

Regular Council Meeting
April 13th, 2011

The meeting of the April 13th, 2011 Regular Council Meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance by President Pro-Temp John Fox.

Roll call: present- Dickman, Fox, Jenkins, Kovesdi, Maloney and Wolf. Also present- Administrator Bruce Bowie, Fiscal Officer Mary Bruno and Solicitor Vickie Ruffing. Absent-Mayor Robert C. Bickley.

Motion by Maloney, seconded by Kovesdi to approve the Minutes of the March 23rd, 2011 Council Meeting. Vote-all yeas, motion carried.

There were no bills at tonight's meeting; the Fiscal Officer will pay them next week as she just returned from vacation.

Citizens Participation

Mayor Robert C. Bickley has joined the meeting.

Township resident Jack Wahl addressed Council on 3 issues. His first question was about the 10% reduction in outside electric township residents are waiting to hear about. Council is still awaiting the electric survey and the topic will have further discussion at that point.

His second concern was where the errors and omissions with the Village insurance company stood. The Solicitor said the Fiscal Officer was given a number to call with information to pass forward. The Fiscal Officer said she did follow through and the ball is now in the insurance companies hands.

Wahl's last issue was where he would go for specs to be adequately serviced for voltage for an electric car in the township. Wahl was asked for information and it will be forwarded to the electric superintendent.

Victor Mooney suggested the income from REC's that were sold go into the Village electric department, and the Fiscal Officer assured him that is electric revenue.

Mary Basterash, Todd Barber, Dan Rood, Linda Horn and Karen Streng were also in attendance.

OLD COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Streets, Sidewalks and Storms Sewers-The Rattlesnake Creek Bridge project end date has been pushed back to mid-May. It may be open for traffic on May 5th.

Huron County Highway Department has offered to provide 450 feet of 12" storm sewer pipe for the Old State Road storm sewer project. The Village will request from Huron County using approximately \$7300.00 of Permissive Tax Money. Ott Excavating was the low bid at \$7,300.00 of three submitted.

Safety-None

Finance-None

Regional Planning, Building Codes & Inspection- The Administrator and Street Superintendent met with a Liberty Street resident concerning a trash complaint. The property is now looking better, with a disabled vehicle to be operable or moved by May 31st.

Utilities-The Ohio EPA performed an on-site sanitary survey of the Water Plant. Installing an air gap backflow prevention device on the bulk water dispenser is mandatory with a response due within 30 days.

The Village will re-new the Cooperative Purchasing Program that had been done through legislation in order to purchase a water/wastewater Ford utility truck at the state minimum price. There is a May 2nd deadline to order.

Civic Contact and Historical Preservation-None

Parks and Trees- The 2011 Western Lake Erie Basin EAB Grant agreement has been signed and sent to the ODNR. The Village will pay for all costs up front, and be re-imbursed one-half back.

NEW COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Streets, Sidewalks and Storm Sewers-ODOT's 2011 Erie County Project Review Meeting was recently held, including the St. Rt. 250 resurfacing project from the Ohio Turnpike to Lais Road. The project time line is June 15th through August 31st. The merging issue will be fixed, also.

Safety-Motion by Dickman, seconded by Jenkins to accept the resignation of part-time officer Kalen Baker, effective April 30th. Vote-all yeas, motion carried.

A Safety Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 21st at 11:00 a.m.

Finance-None

Regional Planning, Building Codes & Inspection-None

Utilities-Motion by Wolf, seconded by Fox to authorize the Village's cost for forming a group to review the AFEC documents prior to an agreement, not to exceed \$60.87. This is based on a recommendation of John Courtney and Duncan & Allen. Vote-all yeas, motion carried.

Civic Contact and Historical Preservation-Motion by Wolf, seconded by Maloney to allow the Milan Chamber of Commerce use of the Village Square for another year of Cruisin on the Square, beginning May 3rd and ending September 27th. It will run from 5:00 p.m. through 8:00 p.m. with the exception of the Tuesday following Labor Day. Park Street between Church and Front Streets will be closed, and the Chamber of Commerce will supply insurance information. Vote-all yeas, motion carried.

Motion by Wolf, seconded by Kovesdi to allow the Jaycees the use of the Square for their annual Easter Egg Hunt on Sunday, April 17th. The hunt will be from noon until 2:00 p.m., and the Jaycees will supply insurance information. Vote-all yeas, motion carried.

A news release and letter from the Prime Minister of Japan thanked people everywhere for their support during the tsunami tragedy.

Wolf has not yet worked out a plan for containers within g the Village for donations.

Ohio is one of 18 sister cities with Japan.

Wolf read a proclamation for Arbor Day, and a tree will be planted in honor of Arbor Day.

John Mahoney, Deputy Director of the Ohio Municipal League pass recently passed away, unexpectedly.

Parks and Trees-None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Post Office carriers currently based in Milan will begin working out of Norwalk, beginning June 4th.

The Solicitor will look into private seminars for training for Council, as there are not any readily available through Village associations.

Legislation

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE NORTHERN POWER POOL AGREEMENT. Motion by Fox, seconded by Kovesdi to bring this ordinance to its first reading by title only. Vote-all yeas, motion carried.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING EXHIBIT A TO ORDINANCE NO. 917-12-92 Motion by Maloney seconded by Fox to bring this ordinance to its third reading by title only. Vote-all yeas, motion carried. Motion by Wolf, seconded by Jenkins to adopt. Roll call: Fox-yes, Jenkins-yes, Kovesdi-yes, Maloney-yes, Wolf-yes, Dickman-yes. Motion carried, ordinance no. 549-04-11

Motion by Dickman, seconded by Fox to adjourn. Vote-all yeas, motion carried.

Mayor Robert C. Bickley

Fiscal Officer Mary Bruno