

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, September 4, 2007. Mayor McBeath called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence.

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

Minutes: Ms. Hinnners made the motion to waive the reading and adopt the Minutes of the August 21, 2007 Council meeting, seconded by Ms. McBeath. All voted yes.

Correspondence: None

Financial Statements: None

Speaker: Donna Amann from the Milford Historical Society addressed Council concerning a book the Society is preparing to publish. It will be a book about Milford and will contain many pictures of the past. She requested suggestions from the City and asked for help in identifying some of the old pictures. When the book is published it will be sold in bookstores and also at Promont. The cost will be \$19.95 and the Historical Society will receive 8% commission.

Comments: Ms. Hinnners thanked Ms. Amann for her presentation. She also noted that there would be a Historical Walk on Main Street on September 9th at 1:00 p.m. This is in conjunction with the Trail Fest.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Services: Ms. Brewer reported that the Committee met on August 30, 2007. Council members present were: Ms. Brewer, Mr. Hunter and Mr. Vilardo. Staff present was City Manager Rokey, Mike Haight, Sgt. Burroughs, Mark Flannigan, Harry Steger and Dan Sarbach. Presentations were heard from the following traffic engineers: LJB Inc., CDS Associates, Inc. Brandstetter Carroll, Inc., and MS Consultants, Inc.

There was a brief question and answer period prior to ending the meeting, each firm was discussed among Council and Staff members present. Everyone agreed that Brandstetter Carroll offered the most thorough presentation and demonstrated that they have researched our community. The Committee agreed to make a motion for a Voice Vote from Council to recommend selection of Brandstetter Carroll, Inc. to serve as the City's consultants for traffic engineering. Ms. Brewer made the motion, seconded by Ms. Hinnners. All voted yes.

Dan Sarbach advised the Committee that he is seeking proposals for a new truck for the Water Department. The specifications he requires are not on the state bid. The truck to be replaced is 8 years old and will be maintained until the next major repair. Mike Haight noted that he has two similar trucks in his budget. Due to Dan's departure Mike was asked to seek proposals for all three trucks.

The Manager provided a copy of the transition plan for the Water Department following Dan's departure. Harry Steger advised the Committee that under the terms of our TIF, once sufficient revenues are generated, CUC is eligible for reimbursement of expenses associated with renewals of a Letter of Credit to guarantee revenue covering the payments on the bonds issued for the Beechwood project. Prior to this year, there were not sufficient funds to cover the principal and interest payments. Each year the cost has been around \$7,300 for CUC to retain the Letter of Credit. The accumulated cost to date is \$22,093.15. The Committee agreed to make a motion to draft an Ordinance authorizing a reimbursement of expenses associated with the Letter of Credit for the Beechwood Road TIF to Cincinnati United Contractors in the amount of \$22,093.15. Ms. Brewer made the motion, seconded by Mr. Hawkins. All voted yes.

Administrative Services: No Report.

Safety Services: No Report. Mr. Hunter requested a Committee meeting with two weeks to discuss some issues concerning recent complaints. City Manager Rokey stated that in her report she would ask for committee meeting dates.

Community Development: No Report

City Manager's Report: City Manager Rokey reported that the Street/Service Department portion of the street line striping is complete. Work is now being done on all city-owned parking lots. The Service Department will be setting up and tearing down for the Trail Junction Festival on Friday through Sunday. The Wastewater Department reports that they are preparing for final paving at the treatment plant. The CSO project is on schedule.

The Water Department reports that the slaker is down due to an electrical problem. A technician is coming this week to oversee repairs.

Dig/repair was done to an abandoned line on Polk St. and repair was done to a curb stop/service line on High Street. Work was also done to repair/replace a saddle and curb stop on Main Street that had been covered by asphalt. This was done on Sunday to minimize the effect on Main Street businesses.

Nine resumes have been received for the position of Water Plant Supervisor. Two did not meet the requirements. Staff will screen the remaining candidates and finalists will be interviewed with the Public Services Committee.

Solid Waste and Recycling reports that Milford diverted 18% of solid waste from the landfill in the 1st quarter of 2007 and 23% in the 2nd quarter through curbside recycling.

In other business, September is National Preparedness month, sponsored by FEMA. The month will focus on different areas of emergency preparedness. Brochures have been ordered from FEMA and will be available at City Hall.

Comprehensive Plan update: Wendy Moeller of McBride Dale Clarion reports that they will have a summary of results available soon. The next step will be to hold focus group meetings to discuss some options to address several of the issues that have been identified.

Committee Meetings

Public Services	Tuesday, Sept. 11, 2007	4:00 p.m.
Community Dev.	Tuesday, Sept. 11, 2007	5:30 p.m.
Safety Services	Monday, Sept. 24, 2007	7:00 p.m.

Reminders

Junction Trail Festival	Fri.-Sun. Sept. 7-9, 2007	
Planning Commission	Wednesday, Sept. 12, 2007	6:00 p.m.
Art Affaire 2007	Saturday, Sept. 15, 2007 (Promont)	12-5:00 p.m.
City Picnic	Saturday, Sept. 15, 2007 (Legion)	4:00 p.m.
Public Mtg. ODNR	Monday, Sept. 17, 2007 (Council Chambers)	7-9 p.m.
Great Outdoors	Sept. 29-30, 2007 (Valley View Foundation)	
Busker Festival	Saturday, October 6, 2007 (Main St.)	12-9:00 p.m.
Greenlawn Tour	Saturday, October 6, 2007	3-4:30 p.m.
Citywide Yard Sale	October 12-14 th	
City wide junk days	October 19-20 th	

Police Department: Chief Machan reported that a meeting would be held concerning Homeland Security. He also stated that the Milford Gun Club donated \$450 to the Department. This will provide for the Halloween candy for the officers to distribute on Beggar's Night.

Fire Department: Chief Cooper reported that on September 29th the Ohio Fire Academy would present "Smoke Showing." This is a one-day course designed to orient elected and public officials in the area to the training, apparatus and equipment used by today's firefighters. This year's 9-11 Memorial Service will be held in Loveland at 6:30 p.m. at the Memorial site on the Bike Trail. The South Milford Festival will be held on September 15th and on September 24th another fundraiser for Corey will be at the Texas Roadhouse. Chief Cooper stated that EMS runs had increased due to the excessive heat. He also mentioned the articles that appeared in the Milford Advertiser about the Thursday Morning group and Bingo which are held at the Firefighter's Hall.

Comments: None

New Business – None

Ordinances and Resolutions

7.625 An Ordinance authorizing a reimbursement of expenses associated with the Letter of Credit for the Beechwood Road TIF to Cincinnati United Contractors in the amount of \$22,093.15. Ms. Hinnners made the motion to suspend the rules and read by title only, seconded by Mr. Hawkins. All voted yes. Mr. Hunter made the motion to adopt, seconded by Ms. Hinnners. All voted yes.

Old Business: None

Ordinances and Resolutions

Adjourn: There being no further business to come before Council the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m. with a motion by Ms. Hinnners, seconded by Mr. Hawkins. All voted yes.

Joanne Trilety, Clerk

Kimberly McBeath, Mayor