

**Regular Council Meeting
July 11th, 2012**

The meeting of the July 11th, 2012 Council Meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance by Mayor Steven Rockwell.

Roll call: Barber, Basterash, Fox, Maloney, Weilnau, Wolf-present. Also present-Fiscal Officer Mary Bruno, Acting Administrator Kevin Ackerman and Solicitor Vickie Ruffing.

Motion by Fox, seconded by Weilnau to approve the minutes of the June 27th 2012 Council Meeting Vote-all yeas, motion carried.

Motion by Fox, seconded by Barber to authorize the July 11th, 2012 Council Bills in the amount of \$17,558.86. Vote-all yeas, motion carried.

Motion by Fox, seconded by Weilnau to approve the July 11th, 2012 Utility Bills in the amount of \$30,751.02. Vote-all yeas, motion carried.

Citizens Participation

Beth Ackerman, Larry Schell and Jim Rose were in attendance for tonight's meeting.

OLD COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Street, Sidewalks and Storm Sewers-The catch basin at the corner of Huron and Williams Streets was repaired recently. The Huron Street project is now completed.

Safety-None

Finance None

Regional Planning, Building Codes and Inspections-None

Utilities-The Village experienced an outage on July 1st, due to a thunderstorm. Village and Township employees worked until 2:00 a.m. to restore the entire Village with power.

Electric Superintendant Dennis Benesh will be off work until mid-August, due to his surgery.

Civic Contact and Historical Preservation-None

Parks and Trees-None

NEW COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Streets, Sidewalks and Storm Sewers- Motion by Fox, seconded by Basterash to authorize a street project for Liberty Street pavement overlay and patching on portions of Edison Drive for work not totaling more than \$19,767.00. Roll call: Fox-yes, Maloney-yes, Weilnau-yes, Wolf-yes, Barber-yes, Basterash-yes, motion carried.

Safety-Motion by Basterash, seconded by Barber to recommend the reduction of \$10,000.00 in appropriations in the police department, and encumber the management information system, that was authorized in January, with a purchase order for the entire amount of \$10,340.00. Chief Rose stated there have been shifts uncovered in the Village lately. The Fiscal Officer said there is enough appropriated in salaries for full time coverage, and that fact had been made clear at an earlier meeting. Fox asked if it was a financial issue, and Rose said it was a personnel issue, but it did free up money in his budget. The Mayor stated the Chief working overtime defeated the shifts not covered for saving money. The Mayor asked the Chief if he was advertising in the newspaper for help and the Chief said he had not. It is not posted on the website either. The Chief he didn't think it would be appropriate to advertise, as he doesn't want rejects from other departments. It was suggested the Chief get in contact with the area police academies for their graduates. Chief Rose said he had done some research into other communities such as Vermilion, where part-timers are paid \$18.00 an hour with benefits. He stated this is what he would like to see at Milan, to secure reliable officers. Fox suggested the Safety Committee look into other communities. Basterash said she would be gone for the next meeting, and Fox asked Wolf to look into it with him, and Wolf said she would if she had time. Weilnau volunteered to help. Roll call on the motion: Fox-no, Maloney-no, Weilnau-no, Wolf-no, Barber-yes, Basterash-yes, motion failed. The Fiscal Officer suggested the committee look into the financial part of hiring at a higher wage first, because the money isn't there to do so.

Motion by Fox, seconded by Maloney to hire Jason Bart as a part-time officer. Roll call: Maloney-yes, Weilnau-yes, Wolf-yes, Barber-yes, Basterash-yes, Fox-yes, motion carried.

Finance- Motion by Barber, seconded by Basterash to approve the 2013 Village of Milan Budget, to be submitted to the Erie County Auditor by July 20th, 2012. A Public Hearing was held prior to tonight's Regular Council Meeting. Vote-all yeas, motion carried.

Motion by Weilnau, seconded by Fox to authorize the Solicitor to draw up legislation for the Village to reimburse an insurance deductible for any damage that the Village may be responsible for, up to \$500.00. Roll call: Weilnau-yes, Wolf-yes, Barber-yes, Basterash-yes, Fox-yes, Maloney-yes, motion carried.

Regional Planning, Building Codes and Inspections-None

Utilities-None

Civic Contact and Historical Preservation –The exterior of the post office was discussed.

The summer movies have started at the Milan Museum.

Parks & Trees-None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

LEGISLATION

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF WATER AND/OR SEWER FEES BY VILLAGE OR TOWNSHIP PROPERTIES BEING PROVIDED WATER AND/OR SEWER SERVICES BY THE VILLAGE OF MILAN WATER/SEWER WATER DEPARTMENT. Motion by Maloney, seconded by Fox to bring this ordinance to its second reading by title only. Vote-all yeas, motion carried.

A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE AMOUNT OF TAXES THAT MAY BE RAISED BY LEVY AT THE MAXIMUM RATES AUTHORIZED BY LAW WITHOUT THE VOTE OF THE ELECTORS TO BE INSUFFICIENT AND DECLARING THE NECESSITY OF A RENEWAL LEVY IN EXCESS OF SUCH RATES PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 5705.19(A) AND 5705.25. Motion by Wolf, seconded by Fox to adopt by title only. Roll call: Barber-yes, Basterash-yes, Fox-yes, Maloney-yes, Weilnau-yes, Wolf-yes. Motion carried, Resolution no. 567-07-12.

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

Steven Rockwell, Mayor

Mary Bruno, Fiscal Officer