

COUNCIL MEETING

January 13, 2015

Mayor Tinnerman led Council and the public in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The invocation was given by Rev. Tim Benkert of the Hoffman United Methodist Church.

Mayor Tinnerman called the meeting to order.

Present were: Mayor Tinnerman; *Councilmembers:* Sarah Copp, Fred Francis, Susan Willis, Scott Fogle, Don Dohrman, and Anthony Miller. *Also present were:* Manager Kline, Law Director Brosh, and Clerk Cantrell. *Absent:* None.

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 13, 2015 *Signed:* Linda L. Cantrell CAP-OM
Clerk of Council

MOTION TO EXCUSE ABSENT COUNCILMEMBERS

There were no absent Councilmembers at this time.

MINUTES

Anthony Miller made a motion, seconded by Scott Fogle to adopt the December 9, 2014, Council Meeting Minutes. After a roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously. *Abstain:* None. *Absent:* None. *Minutes adopted.*

OTHER MINUTES

There were no other minutes at this time.

COMMUNITY PRIDE AWARD WINNERS – CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

Mayor Tinnerman presented Community Pride Awards - Christmas Lights to the following:

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Kirk and Robin Vencill – were present
Tim and Cindy Fairchild – were absent
Ray Fuson Family – were present

Mayor Tinnerman thanked the Community Pride Award recipients.

CORRESPONDENCE TO COUNCIL

There was no correspondence to Council at this time.

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

There were no comments from citizens at this time.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Resolution CM-15-01

Resolution CM-15-01 was introduced by Council and read by Law Director Brosh, A RESOLUTION TO SPECIFY THE DATE UPON WHICH AN ELECTION SHALL BE HELD TO CONSIDER MAKING PERMANENT THE CURRENT ½% (ONE-HALF OF ONE PERCENT) INCOME TAX FOR THE SPECIFIC PURPOSE OF POLICE AND FIRE SAFETY SERVICE EXPENDITURES FOR THE MUNICIPALITY OF WEST MILTON, OHIO. Fred Francis made a motion, seconded by Sarah Copp to adopt *Resolution CM-15-01*. After a roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously. *Abstain: None. Absent: None. Resolution CM-15-01 adopted.*

Emergency Ordinance CM-15-02

Emergency Ordinance CM-15-02 was introduced by Council and read by Law Director Brosh, AN ORDINANCE TO PLACE A LEVY ON THE MAY BALLOT ASKING THE VOTERS TO CONSIDER THE 1/2% (ONE-HALF OF ONE PERCENT) INCOME TAX WITHOUT RECIPROCITY FOR THE SPECIFIC PURPOSE OF FUNDING POLICE AND FIRE OPERATIONS IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF WEST MILTON OHIO, TO BE MADE PERMANENT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Susan Willis made a motion, seconded by Scott Fogle to adopt *Emergency Ordinance CM-15-02*. After a roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously. *Abstain: None. Absent: None. Emergency Ordinance CM-15-02 adopted.*

Manager Kline explained that it takes both a Resolution and an Ordinance to place items on the ballot to be voted on by the citizens of West Milton. He explained the

Resolution authorizes the Manager to put something on the ballot and the Ordinance sets the ballot language.

Fred Francis stated this is **NOT** a new tax being put on the ballot. This would just make the tax permanent. He stated it would make it easier to do the budget for the Municipality.

Resolution CM-15-03

Resolution CM-15-03 was introduced by Council and read by Law Director Brosh, A RESOLUTION TO PLACE THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF MAYOR-COUNCILMEMBER OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF WEST MILTON, OHIO, ON THE MAY 5, 2015, BALLOT. Fred Francis made a motion, seconded by Don Dohrman to adopt *Resolution CM-15-03*. After a roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously. *Abstain: None. Absent: None. Resolution CM-15-03 adopted.*

Manager Kline stated Mayor Michael Coate resigned in June of 2014 leaving more than two (2) years remaining on his term. He stated the Charter requires there be a special election because of the amount of time remaining on his term. Manager Kline stated this is a Special Election not a Primary Election.

MUNICIPAL MANAGER

1) Need Some Help –

Manager Kline stated the Municipality currently has a vacant seat on the West Milton Park Board and a vacant seat on the Board of Adjustments. He stated the Park Board meets the third Wednesday of each month for about an hour. Manager Kline stated the Board of Adjustments meets only when there are zoning issues. He asked if anyone is interested in serving on either of these Boards to call or stop in at the Municipal Building.

2) Income Tax Information –

Manager Kline stated they have been working on the creation of communication to the taxpayers explaining the Income Tax that includes a one (1) page summary similar to what was done during the Street Levy renewal. He stated it is difficult to summarize a complex issue into small sound bites. Manager Kline stated they have created some drafts of charts and graphs and will continue to work on something presentable which he would give to Council prior to the January 27, 2015, Workshop Meeting. He stated he is trying to make the Income Tax information into basic terms.

3) Joint Meeting -

Manager Kline stated the next joint meeting with the Milton-Union School Board and the Union Township Trustees would be held on Thursday, January 22, 2015, at 6:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building. He stated he also invited members of Council for Ludlow Falls, Laura, and Potsdam.

4) Hometown Heroes Banners –

Manager Kline stated they would only be doing the large Hometown Heroes banners this year. He stated they would start taking orders for the new banners on February 1, 2015, through March 27, 2015.

5) The Ohio State Buckeyes –

Manager Kline congratulated the Ohio State Buckeyes for winning the National Championship.

6) Workshop Meeting –

A Council Workshop Meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 27, 2015, at 7:30 p.m. in Council Chambers.

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

There were no comments from citizens at this time.

COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL

There were no comments from Council at this time.

ADJOURNMENT

Fred Francis made a motion, seconded by Scott Fogle to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

Linda L. Cantrell CAP-OM
Clerk of Council

Jason Tinnerman
Mayor

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