

# COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING

*June 23, 2015*

Vice Mayor Tinnerman called the meeting to order.

*Present were:* Mayor Francis (*came into the meeting at 8:07 p.m.*);  
*Councilmembers:* Sarah Copp, Scott Fogle, Jason Tinnerman, Anthony Miller, Don Dohrman (*came into the meeting at 7:38 p.m.*), and Karen Grudich. *Also present were:* Manager Kline and Clerk Cantrell. *Absent:* None.

*Dated:* June 23, 2015

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

## WMPA

Tom Beck of WMPA stated Troy's public access station shut down a few weeks ago.

Don Dohrman came into the meeting at this time.

Mr. Beck stated he has been doing the work for WPMA for thirty (30) years. He stated it is harder now to get messages out to citizens than it use to be when he first started working for WPMA. Currently he covers Council Meetings, school events, community events, etc. He stated he is looking for suggestions as how to use the access station to promote West Milton. It was suggested he do a piece on the I&I project and work with the school on projects. Mr. Beck stated he is working on a historical piece regarding the dam removal. He stated he wants to do information regarding Watt Farrar and the football teams he coached. Mr. Beck stated he is planning to do pieces on the individuals that have been honored on the Hometown Heroes banners.

Alice Martin of 27 Donna Jane Court, West Milton, suggested a fund be established to help individuals purchase the Hometown Heroes Banners for their family members that served in the military. This fund would be to help individuals wanting to purchase a banner honoring a family member but cannot afford to do so. Scott Fogle stated there are organizations in the community that are willing to help people purchase banners to honor their family members.

Scott Fogle suggested a walking tour be established to walk from one end of West Milton to the other end to view the banners and learn about the Hometown Heroes shown on the banners. Anthony Miller asked if Mr. Beck had the ability to do QR bar codes to put in information about each of the individuals honored on the banners allowing citizens to view and learn about their Hometown Heroes.

Tom Beck stated next year he plans to purchase a PA system for the park.

Jason Tinnerman stated he thinks Mr. Beck does a great job with the little amount of money he has to work with. He stated it clearing is a passion of Mr. Beck's. Mr. Tinnerman stated he is all for any future endeavors Mr. Beck may have in mind for WMPA.

#### HEALTH INSURANCE

Manager Kline stated he and Jill Grise would be meeting with McGohan Brabender of Troy, OH, on Wednesday, June 24, 2015, to review the health insurance premiums for September 2015 through August 2016. He stated the cost of the insurance for an individual is rated as to whether the individual is a smoker, their age, and the location of where they live. Manager Kline stated the premiums are going up nine and one-half (9 ½%) percent over last year's premium. He stated the rate is still below what the Municipality paid in 2013 for health insurance premiums.

Mayor Francis came into the meeting at this time.

#### GARBAGE BIDS

Manager Kline stated the garbage contract would be up September 30, 2015. He stated he could not find any information as to when the garbage contract was put out for bids previously. Manager Kline stated the last time the garbage contract was issued was in 2010. He gave each Councilmember a copy of the proposed garbage bid specs for their review. Jason Tinnerman asked if we could get a cheaper rate if we do not require a fixed rate contract. Discussion took place regarding the Municipality possibly doing the billing for garbage pickup. It was the consensus of Council that if the Municipality does the garbage pickup billing, the citizens need to be made aware that the water and sewer rates are not being increased on their water and sewer bills that it is just the addition of garbage billing. It was the consensus of Council

to put in the contract to have a Community Pride Day for the third Saturday of May each year.

#### COMMUNITY SOLID WASTE PLAN

Manager Kline stated in doing their due diligence, the Miami County Solid Waste Management District has asked each community in Miami County Ohio to pass a Resolution in support of the Miami County Solid Waste Plan by the end of July 2015. It was the consensus of Council to do a Resolution in support of the Miami County Solid Waste Plan.

#### DP&L UPDATES

Manager Kline stated Bob Stallman, Director of Community Relations for DPL Energy, had requested to do an update this evening but was unable to be at the Workshop Meeting.

#### GENERAL UPDATES

Ben Herron stated due to the weather the Disc Golf Course has been postponed. He stated the Municipal crews have been working on the Fourth of July Celebration preparation and working to make everything look good in the Municipality.

Ben Herron stated he would like to have the paving completed by late July or early August. He gave information as to how he would like to see some of the traffic controls work.

Ben Herron stated the new truck is being prepared currently. He also stated he is sending in information to see how much the Municipality will receive as part of the Rock Salt Settlement. Mr. Herron stated the settlement is part of the class action lawsuit against Cargill and Morton.

Manager Kline gave information regarding a sanitary sewer problem on Emerick before you get to Jay Road before you make the bend. He explained the problem and what needs to be done to solve the problem.

Manager Kline stated he has had a request to supply a customer with 100,000 gallons of water at a bulk rate. He stated the City of Troy is offering to

supply the customer the water for a bulk rate of \$7.00 per thousand gallons. Manager Kline stated currently the Municipality charges a bulk rate of \$10.90 per thousand gallons. He stated this customer is closer to West Milton than Troy. Manager Kline stated the customer has asked the Municipality to match the City of Troy's rate. He stated if Council is in agreement to match the rate he suggests the Ordinance be changed so it is the rule for everyone. It was the consensus of Council to match the City of Troy's rate for the water.

Manager Kline stated the State of Ohio budget may affect local governments again. He stated the Ohio Municipal League is urging everyone to write their state Senator. After discussion, it was the consensus of Council to have Manager Kline compose a letter for Council signatures.

Scott Fogle gave an update on the Fourth of July Celebration preparations. He stated the Park Board would be doing the Chuck-A-Luck. Mr. Fogle stated the money earned from the Chuck-A-Luck would be donated to the Fourth of July Celebration to help pay expenses. Sarah Copp stated she needs four (4) more convertibles for the parade.

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION

Jason Tinnerman made a motion seconded by Don Dohrman to go into a Special Session of Council. After a roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously. *Abstain:* None. *Absent:* None.

Jason Tinnerman made a motion, seconded by Don Dohrman to adjourn into an Executive Session to consider the purchase of property for a public purpose and for the investigation of complaints against a public employee. After a roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously. *Abstain:* None. *Absent:* None.

Council adjourned into Executive Session at 9:02 p.m.

Anthony Miller made a motion, seconded by Don Dohrman to reconvene out of Executive Session. After a roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously. *Abstain:* None. *Absent:* None.

Council came back into session at 10:15 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Jason Tinnerman made a motion, seconded by Anthony Miller to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 10:16 p.m.

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Linda L. Cantrell CAP-OM  
Clerk of Council

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Fred Francis  
Mayor