

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

Regular Meeting

Meeting

GOVERNMENT FORMS & SUPPLIES 844-224-3338 FORM NO. 10148

Held May 19, 2020

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The Council of the City of Milford met in Council Chambers at 745 Center Street at 7:00pm on May 19, 2020. Mayor Vilardo called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of silence.

Roll Call: Present: Mayor Vilardo, Vice Mayor Lisa Evans, Sandy Russell, Kyle Mitchell, Benjamin Redman, Kim Chamberland and Ted Haskins. Also present was City Manager, Michael Doss and Law Director Mike Minnietar. The public was able to view via Facebook live and via ICRC TV live broadcast.

Presentation/Proclamation: Milford High School Graduating Senior, Lesley Webster, who was chosen by her High School classmates to give the Student Speech at the Commencement Ceremony presented to council a portion of her speech. Mayor Vilardo presented Ms. Webster with some gifts and a Proclamation on behalf of council. Ms. Webster plans to attend Xavier University to earn a degree in Theatre Education.

Proceedings: Approve the City Council Regular Meeting Proceedings from May 5, 2020 Ms. Evans made a motion to approve. Seconded by Ms. Chamberland. All yes

Financial Statements: Receive the April 2020 Financial Report Ms. Evans made a motion to receive. Seconded by Ms. Russell. All yes

Standing Committee Report:

Administrative Services Committee

Meeting Minutes May 14, 2020 Ms. Evans called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

Present: Lisa Evans, Kim Chamberland and Sandy Russell Staff: City Manager Michael Doss, Finance Director Pat Wirthlin and Administrative Assistant Jackie Bain Proceedings: *Approve the proceedings from the May 1, 2020 Administrative Services Committee Minutes* Ms. Chamberland made a motion to approve. Seconded by Ms. Russell All yes JEDD 1 Ivy Pointe Tax Credit and Repayment Plan for Relevate Health Group Finance Director Pat Wirthlin reported to the committee information regarding 3 Forgotten Years per Relevate Health Group. The company is one of the nation's fastest growing healthcare marketing service companies. Founded in 2015, the company is in Ivy Pointe Joint Economic District (JEDD441). The company did not realize it was liable for JEDD 1 net profits tax and has three years of non-filings. Milford's revenue share would have amounted to —\$3,500 per year. Relevate has asked for a 33.3% credit for back taxes owed (basically one year's worth) to catch up and keep up with its forward momentum. Staff Recommends that the City support this young company as follows: The company would repay 2016, 2017 and 2018 net profits taxes with current filings for 2019, 2020 and 2021. Timely filing is a must; no penalties or interest. The JEDD Board would need to set aside the City's cap on JEDD earnings. The City would grant Relevate a 25% tax credit for tax years 2019 and 2020, max \$10K per year, with no carry-over. This would equate to —26% of the back taxes (less than the 33% that Relevate requested). Tax credits by nature encourage profits — a win for all. Samples of the Union Township Resolutions 2020-01 & 2020-02 were attached for suggested wording *The Committee agreed to make a Motion authorizing the Law Director to prepare a Resolution offering Relevate Health Group a three-year net profits tax deferral plan for tax years 2016, 2017 & 2018* Seconded by Ms. Russell. All yes *The Committee agreed to make a Motion authorizing the Law Director to prepare a Resolution offering Relevate Health Group a 25% net profits tax credit for years 2019 and 2020, limited to \$10,000 per year.* Seconded by Ms. Russell All yes 2021 Contract with Clermont County Public Health Mr. Doss presented to the committee a contract with Clermont County Public Health which was approved by the District Advisory Council on March 19, 2020. The approved contract is for \$28,553.61 to be paid to Clermont County Public Health for services to the City of Milford. That said contract shall become effective on January 1, 2021 and shall remain in full force and effect for one (1) year. *The Committee agreed to make a motion authorizing the Law Director to draft an ordinance authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract with Clermont County Public Health in the amount of \$28,553.61* Seconded by Ms. Russell All yes There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:12 p.m. with a motion from Ms. Evans Seconded by Ms. Russell. All agreed Respectfully submitted, Jackie Bain Administrative Assistant

Safety Services Committee

May 18, 2020 Called to Order: 4:30 pm by Sandy Russell Present: Lisa Evans, Kyle Mitchell Staff: City Manager-Michael Doss, Fire Chief - Mark Baird, Fire Captain Nick Thiele and Administrative Assistant - Jackie Bain Visitors: None Each Committee elects a Chairperson at the first meeting of the year. Ms. Evans nominated Sandy Russell to remain Chair, the Committee agreed. Proceedings: *Approve the proceedings from the September 24, 2019 Safety Services Committee Minutes* All yes **FINANCING OF A MCFD AMBULANCE** Captain Nick Thiele discussed the 2021 Ambulance Remounting Project purchase details including re-chassis work to be done by Horton Emergency Vehicles located in Columbus, Ohio. The department has had great service with Horton in the past. Captain Thiele also discussed additional budgeted expenses for the ambulances. Chief Baird reviewed with the committee a financing outline from Park National Bank. The Committee agreed to support the decision of the Milford Community Fire Department to purchase Ambulance Remount, retrofit and additional budgeted expenses in the Amount Of \$234,079.38 There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m. Respectfully submitted, Jackie Bain, Administrative Assistant

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City Manager’s Report

Mr. Doss provided a brief presentation before his report regarding an outdoor dining area concept for the purpose to provide a take- out, dine out experience in downtown Old Milford area. The presentation was followed by council comments. The information was well received followed by questions regarding staffing and location for the site. City Manger’s Report: MEMORANDUM TO: City Council CC: Mike Minniear, Law Director Jackie Bain, Administrative Assistant/Clerk FROM: City Manager DATE: May 19, 2020RE: Manager’s Report City Operations Update City Hall lobby will open to the public on June 1st. Utility Office will have special morning hours for seniors and immune compromised individuals. One individual will be permitted in the lobby at all times. Outside of lobby will be a seating area. Utility payments, building and zoning permit payments will still be accepted utilizing the drop box located in the hallway of City Hall, by mail, by credit/debit care online or over the phone. Touchless credit card processing capabilities will also be available for residents/customers. Residents, Developers and Contractors are still encouraged to call City Hall to set up and appointments for any building permit questions or design submittals Parks, Shelters and Benches are open and accessible to the public. Playground equipment and restrooms remain closed until the Governor’s order is lifted.US 50 ODOT Paving Update – ODOT is scheduled to begin saw cutting areas for full depth pavement repair this month. Full depth pavement repair, milling and asphalt paving is expected to be complete by August. Memorial Day Ceremony – No parade this year. Wreath laying ceremonies will take place at the following locations/times: 9:30 am: @ Memorial Park10:00 am: @ Greenlawn Cemetery10:30am: @. St. Andrew Cemetery The public is encouraged to attend and bring their own flag. Social distancing and spacing will be required during the ceremonies. STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS May 27th Public Services Committee meeting REMINDERS May 20 – Neighborhood Meeting Discussion RE: Little Miami Event Center at 6:00 pm May 25 – Memorial Day Holiday (City Offices Closed) June 10 – Planning Commission Meeting at 6:00 pm June 16 – City Council Meeting at 7:00 pm (Summer Meeting Schedule)

Police Department Report

Chief Mills reported to council reminding the hazar4ds of attempting to drive thru water: Good rule of thumb is if you wouldn’t walk through it, do not drive through it. Public Safety Motto: Turn Around, Don’t Drown. The Police Department will be partnering with the Kiwanis Club and the Fire Department for a Food Drive this Saturday from 12-2pm. Chief Mills also read 4 letters that the department has received since the last council meeting.

Fire and Ems Report

April 2020 Fire Chiefs’ Report *May 19, 2020*

Emergency Activity YTD: Total Details 612 Fire Details 149 EMS Details 463 Patient Transports 314			
April 30, 2020	Over/Under Budget	Checking Account Balance	
Expenses	32.1	- 1.2%	
Revenue	32.1	- 3.6%	\$ 582,540.62*
			*as of 4/24/20

Chief Baird and Captain Miller continue to attend meetings and monitor the COVID-19 pandemic situation. Impact on the department remains minimal but it continues to take all necessary precautions enacted early-on including regular, heavy disinfecting. Even though the fire station is always “clean,” fighting the unseen contamination will remain a focus going forward. The department joined several others in a group purchase of Clorox Total 360 systems which deliver anti-microbial agents to surfaces throughout the fire station and fleet. They are widely used in schools and medical facilities. Also, portable, ultraviolet light units are on being secured to further our germ-fighting efforts. Over the past six-months the department has made several purchases using money brought back to the city through federal and state grant programs and raised by our Firefighters’ Club, and from direct donations and memorial contributions. This life-saving equipment has a value of over \$ 39,000 and includes: □ Automatic Compression Devices for CPR (federal and state grants = \$ 29,815) □ Fiber Optic Laryngoscopes (Milford Community Firefighters’ Club fundraising = \$ 4,577) □ Rope Rescue Equipment (MCFC fundraising, donations, memorials, and a Wal-Mart Community grant = \$ 4,800) MCFD participated in several “drive-by” celebrations recognizing birthdays and graduates in the city. There was another great team effort by MPD, city service, and MCFD members at a natural gas leak scene the evening of May 3, 2020. An underground gas main began leaking, spreading gas fumes into the apartment building at 506 Main Street which was evacuated for approximately 2 hours. Duke Energy arrived and completed repairs overnight. MCFD was proud to honor the memory of Harrison Fire Department Deputy Chief Gregory W. Chetwood by participating in his funeral procession May 13. Our thoughts are with his family and friends, co-workers, and Harrison, Ohio community at this difficult time. MCFD thanks Milford Lodge 54 F & AM for hosting two chili cook offs over the past year and donating the proceeds from each to MPD and our department. We truly appreciate your efforts and the money will be used for equipment or firefighter training expenses. Our community ALWAYS takes care of its firefighters and police officers, but it has been keeping an even closer eye on all of us during the pandemic. This bag insert from Milford McDonalds is one example of this. Three phone calls today from local organizations offering food delivered to the station are some more. We have had cleaning supplies

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and masks donated and offers of assistance of all kinds. Ulmer's Car Care and others have posted messages of support. Thank you everyone for always having your Milford first responders' backs. It is greatly appreciated!

Council Comments

Vice Mayor Evans wanted to follow up regarding the Milford Kiwanis Food Drive on Saturday. It will be held Saturday, May 23rd, from 12 – 2pm, at the Evan's Funeral Home location in Milford. You do not have to get out of your car since you can drive up to donate food. The food drive is to support the Milford Miami Ministries: Feed Our Flock, Kingdom Warriors, and the St. Andrew/St. Vincent DePaul Society Food Pantry. Your donations will be greatly appreciated. Ms. Chamberland spoke on behalf of the MMTCC to talk about the upcoming Frontier Days- *The Show Must Go On* online. From June 1st -7th, local restaurants will be offering special entrées and drinks inspired by our beloved Frontier Days cuisine. During the week the community will be able to enjoy promotions from Billy McCarthy/Billy Rock Band and other highlights and opportunities to purchase other Frontier Days promotional items. Participating restaurants include: 20 Brix, By Golly's, Governor Modern Diner, LMBC, Mid-West BBQ & Creamery and Padrino. The week culminates on Sunday June 7th as the Naked Karate Girls broadcast a live fund raising concert hosted by Alan Walker of Big Daddy Walker Productions. Guests will be encouraged to watch the concert on their smart tv or phone while enjoying a bite to eat and keeping social distance. Participating restaurants will be showing the concerts live on their televisions inside their restaurants. We encourage people to come out to your favorite restaurant and enjoy the concert or pick up take out and picnic or take to your porch and Dis Dance your heart out. Also the downtown Milford area has the only DORA within 30 minutes of Cincinnati. And you can enjoy while listening the NKG on Sunday, June 7th. Unique opportunity to enjoy getting outside while still maintaining Social distance. This year's Frontier Days is hosted by the MMTCC in conjunction with MilfordStrong.com. Proceeds from this virtual event will the Chamber Milford Strong with a portion going to Feed Our Flock. For more information visit Frontier Days Milford.com or Facebook, Frontier Days Milford Ohio. Mayor Vilardo also asked that we shop local.

Public Comments

An earlier public comment post that City Manager would like to address. QUESTION: Rachel Richardson, 907 Center St. When the city brokered the deal with FC Cincinnati to acquire land for FCC's training facility, it was structured so that the city's cost of purchasing the land be paid for via a one percent county lodgings tax. At the time the deal was negotiated, that tax was estimated to raise about \$223,000 a year, with an estimated deficit between \$43,000-\$46,000 to come from Milford taxpayers. Due to the coronavirus pandemic, FC Cincinnati has cancelled its events at the Milford training facility – and with it the estimated 21,000-plus annual hotel nights the facility was expected to generate each year. Additionally, hotel/motel business is down county-wide. Given these developments, how much additional money should Milford taxpayers expect to pay to fund the city's financial burden for the FC Cincinnati training facility deal this year, and where will these funds come from? ANSWER: The FC Cincinnati land deal turned out much better than expected. The City went to market for the sports facility bond offering at a time when the country's yield curve based on the 10-year treasury rate was inverted, translating to low long-term rates. The result, combined with other factors which delayed the closure of financing actually lowered the City's expected annual outlay by approximately \$25K when financing finally went out to market. The 1% lodging tax revenue fully covered the City's initial 2019 debt obligation of \$34K and will cover 2020's debt obligation of \$252K. We are pleased to point out that Milford taxpayers have not paid a penny for the FC training facility. Please note that the 1% lodging tax includes all hotels in the county, not just those close to the sports facility. By the end of 2021, the City expects to have two additional hotels constructed at a total investment of \$21 million dollars with additional investment on the horizon. The existence and investment of these two new hotels is a direct result of the FC Cincinnati Training Center and Academy. The lodging tax funds will also provide an additional estimated \$100,000 directly to Milford under the existing 3% lodging tax already implemented and realized by the City. We fully expect the economy to start rebounding, with perhaps a glitch in 2021 for the recovery period. There is also the 1% city income tax from employees of the FC Cincinnati Training Center and Academy to consider if there were to be any potential deficit in 2021. We are optimistic that the 1% lodging tax revenue will continue to fully support the City's debt obligation throughout the life of the obligation.

New Business:

Ordinances and Resolutions

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| 20-2023 | An Ordinance Authorizing the City of Milford to Execute a Contract with The Clermont County Health District Advisory Council for the Provisions of Public Health Services for 2021 Ms. Evans made a motion to suspend the rules and read by title only. Seconded by Ms. Russell. All yes Ms. Evans made a motion to adopt. Ms. Russell seconded the motion. All yes |
| 2020-24 | An Ordinance Granting and Approving a Corporate Net Earnings Tax Credit for Relevance Health Group within The Union Township-City of Milford Joint Economic Development |

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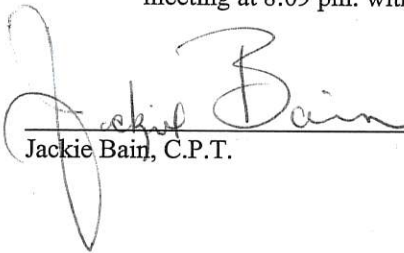
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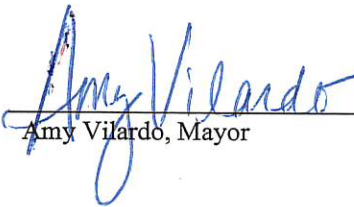
District #1 (Ivy Pointe J.E.D.D.) Ms. Evans made a motion to suspend the rules and read by title only. Seconded by Ms. Russell. All yes Ms. Evans made a motion to adopt. Ms. Russell seconded the motion. All yes

2020-25 An Ordinance Approving a Three – Year Repayment Plan for Past Due Corporate net Earnings Taxes for Calendar Years 2016, 2017, and 2018 for Relevate Health Group, Within the Union Township-City of Milford Joint Economic Development District #1 (Ivy Pointe J.E.D.D.), Waiving penalties and interest related to the Collection Thereof, and Otherwise Defining Required filing procedures related Thereto Ms. Evans made a motion to suspend the rules and read by title only. Seconded by Ms. Russell. All yes Ms. Evans made a motion to adopt. Ms. Russell seconded the motion. All yes

Old Business:

Adjourn: There being no further business to come before the City Council; Mayor Vilardo adjourned the meeting at 8:09 pm. with a motion from Ms. Evans. Seconded by Ms. Russell All voted yes.


Jackie Bain, C.P.T.


Amy Vilardo, Mayor