

The Council of the City of Milford met in Regular Session in Council Chambers at 745 Center Street at 7:00 p.m. January 19, 2010. Mayor Brewer called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence.

Roll Call: Mayor Brewer, Vice-Mayor Vilardo, Jr., Mr. Hawkins, Mr. Rohrig, Ms. Walter and Mr. Pittman. Ms. Hinners was absent due to illness. Mr. Hawkins made the motion to excuse Ms. Hinners, seconded by Mr. Pittman. All voted yes.

Proceeding: Mr. Vilardo, Jr. made the motion that the reading of the minutes of the January 5, 2010 Regular Council Meeting and the January 11, 2010 Special Work Session of Council be waived and approved, seconded by Mr. Pittman. All voted yes.

Correspondence: The Clerk read an email from Shannon Reynolds commending our Service Department for their work on removing the snow from our city streets.

Financial Statements: The Clerk asked for a motion to accept and approve the City of Milford Financial Statements for December 2009. Mr. Vilardo Jr. made the motion, seconded by Mr. Pittman. All voted yes.

Proclamations: Mayor Brewer presented a proclamation to Myrt Allen for her 31 years of service as Cemetery Clerk at Greenlawn Cemetery.

Mayor Brewer also presented a proclamation to Roger Asbury for his 30 years of service in the Wastewater Department. Both Myrt and Roger are dedicated employees to the City of Milford.

Presentation: Steve Wharton, Secretary/Treasurer of the Clermont County Transportation Improvement District spoke to Council and residents concerning the District's plans for infrastructure improvements and growth in Clermont County. He explained that funds for the District are received from fundraisers, donations and from township pledges to the County. The District is interested in improving the Eastern Corridor, which will include easier access to Clermont County. The Transportation Improvement District was made County wide in 2006.

Mr. Wharton stated that by pooling resources the County can decrease costs and would be able to receive more revenue in grants. Mr. Wharton said that he would like the City of Milford to be included in the Districts pledge program.

Public Comments: Lou Bishop, resident, congratulated the new Council Members. He is glad that they will be working to make our City a great place to live and work. Mr. Bishop is a former Mayor of Milford. Rob Louiso, of Louiso Landscaping, addressed Council concerning the bidding process. He plans to bid on the City's landscape bid and is concerned that the City will take the lowest bid and not look at the amount of work that needs to be done for Milford's landscaping to recover.

Len Harding, resident, congratulated the new Council and commented on Mr. Wharton's presentation. Karen Huff, Milford/Miami Township Chamber also congratulated the new Council. She stated that a truck would be parked at Castrucci's to accept donations to Haiti. There will be a fundraiser at Texas Roadhouse on the 22nd for the Fireman's Challenge.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Services: No report

Administrative Services: No Report – Mr. Hawkins motioned to draft an Ordinance Amending Appropriations Ordinance 09-740, seconded by Ms. Walter. All voted yes.

Safety Services: No Report

Community Development: No Report

City Manager's Report: City Manager Rokey reported that the Street/Service Department would pick up Christmas trees until January 27th. 323 tons of salt has been used this winter season. We have a little more than 350 tons on hand. Brush continues to be collected on a call-in basis. City berms are being cleaned of debris.

The Wastewater Department reported that on Monday the contractor began installing the force main along Garfield Ave. from Bay Rd. towards Main St. Also, the contractor will begin to dig the bore pit on Garfield at the Bank/20 Brix side of Main St. This will take about 2-3 weeks and Garfield Ave. will be closed from Main St. to the Park National Bank's drive-thru exit (access to the drive-thru will be open). The contractor will also be tying in water service to the new 6" waterline service area.

Carol Royer and David Walker attended the Clermont Meeting regarding the 208 Plan. The purpose of the meeting was to emphasize open communications and cooperation between neighboring entities to maximize resources related to wastewater service areas.

The Water Department is working with the contractor regarding installation of the 6" waterline on Water St. and location of water utilities throughout the wastewater project area.

A service leak was repaired on Water St. on January 13th with about 4 hours of interruption. Restorations were completed on Water St. and on High St.

Meter reading began on January 14th and was completed today.

The Finance Department has worked diligently to close out 2009 and open 2010. Most of the open purchase orders were closed from 2009 and reopened in 2010. Please note that we paid an additional payroll on 12-31-2009 that was not originally anticipated in the 2009 budget. Staff is now concentrating on the 2010 annual budget.

On January 20th tax staff will be attending a seminar in Columbus to review new reports and changes in RITA (Regional Income Tax Agency) procedures.

Other Items – The following individuals' terms expire from Committees/Commissions in January and February. Josh Vineyard, Citizens Housing; Suzanne Stagg, Personnel Commission; Dana Lindley, Bd. of Zoning Appeals and Mike Huseman, Planning Commission. They are all willing to serve another term. Mr. Vilardo, Jr. made the motion to reappoint Josh Vineyard, Suzanne Stagg, Dana Lindley and Mike Huseman to their assigned committees and commissions, seconded by Mr. Pittman. All voted yes. Mayor Brewer asked for a voice vote of Council assigning Laurie Walter to the Parks & Recreation Commission to replace Charlene Hanners. All stated yes.

Committee Meetings

Ad. Min. Services	Thursday, January 21, 2010	5:00 p.m.
Public Services	Monday, January 25, 2010	5:00 p.m.
Safety Services	Monday, February 1, 2010	5:00 p.m.
Community Dev.	Tuesday, February 9, 2010	5:00 p.m.
Council Work Session	Saturday, February 20, 2010	9:00 a.m.

Reminders

Citizens Housing	Monday, January 25, 2010	5:30 p.m.
Parks & Recreation	Monday, February 8, 2010	5:30 p.m.
Planning Commission	Wednesday, February 10, 2010	6:00 p.m.
The Administration Office will be closed on Monday, February 15, 2010 –President's Day		
Salute to Leaders	Thursday, February 25, 2010	5:30 p.m.
Carol Royer's Retirement Open House Friday, February 26, 2010 2:30-4:00 at City Hall (For those wishing to contribute to Carol's retirement gift – Call Sharon 831-4192)		

Police Report: Chief Machan reported that the spray paint vandals have appeared again. If you see anything suspicious please call the Police Department. He asks that residents keep up with safe driving.

Fire/EMS Report: Chief Cooper distributed the Monthly Department Report to Council. Things have been running smoothly for the Department. It was announced that Chief Cooper has been nominated for the position of President for the Historical Milford Association.

Council Comments: None

New Business:

Ordinances and Resolutions

10-777 An Ordinance Authorizing the Purchase of Salt from North American Salt Company

Mr. Pittman made the motion to suspend the rules and read by title only, seconded by Mr. Vilardo, Jr. All voted yes.

Mr. Vilardo, Jr. made the motion to adopt, seconded by Mr. Pittman. All voted yes.

10-778 An Ordinance Authorizing Fraunfelter Accounting Services to prepare the 2009 Basic Financial

Statements for the City of Milford

Mr. Vilardo, Jr. made the motion to suspend the rules and read by title only, seconded by Mr. Pittman. All voted yes.

Mr. Pittman made the motion to adopt, seconded by Mr. Vilardo, Jr. All voted yes.

- 10-779 An Ordinance Authorizing an Agreement with the Clermont County Board of County Commissioners for the Community Development Block Grant Fiscal 2009 City of Milford Defense Sirens.

Mr. Pittman made the motion to suspend the rules and read by title only, seconded by Mr. Vilardo, Jr. All voted yes

Mr. Vilardo, Jr. made the motion to adopt, seconded by Mr. Pittman. All voted yes.

- 10-780 An Ordinance Authorizing the Vice Mayor of the City of Milford to Officiate at Marriage Ceremonies

Mr. Pittman made the motion to suspend the rules and read by title only, seconded by Mr. Vilardo, Jr. All voted yes.

Mr. Pittman made the motion to adopt, seconded by Ms. Walter. All voted yes

- 10-781 An Ordinance Amending Appropriations Ordinance 09-740

Mr. Pittman made the motion to adopt, seconded by Mr. Vilardo, Jr. All voted yes

- 10-560 A Resolution to Authorize the City Manager to file a Grant Application for FY 2010 Natureworks Grant Funds from the Ohio Department of Natural Resources

Mr. Vilardo Jr. made the motion to adopt, seconded by Mr. Pittman. All voted yes

- 10-561 A Resolution Adopting the Rules of Council

Mr. Vilardo, Jr. made the motion to adopt, seconded by Mr. Pittman. A voted yes.

Old Business: None

Ordinances and Resolutions

Adjourn:

There being no further business to come before the Council meeting, the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m. with a motion from Mr. Pittman, seconded by Mr. Hawkins. All voted yes.

Joanne Trilety, Clerk

Amy Brewer, Mayor