forester. Ms. Cabill addressed the Committee and gave a PowerPoint presentation regarding the Tree City Program. She recognized that Milford has progressed in the last year since we passed our Ordinance in November 2004. Ms. Caubill would be happy to address all of City Council at a future date. She stated that Ohio has more Tree Cities than any other state due to the state's commitment to the urban forestry program. She said that the program is more about commitment than rules. She approved an application form and additional resource information. Mr. Antell thanked the Historical Society for their work in placing the flagpole at the gravesite of Governor Pattison. He also expressed his thanks to the Fire Department and EMS for the 9-11 Memorial Parade.

City Manager's Report: The Service Department is painting the crosswalks, stop bars and the turn signs. The catch basins have all been cleaned. Junk Days will be on October 14th and 15th from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The Cemetery staff continues mowing and weed eating. Ms. Rokey thanked Virginia Critchell for implementing and organizing the flagpole placement on Governor Pattison's grave. The dedication will be on October 9th at 2:00 p.m.

The Water Department repaired a leak on Lila Avenue at McDonalds. The leak was from two abandoned service lines. There was no water interruption to homes or businesses.

Reminders

Chamber Luncheon (Gino's)	September 29, 2005	Noon
Buskars Festival	October 1, 2005	Noon-6: 00 p.m.
City Wide Yard Sale	October 7 – October 9, 2005	
Flagpole Dedication	October 9, 2005	2:00 p.m.
Planning Commission	October 12, 2005	6:00 p.m.
Junk Days	October 14 th & 15 th	
Citizen's Housing	October 17, 2005	7:00 p.m.
City Picnic	October 15, 2005	Legion Hall
Beggar's Night	October 31, 2005	6-8 p.n.

Susan Ellerhorst, the new Assistant to the City Manager began her employment on 9-19-05. Over 30 resumes have been received for the Secretary to the Manager position along with good response for the part-time finance clerk position. Mr. Gradolf commented that there are many good people who work for the City. Ms. Rokey thanked the Service workers who put in extra time for the 9-11 parade. Ms. Rokey asked for a Voice Vote from Council rescinding fees for the City Wide Yard Sale. Motion by Ms. Hinners, second by Mr. Kolb. All voted yes.

Police Department: Chief Machan thanked Chief Cooper and all those who helped with the 9-11 parade. He explained that Sgt. Burroughs is on stand-by to go to the Gulf. Fema is the chain of command and when they call he will depart.

Fire Department/EMS: Chief Cooper distributed the Department's monthly report to Council. Mr. Gradolf commented that the Department did a super job on the 9-11 parade. Chief Cooper responded that it was our Department in partnership with many other departments and it took a lot of people to accomplish the parade. He stated that the new Police Memorial is now in place and invited the public to come and visit. Chief Cooper said that the Memorial was completed with donations and time from many sources. He also said that the new ambulances would be 2006 models at no additional cost.

Comments: Karen Huff from the Milford/Miami Township Chamber commented on the following coming events: The luncheon at Gino's on September 29th, the Chamber Golf Outing on October 10th, Candidates Night on October 17th and The Chamber COVER Awards on October 16th. Susan Stagge announced that the Buskars Festival would be held on October 1st. Street entertainers will include musicians, jugglers, magicians, and many other entertainers. Law Director Minniear stated that the referendum concerning the zone change on the Milford Parkway has been overturned in the Clermont County Court. Mr. Mara has appealed the decision and the outcome of the Appeals Court should be available soon.

Old Business:

Ordinances and Resolutions

- 05-468 An Ordinance establishing a fee schedule for connection to the City of Milford's water system. A motion by Ms. McBeath, second by Mr. Kolb to suspend the rules and read by title only. All voted yes. A motion by Ms. McBeath, second by Mr. Antell to adopt. All voted yes.
- 05-469 An ordinance establishing a fee schedule for connection to the City of Milford's Sanitary Sewer System. A motion by Ms. McBeath, second by Mr. Kolb to suspend the rules and read by title only. All voted yes. A motion by Mr. Kolb, second by Ms. McBeath to adopt. All voted yes.
- 05-470 An Ordinance authorizing Quest Engineers to do a Wastewater Rate Study. A motion by Mr. Kolb, second by Ms. McBeath to suspend the rules and read by title only. All voted yes. A motion by Mr. Kolb, second by Ms. Hinners to adopt. All voted yes.
- 05-471 An Ordinance authorizing manhole adjustment on State Route 28 and Garfield Avenue. A motion by Mr. Kolb, second by Ms. Hinners to suspend the rules and read by title only. All voted yes. A motion by Ms. Hinners, second by Mr. Kolb to adopt. All voted yes.
- 05-472 An Ordinance authorizing an agreement with Building Crafts, Inc. for Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements Phase II. A motion by Ms. McBeath, second by Mr. Kolb to suspend the rules and read by title only. All voted yes. A motion by Ms. Hinners, second by Mr. Kolb to adopt. All voted yes.
- 05-473 An Ordinance authorizing an agreement with Lake Erie Electric for the electrical work at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. A motion by Ms. McBeath, second by Mr. Kolb to suspend the rules and read by title only. All voted yes. A motion by Mr. Antell, second by Mr. Kolb to adopt. All voted yes.

New Business: None

Adjourn: There being no further business to come before Council the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m. with a motion by Mr. Antell, second by Ms. Hinners. All voted yes.

