

The Council of the City of Milford met in Regular Session in Council Chambers at 745 Center Street at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 7, 2007. Mayor McBeath called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence.

**Roll Call:** Present – Mayor McBeath, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Hawkins, Mr. Vilardo and Ms. Hinnners. Absent: Mr. Antell and Ms. Brewer. Mr. Hunter made the motion, seconded by Mr. Vilardo to excuse Mr. Antell and Ms. Brewer. All voted yes.

**Minutes:** Ms. McBeath made the motion to waive the reading and adopt the Minutes of the July 17, 2007 regular Council Meeting and the July 24, 2007 Minutes of the Special Council Meeting. Voting yes for the July 17<sup>th</sup> meeting: Mr. Hawkins, Mr. Vilardo, Ms. McBeath and Mr. Hunter. Abstaining: Ms. Hinnners. All voted yes for the July 24<sup>th</sup> Special Meeting. The Minutes of the July 3<sup>rd</sup> 2007 meeting will be presented at the August 21<sup>st</sup> meeting.

**Correspondence:** The Clerk read a letter from Richard Block, 225 Main Street concerning a zone change for 224 Water Street and concerning the trees on Main Street that obstruct signage to some of the businesses. This will be referred to committee.

**Financial Statements:** None

**Oath of Office:** Law Director Minniear administered the Oath of Office to Theresa Conover as a member of the Board of Zoning Appeals.

**Comments:** Brenda Plante of Round Bottom Road addressed Council concerning the excessive noise coming from Quaker Steak and Lube. She stated that the music and the noise from the motorcycles on Quaker Steak and Lube's Bike Night were loud and disturbing. She has talked to the manager at Quaker Steak and Lube but has not been able to resolve the situation. Mayor McBeath said that this was discussed at the Community Development meeting and will be looked into further.

#### **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Public Services:** Mr. Hunter reported that the Committee met on August 3, 2007. Council Members present were: Amy Brewer and David Hunter. Staff Present were: City Manager Loretta Rokey, Assistant to the City Manager Susan Ellerhorst and Service Director Mike Haight.

Mr. Haight reviewed the bids received for street resurfacing to include Robbie Ridge, Susan Circle, Kenny Court and Cleveland Avenue. Concrete repair was recommended for all but Cleveland Avenue. Mr. Haight provided a summary of all city streets resurfaced from 1995-2006. Most streets are in very good condition. The Committee agreed to make a motion to draft an Ordinance authorizing a contract with Neyra Paving in the amount of \$95,391. Mr. Hunter made the motion, seconded by Ms. Hinnners. All voted yes.

Mr. Haight also provided proposals from three line striping contractors. The Committee agreed to make a motion to draft an Ordinance accepting a proposal from A & A Safety for line striping in the amount of \$13,350. Mr. Hunter made the motion, seconded by Ms. Hinnners. All voted yes.

Susan Ellerhorst reviewed the revisions to the County's Water Management Sediment Control Regulations, which must be adopted in order to comply with the County NPDES permit and city procedures. Several changes were made due to the fact that we have our own storm water utility and building department. A new fee schedule is also proposed. It replaces Ordinance 97-1775 adopted in 1997. A text amendment has also been proposed for the Board of Zoning Appeals to also service as the appeals board for these regulations. A legal notice and public hearing will be required. The Committee agreed to make a motion to draft an Ordinance adopting regulations for Water Management and Sediment Control. Mr. Hunter made the motion, seconded by Ms. Hinnners. All voted yes. The Committee agreed to make a motion to draft an Ordinance revising the fee schedule for Water Management and Sediment Control. Mr. Hunter made the motion, seconded by Ms. Hinnners. All voted yes.

The Committee briefly discussed the letter from Richard Block. His zoning question has been referred to Pam Holbrook and the Committee agreed that they do not support the removal of the trees on Main Street.

**Administrative Services:** No Report. Ms. Hinnners asked for a motion as a Committee of the Whole, seconded by Mr. Hawkins to draft an Ordinance fixing the compensation of the City Manager. All voted yes.

**Safety Services:** No Report. Mayor McBeath requested that Chief Machan and Chief Cooper attend the next Safety Services meeting. She also thanked the Fire Department for their great job at the dinner for Courage for Corey.

**Community Development:** Mr. Hawkins reported that the Committee met on August 2, 2007. Members Present: Kim McBeath, Amy Brewer and Bryan Hawkins. Staff Present: Assistant City Manager Pam Holbrook. Also Present: Kara Lorenz, Nature Outfitters; Deb Miller, Trail Fest Volunteer; Tom Wagner, Valley View Foundation; Susanne Stagg, 803 Center Street and John Aufdenkamp, 554 Branden Ave.

The Committee discussed the Junction Trail Fest, which will occur September 7-9, 2007 at Riverside Park and the American Legion. The Trail Fest Committee has asked assistance from the City for the following items: provide two pot-o-pots, make Riverside Park restrooms available from 4 PM Friday through 4 PM Sunday, provide several Rumpke trash containers, and grant permission to hang three banners at City gateway points. They also asked permission to move the camping from the ball field to Riverside Park. The Committee recommended that the City support Junction Trail Festival by permitting camping at Riverside Park, providing two portable toilets, access to park restrooms, and permission to hang banners at the gateways, and the fees be waived. Mr. Hawkins made the motion, seconded by Ms. Hinnners. All voted yes.

Tom Wagner, Valley View Foundation, spoke regarding the two Valley View Fundraising events that are coming up. On October 7<sup>th</sup> there will be the Fall Feast, which will be dinner and horse rides; the fee is \$40 for a family of four. The first Annual Spooky Bottoms Haunted Trail will be held on October 27<sup>th</sup>.

John Aufdenkamp notified the Committee of two dead trees. He had safety concerns regarding the condition of the trees. The Committee directed staff to pursue removal of the trees through the property maintenance ordinance.

Mr. Hawkins requested staff to investigate the condition of a tree that may need to be removed across the street from 903 Forest Avenue.

The Committee reviewed the proposed language for an amendment of Chapter 715 Garage, Yard, and Basement sales in the Milford Codified Ordinances. The proposed language would limit a resident to three licensed sales per year. Mr. Aufdenkamp felt an ordinance was unnecessary because this issue could be addressed with the current ordinance. Ms. Stagg spoke in favor of the ordinance. The Committee agreed to make a motion to draft an Ordinance to amend Chapter 715, Garage, Yard and Basement Sales. Mr. Hawkins made the motion, seconded by Ms. McBeath. All voted yes.

Ms. Brewer asked about the status of the blocked sidewalk at Mill and High Street. She stated this issue has been present for the past several years. Staff stated that the issue had been turned over to the Law Director. Ms. Brewer requested an update.

The Committee discussed a request by Roger Winters to paint a utility pole in front of his building at 438 Main Street. The Committee felt that painting this pole would not be allowed through the sign ordinance and would contradict what the Old Mill Overlay district is trying to accomplish. The Committee agreed that the pole needs some maintenance and suggested that staff deal with this issue through the Property Maintenance Code.

The Committee had a brief discussion regarding the noise ordinance and whether it needs to be amended. Mr. Hawkins noted that during a recent Planning Commission meeting the noise issue became a concern because restaurants/bars are looking for a way to address the no smoking ban by establishing outdoor seating areas. The Committee decided to address noise issues on a case-by-case basis.

The Committee discussed the next Community Development Committee meeting on August 20<sup>th</sup>. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss a potential Community Center. Ms. McBeath stated she felt the community needed a facility such as a Boy & Girls Club/Senior Citizens Center. Representatives from a variety of different groups will be invited to the meeting to see if there is a potential for collaboration.

**City Manager's Report:** City Manager Rokey reported that City employees working outside are taking additional steps to insure their safety during the heat/smog advisories.

The Street/Service Department has received the new Vac-All. Photo opportunities will be the week of August 13<sup>th</sup>.

The Wastewater Department will have an on-site inspection for the final punch list of Phase 2 on August 7<sup>th</sup>. The CSO Phase 2A construction will begin on August 14<sup>th</sup>.

The Water plant pumping is at a 9% higher rate when compared with June 2006. No drought-induced water restrictions exist at this time. Softening continues by extending manpower at the plant. The Clearwell/Pumphouse bid opening is scheduled for Thursday, August 9<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m.

Clermont County had a main break on SR 28 in front of the Post Office on August 6<sup>th</sup>.

In Other business, Heather Krenwinkel moved to Miami Township and has resigned her position on the Parks and Recreation Commission effective immediately. A press release requesting volunteers will be posted. SEM Haven's remodeling and expansion is complete. Council is invited to an Open House on Sunday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> at 2:00 p.m.

Marilyn Carlier, a part-time employee in the Tax Department has announced her retirement as of 9-1-07. Mr. Hawkins made a motion to have an executive session immediately following the Council meeting, for real estate purposes, seconded by Ms. Hinnners. All voted yes.

#### **Committee Meetings**

Public Services	Thursday, August 16, 2007	4:00 p.m.
Community Dev.	Monday, August 20, 2007	7:00 p.m.

#### **Reminders**

Planning Commission	Wednesday, August 8, 2007	6:00 p.m.
Parks & Recreation	Monday, August 13, 2007	5:30 p.m.
Philharmonic Concert	Sunday, August 19, 2007 (SEM)	7:00 p.m.
Computer Recycling	Saturday, August 18, 2007 (Miami Twncsp)	8-12:00 Noon
Legislative Luncheon	Friday, August 24, 2007 (Holiday Inn)	1:00 p.m.
Suffragist Event	Tuesday, August 28, 2007 (Receptions)	5:15 p.m.
City Offices Closed	Monday, September 3, 2007 (Labor Day)	
Junction Trail Fest	September 7-9, 2007	

