

**Regular Council Meeting  
March 25, 2015**

The March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2015 Council Meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance by Mayor Steve Rockwell.

Roll call: Barber, Basterash, Brown, Fox, Gilliam and Glovinsky. Also present-Fiscal Officer Mary Bruno, Administrator Brian Rospert and Solicitor Randy Strickler.

Motion by Barber, seconded by Fox to approve the Minutes of the February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2015 Council Meeting. Vote-all yeas, motion carried.

Motion by Basterash, seconded by Barber to approve the March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2015 Council Bills in the amount of \$10,258.66. Roll call- all yeas, motion carried.

Motion by Barber, seconded by Fox to approve the March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2015 Utility Bills in the amount of 16,259.35. Roll call-all yeas, motion carried.

**Citizens Participation** – Chief Bob Meister, Bobbie Weber and Zachary Rospert were in attendance for tonight's meeting.

Z. Rospert asked Council why an employee who was approved to receive a monetary amount of money in lieu of utilizing the Village insurance in December was lower than an employee who was awarded the same benefit in February. Council approved both employees to receive the benefit. The employees receiving the monthly payment were based on single plan, regardless of what plan the employees would have fallen under had they used the Village health insurance. Z. Rospert asked if the Village insurance plan went up from December to February, and was told it didn't go up at all. The policies cover different sexes and ages. He stated the Village isn't saving money but the Mayor and members of Council disagreed with Z. Rospert's statement.

**OLD COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

**Street, Sidewalks and Storm Sewers**-None

**Safety** –None

**Finance**- None

**Regional Planning, Building Codes and Inspections-None**

**Utilities-**Motion by Basterash, seconded by Brown to go forward with the new Utility Billing Policy with the May 1<sup>st</sup> billing cycle.

The Village Wi-Fi is up and running. Eight access points were not needed, only 3 were, saving the Village \$2,690.00.

The new phones will be installed soon. The Village will save more than \$450.00 per month in phone bills by going with the new system.

**Civic Contact and Historical Preservation-**The Ohio Chautauqua director was in the Village on March 17<sup>th</sup>. The Village is hoping to host the event in 2016.

**Parks and Trees-None**

**NEW COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

**Streets, Sidewalks and Storm Sewers** –The Village recently participated in a conference with ODOT for the summer salt program.

**Safety-**An ODOT Traffic Engineer is scheduled to evaluate the crosswalk at the intersection in Milan, with a recommendation on a pedestrian crosswalk.

The new security system for the police department and other areas of and around the Village Administration has been ordered, and the wiring will be done by the electric department. The Police Chief will have to revise his retention schedule to include the video system.

The new handguns for the police department have been ordered. and will be in in May.

The Chief again thanked Council for vote last year, allowing him to order the Ford Explorer Interceptor as it performed very well over the harsh winter.

The police department is looking into ordering another SUV this summer which will get the department back on their vehicle schedule.

**Finance**-A Public Hearing was held tonight to discuss the 2015 Permanent Appropriations, and will be voted on in legislation.

**Regional Planning, Building Codes and Inspections**- A Public Hearing for a set-back variance has been scheduled by the Zoning Board of Appeals. The meeting will be April 9<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30 p.m.

**Utilities**-The Layne Christensen Company was recently at the sewer plant to recommend renovations.

**Civic Contact and Historical Preservation**-Motion by Brown, seconded by Barber to allow the Chamber of Commerce to host Cruisin on the Square each Tuesday evening, May 4<sup>th</sup> through September 29<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.. The usual street closings will apply. Roll call: Roll call: Barber-yes, Basterash-yes, Brown-yes, Fox-yes, Gillam-yes, Glovinsky-yes, motion carried.

**Parks & Trees**-Roe's Tree Service will remove trees at the Water Department and an area on Front Street and Edison Drive.

**Unfinished Business**-None

## **LEGISLATION**

### **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 139.02 AND 151.14 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE OF MILAN, OHIO, RELATIVE TO UNIFORM ALLOWANCES.**

Motion by Barber, seconded by Fox to place this ordinance on its second reading by title only. Roll call: Fox-yes, Gilliam-yes, Glovinsky-yes, Barber-yes, Basterash-yes, Brown-yes, motion carried.

### **AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE 2015 PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Motion by Barber, seconded by Fox to suspend the rules. Roll call: Gilliam-yes, Glovinsky-yes, Barber-yes, Basterash-yes, Brown-yes, Fox-yes, motion carried. Motion by Fox, seconded by Brown to adopt by title only as an emergency. Roll call: Glovinsky-yes, Barber-yes, Basterash-yes, Brown-yes, Fox-yes, Gilliam-yes. Motion carried, Ordinance no. 658-03-15

### **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE FISCAL OFFICER TO EXPEND NOT MORE THAN \$45,000.00 FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR WELL CLEANING AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Motion by Barber, seconded by Fox to suspend the rules. Roll call:

Barber-yes, Basterash-yes, Brown-yes, Fox-yes, Gilliam-yes, Glovinsky-yes, motion carried. Motion by Fox, seconded by Brown to adopt by title only as an emergency. Roll call: Basterash-yes, Brown-yes, Fox-yes, Gilliam-yes, Glovinsky-yes Barber-yes. Motion carried, Ordinance no. 659-03-15

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE OF MILAN, OHIO, TO PARTICIPATE IN THE STATE OF OHIO COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM AND DECLARING AN**

**EMERGENCY.** Motion by Fox, seconded by Barber to suspend the rules. Roll call: Brown-yes, Fox-yes, Gilliam-yes, Glovinsky-yes, Barber-yes, Basterash-yes, motion carried. Motion by Fox, seconded by Barber to adopt by title only as an emergency. Roll call: Fox-yes, Gilliam-yes, Glovinsky-yes Barber-yes. Basterash-yes, Brown-yes. Motion carried, Ordinance no. 660-03-15

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR ADMINISTRATOR AND FISCAL OFFICER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH SHEARER EQUIPMENT FOR THE PURCHASE OF A JOHN DEERE TRACTOR AND SNOW BLOWER FOR THE VILLAGE OF MILAN AND**

**DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** Motion by Gilliam, seconded by Barber to suspend the rules. Roll call: Gilliam-yes, Glovinsky-yes, Barber-yes, Basterash-yes, Brown-yes, Fox-yes, motion carried. Motion by Barber, seconded by Gilliam to adopt as an emergency by title only. Roll call: Glovinsky-yes, Barber-yes, Basterash-yes, Brown-yes, Fox-yes, Gilliam-yes. Motion carried, Ordinance no. 661-03-15

Zachary Rospert asked Council why the well cleaning in the ordinance approved tonight was taken out of the Capital Improvement Fund. He stated it would be his recommendation it come out of the water fund. The Mayor and Fiscal Officer told him the Village has worked hard to keep expenses down in the enterprise funds. Former Administrator Kevin Ackerman and Fiscal Officer Mary Bruno worked with a consultant on water and sewer studies to best determine how to avoid raising rates, or keeping rate increases minimal, and one of the biggest ways to avoid rate increases was to utilize the Capital Improvement Fund. The Fiscal Officer told Z. Rospert if \$25,000.00 was expensed out of the water fund, Council would need a find a way to bring \$25,000.00 in revenues in. Z. Rospert told Council there was only \$15,000.00 spent on last year's well cleaning and wanted to know why this year it was \$45,000.00. The Fiscal Officer explained \$45,000.00 was appropriated, but doesn't mean it will be spent. That amount allows any emergencies that may be found when the well cleaning is going on to be dealt with immediately. Any money not spent that was appropriated goes directly back into the fund.

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

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**Steven Rockwell, Mayor**

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**Mary Bruno, Fiscal Officer**