

APRIL 4, 2023

7:00 P.M.

Mayor Tom Canterbury called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Those present were Mayor Canterbury, Recorder Walters, Council Members Legg, Adkins, Harshbarger and Miller. Council Member Nicely was absent. The invocation was given by Council Member Adkins and the pledge of allegiance was said in unison.

Council Member Harshbarger moved to approve the agenda. Second by Council Member Legg. Motion carried.

Recorder Walters presented the minutes from the March 7 regular meeting, March 13 Special Meeting, and March 8, 13, 20, 22 and 27 budget meetings. Council Member Legg moved to approve the minutes. Second by Council Member Adkins. Motion carried.

Recorder Walters presented the City bills for February 2023 totaling \$117,121.50 for the General Fund. Council Member Legg moved to approve the bills. Second by Council Member Miller. Motion carried.

Recorder Walters read the City Financial Report for February 2023. General Fund Total: \$1,400,346.28; Cemetery Total: \$79,645.03; Coal Severance Total: \$10,776.87; American Rescue Plan Act Total: \$1,123,752.97. Council Member Harshbarger moved to approve the Financial Reports. Second by Council Member Adkins. Motion carried.

Chief Parsons read the Police Report for February 2023. Chief Parsons advised that Officer Cole Poore had a single-vehicle accident in which he suffered a minor concussion. His car was totaled, but we have not yet heard anything from the insurance company. Once we hear from WVCorp, he will look into replacing the vehicle. Chief Parsons stated that the American Legion presented the Milton Police Department with a donation for the K-9 program. Their donation is greatly appreciated. Council Member Miller moved to approve the Police Report. Second by Council Member Adkins. Motion carried.

Council considered a request to donate the old Motorola Radios (currently being replaced with new grant-funded radios) to the Milton Volunteer Fire Department. Council Member Miller asked if those radios could be used by the City and Utilities for traffic control surrounding water line breaks, road work, etc. Council Member Legg stated that we may be required to obtain another FCC license in order for the City to use the radios. It is unclear if the City could use the existing tower for transmission. Chief Parsons indicated that at a Homeland Security meeting today, he was advised that they are investigating a new County Communications System through Motorola that would eliminate the Milton radio tower in favor of a tower in Hurricane. Council Member Miller moved see if the City can use the radios and, if so, keep some for City use, and to donate the remainder to the Milton Volunteer Fire Department. Second by Council Member Adkins. Motion carried.

Council considered sponsorship of a traffic study of the US Route 60/Newman's Branch Road intersection in preparation for the construction of the new Milton Elementary School. Council Member Harshbarger moved that the City sponsor the traffic study. Second by Council Member Adkins. Motion carried.

A Resolution of Council was read to amend the allocation of Municipal Home Rule funds to allot 70% to Street Construction (Infrastructure) and 30% for Police. Council Member Harshbarger moved to approve the Resolution. Second by Council Member Adkins. A roll-call vote was taken with all voting in favor of the Resolution. Motion carried.

A Resolution of Council was read to transfer funds currently held at Ohio Valley Bank in a Floodwall Savings account into interest-bearing CDs at Ohio Valley Bank. Council Member Miller moved to approve the Resolution. Second by Council Member Legg. Motion carried.

Mayor Canterbury gave the first reading of an Ordinance Amending Article 932.05 "Storm Water Management and Surface Water Discharge Control: Flat Rate Charges," of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Milton. Council Member Miller moved to approve the first reading. Second by Council Member Legg. Motion carried.

Mayor Canterbury gave the first reading of an Ordinance Amending Article 932.06 "Storm Water Management and Surface Water Discharge Control: Charges Based on Land Area," of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Milton. Council Member Harshbarger moved to approve the first reading. Second by Council Member Legg. Motion carried.

Mayor Canterbury gave the first reading of an Ordinance Amending Article 139.10 "Municipal Court: Court Costs," of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Milton. Council Member Harshbarger moved to approve the first reading. Second by Council Member Miller. Motion carried.

Mayor Canterbury gave the first reading of an Ordinance Amending Article 139.12 "Municipal Court: Administrative and Failure to Appear Fee Per Citation," of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Milton. Council Member Adkins moved to approve the first reading. Second by Council Member Miller. Motion carried.

A Fair Housing Proclamation was read proclaiming April 2023 as "Fair Housing Month." Council Member Harshbarger moved to approve the Proclamation. Second by Council Member Miller. Motion carried.

Council Member Harshbarger moved to adjourn at 7:40 pm. Second by Council Member Adkins. Motion carried.

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Mayor Tom Canterbury

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Recorder Dana Walters