

COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING

January 31, 2013

Mayor Coate called the meeting to order.

Present were: Mayor Coate; *Councilmembers:* Fred Francis, Debbie Miller, Jason Tinnerman, Ora Ashley, and Susan Willis. *Also present were:* Manager Kline, Ben Herron, Tim Swartztrauber, Jill Grise, and Clerk Cantrell. *Absent:* Fogle.

The following Certificate of the Clerk of the Council to the presiding Officer of the Council of the Municipality of West Milton was read: The undersigned certified that all requirements to notice and notification has been done or attempted to be done in compliance with Council Rule III.

Dated: January 31, 2013

Signed: Linda L. Cantrell CAP-OM
Clerk of Council

GENERAL UPDATES

Tim Swartztrauber stated his department has been working on I&I and putting in flow meters that need to be replaced. He stated a loan has been applied for and received for the PTI project. Mr. Swartztrauber stated the project cannot be bid until after July 1. He stated Choice One will be bidding the project.

Jill Grise gave each Councilmember Budget Comparison sheets for their review. The sheets contained information on the following: EOY Fund Balance Comparison; 2010-2012 Revenue Comparison; 2010-2012 Appropriation Comparison; EOY Fund Balances; and 2013 End of Year Projections. Ms. Grise discussed the various pages with Council and answered questions.

Chief Kimpel stated Officer Dally did a good job getting information regarding a rash of burglaries that had been happening in West Milton. He stated there had been some school vandalism and that Officer Simpson had the suspects in and they are facing Felony II charges. He stated it looks like the case will go to the Grand Jury. Chief Kimpel stated he needs to hire another Police Officer. He stated there will be a Resolution for a new SUV for the February Council Meeting.

Ben Herron stated he had just finished salting the roads. He stated he has applied for a grant through the Miami County Foundation for a set of cutters for the Fire Department. The cost would be about seven thousand two hundred dollars (\$7,200). He stated he would also like to replace the radios for the Fire Department.

Manager Kline stated the Municipality received eighty-three thousand dollars (\$83,000) from a class action suit settlement. He stated the money was put as a credit on the Water Capital Improvement Fund. Manager Kline stated he would like to use it on a new computer system.

RATE REVIEWS

Manager Kline gave each Councilmember a report containing Comparison of Sewer Tap Fees for their review. The report contained information as to the fees West Milton, Tipp City, Englewood, Piqua, and Troy charge for sewer tap in fees. Manager Kline plans to do more research and bring this item of business back for discussion at the February Workshop Meeting. It was the consensus of Council to work on this and make sure to get it right.

UTILITY BILLING PROCESS

Manager Kline explained the utility billing process. He stated he would like to change the way this is billed so the Municipality could be paid sooner. Manager Kline will work on this and bring back suggestions to Council at a future Council Workshop Meeting.

ANIMAL CONTROL

Manager Kline gave each Councilmember a copy of Section 90.02 of the Codified Ordinances regarding Animals Running at Large for their review. He also gave them a copy of an Animal Permit Application. Manager Kline stated he had been asked about this. He plans to do more research and bring this item of business back to a future Council Workshop Meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Ora Ashley made a motion, seconded by Jason Tinnerman to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Linda L. Cantrell CAP-OM
Clerk of Council

Michael Coate II
Mayor