

Record of Proceedings

Special Council Meeting

April 21, 2016

Presiding Officer, Mayor Migliorini called the April 21st special meeting to order at 6pm

Present: Council members' Kevin Bilkie, David Engle, Sylvia Hanneken, Nicholas Molnar and Janet Tulley; Attorney Mark Guidetti and Council Clerk Josephine Arceci.

Sagamore Hills Township Trustees David DePasquale, Paul Schweikert and John Zaccardelli

ORD. NO. 30-2016

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE TOWNSHIP OF SAGAMORE HILLS, OHIO TO PROVIDE EMERGENCY FIRE AND MEDICAL SERVICES TO THE TOWNSHIP was **offered** by Mr. Molnar for its **second reading by title only**.
Second not required.

Relative to ORD.NO. 30-2016, Councilor Engle questioned Chief Black regarding potential compatibility issues between the department's equipment with items such as breathing apparatus or threading on fire hydrants because Mr. Engle recalls past discussions about these issue.. Mr. Engle also questioned if Macedonia's fee to Sagamore covers all of Macedonia's costs, the effective date of the contract and whether Sagamore trustees were willing to cover unemployment costs in the evidently the agreement is terminated.

Chief Black told Mr. Engle there are no compatibility issues. In as much as Sagamore does not own SCBA's there is no incompatibility in that regard. However Sagamore is required to purchase units pursuant to the agreement. Chief Black added that fire hydrant threads are standard, the fee of \$750,000 to Sagamore covers Macedonia's expenses and the effective date the contract is September 15, 2016.

Mayor Migliorini interjected there is an addendum forthcoming about unemployment, i.e., Sagamore Hills trustees have agreed to pay unemployment for three full-time firefighters and Macedonia will pay for the other three.

Councilor Hanneken opined Macedonia shouldn't be responsible for any unemployment costs. Ms. Hanneken suggested that the agreement be clearer about performance and response times and depreciation on Macedonia's equipment.

Councilor Tulley asked Chief Black to reiterate some points he made during the April 14th council meeting to which he stated there will be 1/3 less calls than Northfield Center's previous coverage . The volume of calls changes Chief Black explained because Northfield Center is not part of the contracted coverage. It changes as well because of station will be located in Sagamore. Chief Black added that Northfield Center and Northfield Village were offered coverage by Macedonia. However, the village declined. The Center has not yet answer. The Agreement is opened to the extent that each of these communities may be included he added.

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Councilor Bilkie questioned the opt-out provisions of the agreement to which Chief Black answered either community have the right to withdraw with 180 day notice.

ORD. NO. 32 -2016

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 125-2015 REGARDING CODIFIED ORDINANCE CHAPTER 182, CITY OF MACEDONIA'S INCOME TAX ORDINANCE MACEDONIA was **offered** by Ms. Tulley for its **second reading by title only**. Second not required.

Relative to ORD. NO. 32-2016, Mayor Migliorini explained that this legislation merely allows the question the income tax rate increase to be placed on the ballot for Macedonia's voters to determine its fate. Mayor Migliorini said Macedonia is faced with over \$20 million worth of immediate road and storm water repairs. The Sioux culvert repair is estimated to cost over \$400,000 for which there is no money. Our Lady of Guadalupe is estimated the same Mayor Migliorini stated. The Mayor defies anyone he said to tell him where they would get \$20 million dollars for all the road work that needs to be done. The Mayor asked Ms. Hanneken where she would get the money for \$20 million worth of road repairs.

Councilor Hanneken told Mayor Migliorini that Macedonia is spending 15% more on departments this year than it spent last year and other things are being done to increase Macedonia's expenses. In Ms. Hanneken's opinion there is an alternative to Mayor's Migliorini's proposal and that is dedicating one-quarter percent income to capital improvements including road repairs. Ms. Hanneken stated she has already addressed this issue to some extent she would be happy to outline her proposal for the residents in greater detail.

Mayor Migliorini told Ms. Hanneken she misleads residents with the information she posts on the civic website she hosts to which Ms. Hanneken answered she does not.

Councilor Tulley added that on this website the decimal on the tax is misplaced. It reads .25% when in fact it should have read 2.5%. The increase in the tax is by .5%.

Mayor Migliorini interjected revenue from payroll and profit tax is the life blood of the city and for this reason Macedonia's real estate property tax rate has remained the same since the 1960's. The Mayor said the list of Macedonia's roads needing to be repaired continues to grow particularly those with a poor rating. Mayor Migliorini reminded residents that unlike funding for county or state roads there are no funding sources for repairing Macedonia's interior, residential roads. The burden is solely on Macedonia.

There being no further business, the special meeting adjourned at 6:16pm.