

Regular Council Meeting
January 6th, 2009

The meeting of January 6th, 2009 Regular Council Meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance by Mayor Robert C. Bickley.

Roll call: present- Dickman, Fox, Jenkins, Kovesdi, Maloney and Wolf. Also present- Administrator Bruce Bowie, Fiscal Officer Mary Bruno and Solicitor Vickie B. Ruffing.

Motion by Fox, seconded by Jenkins to approve the Minutes of the December 16th, 2008 Council Meeting. Vote- all yeas, motion carried.

There were no Council or Utility Bills to be approved or paid at tonight's meeting, as they were paid by the Fiscal Officer and approved by a Council member on December 30th, 2008, closing out the year.

Motion by Wolf to nominate Dave Jenkins for Council President, motion by Dickman to nominate John Fox for Council President. Motion by Dickman, seconded by Kovesdi to close nominations, vote-all yeas. After a paper vote, there was a tie, three votes for Jenkins, three votes for Fox. The Mayor stated he would break the tie as he had in the past when the members had voted to a tie. Vote by Mayor Bickley for David Jenkins. Maloney objected to the Mayor breaking the tie, stating it was not within his power. The Mayor stated he has done so in the past and Maloney said he was not a part of Council when this was done. The Administrator and Solicitor were asked to research the ORC on the internet while Maloney looked in the codified ordinance book in the Council room. The Administrator and Solicitor returned with ORC 733.24 stating "The mayor of a village shall be elected for a term of four years, commencing on the first day of January next after his election. He shall be an elector of the village and shall have resided in the village for at least one year immediately preceding his election. Such mayor shall be chief conservator of the peace therein and shall have the powers and duties provided by law. He shall be the president of the legislative authority and shall preside at all regular and special meetings thereof, but shall have no vote except in case of a tie." Since it spelled out no specifics, the Mayor again cast his vote in favor of David Jenkins.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

No citizens were in attendance tonight.

OLD COMMITTEE BUSINESS

A street, Sidewalks and Storm Sewers-None

Safety-None

Finance-None

Regional Planning, Building Codes & Inspection-None

Utilities-None

Civic Contact and Historical Preservation –None

Parks and Trees-None

NEW COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Streets, Sidewalks, and Storm Sewers –None.

Safety –None.

Finance-Motion by Wolf, seconded by Kovesdi to award all full time employees, along with part-time employees Julie Seltzer and Melissa Vartorella and 3% cost of living raise. The Fiscal Officer and Administrator will receive their raises on their anniversary dates. Vote-all yeas, motion carried. The raises will be effective January 1st, 2009.

The Fiscal Officer has the 2008 year closed out and the W-2's have been run.

Regional Planning, Building Codes & Inspection-None.

Utilities-A motor came loose from a base on a pump at the water plant, but has been repaired.

Civic Contact and Historical Preservation-A proclamation was prepared and January 9th was proclaimed Diane Koch Day.

The Milan Canal was profiled in the newspaper with an interview with Ann Basilone Jones of the museum.

Parks and Trees-None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The gas station is back up for Sheriff Sale.

LEGISLATION

AN ORDINAANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE 2009 APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE. .
Motion by Jenkins, seconded by Fox to adopt by title only. Roll call: Fox-yes, Jenkins-yes, Kovesdi-yes, Maloney-yes, Wolf-yes, Dickman-yes. Motion carried, Ordinance no 491-01-09.

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE TRANSFER OF AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$225,000.00 FROM THE ELECTRIC REPLACEMENT FUND INTO THE ELECTRIC FUND AND REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 489-12-08. Motion by Wolf, seconded by Kovesdi to suspend the rules. Roll call: Jenkins-yes, Kovesdi-yes, Maloney-yes, Wolf-yes., Dickman-yes, Fox-yes, motion carried. Motion by Dickman, seconded by Jenkins to adopt by title only as an emergency. Roll call: Kovesdi-yes, Maloney-yes, Wolf-yes., Dickman-yes, Fox-yes, Jenkins-yes. Motion carried, Ordinance no. 492-01-09

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PART ELEVEN PLANNING AND ZONING CODE OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE OF MILAN, OHIO. Motion by Maloney, seconded by Dickman to bring this ordinance to its first reading by title only, motion carried.

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

Mayor Robert C. Bickley

Fiscal Officer Mary Bruno