

The Council of the City of Milford met in Regular Session at 7:00 p.m. on November 21, 2006 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, Vice-Mayor McBeath, Mr. Antell, Mr. Kolb, Ms. Hinnners, Ms. Brewer and Mr. Hunter.

Public Hearing: Mayor Bishop opened the Public Hearing and presented an explanation of the Joint Economic Development District agreement proposed between the City of Milford and Union Township. There were no speakers in favor of the JEDD agreement.

There were no speakers against the JEDD agreement.

Council had no discussion concerning the agreement but Mr. Antell voiced his approval of the proposal.

City Manager Rokey explained that several minor changes were made to the agreement contract.

Mayor Bishop closed the Public Hearing. Council returned to their regular agenda.

Ms. McBeath made the motion, seconded by Mr. Kolb to draft an Ordinance to enter into a Joint Economic Development District agreement with Union Township. All voted yes.

Minutes: Ms. Hinnners made the motion, seconded by Mr. Hunter to waive the reading and adopt the minutes of November 8, 2006. Voting yes: Ms. Brewer, Ms. Hinnners, Ms. McBeath and Mr. Hunter. Abstaining: Mr. Antell, Mayor Bishop and Mr. Kolb.

Correspondence: The Clerk stated a letter was received from OKI wanting nominations for various positions. Council had no recommendations at this time.

Financial Statements: The Clerk asked for a motion to approve and accept the Schedule of Investment and Interest Report, The Reconciliation of City Funds Report, The Statement of Cash Report, The Expense Account Report and the Revenue Report. Mr. Antell made the motion, seconded by Ms. Hinnners to approve and accept the Financial Reports. All voted yes.

Committee Reports

Public Services: Ms. Brewer reported that the Committee met on November 13, 2006. Carol Royer, Wastewater Supervisor provided an update on the construction at the Wastewater Plant and the CSO change order. Several underground lines serving the plant were hit during the excavation but were all repaired the same day.

The City is still waiting for a cost to connect additional taps to the new sewer line installed on Main Street. Construction will require installation of the taps within the sidewalk on Garfield between High and Main Street to avoid crossing numerous utilities in the street.

City Manager Rokey provided a proposal from CDP Engineers in the amount of \$28,000 to design the next two phases of storm water improvements in accordance with the master plan. In addition, the ditch on U.S. 50 in front of Castrucci is no longer effective. A ditch with a concrete bottom is proposed with a width of a bobcat blade for easy maintenance. CDP has included a proposal to design this drainage improvement in the amount of \$5,500. Since Miami is a high priority, but cannot be improved until Phase I construction installs a new discharge to Riverside, we will design both segments and bid Phase I, with Phase II and the U.S. 50 improvements as alternates. Based on preliminary construction estimates, we may have sufficient revenue to complete Phase I and II together. If not, we will have to accept bids in the amount we can afford based upon storm water revenue at that time.

The Committee agreed to make a motion to draft an Ordinance accepting a proposal from CDP Engineers to design certain Storm Water Improvements for East Milford and U.S. 50 in the amount of \$33,500. Ms. Brewer made the motion, seconded by Mr. Kolb. All voted yes.

Administrative Services: No Report

Safety Services: No Report

Community Development: Mr. Antell reported that the Committee met on November 13, 2006. The Committee discussed the proposal for a part-time economic development position to be housed at the Milford/Miami Township Chamber offices and funded through seed money from the City. \$10,000 has been appropriated this year and should be released to the Chamber upon execution of a cooperative agreement between the City and the Chamber. An additional \$10,000 is proposed to be appropriated after the first of the year.

Don Ackermann believes that the proposal has merit, but needs funding and commitments from the Chamber and OMMA. Jean Ackermann and John Cooper relayed to the Committee that OMMA feels uninformed and left out of the advisory committee and not sure what they would get for their investment. They have questions as to who pays, who hires and what is this person's position description.

Mr. Antell explained that the goal would be to attract, retain and expand business in Milford. He suggested that staff draft a summary to communicate the information requested.

Dan Slusher noted that the position would provide another tool, but is not a cure-all. He feels small businesses lose excitement and also need opportunities of seminars and other means to keep their

enthusiasm. Karen Huff reported that the Chamber is on board with the commitment outlines, but OMMA needs to participate in the process. Diana Kuhnell feels we have discussed this for some time and is ready to move forward.

Regarding the proposal from Brailey Ventures, LLC the Manager noted that the Law Director is responsible for drafting language acceptable to City Council for movement of the Promissory note to fund improvements to 29 High St. The proposal is to pay down \$10,000 on the current note, leaving a balance of \$40,000 with the current terms. The Committee agreed that there should be documentation that all previous debt on both 19 and 29 High is to be paid in full and that borrowing for the new project is not to exceed the value of the property. With these conditions, the Committee agreed to make a motion to draft an Ordinance amending the Promissory Note with Brailey Ventures, LLC. Mr. Antell made the motion, seconded by Ms. Hinnners. All voted yes.

The Manager noted that the appointment of Rachelle Rapp-Dickerson appears to have expired in May. She requested that Council approval is needed to confirm the re-appointment of Rachelle to the Parks and Recreation Commission. Mr. Antell made the motion, seconded by Ms. McBeath. All voted yes.

The Committee discussed the Salute to Leaders awards and agreed to support the nomination of Virginia Critchell for organizing the Founders Day and her volunteer work with the Historical Society. With a voice vote from Council all voted yes.

Ms. Hinnners motioned to request an Executive Session for legal and real estate reasons immediately following the Council meeting, seconded by Mr. Kolb. All voted yes.

City Manager's Report: City Manager Rokey reported that the Street/Service Department continues leaf pick-up and is preparing for Hometown Holidays. Work has also begun on signal installation on Castleberry Court. The Sidewalk on S.R. 28 is 40% complete. The sidewalk replacement application for next year has been approved in the amount of \$32,000. The Wastewater Department construction is on schedule. The Water Departments reports that the softening has been off-line since November 7th. The lime slaker is in need of repair and replacement. A \$5000 order for repairs has been placed. Once received the lime slaker will be back on line. Garbage pick up will be on schedule during the Thanksgiving holidays.

The Finance Director provided Council a year-to-date review of the City Budget to Council for their review. The City is preparing for compliance with the new smoking ban in accordance with the passage of Issue 5. It is also time to renew our contracts with the MCFD for Fire and EMS Services. The City is seeking a part-time secretary for our Boards and Commissions.

Committee Meetings

Community Development	Monday, November 27, 2006	5:30 p.m.
Public Services	Monday, November 27, 2006	3:00 p.m.
Admin. Services	Tuesday, November 28, 2006	5:30 p.m.

Reminders

Office Closed	November 24 th and 25 th	
Hometown Holidays	November 24 th , 25 th and 26 th	
Promont House Display	November 24 th through January 24 th	
Taste of Christmas	Wednesday, December 6, 2006	6-8 p.m.
Planning Commission	Wednesday, December 13, 2006	6:00 p.m.
Citizen's Housing	Monday, December 18, 2006	7:00 p.m.
Zoning Appeals	Thursday, December 28, 2006	6:30 p.m.
Council Meeting date change	– February 7 th , 2007 (special election on February 6 th)	

Police Department: Chief Machan reported that the department is trying out a new portable speed sign. This sign is smaller and easier to move than the one we have. It also has many different features that our old sign does not have. He also reported on several robberies in Milford. Beer kegs and construction material have been taken. Several arrests have been made.

Fire Department/EMS: Chief Cooper announced that "Santa Sunday" will be on December 19th beginning at 1:00 p.m. The Department has been preparing for Hometown Holidays. The Department is also still collecting coats. They can be dropped off at the Fire Station or placed in the designated barrels.

Comments: Mr. Antell wished the residents of Milford a Happy Thanksgiving. He also asked for the Brailey Ordinance to be voted on and passed.

Ms. Hinnners commented on the Milford School Levy that will be voted on in February. She urged residents to vote for the children.

Old Business

Ordinances and Resolutions

- 06-554 An Ordinance Authorizing Transfer of Funds. Mr. Antell made the motion to adopt, seconded by Ms. Brewer. All voted yes.
- 06-555 An Ordinance increasing the salary for the Law Director to \$47,500 effective November 1, 2006. Mr. Antell made the motion to adopt, seconded by Ms. Hinnners. All voted yes.

New Business: None

Ordinances Resolutions

- 06-556 An Ordinance authorizing an agreement between the City of Milford and Union Township for a Joint Economic Development District. Ms. McBeath made the motion, seconded by Mr. Kolb to suspend the rules and read by title only. All voted yes. Ms. Hinnners made the motion, seconded by Mr. Kolb to adopt. All voted yes.
- 06-557 An Ordinance accepting a proposal from CDP Engineers to design certain Storm Water Improvements for East Milford and U.S. 50 in the amount of \$33,500. Ms. McBeath made the motion, seconded by Mr. Kolb to suspend the rules and read by title only. All voted yes. Ms. Hinnners made the motion, seconded by Mr. Antell to adopt. All voted yes.
- 06-558 An Ordinance amending the Promissory Note with Brailey Ventures, LLC. Mr. Kolb made the motion, seconded by Mr. Antell to suspend the rules and read by title only. All voted yes. Ms. Hinnners made the motion, seconded by Mr. Antell to adopt. All voted yes.

Adjourn: There being no further business to come before Council the meeting was recessed at 8:05 p.m. with a motion by Mr. Antell, seconded by Ms. McBeath to enter into an Executive Session for personnel and real estate matters. Council returned from Executive Session at 8:30 p.m and adjourned with a motion from Mr. Antell, seconded by Mr. Kolb.

Joanne Trilety, Clerk of Council

Lou Bishop, Mayor