

COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING

June 28, 2016

Mayor Francis called the meeting to order.

Present were: Mayor Francis; *Councilmembers:* Sarah Copp (*came into the meeting at 7:35 p.m.*), Anthony Miller, Scott Fogle (*came into the meeting at 7:35 p.m.*), Karen Grudich, Don Dohrman, and Jason Tinnerman. *Also present were:* Manager Kline, Ben Herron, and Clerk Cantrell. *Absent:* None.

COMMUNITY FUND RAISER PROPOSAL

Allen Lay, owner of Kona Ice, stated he would like to do fundraising for sports events and the Milton-Union High School football team by doing movie nights. He stated he would like to do three (3) movie nights at the old school property. Mr. Lay asked if the Municipality would loan him a projector and screen. Manager Kline stated if they use the Municipality's equipment they would have to sign a form stating they would be responsible to fix or replace the equipment should something happen to the equipment. Mr. Lay stated that would not be a problem.

Sarah Copp and Scott Fogle came into the meeting at this time.

Jason Tinnerman stated Kona Ice has been great for peewee baseball. Mr. Lay stated they are looking to do the movie nights on July 15, 2016, July 29, 2016, and August 5, 2016. Discussion took place as to how to get the word out to the citizens of West Milton about doing these movie nights. It was the consensus of Council to loan Mr. Lay the equipment for these movie nights.

ORDINANCE 112.09 – NEIGHBORHOOD VENDORS

Manager Kline gave each Councilmember a copy of Chapter 112: Peddlers and Solicitors of the Codified Ordinance for their review. He stated Section 112.09 needed to be looked at for possible changes. Section 112.09 Loud Noises and Speaking Devices – states no peddler, or any person in his or her behalf, shall shout, make any cry out, blow a horn, ring a bell, or use any sound device, including any loud-speaking radio or sound amplifying system, upon any of the streets, alleys, parks or other public places of the Municipality or on any private premises in the Municipality, where sound of sufficient volume is emitted or produced therefrom to be capable of being

plainly heard on the streets, avenues, alleys, parks or other public places, for the purpose of attracting attention to any goods, wares, or merchandise which the peddler proposes to sell. Manager Kline stated he would get sample Ordinances to see about changing Ordinance 112.09. He stated he would have them for the July 26, 2016, Council Workshop Meeting.

LUDLOW FALLS SEWER EXTENSION

Manager Kline stated he met with the Rural Community Assistance Program (RCAP), EIFA, Choice One Engineering, and Ludlow Falls Mayor Patricia Neisley, Clerk Robin Smith, and Ted Wilson to discuss financing for the Ludlow Falls sewer extension project. Manager Kline explained how the process works to get financing for the project. He stated a committee puts together projects that have been nominated, then they rate the projects that have been nominated, then they narrow down the list of projects, the list will be published in September, and then it will be announced in December who has been approved. Manager Kline stated if approved for the financing of the project a planning loan will be given. Then the application for PTI has to be submitted. He stated it is estimated to be a one-year project and the project could be completed by October 2018.

½% RENEWAL UPDATE

Anthony Miller gave each Councilmember a copy of the flyer that will be given to citizens regarding the Municipal Tax Renewal that will be on the ballot in November 2016 for their review. He stated they would be passing these out at the Fourth of July Festival. Mr. Miller stated they also had a banner made up and have a booth setup with Police and Firefighter equipment for citizens to look at. He asked Council to help get the word out about the renewal. Mr. Miller stated they would be doing something similar for the Fall Fling in an effort to get the word out regarding the renewal levy. Ben Herron stated the Fire Department wants to put banners up while they sell waffles. He stated the Fire Department would be doing a car wash and they would be distributing information at that time. Mayor Francis thanked Mr. Miller, Ben Herron, and the Police Chief for all their work.

AGGREGATION – NOVEMBER BALLOT

Manager Kline stated there is a push from a third party to do an aggregation for electric and gas rates. He explained the process of putting the rates together and how negotiations took place to get lower rates for the citizens of West Milton. Manager Kline stated it has to be approved by the voters, then a company would be selected to provide lower rates for both gas and

electricity (*this would be for a bulk rate*). Citizens can then take part in the savings or look for a company on their own. A lengthy discussion took place regarding how the process works, how much could potentially be saved, other communities that are doing the aggregation of electricity and gas, and whether Council wanted to place this on the November election ballot. It was the consensus of Council to place this on the ballot for voters to decide if they are interested in doing the aggregation of electricity and gas. Manager Kline stated he would put the legislation on the July 12, 2016, Council Agenda.

TEXT MESSAGES ARE PUBLIC RECORDS

Manager Kline stated he received an e-mail regarding text messages. He stated any text messages regarding Municipal business are public records.

THE GREEN REPORT – CAPITAL PLANNING

Manager Kline gave each Councilmember a copy of “the Green Report – A Community Resource for Capital Improvement Funding” for their review. He stated Choice One Engineering did this for the Municipality at NO charge. Manager Kline stated this is in draft form at this time; but that it provides a lot of good information.

JULY 4, 2016, UPDATES

Councilmember Fogle gave information as to vendors that would be located on the top of the hill at Washington Street and the parking lot area for the Fourth of July Celebration. He also gave information regarding the Fourth of July Parade; vehicles that would be provided for Councilmembers to ride in; an individual coming to sing patriotic songs; and that Dr. Ginny Rammel would be the Grand Marshall for the parade. Mr. Fogle stated they would be having a meeting tomorrow evening to finalize plans for the parade.

MISCELLANEOUS UPDATE

Jason Tinnerman leased one of his buildings to a chiropractor.

Manager Kline stated the second piece of legislation for the Tax Resolution would be on the July 12, 2016, Council Agenda.

Sarah Copp left the meeting at this time (8:48 p.m.)

Manager Kline stated Moe's Mexican Food Truck would be parking by the brick house on Friday, July 1, 2016. He stated this food truck may come to the Farmers' Market in the future. Karen Grudich gave an update on the Farmers' Market for the last two Saturdays.

Ben Herron stated the annual Consumer Confidence Report was sent to the EPA on Monday June 27, 2016.

ADJOURNMENT

Scott Fogle made a motion, seconded by Jason Tinnerman to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 8:57 p.m.

Linda L. Cantrell CAP-OM
Clerk of Council

Fred Francis
Mayor