

MINUTES of the CITY OF MILO COUNCIL MEETING
DUE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC CRISIS THIS MEETING WAS HELD ELECTRONICALLY
CITY HALL, 100 MAIN ST, MILO, IOWA - MONDAY, JULY 6, 2020

Milo City Council was called to order by Mayor Hall at 7:01 p.m. Mayor Hall acknowledged that the City Clerk will be attending via ZOOM audio. Council answering roll call: Kinser, Moulds, Graham, Uttley and Mason. Pledge of allegiance was administered.

Motion by Kinser to approve the amended agenda to move Small Town Country Christmas to the "a" position. Second by Mason. Ayes: Kinser, Moulds, Graham, Uttley and Mason. Nays: none. Motion approved. Motion by Moulds to approve the consent agenda to include all council meeting minutes of June 15 and June 23, 2020; and accounts payable from June 16 – July 6, 2020 in the amount of \$40,911.51. Second by Graham. Ayes: Kinser, Moulds, Graham, Uttley and Mason. Nays: none. Motion approved.

Under old business, Mayor Hall stated there is no new information from Hall Engineering regarding the wastewater treatment facility improvements. Bids have not been received regarding the alley behind the bank and meat locker and item was tabled. Council discussed the unclear intersection located at South 3rd Street and Main Street. Councilman Kinser suggested moving the stop sign to the south 20 feet to alleviate the problem. Mayor Hall said that Doug Hembry suggested putting a 4-way stop in the center of the intersection. Darrell Goering, owner of Milo Locker spoke to council about parking along his property. Mayor Hall shared that Doug Hembry measured and that angle parking would not be possible because the vehicles would be in the street impeding traffic. Goering mentioned concreting a strip of dirt to the west side of the locker building to allow for parking at an angle. Mayor Hall and Councilman Graham said that a sidewalk runs along that side and could not be used for parking. Discussion continued. Motion by Moulds to move the stop sign south 20 feet and paint a cross walk unless it is unsafe or illegal. Second by Mason. Ayes: Kinser, Moulds, Graham, Uttley and Mason. Nays: none. Motion approved. Mayor Hall then shared that she had sent several calls and emails to Troy Bass at Warren County Emergency Management regarding funding for the emergency siren. Also, City Clerk shared that Doug Hembry is working on bids for the small generator and for a whole building generator so Council can compare and decide which is better for Milo.

There were no departmental reports. Under new business Jackson Baumgarten of Milo Development Corporation (Country Christmas) addressed Council regarding what the options are for 2020 Milo's Small-Town Country Christmas amid the COVID-19 pandemic. They have decided to wait until Fall 2020 have put vendors on notice of the change. There will still be an event, but on a smaller scale with goodie bags and will be held at the Community Center. The library is considering doing the Ham Ball Dinner on a to-go basis. More information will be provided as we move into September and October. Next, Motion by Kinser to approve the alcohol permit for Houston's on Main. Second by Moulds. Ayes: Kinser, Moulds, Graham, Uttley and Mason. Nays: none. Motion approved. Then, Motion by Uttley to approve a deck permit for 407 5th Street, Milo, Iowa. Second by Mason. Ayes: Moulds, Graham, Uttley and Mason. Abstain: Kinser. Nays: none. Motion approved. Next, Motion by Kinser to approve a deck permit for 320 Elm Street, Milo, Iowa. Second by Mason. Ayes: Kinser, Graham, Uttley and Mason. Abstain: Moulds. Nays: none. Motion approved. Motion to approve a deck permit for 141 East Belmont Street, Milo, Iowa. Second by Kinser. Ayes: Kinser, Moulds, Graham, Uttley and Mason. Nays: none. Motion approved. Motion by Graham to approve a demolition permit for 2 sheds at 121 East Belmont, Milo, Iowa. Second by Moulds. Ayes: Kinser, Moulds, Graham, Uttley and Mason. Nays: none. Motion approved. Next, Terry Davis of the Milo Lion's Club addressed Council regarding the playground area at Centennial Park and the ongoing fundraising for new playground equipment as well as Nash family involvement and city involvement. Motion by Moulds to approve naming the new playground area "Dan Nash Community Service Memorial Playground" and allowing an entrance arch erected on the west side of the playground area. Second by Mason. Ayes: Kinser, Moulds, Graham, Uttley and Mason. Nays: none. Motion approved. Council then discussed funding the concrete arch entrance and walking area around the playground and the mulch fall material. This item was tabled to gather pricing. Next, Council discussed adding wind spinner sculptures to the Memorial Garden flower beds in honor of Royce and Sue Thompson and all the volunteers who have spent time tending the gardens. This was tabled to gather pricing. Then, Council reviewed Milo City Ordinance Chapters 55 & 56 regarding the keeping and care of pets. Council made suggestions of limiting number of dogs to 3 per households in the event of puppies allow 3 months to re-house, requiring proof of vaccinations and issuing registration tags. City Clerk suggested a contract or agreement with Kiya Koda to impound dogs found without registration and wandering at large. Council and Mayor discussed fines, fees, tags, and tracking. This item was tabled to gather more information and allow the City Attorney's guidance. City Clerk lost connection of the zoom / phone meeting and was not in audio attendance for the remainder of the meeting.

There were no public comments. Under propositions and remarks by Mayor and Council, Mayor Hall and Council discussed the second meeting in July and questioned if it was needed. Mason commented that all meetings should be on Mondays and the City Attorney should accommodate those meetings. Moulds stated that it is a special meeting and that is why it is on a different date. Graham stated that sometimes there would be times when it falls on a different day for a special meeting. Discussion followed on various employee items and the decision made by Milo 4th of July, Inc. to cancel the event and the fireworks. Items may be placed on a future agenda.

Motion by Uttley to adjourn at 8:31 p.m. Second by Moulds. Ayes: all present. Motion approved.

By Order of the Milo City Council