

UNAPPROVED MINUTES of the CITY OF MILO COUNCIL MEETING
CITY HALL, 100 MAIN ST, MILO, IOWA - MONDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2020

Milo City Council was called to order by Mayor Hall at 7:00 p.m. Council answering roll call: Kinser, Moulds, Uttley and Mason. Graham was absent.

Mayor Hall asked that the agenda be amended to include Erica Wadle of Milo Hometown Pride. Motion by Kinser to approve the agenda with the amendment. Second by Moulds. Ayes: Kinser, Moulds, Uttley and Mason. Nays: none. Absent: Graham. Motion approved. Motion by Kinser to approve the consent agenda to include all council meeting minutes of February 3, 2020; accounts payable from February 4 – February 17, 2020 in the amount of \$7,984.09; the January 2020 Bank Reconciliation Report; the January 2020 Warren County Sheriff's Report. Second by Mason. Ayes: Kinser, Moulds, Uttley and Mason. Nays: none. Absent: Graham. Motion approved.

Erica Wadle of Milo's Hometown Pride provided images of a painted basketball court and asked council's permission for Milo's Hometown Pride to do the same to the City's basketball court at City Park. Milo's Hometown Pride will be applying for the Paint Iowa Beautiful grant and if awarded would use the paint to create the appropriate basketball court lines on the concrete court at City Park. Motion by Kinser to approve Milo Hometown Pride's project of painting the City Park basketball court. Second by Moulds. Ayes: Kinser, Moulds, Uttley and Mason. Nays: none. Absent: Graham. Motion approved.

Mayor Hall introduced wastewater system presenter Nick Janous of Nexom who spoke regarding the Submerged Attached Growth Reactor (SAGR) system and then called Engineer Nancy Buss to participate in the presentation. Janous spoke extensively on the SAGR system and how it will work in conjunction with Milo's current lagoon system. Council and Janous discussed research and development and shared that the SAGR system has proven successful having been installed and running in other city applications for over the last 20 years in the frigid areas of Canada and the Northern United States. Janous described how the SAGR system would be installed with the current lagoon system and what future maintenance would entail as well as the SAGR system process that would allow Milo to attain the Iowa Department of Natural Resources (DNR) imposed discharge limits for the Milo wastewater facility. He then explained ease of use and maintenance for the operator. There was discussion of using a phased approach for installation and monitoring discharge limits after installation to determine if the UV disinfection component is needed. Janous shared that the UV disinfection component hasn't been needed in Missouri applications. The Iowa DNR is considering this information in Iowa. Engineer Nancy Buss asked if it would be more cost effective to do the de-sludging and aerator updates prior to installation of the SAGR system. Janous said that it would be financially beneficial to wait until the installation process. Engineer Buss will research the options and funding. Mayor Hall asked that Engineer Buss keep in contact with the City on a regular basis regarding any information or timelines. Engineer Buss said that she would do better at corresponding with the City.

Under old business, Allan Benesh addressed council regarding the large metal shipping containers that are located on his family's outdoor storage area located at 515 Belmont Street, Milo, Iowa. Benesh, at Council's request, presented pictures of the exterior and interior of the large metal shipping containers showing a car and tractor being stored. Council discussed that it was difficult to see the containers from the street. Councilwoman Moulds expressed concern over the number of shipping containers that would be placed in the outdoor storage area. Benesh said that he would be purchasing a few more in the future. Councilman Kinser said that the area has been approved by the City Council to be an outside storage area and that differentiates it from a regular back yard in Milo. Motion by Kinser to approve allowing the large metal shipping containers at the outdoor storage area located at 515 Belmont Street, Milo, Iowa without a portable building permit. Second by Moulds. Ayes: Kinser, Moulds, Uttley and Mason. Nays: none. Absent: Graham. Motion approved. Next, the Heart of Iowa Regional Transit Authority (HIRTA) donation request was tabled due to Councilman Uttley being unable to contact the director for information.

Doug Hembry reported that vehicle maintenance has been ongoing which is normal for late winter and water meter maintenance change-outs have been ongoing. Hembry went on to say that the nuisance abatement is ongoing for the vacant property on South 3rd Street and there are several items for the property management company to complete. Mayor Hall inquired about the ongoing ditch/culvert sink-hole repair on South 2nd Street with Hembry stating that it would be filled and finished later this Spring/Summer.

Council addressed items under new business. Council reviewed the water rate ordinance increase of \$9.00 per household per month which was prepared in accordance with the City Council's direction. Motion by Uttley to approve the written format of the water rate ordinance increase and set same for the non-required public hearing of March 2, 2020 at 7:00 pm at Milo City Hall. Second by Mason. Ayes: Kinser, Moulds, Uttley

and Mason. Nays: none. Absent: Graham. Motion approved. Next, Council reviewed the final proposed FY2021 City of Milo Budget. Motion by Kinser to approve the FY2021 final proposed City of Milo Budget. Second by Moulds. Ayes: Kinser, Moulds, Uttley and Mason. Nays: none. Absent: Graham. Motion approved. Council then set the FY2021 final proposed budget for hearing. Motion by Moulds to approve setting March 16, 2020 at 7:00 pm at Milo City Hall for the FY2021 Milo city budget public hearing and direct the clerk to submit the appropriate paperwork. Second by Mason. Ayes: Kinser, Moulds, Uttley and Mason. Nays: none. Absent: Graham. Motion approved.

There were no public comments and there were no propositions or remarks by Mayor Council. Motion by Moulds to adjourn at 8:24 p.m. Second by Kinser. Ayes: all present. Motion approved.

By Order of the Milo City Council