

Regular Council Meeting
April 23rd, 2014

The April 23rd, 2014 Council Meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance by Mayor Steve Rockwell.

Roll call: Barber, Basterash, Brown and Gilliam. Absent-Fox and Weilnau. Also present-Fiscal Officer Mary Bruno and Administrator Kevin Ackerman.

Motion by Basterash, seconded by Barber to approve the Minutes of the April 9th, 2014 Council Meeting. Vote-all yeas, motion carried.

Motion by Brown, seconded by Basterash to approve the April 23rd, 2014 Council Bills in the amount of \$28,502.33. Vote-all yeas, motion carried.

Motion by Basterash, seconded by Brown to approve the Utility Bills of April 23rd, 2014 in the amount of \$11,743.59. Vote-all yeas, motion carried.

Citizens Participation-Aaron Krause was in the audience for tonight's meeting.

OLD COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Street, Sidewalks and Storm Sewers-The first Village brush pick up was April 7th. The first yard waste pick up will be May 12th.

Safety-The Village accepted the resignation of part-time officer Dakota Chaffee effective May 1st.

Finance- None

Regional Planning, Building Codes and Inspections-None

Utilities-The Village has locked in a price of 0.619 for the gas aggregation program through IGS.

Five applicants have been interviewed for the water/wastewater position

Civic Contact and Historical Preservation-Motion by Brown, seconded by Gilliam to allow the Life Is Good No Matter What Foundation to hold a 5K run on Village property, tentatively scheduled for Sunday, November 8th, 2014. The police and fire departments will be asked to assist in safety precautions. Roll call: Basterash-yes, Brown-yes, Gilliam-yes, Barber-yes, motion carried.

Parks and Trees-For the 11th consecutive year, the Village of Milan is a member of Tree City USA.

Roe's Tree Service did stump grinding on Main Street recently, with Village employees assisting them.

Motion by Basterash, seconded by Brown to adopt the Village of Milan Employee handbook. Council, Mayor and Solicitor have all had an opportunity to review the manual. Employees will be given copies, and sign off on them acknowledging the policies and procedures. Roll call: Brown-yes, Gilliam-yes, Barber-yes, Basterash-yes, motion carried.

NEW COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Streets, Sidewalks and Storm Sewers-A plugged storm sewer was fixed on Sleepy Hollow Drive recently.

ODOT is responsible for the striping of road lines on state highways.

Safety-Motion by Brown, seconded by Basterash to hire Benny Cruvey as an auxiliary officer, effective May 1st, 2014. Roll call: Gilliam-yes, Barber-yes, Basterash-yes, Brown-yes, motion carried.

Finance-Motion by Barber, seconded by Gilliam to increase incoming administrator Brian Rospert's wage by \$3.50 an hour, plus an additional \$3.50 an hour after the completion of his 6 month probationary period. Roll call: Barber-yes, Basterash-yes, Brown-yes, Gilliam-yes, motion carried.

Motion by Basterash, seconded by Brown to increase Dan Hipp's wage \$4.75 per hour, as he is the newly promoted superintendent of the water/wastewater sewer plant. Roll call: Basterash-yes, Brown-yes, Gilliam-yes, Barber-yes, motion carried.

Motion by Barber, seconded by Basterash to increase Bill Eastman's wage an additional \$1.50 an hour for the extra responsibility in the street department as assistant supervisor. Roll call: Brown-yes, Gilliam-yes, Barber-yes, Basterash-yes, motion carried.

Motion by Brown, seconded by Barber to award Fiscal Officer Mary Bruno an additional \$1.50 an hour as she will assume more responsibility assisting the new administrator. Roll call: Gilliam-yes, Barber-yes, Basterash-yes, Brown-yes, motion carried.

Motion by Brown, seconded by Basterash to award Nancy Justice \$.35 an hour more to reflecting her job as supervisor, which wasn't done in the past. Roll call Barber-yes, Basterash-yes, Brown-yes, Gilliam-yes, motion carried.

The above increases were discussed with full council at a work session recently. The increases are reflective of blending of jobs. The Village was saving \$50,000.00 per year with the first round of job blending in 2012, and this new restructure will save an additional \$3.16 per hour on top of the annual \$50,000.00.

Regional Planning, Building Codes and Inspections-None

Utilities-None

Civic Contacts and Historical Society- Motion by Barber, seconded by Brown to allow the Boy Scouts the use of the Administration parking lot on May 31st, 2014 for their annual car wash. Proof of insurance will be provided. Roll call: Basterash-yes, Brown-yes, Gilliam-yes, Barber-yes, motion carried.

Parks & Trees-A number of young trees around the Village have been trimmed as recommended by the Tree Commission.

The electric department, along with Milan Township recently removed dead trees on St. Rt. 113 east. The trees were at the point of being a liability.

Unfinished Business-Motion by Barber, seconded by Brown to hold one Council Meeting in the months of May, June, July and August. The meetings will be the 4th Wednesday of the month. Roll call: Brown-yes, Gilliam-yes, Barber-yes, Basterash-yes, motion carried.

Motion by Barber, seconded by Brown to go forward with the policy for Citizen's Participation on the agenda. The policy states a 48 hour notice is required to be placed on the agenda for questions or concerns, giving the Village an opportunity to be

prepared. Also, anyone on the agenda will be given a 10 minute time frame to speak on their stated topic. To be placed on the agenda residents may call or e mail the Fiscal Officer.

LEGISLATION

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE A LICENSE AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF MILAN AND WEST LEASEHOLD ESTATE LTD., TO PERMIT THE INSTALLATION OF A GREASE TRAP WITHIN A PORTION OF A VILLAGE RIGHT OF WAY AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Motion by Barber, seconded by Basterash to strike the emergency language as there is not a quorum for suspending the rules. Roll call: Barber-yes, Basterash-yes, Brown-yes, Gilliam-yes, motion carried. Motion by Barber, seconded by Brown to bring this ordinance to its first reading by title only as amended. Roll call: Basterash-yes, Brown-yes, Gilliam-yes, Barber-yes, motion carried.

Motion by Barber, seconded by Brown to excuse Fox and Weilnau. Roll call requested by the Mayor: Brown-yes, Gilliam-yes, Barber-yes, Basterash-yes, motion carried.

The Mayor thanked Kevin Ackerman for all his hard work and knowledge to the Village of Milan for the past 28 years. This will be Ackerman’s last Regular Council Meeting, and the Mayor wished him well.

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

Steven Rockwell, Mayor

Mary Bruno, Fiscal Officer