

The Council of the City of Milford met in regular session in Council Chambers at 745 Center Street at 7:00 p.m. on January 6, 2015. Mayor Howland called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence.

Roll Call: Present: Mayor Howland, Vice Mayor Lykins, Mr. Brady, Ms. Evans, Ms. Hinnners, Mr. Pittman. Mr. Pittman made a Motion to excuse Ms. Brewer's absence; seconded by Ms. Hinnners. All voted yes.

Proceedings: Mr. Pittman made a motion to adopt the Proceedings of the December 16, 2014 regular City Council Meeting; seconded by Mr. Brady. All voted yes.

Correspondence: There was no correspondence at this time.

Financial Statement: Mr. Pittman made a Motion to adopt the October, 2014 Financial Report; seconded by Mr. Brady. All voted yes. Mr. Brady made a Motion to adopt the November, 2014 Financial Report; seconded by Mr. Pittman. All voted yes.

Board of Education: There was no report from the Board of Education.

Public Comments: There were no Public Comments at this time.

Standing Committee Reports:

Administrative Services: There was no report at this time.

Community Development: A meeting is scheduled for 4:30p.m. Monday, January 12, 2015.

Parks and Recreation: A meeting is scheduled for 5:30p.m. Monday, January 12, 2015.

Public Services: A meeting is scheduled for 5:30 p.m. Thursday, January 8, 2015.

Safety Services: There was no report at this time.

City Manager's Report:

City Manager

David Walker and I visited the work shop of the contractor who is constructing the retaining wall for our parking lot at 300 Main Street. The contractor has begun pouring the 2 feet by 8 feet decorative wall panels that will be installed in front of the wood lagging. I anticipate that the concrete panels could begin to be installed, weather permitting, in January.

Chiefs Mills, Cooper and Baird and Susan Ellerhorst and I participated in a quarterly community coalition meeting today. Participants included the City, Miami Township, Milford School District and many area church leaders. We are working cooperatively to tackle large issues with the first initiative to improve the situation in our community in regards to heroin addiction, awareness, recovery and prevention.

Service Department

Ed Hackmeister, Service Department Supervisor, reports that the department will pick up Christmas trees on Wednesdays throughout the month of January. The trees need to be placed at the curb and be completely free of any ornamentation including tinsel. The Service Department will complete one more round of leaf pick-ups for this season. Brush pick-up remains on a call-in basis only.

At this time the department continues to patch potholes throughout the City.

Waste Water Department

Dave Walker, Waste Water Department Supervisor, reports that his department performed five OUPS locates for residents last week. Later in the week Zach Robb assisted the Water Department with the hydro-excavating equipment at Sycamore and Polk. Other jobs performed last week include the use of the push camera to record a resident's lateral on Hogan Drive. A DVD was made of the findings for the resident.

Water Department

Matt Newman, Water Department Supervisor, reports that they had issues again on Polk St. with multiple customers on the same water lateral service. This situation was discovered when Duke hit a one inch service that used to feed a concession stand by the Legion. They cut in a temporary curb stop for the time being to stop the leak. This isn't a permanent fix; they will make more adjustments in the weeks to come.

Later in the week the department completed five work orders and two utility locates for residents.

Standing Committee Meetings

Administrative Services Committee: Not scheduled at this time

Community Development Committee: Monday, January 12, 2015 at 4:30 p.m.

Public Services Committee: Thursday, January 8, 2015 at 5:00 p.m.

Safety Services Committee: Not scheduled at this time

Reminders:

Parks & Recreation: Monday, January 12th at 5:30 p.m. in Council chambers

Planning Commission: Wednesday, January 14th at 6:00 p.m. in Council chambers

Citizen's Housing: There will not be a meeting of the Citizen's Housing Committee in January. Their next meeting will be February 9th at 7:00 p.m. in Council chambers

BZA: Thursday, January 22nd 7:00 p.m. in Council chambers

The Municipal Building will be closed Monday, Jan. 19th in observance of Martin Luther King Day.

Police Department Report: Chief Mills came forward to present the following report:

Training

1. All sworn members participated in a county-wide active shooter training.

Notable Crime Occurrences

1. Officer Kenney arrested a female for robbery after she failed to pay her bill and assaulted a waitress from Dos Amigos as she attempted to obtain the suspect's license plate number. Police volunteer Interpreter Christiane Lackman was instrumental in the investigation.
2. Several thefts were reported from unlocked vehicles in East Milford.
3. A burglary was reported on Clertoma Drive and remains under investigation.
4. Three males forced entry into a residence at the Oakwood Apartments and committed an armed robbery. The case remains under investigation.

Upcoming Events

1. The annual Police Awards Ceremony will be held at the January 20th City Council Meeting.

Administrative

1. Julie Liming was chosen from a selection process to replace Paul Lane as Detective.

Outside Meetings and Associations

1. I attended an Ebola working group meeting at the Clermont County Emergency Management Agency.

Fire Department Report: Chief Cooper came forward to present the following report:

Chief Cooper said unfortunately the EMS side of the Fire Department has been very busy and at times both units have been out. He said a family who had experienced a fire which destroyed their home and several pets last year came into the fire house during the holidays with the surviving pet to visit with the fire department personnel and thank them for their service to their family.

Chief Cooper reported that Santa Sunday had been a success and he was happy to see the numbers of young people who came out to greet Santa. He thanked those who had supported the event with donations of both time and funds.

Public Comments: There were no Public Comments at this time.

Council Comments: Ms. Hinnners announced that there would be a book signing with Milford author Duffy Brown at the Milford Mystery Library on Saturday, January 10th at 2:00 p.m.

Ms. Howland thanked those who had planned and encouraged the South Milford Association Luminary Walk during the holidays. The event raised over \$1300 which was given to Miami Ministries. Mr. Pittman stated that it was a great event and he believes more residents will wish to be included next year.

New Business: There was no new business to be discussed at this time.

Old Business: There was no old business to be discussed at this time.

Adjourn:

There being no further business to come before the City Council; the meeting was adjourned at 7:14 p.m. with a Motion from Ms. Hinnners; seconded by Mr. Lykins. All voted yes.

Sharon Waldmann, C.P.T.

Laurie Howland, Mayor